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<i>People—Existing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children like to play on the fitness equipment • Enjoy the natural feel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children and families are too afraid to use the park due to the free range of dogs. • Families are generally uncomfortable at this park and will choose not to come here. The amount of dogs make children feel unsafe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future growth surrounding the park means more dogs and more children will be around.
<i>Extension of park to 20th St</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activate the street • Pedestrian-only street • Connects to empty retail space • Opportunity for a design that complements Living Alley across the street 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current street is not well used • Empty storefronts • Worries about closing down the entirety of 20th street to cars. Difficult circulation patterns in the neighborhood already. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street closure and extension onto 20th St was part of original park plan • Consider fire access. Perhaps use of bollards? • Likelihood to be able to close down 20th st?
<i>Park path</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One pedestrian-friendly path to serve as circulation around the park and the block • Use of permeable paving 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duplication of external sidewalks and internal park paths 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is it possible to take away sidewalk?
<i>Pedestrian-scale lighting</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like to see lower, pedestrian-scale lighting around the park for evening use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current street lighting is high up and meant for vehicle traffic. 	



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<i>Dogs-- Existing</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog owners love being able to let their dogs off-leash. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog urine kills trees • Dogs run free throughout the entire park. • Southwest corner smells bad • Some dog owners refuse to leash their dogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Park currently does not have a designated off-leash dog play area. • Park is advertised as so on Yelp and other dog-friendly websites.
<i>Dog Run</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use artificial K9 turf. Can be cleaned/irrigated. • Potentially put on 19th Street. Maybe close down half the street but still allow vehicular access. • Dog fitness equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog run on 20th St may not be appropriate fronting potential retail shops/restaurants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avalon already has a dog run proposed, to be open in 2018 (though not legally agreed upon, it was promised as a community benefit. Currently the site is used for construction staging; will probably be the last element of the project to be constructed.)
<i>Separation of Dogs and People</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use topography; large berm that isolates the dogs into its section on the northern end of the park • Mimic Duboce Park with a walking path that bifurcates the park into two sections; define the dog play area clearly with fencing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing general agreement in the neighborhood is not working out. (Northern end for dogs, Southern end for people) 	<p>From RPD Dog Policy:</p> <p>What is RPD’s requirements for dog fences?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Where fencing is required it will be 4 feet high.” • “To the extent possible, RPD will advocate for non-fence alternatives.” • “Boundaries of dog play areas will be identified with physical enclosures. All barriers will strive to be aesthetically pleasing using landscape features such as shrubs and vines.” • Also see boundary requirements for smaller parks 0-10 acres in dog policy. <p>What is the necessary size for RPD to designate dog play area?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum size of 10,000 sf but ideally at least 30,000 sf



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<i>Plazas</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Like the idea of entry plazas to formalize the entrance of the parks. • Would like the entrance to complement the Dogpatch Arts Plaza and Living Alley. • Seating for people to buy takeout nearby and sit/eat at the park. • Northeast corner needs a path into the park. Perhaps mimic other plaza entrance on a smaller scale. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The entry at the northeast corner of the park is unwelcoming. Must step over mulch pile to enter the park. 	
<i>Play Areas</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rocks, boulders for children to climb—natural play elements to complement the natural feel of the park • General informal play space for people to play (e.g. throw ball or Frisbee around) • Would like the whole place to be playable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not want new children’s play structures, especially plastic and colorful play structures—“McDonald’s” type • CPA would be too small. A play structure would also take away from the lawn space for other active play uses. • Should not confine children to one area 	
<i>Adult Fitness Equipment</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently used frequently by adults • Upgrade the equipment and improve the surfacing—softer and not concrete 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concrete pad—lack of safety surfacing has caused injuries, especially kids who use it as play equipment. 	



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<i>Topography</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English garden feel—use of topography to reveal natural areas as you walk in More vertical elements on the Southeast corner. Currently has a lot of sun. Like existing vertical elements on the Southwest corner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trees/plantings lost over time. The feeling of an English garden is lost. 	
<i>Storage</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Idea—move storage to a parking space (would need encroachment permit from DPW and/or MTA) 		
<i>Landscape and Vegetation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing nature walkway and paths, large trees, magnolia on south end of park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dying trees Loss of trees/vegetation over time Dog urine affecting tree health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to hire an arborist to confirm poor health of trees in redwood grove
<i>Picnic Area</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing location and use is great 		
<i>Community Garden</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not appropriate for this park—too many dogs in the area 	