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Hello and thank you for the opportunity to share my thoughts before the school board and city parks.

I spent a lot of time this weekend with my grandchildren at Briscoe School playground. What a treat. All my children graduated from Briscoe and now their little ones are continuing the love of this neighborhood park, that we can walk to!. Thank you for allowing Briscoe park to be maintained, and open to the public.

I want the same opportunity to exist for my friends and fellow Ashlanders who live near the former Lincoln School. What an important part of our community, having neighborhood parks and outdoor shared spaces.

I understand budgets are created and need to be followed. Everything costs more these days, and the needs are many. What does one give up to get something new? Actually is it new to maintain the Lincoln fields and playground as a park?

I expect our elected board members, city staff and the decision makers to do what is best for the whole community. And to take into account what the citizens are asking for. I am one voice, yet know I represent many. Please keep the Lincoln School property available for the community to use as a public park.

Thank you
Amy Blossom, Ashland resident for 35 years