

## COLLINGWOOD PARK RENEWAL ROUND 2 ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY



People talking to staff and reviewing project boards during open house at Renfrew Community Centre

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The Vancouver Park Board is currently in the planning stage for the renewal of Collingwood Park.

A concept design for the park was developed based on community feedback gathered during a first round of consultation in May 2022.

This report summarizes the feedback we received on the proposed concept during the second round of engagement in November/December 2022.

We received valuable feedback from residents and park users and we will do our best to accommodate as much of this as possible.



#### COLLINGWOOD PARK RENEWAL ENGAGEMENT OVERVIEW

#### HIGHLIGHTS

Second round of engagement took place from November 21 to December 19, 2022.



In-person events were held on Nov 24 and Dec 8, 2022 which saw 90 visitors.



5,900 post-cards were mailed to residents within a 4-block area of the park.



Signage was installed in the park and posters were displayed at Renfrew Community Centre and Collingwood Neighbourhood House.



Connected with local schools and community organizations for feedback.



Social media posts and ads were shared through the Park Board's Facebook, Twitter and Instagram channels, reaching over 70,000 people. 1,600 people visited the 'Shape Your City' project website.

125 surveys were completed.





People from the in-person engagement event on November 24, 2022 at the Renfrew Community Centre.

#### WHO PROVIDED FEEDBACK? 3% 72% 25% Neighbourhood Renfrew Collingwood Other neighborhoods in the city of Vancouver Outside the city of Vancouver 3%-53% 39% **5%** Gender Women preferred not to say non-binary gender-diverse 4% Men 3% 18% 50% 21% 1% 6% 30-39 50-59 13-19 70+ Age 20-29 40-49 60-69



We asked if overall you are happy with the improvements proposed for Collingwood Park.

# **92%** said they strongly or somewhat agree with proposed improvements.



Due to potential changes in construction costs and limited budgets, we may need to prioritize which improvements to focus on. We asked what features are priorities for you.

Here is how you ranked the proposed improvements to the park:

Playground improvements Seating and picnic tables New trees and plantings Water play feature Multi-use sports court improvements New paths Plaza stage Baseball diamond improvements

Most Important



Illustrated perspective from the proposed play area and pedestrian trail.



We asked if the proposed design of the playground includes features you would like to see.

**89%** said they strongly or somewhat agree that the playground design includes features they would like to see.



A zip-line and trampolines were requested several times.

Other requested features include log-natural play, sand-water play, monkey bars, a slide for kids aged less than 5 years, tether-ball, bridge ramp, small rock climbing, tube plus slide, stroller parking, rubber mound with a slide.





We asked if the proposed design of the water play feature would work well in the renewed park.

## **86%** said they strongly or somewhat agree with the proposed water play feature.



The respondents requested the design include a shade shelter and features such as: sprays, water slide, a small play structure, interactive elements such as water guns, adjustable pipes, etc.





Illustrated perspective from the proposed splash pad and park entry.

Quotations are from responses to the open-ended question.



We asked if the proposed plaza stage will make the park experience more enjoyable and bring people into the park.

# 85% strongly or somewhat agree with including the proposed stage features in the design.



**A covered area** was requested several times for more shade, protection from rain, and year round activation of the space.

Other comments heard included providing electrical outlets, being mindful of the current summer movie night events; Incorporating grade changes into layout and location of the stage.

"Love the addition of this space in the park. Look forward to more community events!"

*"Love this idea. Perhaps an electrical outlet nearby for event."* 

"Cover from weather would make this stage more useful year-round "

Quotations are from responses to the open-ended question.



Illustrated perspective from the proposed stage and plaza.



We asked if the proposed improvements for the multi use sports court would meet the needs of the community in the renewed park.

#### **90%** strongly or somewhat agreed with proposed improvements to the multiuse sports court.



Some additional improvements requested for the multi-use sports court feature:

- Allocate enough space to separate spectator seating, skateboarding area and the court, so that they can be used comfortably at the same time.
- Provide a covered area, garbage receptacles and water fountains.
- Provide hoops with adjustable height or shorter hoops for younger kids.
- Provide fence at the ends of the court to prevent balls escaping outside, and
- Provide table tennis tables, chess tables.
- Have an additional one or a bigger sports court.
- Facilitate flexible use of multiple sports (such as tennis, volleyball, pickle ball, hockey, etc.) by providing markings, equipment, and drop holes at the mid line of the court.

"A bit more spectator seating."

"Maybe add a bike lane surrounding it for kiddos to tricycle."

Quotations are from responses to the open-ended question.



The proposed design of the multi-use sport court includes the inclusion of some form and design of a skate feature.

#### We asked about your preference for the skate feature:



Some feedback received on the skate feature included allocating more space for sufficient separation (as noted in the previous page) and additional multiple skate features. Other noted skate features were: a small bank, a small quarter pipe, a small rail, skateable edges, slappy style parking curbs, manny pad, etc.

#### A ramp feature for bikes and skateboarding was requested several times.

"Please add more than one skateboard feature and allow enough space for skateboarding." *"Mini ramp for skateboarding, could be in the corner."* 

Quotations are from responses to the open-ended question.



#### COLLINGWOOD PARK RENEWAL NEXT STEPS

TAUNTON STREET



#### LEGEND



#### MCKINNON STREET

#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

While not all suggestions that were given can be accommodated, we will do our best to include as many as possible in the park renewal.

Additional frequent comments heard:

- Include covered area and shelter
- Include a fenced dog off leash area
- Include a pollinator garden and use native plants
- Provide First Nations art and use Indigenous knowledge
- Include multi-use bike tracks for adults/kids
- Include a running track/trail

#### WHAT'S NEXT?

The feedback gathered during the second round of engagement will be used to refine the concept design shown above. The refined design will be reviewed by the Park Board and once approved, the design will be shared publicly in the spring. Construction is anticipated to begin in summer 2023



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