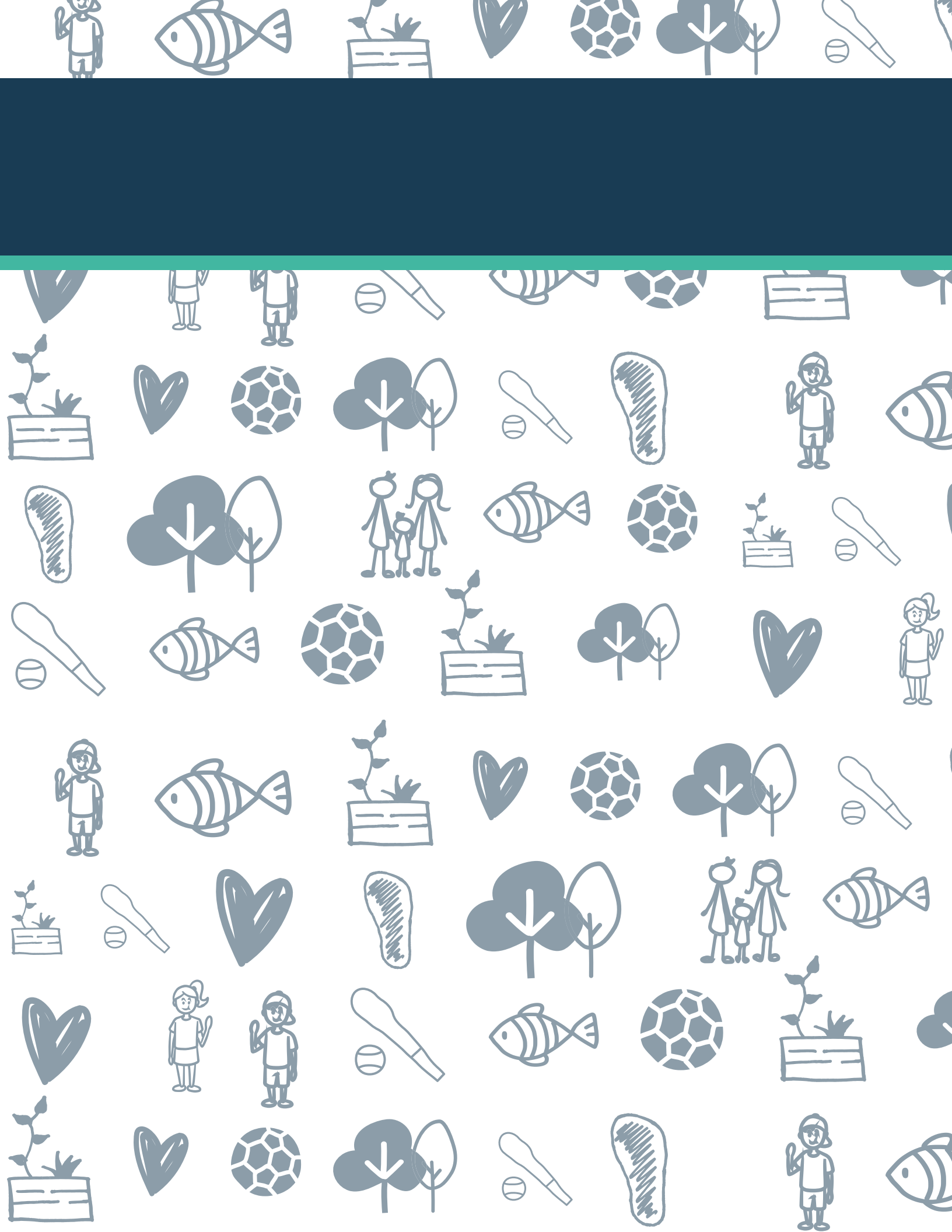


JOHN HENDRY PARK RENEWAL PLAN

Phase 2 Engagement Summary Report

April 2022





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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PROJECT CONTEXT

The Vancouver Board of Parks & Recreation (Park Board) began the John Hendry Park Renewal Plan (Renewal Plan) process in 2013. Initial public engagement was held in 2013 and 2014, and a preliminary plan developed in 2015. The project was paused in 2015 while staff developed a policy to guide the design and integration of dog off-leash areas (OLA) in parks across the city. The *People, Parks, & Dogs Strategy* (PPDS), was approved by the Board in October 2017. In addition, a number of other guiding documents including *VanPlay* and *VanSplash*, were also completed in this period.

The John Hendry Park renewal planning process re-started in 2019. Public engagement took place in fall 2019 and focused on reconfirming the vision and principles guiding the development of the plan, reviewing and updating draft recommendations proposed in 2015, and seeking input on emerging recommendations.

While planning and engagement has been ongoing, the process was paused in 2020 due to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. In the fall of 2021, the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation (Park Board) continued advancing planning and engagement to finalize the Renewal Plan for John Hendry Park. See page 3 for a summary of the process timeline.

The purpose of the John Hendry Park Renewal Plan is to identify short, medium, and long term priorities for the future of the park, aligning capital investment and operational priorities with Park Board strategies and policies.

It is worth noting the project is now known as the John Hendry Park Renewal Plan rather than by its previous name, John Hendry Park Master Plan. This allows the project to more appropriately align with the Park Board's commitment to reconciliation and decolonization and reduce the use of colonial-based terminology.



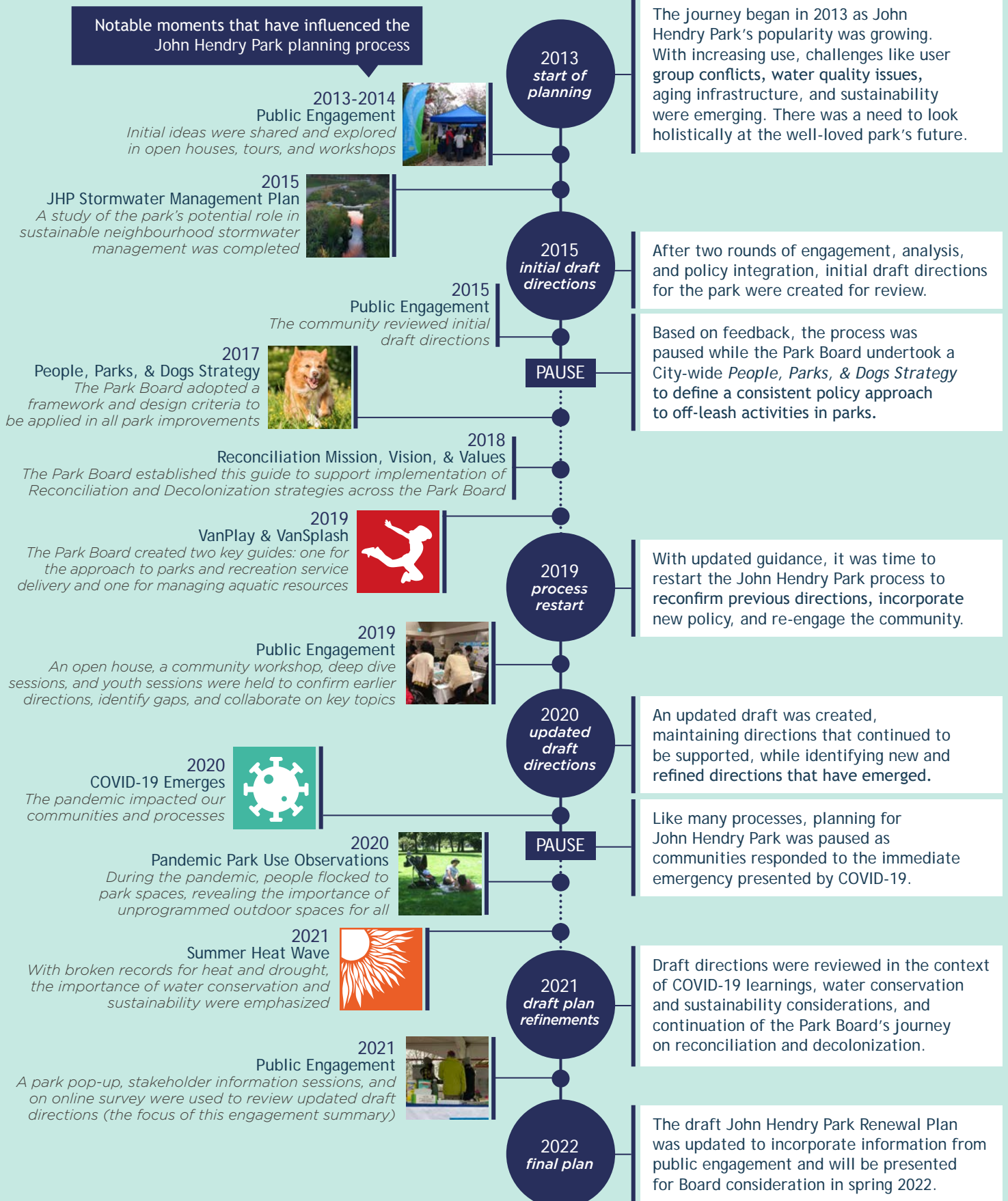
PROCESS TIMELINE

Creating a plan to guide the future of John Hendry Park has been a journey - a path that has taken some pauses and detours as the City and the world around us has evolved. During this journey, new information and knowledge have emerged. While many directions for the park have remained constant the entire way, new information has led to rethinking and refining some directions in the Renewal Plan. Throughout it all, people who love and care for John Hendry Park have continued to engage, sharing their hopes, as well as their concerns, for the future of this important park.

Through the process, a draft plan for the park emerged. The John Hendry Park Renewal Plan seeks to balance diverse, and at times, competing community desires, align with the Park Board's commitments and policies, and achieve the long-time vision for a healthy and inclusive John Hendry Park.



Notable moments that have influenced the John Hendry Park planning process



PARTICIPATION

A total of 550 people took part in this phase of engagement.

Community Partner Briefings

Nov 22 + Nov 23, 2021



23
participants

Pop-up in the Park

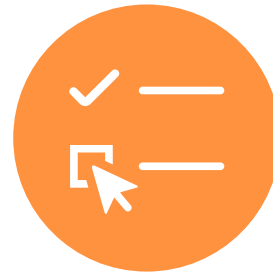
November 27, 2021



88
participants

Online Survey

Nov 23 - Dec 21, 2021



439
responses



PARK OBJECTIVES

The Park Board has continued its commitment to ensuring that the John Hendry Park Renewal Plan considers the needs of the many groups and people who use the park for recreation, community, and relaxing. As Phase 2 was initiated in fall of 2021, seven park objectives guided the development of refined directions for the Renewal Plan. These included:

- **Advance Reconciliation & Decolonization:** Support the Park Board's strategies to cultivate a new respectful relationship with Indigenous Peoples that provides opportunities for First Nations and Indigenous Peoples to help shape the future of John Hendry Park.
- **Support Healthy & Sustainable Water Systems:** Celebrate water and identify opportunities to improve water quality in Trout Lake, manage stormwater more naturally, and respond to the City's *One Water* initiative.
- **Enhance Natural Spaces & Support the City's Commitment to a Green Vancouver:** Enhance the park's biodiversity and natural values and allow people to experience the physical, spiritual, and emotional benefits of being in nature. Consider how future changes will affect park ecology and offset any potential losses with improvements that lead to overall gains for the natural environment.
- **Support Safety, Accessibility, & Inclusivity to Create a Park for All:** Invite people to enjoy John Hendry Park in a way that appeals to them and implement park improvements that increase safety and improve accessibility for all residents.
- **Provide Diverse Recreational Options:** Continue to provide a balance of spaces for both active recreation and spaces for quiet relaxation.
- **Improve Coherent Park Design:** Seamlessly connect park uses, facilities, and natural areas and make it easy to access the park by all modes of transportation, especially encouraging people to walk, cycle, and use transit when visiting John Hendry Park.
- **Manage Costs:** Maintain what's good in the park today to limit need for reinvestment and invest thoughtfully in future improvements, matching level of investments with potential quality and increasing park use.

OVERVIEW OF OUTCOMES

A focus for this phase of engagement was sharing ten updated recommendations that were either new or had evolved significantly since the last engagement phase in late 2019 and obtaining feedback on nine of them. Participants were also invited to share their comments on any aspect of the draft Renewal Plan.



Cultural Focus Area

Specific public feedback was not requested on this draft recommendation.



Adaptive Trout Lake Water Quality Monitoring & Treatment

75%

Felt the draft recommendations would address water quality issues in Trout Lake.

75%

Felt the draft recommendations would enhance Trout Lake's recreational use.



Dedicated Flexible Open Spaces

96%

Felt it is important to include a variety of open spaces in the park.

93%

Felt the draft recommendations would meet or somewhat meet their needs.



Bicycle Circulation

88%

Felt the draft recommendations would reduce conflicts and enhance safety for park visitors.

90%

Felt the draft recommendations would meet or somewhat meet their needs.



Sports Fields

91%

Felt the draft recommendations balance the needs of sports field users with other park visitors.

89%

Felt the draft recommendations would meet or somewhat meet their needs.



Dog Off-Leash Area

83%

Felt the draft recommendations would balance the needs of the dog off-leash area with other park uses.

85%

Felt the draft recommendations would meet or somewhat meet their needs.



South Beach Event Area

94%

Felt the draft recommendations would meet or somewhat meet their needs.



Farmers Market Relocation

92%

Felt the draft recommendations would meet or somewhat meet their needs.



Courts Activity Centre

94%

Felt the draft recommendations would enhance the ability for people to enjoy court sports in the park.



Victoria Drive Community Plaza

84%

Felt the draft recommendations would meet or somewhat meet their needs.

For more detailed information on the updated recommendations and participant feedback, see "What We Heard" starting on page 10.

ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

The second round of engagement on the John Hendry Park Renewal Plan occurred between November 22 and December 21, 2021 and included online Community Partner Briefings, a Pop-up in the Park, and a Shape Your City Online Survey.

The engagement materials included an illustrated park concept plan that identified 31 broad park improvement recommendations as well as more detailed information about ten “new or updated” recommendations.

Activity	Date	Numbers
Community Partner Briefings	November 22 + November 23, 2021	23
Pop-up in John Hendry Park	November 27, 2021	88
Online Survey	November 23 - December 21, 2021	439
Total Participants		550

PROMOTION

Promotion of the engagement process was done through the following channels:

- **Social Media:** Posts on the Park Board’s Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.
- **Email:** Residents who signed up for project updates received email updates about engagement opportunities.
- **In-Park Signage:** Large chloroplast information boards were posted in the park to raise awareness of park users.
- **Posters:** Posters were put up on Trout Lake Community Centre notice boards to raise awareness of community centre users.
- **Postcards:** Over 13,000 postcards were mailed to local residents around John Hendry Park. Additionally, postcards and physical copies of the survey were made available in the Trout Lake Community Centre.

COMMUNITY PARTNER BRIEFINGS



Prior to the public engagement launch, community partners were invited to attend one of two online briefing sessions intended to share the draft recommendations and answer questions. The briefing sessions were completed as outreach to community organizations due to limited external communications since the COVID-19 pandemic began in spring 2020. While the purpose of these sessions was to share information out, attendees were also able to ask questions about the engagement process and the draft plan. Questions from participants mainly focused on circulation, natural spaces, water and waste management, sports fields, amenities, and community gardens, as well as involvement of First Nations in the process and future design process.

A third online briefing session was held with Cedar Cottage Community Garden members in acknowledgment of the organization's 2019 Community Garden application to be relocated to John Hendry Park. The briefing session allowed Park staff to share the draft recommendations of the plan, discuss why a community garden is not recommended in the draft plan, and answer questions. Staff shared the following background as to why a community garden was not being advanced at this time.

- An updated recommendation in the plan is identification of Cultural Focus Area within the southern part of John Hendry Park in support of the Park Board's ongoing reconciliation and decolonization commitments. The draft Renewal Plan recommended an Indigenous-led planning process to determine preferred future uses for this area prior to assigning specific potential uses in this area.
- The recently approved *Local Food System Action Plan* (LSFAP) includes an objective to identify opportunities to support Indigenous ways of relating to land and food systems. With the goal of taking a decolonized approach to design, the Park Board wishes to first support the Indigenous-led design process, without assuming that the future state would include a community garden as a preferred model for integrating food into the landscape.
- Observations made since the pandemic have indicated that much of John Hendry Park is already programmed, and maintaining spaces that are open and flexible is considered a priority for the park's future.

ONLINE SURVEY



From November 23, 2021 to December 21, 2021 a Shape Your City online survey shared the identified 31 broad park improvement recommendations as well as the ten “new or updated” recommendations with the public. The purpose of the survey was to solicit feedback on nine of the ten recommendations and identify gaps in the draft plan. For details about survey respondents, see the section “About Survey Participants” starting on page 31.

POP-UP IN THE PARK



A pop-up in John Hendry Park was hosted on November 27, 2021. There were two pop-up stations - one by the Trout Lake Community Centre and one in the north parking lot. The pop-up provided an opportunity for the public to learn more about the draft recommendations, ask questions and discuss their thoughts with the project team, and find out how to share their feedback via the online survey.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE



In addition to public engagement activities, the Park Board received correspondence shared directly, outside of the second round of public engagement. This information is being considered in the planning process, but is not specifically included in this public engagement report.



*Discussions at the Pop-up
in John Hendry Park,
November 27, 2021.*

WHAT WE HEARD

The draft Renewal Plan identified 31 recommendations for John Hendry Park and this final phase of engagement focused on ten recommendations that were either new or had evolved significantly since the last engagement phase in late 2019. The following pages summarize the ten new or updated recommendations brought forward and participants' responses.

Overall, participants were primarily supportive of moving forward with the recommendations in the draft John Hendry Park Renewal Plan.

10 "NEW OR UPDATED" RECOMMENDATIONS

(focus of Phase 2 engagement)



Cultural Focus Area



Dog Off-Leash Area



Adaptive Trout
Lake Water Quality
Monitoring &
Treatment



South Beach
Event Area



Dedicated Flexible
Open Spaces



Farmers Market
Relocation



Bicycle Circulation



Courts Activity
Centre



Sports Fields



Victoria Drive
Community Plaza



Cultural Focus Area

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

The John Hendry Park Renewal Plan acknowledges that the park, like the City of Vancouver, sits on the ancestral and unceded territory of the $x^w m \theta k^w \dot{a} y \dot{a} m$ (Musqueam), $S k w x w \acute{u} 7 m e s h$ (Squamish), and $s \acute{a} l i l i l \acute{w} \acute{e} t a 7 \ddot{a}$ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations and is an important site of ongoing use and spiritual importance to Indigenous Peoples. To reflect the Vancouver Park Board's commitment to reconciliation and decolonization, a Cultural Focus Area has been identified in the south part of John Hendry Park. This area will be co-designed with local First Nations and Indigenous Peoples to:

- Reflect Indigenous Peoples' values and programming needs.
- Fulfill the Indigenous communities' requests voiced through the engagement process.
- Support positive community relationships that offer benefit to all residents.

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

Specific public feedback was not requested on this draft direction; however qualitative comments indicated general support for this direction and emphasized the importance of First Nations involvement in design and planning for the area.





Adaptive Trout Lake Water Quality Monitoring & Treatment

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

Trout Lake is, and will continue to be, the centrepiece of John Hendry Park. The community wishes a swimmable lake; however, the current practice of pumping millions of litres of drinking water into Trout Lake each year is not resulting in a consistently safe lake for swimming, nor is the continued use of drinking water sustainable during our increasingly hot and dry summers. *Vancouver's Drinking Water Conservation Bylaw* and Metro Vancouver's *Drinking Water Conservation Plan* call for us to reduce our consumption of drinking water, including in our civic facilities and parks like John Hendry Park.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

- Undertake a phased program aimed at improving water quality in the swimming area over time with the ultimate goal of reducing swimming closures while eliminating the addition of precious drinking water to Trout Lake.
- Involve water quality experts in the development of a comprehensive monitoring program that will track progress over the years.
- Implement phased improvements using new innovations and emerging technologies such as aeration and mixing, floating wetlands, separation of the swimming area using a water curtain or barrier, dredging, lining, and possible treatment.





Adaptive Trout Lake Water Quality Monitoring & Treatment

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Maintaining a swimmable area
- Idea of a water curtain or barrier to separate the swimming area and focus potential improvements
- Eliminating addition of drinking water to Trout Lake
- Idea of enhanced aeration techniques
- Overall efforts to improve water quality



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Managing geese impacts on water quality
- Mixed feedback: consider not focusing on making the lake swimmable / do more to make the lake swimmable
- Prioritize natural habitat and supporting wildlife
- Focus on natural treatment techniques (e.g. fish / plants)



Dedicated Flexible Open Spaces

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

Throughout the process, participants have emphasized the importance of places to just “be” in John Hendry Park. The COVID-19 pandemic has further revealed how important open, unprogrammed spaces are to individuals and groups.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

- Maintain dedicated unprogrammed open spaces where people can picnic, relax, or informally play for the lifetime of this plan.
- Encourage multi-use of field spaces for both programmed and unprogrammed activities.
 - Plan key spaces including areas in the south part of the park, existing picnic and lawn areas, and the northwest and northeast fields, to welcome anyone to play in a way that works for them.





Dedicated Flexible Open Spaces

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

96%

Very Important
or Somewhat
Important

4%

Not Very
Important
or Not at all
Important

How important is
it to you to include
a variety of open
spaces in John
Hendry Park?

Will these
recommendations
meet your needs in
terms of how you
use the park?

65%

Yes

29%

Somewhat

7%

No



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Maintaining flexible and informal spaces for picnics and gathering
- Preservation of existing open spaces
- Plans to improve drainage to make open spaces more usable



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Add other recreational facilities such as disc golf
- Add more seating areas
- Add more trees for shade
- Add more covered spaces
- Keep green open spaces / don't add amenities that could impact them



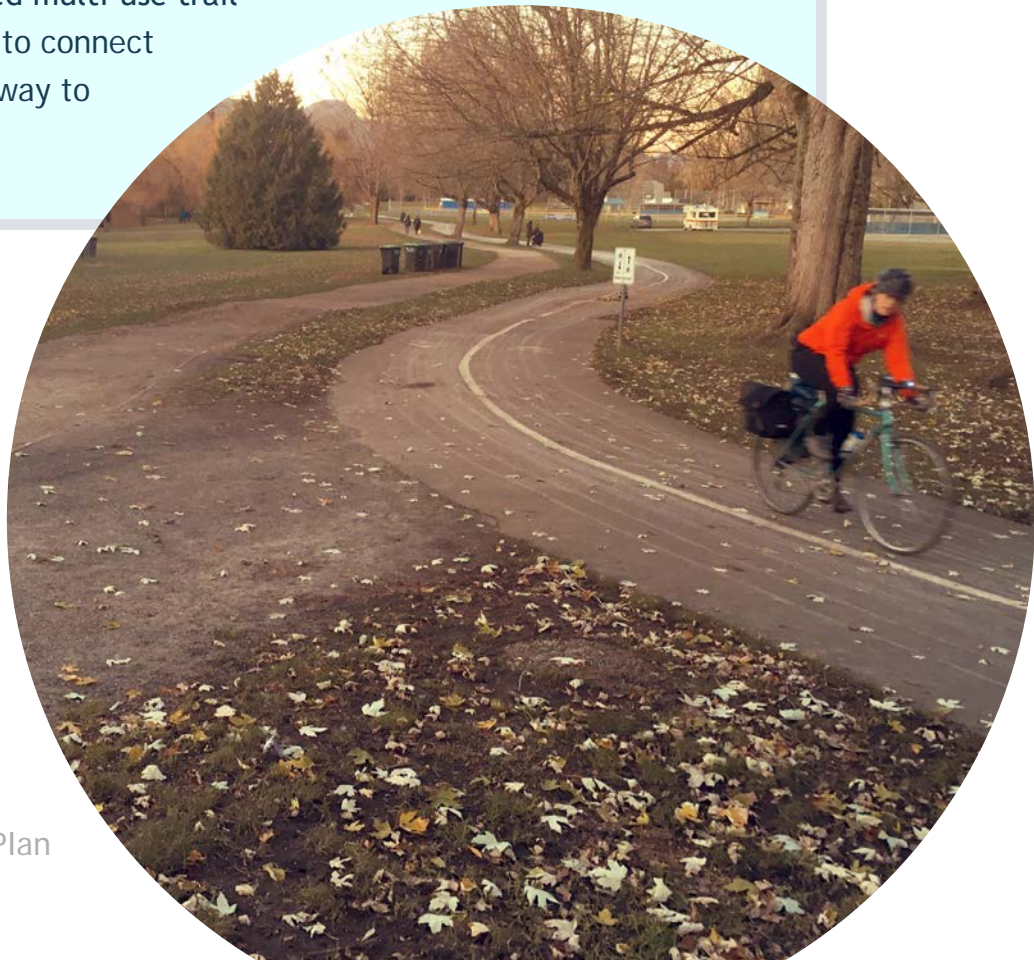
Bicycle Circulation

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

The BC Parkway Trail through John Hendry Park is an important link in the City's active transportation network. However, community input has identified a need to think more about how to fit active transportation within an increasingly busy community park setting.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

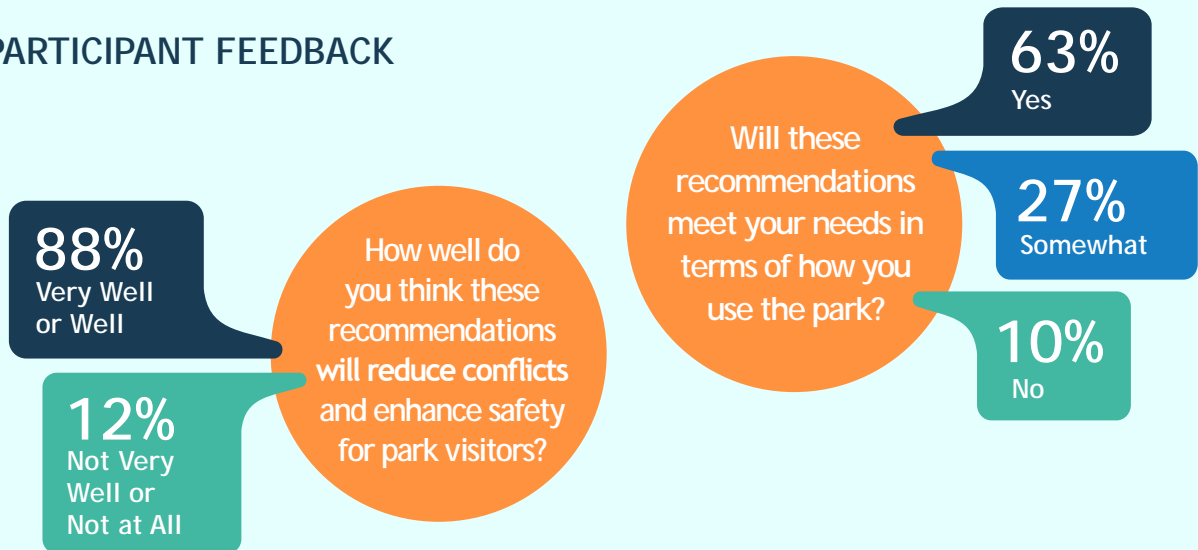
- Maintain a cycle route through John Hendry Park.
- Shift the BC Parkway Trail east to reduce conflicts in the busy parts of the park while providing safe, direct connections to E 13th Avenue and E 19th Avenue.
- Phase trail relocation with upgrades to the little league ball fields so the northern two fields can be moved slightly west to accommodate the new route while preserving existing trees.
- Define a low-speed multi-use trail through the park to connect from the BC Parkway to key destinations.





Bicycle Circulation

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Separating cyclists from pedestrians and commuters from recreational cyclists
- Mixed feedback: support shifting the bike path to the park perimeter (while keeping it in the park) / prefer the existing route



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Keep the bike path within the park, not around the perimeter
- Ensure cycling and walking uses are clearly separated
- Address concerns that the low-speed multi-use trail through the park could have conflicts
- Provide clear signage including wayfinding and code of conduct



Sports Fields

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

Playing sports in a park setting like John Hendry Park is a special experience. However, the park is located on a historic bog - which means soil conditions can be challenging for managing and maintaining high-quality playing fields. A goal for John Hendry Park is to create higher-quality playing fields in key locations, while balancing the need to share spaces for all park users in this busy area.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

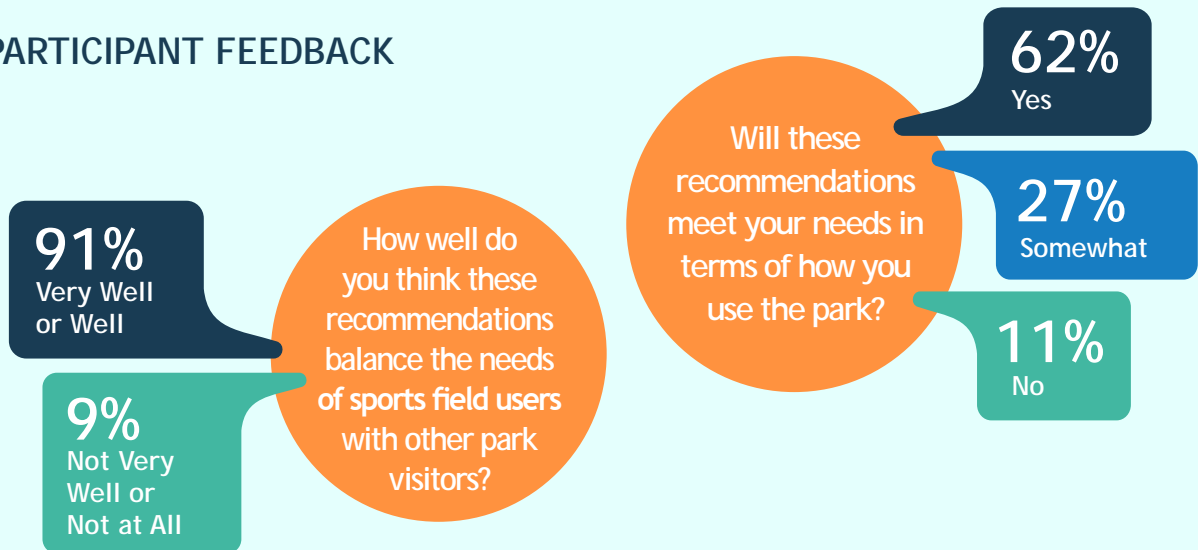
- Complete subsurface investigations for all fields to identify ground stability improvements needed and associated costs to improve playing surfaces to remain level and well-drained.
- Re-orient and upgrade the northwest softball field and remove the southwest softball field due to size limitations and that area's integration into the Cultural Focus Area.
- Upgrade the northeast field to improve drainage and leveling.
- Maintain the all-weather field and identify surfacing upgrades based on the City-wide *Sports Field Strategy*.
- Upgrade the Little League fields with minor location shifts to accommodate relocation of the BC Parkway Trail to the east park edge.





Sports Fields

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Improvements to field drainage
- Overall approach to sports fields
- Removal of the southwest ball field (better use of the space)
- Balanced approach to improving field usability (based on analysis of ground conditions)



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Mixed feedback: allocate less space to sports fields / allocate more space to sports fields
- Consider additional facilities such as disc golf



Dog Off-Leash Area

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

The dog off-leash area in John Hendry Park is well-used and well-loved by many and this area will continue to provide great places for pets to swim, socialize, and live their best lives. The primary objectives for the off-leash area are increasing safety for all park users, while maintaining a great space for dogs and people to play freely. The proposed approach outlined below, follows the guidelines of Vancouver Park Board's *People, Parks & Dogs Strategy*, while seeking to integrate the ideas and desires shared in community engagement.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

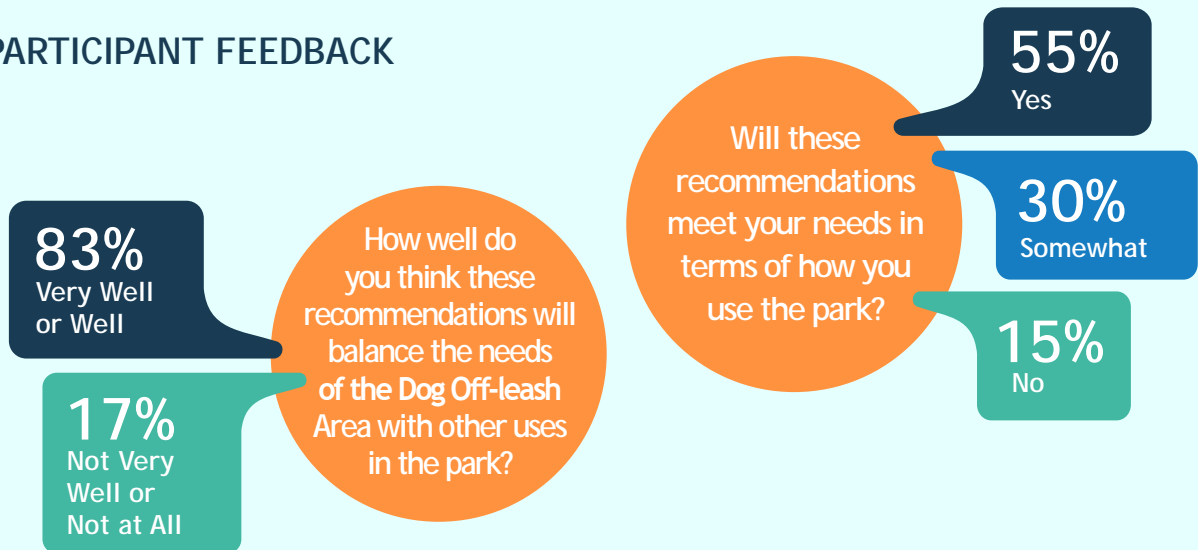
- The off-leash area will remain in its current location at the north end of Trout Lake and will maintain its existing size (about 2.8 ha).
- A new primary park trail will be added outside the off-leash area, providing two trail options: one that goes through the off-leash area and one that goes outside the off-leash area for those wishing to avoid dogs.
- Boundaries of the off-leash area will be marked by secure wood fencing to reduce potential conflicts between dog activities and neighbouring activities like playing on sports fields.
- Most entries to the off-leash area will remain open and ungated, marked by signs that welcome people into the space. The two entrances closest to playing fields in the northwest and northeast will be gated to minimize risks of interaction between off-leash dogs and sports users.
- Within the off-leash area, additions like improved signage, lighting of select areas to support evening use, drinking water, a dog-wash station, and additional shade trees are priorities.





Dog Off-Leash Area

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Addition of secure fencing
- Improved separation of off-leash dogs and other park users
- Improved clarity / delineation of the extents of the off-leash area
- Addition of a drinking water / dog-wash station
- Overall approach



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Reduce the amount of space dedicated to the off-leash area
- Reduce / eliminate addition of fencing and gates
- Increase enforcement of on-leash areas (outside the designated off-leash area)
- Increase signage in the rest of the park regarding on-leash areas



South Beach Event Area

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

John Hendry Park's South Beach Activity Area is planned to become a premier beach destination – a vision well-supported throughout the process. The adjacent South Beach Event Area is intended to complement the beach area, creating a space for story-telling, arts, and celebration.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

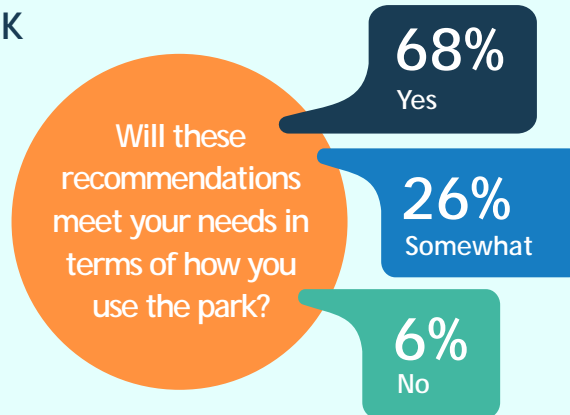
- Upgrade the existing south parking lot to become a flexible space that can be used for events when needed and remain for parking in other times.
- Add a new plaza space next to the south parking lot to create an adaptable combined area that can be used for a variety of activities and celebrations, from small to large.





South Beach Event Area

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Updating the parking lot as flexible plaza space
- Upgraded / improved washrooms in the South Beach Activity Area
- Use of permeable paving
- Multi-purpose / flexible use of space
- Addition of power and lighting
- Potential for relocation of the Farmers Market to this area
- New / upgraded playground at the adjacent South Beach Activity Area
- Potential new covered spaces (e.g. Indigenous Celebration Facility, new picnic shelters)
- Overall approach



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Do not add paving over existing grass areas / hold events on grass
- Keep the concession at the South Beach Activity Area
- Limit activity / concerns about making the park too busy in this area
- Have space for food vendors / trucks / cafe / beer garden
- Do not lose existing parking / add more parking



Farmers Market Relocation

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

Thousands of people visit John Hendry Park to pick up local produce and goods at the Trout Lake Farmers Market. Throughout the process, different spaces have been considered for the market.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

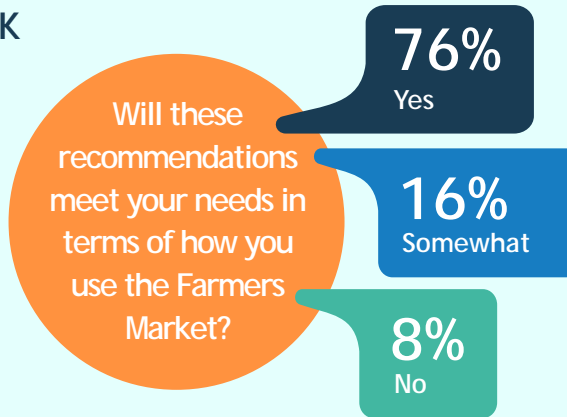
- John Hendry Park will remain home to the market, but with planning for the improved South Beach Event Area to become its long-term location. This area is strongly connected with key amenities that market visitors and vendors identified as desired: washrooms, play opportunities, picnic areas, and potential to have power and water access.
- Market representatives, among others, would be involved in the design of the South Beach Event Area to create a space the supports a great market experience.
- The north parking lot would remain a back-up market location should an unresolvable issue be encountered in the design process.





Farmers Market Relocation

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Location - improved proximity to public washrooms, other amenities (e.g. picnic areas, drinking water), transit, parking / cyclist access
- Potential to have access to power / reduce reliance on generators
- Potential for a larger space to support the Farmers Market



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Manage parking on East 19th Avenue and parking overall
- Consider keeping the market in its current location
- Expand further / concerns the space will not be large enough and will be too crowded
- Add more bike parking
- Address challenges around access - including drop-off, large vehicle access, vendor access



Courts Activity Centre

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

The Courts Activity Centre will welcome people of all ages to take part in a game - casual or competitive - while providing a more attractive atmosphere for relaxing before and after playing or while watching a game.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

- Addition of ping pong in the Community Centre entry plaza.
- Expansion to include two basketball courts with integrated spectator seating.
- Retention of the existing tennis courts with re-orientation of the south court to north-south.
- Addition of up to two multi-sport courts.
- Improved pedestrian connections between the courts area and the park.





Courts Activity Centre

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

94%

To a Large
Degree or
Somewhat

6%

Slightly or
Not at All

To what degree do
you think these
recommendations will
enhance the ability
for people to enjoy
court sports in the
park?



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Overall expansion / addition of courts / variety of sports accommodated
- Addition of ping pong tables
- Increased access to basketball courts
- Spectator areas / spaces to meet / shade areas for lounging
- Overall approach



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Add more sports and courts, notably pickleball (with permanent nets), badminton, hockey, volleyball
- Enhance the booking system
- Reduce impacts to / loss of green space



Victoria Drive Community Plaza

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OVERVIEW

The space between the Trout Lake Community Centre and Victoria Drive is an underused part of John Hendry Park. The space is proposed to become an extension of the community centre, bringing more activities into the outdoors. Tailored primarily towards youth, but welcoming everyone, the Victoria Drive Community Plaza will become a more exciting gathering area.

RECOMMENDED DIRECTIONS:

- Addition of an enhanced seating area with wi-fi, power, covered areas, and games tables.
- Potential art showcase area with temporary art displays (possibly featuring works created at the Trout Lake Community Centre).
- A grassy play triangle with spaces to relax and potential addition of games like tetherball.
- Creation of an urban plaza with integrated seating, urban skate elements, parkour, and more play opportunities.





Victoria Drive Community Plaza

PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

84%

To a Large
Degree or
Somewhat

16%

Slightly or
Not at All

To what degree
will these
recommendations
meet your needs in
terms of how you
use John Hendry
Park?



What works well in the draft recommendations?

- Use and programming of an underused space
- Space / opportunities for youth
- Skate elements
- Addition of covered areas for year-round activities / shade
- More seating options
- Access to power, wi-fi, charging
- Arts / display spaces
- Multi-use plaza space
- Overall approach



What could be improved in the draft recommendations?

- Add access to food / water - e.g. food truck space, concession, cafe, drinking water fountain
- Address noise issues / concerns about noise impacts from skating on local residents
- Address proximity issues (noise and safety) to Victoria Drive - e.g. fence, planters, screening, traffic calming
- Add more sports facilities - e.g. climbing wall, disc golf, ping pong, fitness machines
- Consider other amenities - e.g. seniors amenities, community garden, reading circle, parking, water feature



Other Considerations

Participants were also asked to share any other comments on directions in the draft Renewal Plan.

COMMENT THEMES:

- Largely, participants responded by sharing that they want to see a focus on maintaining and enhancing natural areas, such as retaining and adding trees.
- Additionally, participants support amenities such as seating, lighting, clear signage, and lake lookouts that will allow for park users to enjoy the park more.
- Participants also spoke of activity spaces, with comments revolving around additional recreational opportunities, such as disc golf, beach volleyball, and a community garden, to name a few.

For information on all qualitative survey findings, see “Qualitative Survey Responses” starting on page 35.



ABOUT SURVEY PARTICIPANTS

In total, 439 people were engaged with the survey, which was open online from November 23 - December 21, 2021.

It is important to note that in order to make the survey available to all, it was shared through an open link, available to all wishing to participate. Survey respondents were self-selected and not a random sample, and therefore results were not weighted to be reflective of a larger group (i.e., Vancouver, all park users, etc).

The goal of open online surveys in the municipal context are to provide an easy way for people who are impacted and interested in an initiative to share their views. The nature of this inclusive technique means that information collected is directional and cannot be generalized to the larger population with statistical accuracy. However, it does produce a robust data set that gives us strong evidence of how participants feel about a particular topic or project.

An open survey, like the one conducted here, is often a better fit for localized projects and initiatives as they capture the views of those who are most interested and affected.

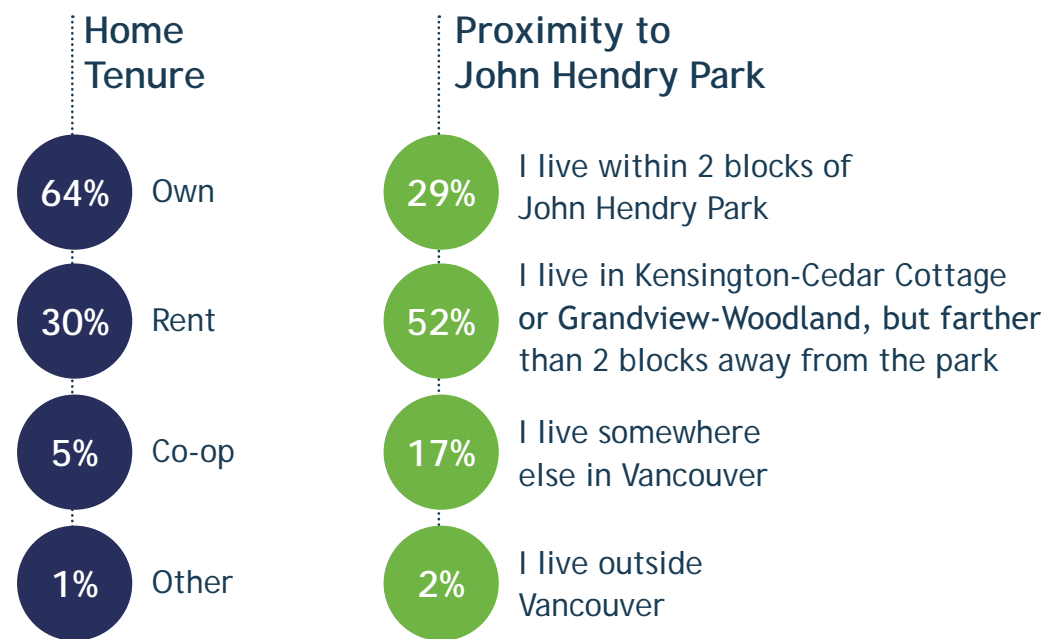
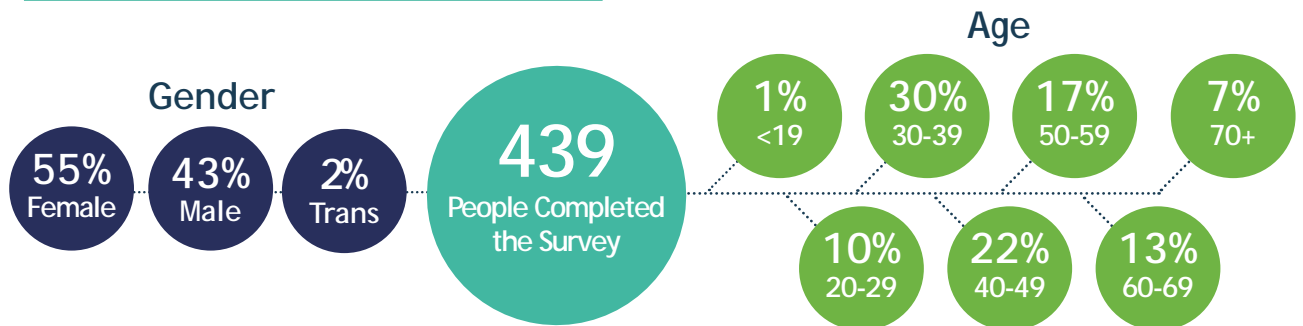
OUTREACH CONNECTIONS

How did participants find out about the survey?

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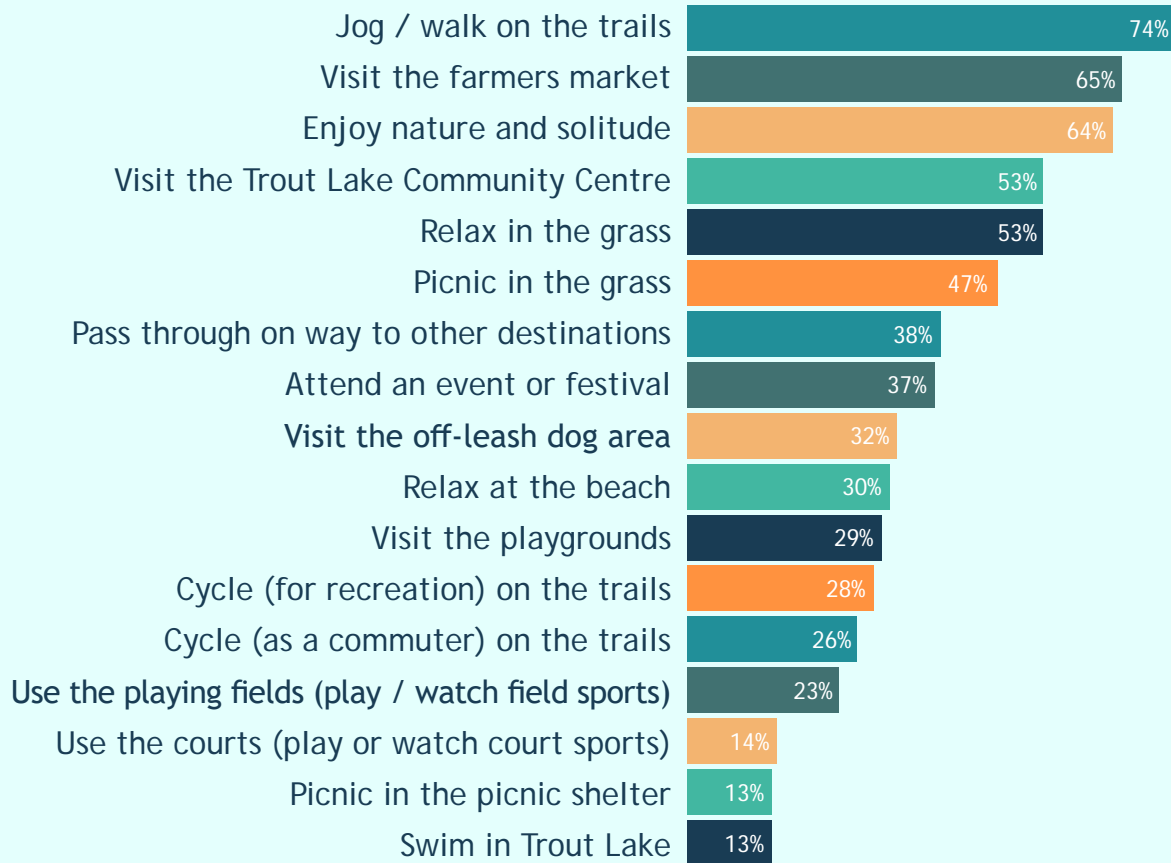
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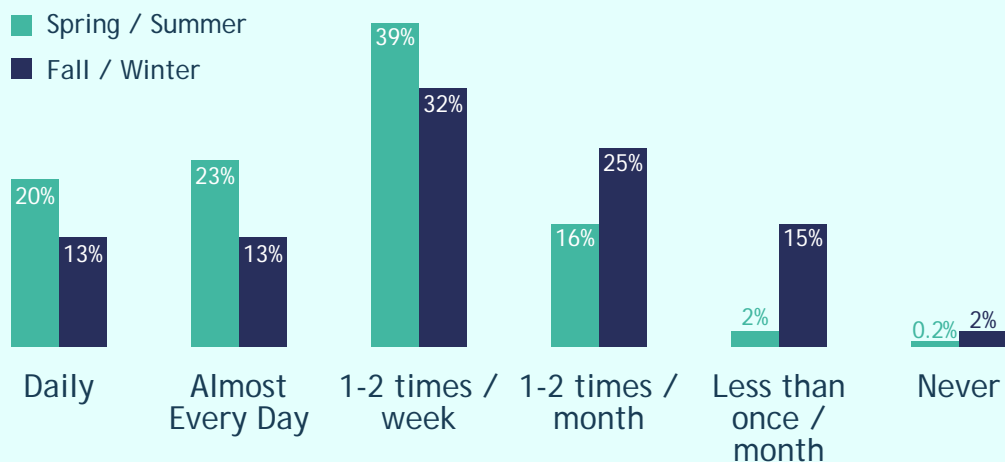
PARTICIPANT PARK USE

What do you typically do when visiting John Hendry Park?

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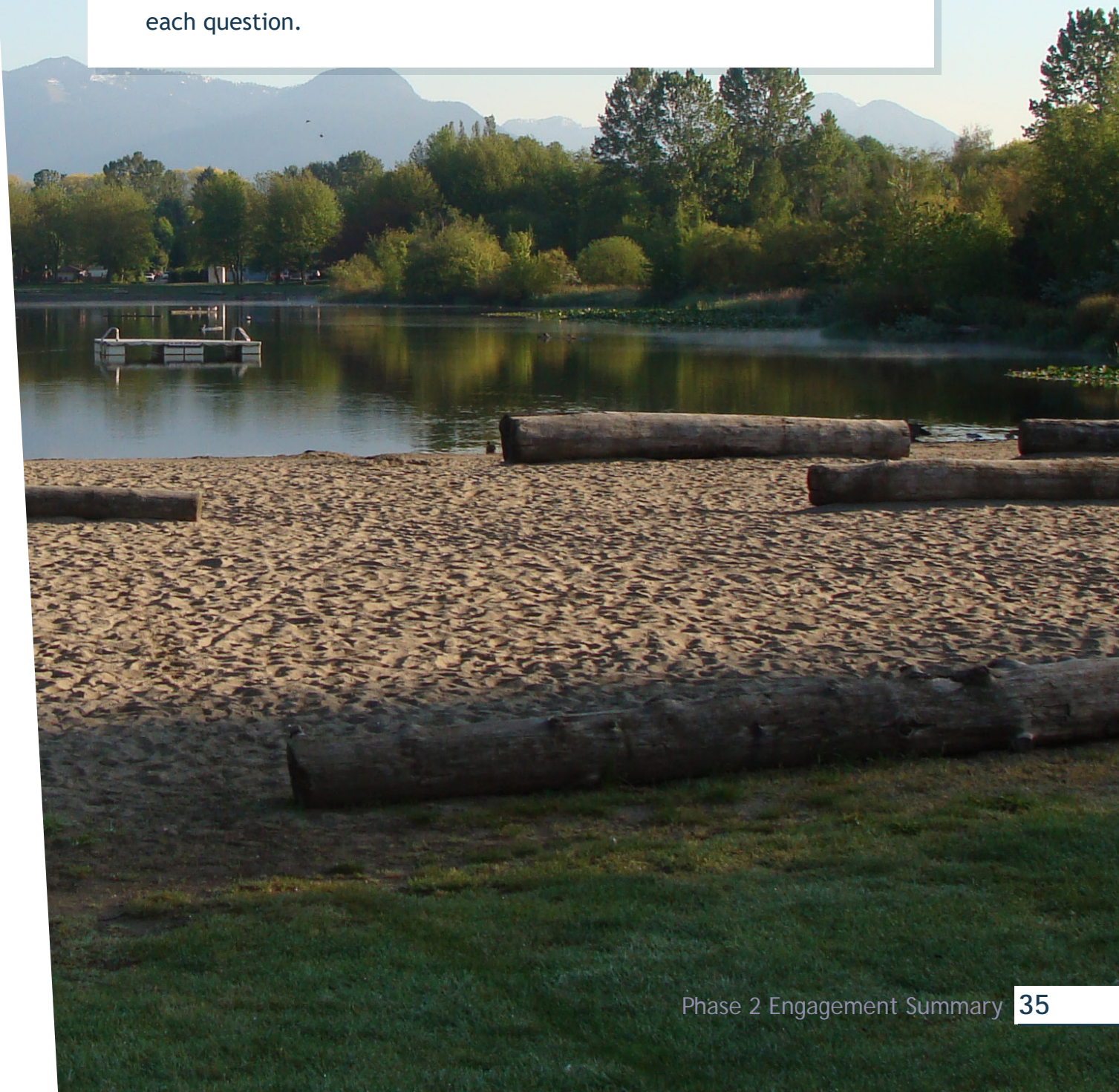


How often do you typically visit John Hendry Park?



QUALITATIVE SURVEY RESPONSES

The following tables summarize and code written responses provided by survey participants. Coding shows the most common responses to each question.





Adaptive Trout Lake Water Quality Monitoring & Treatment

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works Well		
Conducting ongoing water monitoring		
Like monitoring water quality / involving experts	11	5%
Trial water quality enhancements		
Like the idea of a water curtain or barrier / partitioning of the swimming area	33	15%
Like plan to use aeration to improve water quality	30	13%
Improving water quality is important	20	9%
Reducing contaminated water is important	15	7%
Like the use of natural filtration	14	6%
Improved water quality will increase recreational use of the lake	8	4%
Eliminating the addition of drinking water into the lake while maintaining swimmable area		
Maintaining swimmable area / safer for swimming	39	17%
Like the idea of phasing out the use of drinking water in lake	32	14%
Sustainability of lake is important (e.g. by not using drinking water)	4	2%
Rainwater runoff		
Like plans for neighbourhood rainwater runoff / park runoff towards Trout Lake	6	3%
Overall plan		
General positive comment (like the plan/good idea)	17	8%
Like the multiple solution approach	9	4%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
Want to keep the lake natural	10	4%
Don't need / want to make the lake swimmable	9	4%
Other comments		
Other comment	26	12%
No comment / don't know	21	9%
Total references	304	
Total responses	225	

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Adaptive Trout Lake Water Quality Monitoring & Treatment

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Water quality, treatment, and monitoring		
Would prefer to improve water quality more naturally, e.g. using fish or plants	17	8%
Keen on dredging / improving drainage	8	4%
Plan sounds expensive/extreme/unnecessary	7	3%
Improve water quality using Step 3 technology	6	3%
Swimming		
Don't want / need to make lake swimmable	25	12%
Do more to make lake swimmable	22	11%
Would like an outdoor swimming pool / prefer pool to a swimmable lake	9	4%
Habitat, wildlife, and dogs		
Manage geese population / geese droppings (affects lake water quality)	53	25%
Preserve natural habitat and existing wildlife	21	10%
Limit/prohibit dog access to lake (may contaminate water)	12	6%
Other improvements		
Use surrounding area for social gatherings/recreational facilities	6	3%
Install fountain feature in the lake	3	1%
Improve pathways	3	1%
Would like more sand added to the beach	3	1%
Overall plan		
General positive comment (like it/good idea)	9	4%
Other comments		
Other comment	24	12%
Need more detail/want more information	14	7%
No comment / don't know	20	10%
Total references	262	
Total responses	208	

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Dedicated Flexible Open Spaces

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
Maintain spaces for informal play and relaxation		
Like flexible and informal spaces, e.g. for picnics and gatherings	57	26%
Like that the plan preserves existing open spaces	55	25%
Having dedicated spaces for play / relaxation / sport is important	13	6%
Important that First Nations have input into all spaces	10	5%
Like that open spaces are spread out / throughout the park	8	4%
Improve drainage and quality of grass		
Like the plan to improve drainage	43	20%
Like the regrading / improved quality of grass / surfacing	11	5%
Overall plan		
General positive comment (like it / it's good)	17	8%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
Would like disc golf included	16	7%
Not much difference from what exists currently	4	2%
Other comments		
Other comment	18	8%
Total references	252	
Total responses	218	

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Dedicated Flexible Open Spaces

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Sports and recreation		
Would like a disc golf course to the NE quadrant	20	10%
More recreational facilities	11	6%
Would like a community garden in the park	4	2%
Amenities		
Additional seated areas	18	9%
More trees for shade	16	8%
More covered spaces	15	8%
Open spaces		
Keep green open spaces / don't resurface green spaces	15	8%
Clearer dog area boundaries	14	7%
Too much space is allocated to recreation/sport	6	3%
Greater First Nations control needed	3	2%
Maintenance and environment		
Better drainage over larger area	12	6%
Make park/lake more environmentally friendly	8	4%
More enforcement e.g. noise pollution, vehicle parking	7	4%
Improved paths	5	3%
Manage geese and geese droppings	3	2%
Improve litter/recycling/garbage system	3	2%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	5	3%
Other comments		
Other comment	28	14%
No comment	12	6%
Total references	205	
Total responses	194	

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Bicycle Circulation

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
Relocation of bike path		
Good to separate cyclists from pedestrians	96	40%
Like the bike path on the park perimeter	91	38%
Separate route for fast commuter cyclists is better / safer	31	13%
Like the quieter pedestrian only trails	7	3%
Like keeping the trees / adding more trees	4	2%
Overall plan		
General positive comment (like it)	14	6%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
Prefer the existing route - cycle through the park, better access, close to lake	25	10%
Need clear signage	9	4%
General negative comment	5	2%
Other comments		
Other comment	27	11%
No comment	4	2%
Total references	313	
Total responses	242	

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Bicycle Circulation

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Relocation of bike path		
Prefer the bike path to go through the park rather than around park perimeter	34	15%
Need a separated pathway for cycling and walking	27	12%
Concerns that multi-use trail will cause conflict between cyclists and pedestrians	23	10%
Concerns about bike interaction with little league	12	5%
Like relocation, but adjust route (e.g. connect to E 14th Ave bike route)	11	5%
Want cycle route around lake	10	4%
Remove dedicated bike path from park altogether	6	3%
Ensure bike path is full park circuit for doing laps around park	2	1%
Amenities		
Need clear signage (e.g. wayfinding, marked bike / pedestrian path, electric bikes, speeding)	27	12%
Add lighting to bike path	15	7%
Need for bike parking / locks / free air station	5	2%
Safety concerns		
Need enforcement of cycling speed limits	16	7%
Restrict park access for electric scooters/bikes - safety concerns	8	3%
Upgrading and maintenance		
Pathways need to be paved	9	4%
Ensure paths don't flood	6	3%
No improvements needed		
General positive comment	9	4%
Other suggestions		
Adding a disc golf course to the NE quadrant	13	6%
Overall plan		
General negative comment	3	1%
Other comments		
Other comment	29	13%
No comment	10	4%
Total references	275	
Total responses	230	

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Sports Fields

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
Softball fields		
Removing Southwest softball field - better use of this space	22	14%
Moving Northwest softball field (like informal soccer use)	3	2%
Little league fields		
Upgrading Little League facilities	10	6%
Shifting the Little League fields to accommodate the bike route	2	1%
Upgrading		
Improving drainage is good	27	17%
Ground upgrade and maintenance	7	4%
Ground assessment, expert consulting	5	3%
Resurfacing the all weather field	4	3%
Gravel fields being turfed	3	2%
Amenities		
Adjusting / improving lighting (reduced light, adjusted for night)	10	6%
Improved seating	4	3%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	23	15%
Good balanced approach to improve usability of fields	16	10%
Like that fields will be on perimeter / corners	5	3%
Other suggestions		
Would like disc golf included	12	8%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
No change / keep sports fields as they are now	4	3%
General negative comment	3	2%
Other comments		
Other comment	16	10%
No comment / don't know	5	3%
Total references	181	
Total responses	157	

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Sports Fields

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Additional sports		
Would like a disc golf course in NE of park	18	13%
Sports fields		
Improved drainage in sports fields	9	6%
More / improved soccer fields	8	6%
Turf field instead of all weather field	5	3%
Against using artificial turf	4	3%
More / improved softball fields	4	3%
Convert gravel field into artificial turf	3	2%
Make area more natural	3	2%
Use of spaces		
Less space allocated to sports / softball / baseball fields	25	17%
Want more flexible / open space / play areas	7	5%
Want open space / play areas	6	4%
Amenities		
Add / improve fencing / barriers	6	4%
Improved lighting	4	3%
Better signage / reservation systems	4	3%
Improved seating	3	2%
Other improvements / suggestions		
Benefits don't justify the costs - prefer no change	6	4%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	5	3%
Other comments		
Other comment	20	14%
No comment	10	7%
Total references	150	
Total responses	143	

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Dog Off-Leash Area

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
Boundaries		
Like the plan for secure fencing	120	49%
Like separation of dogs and people	30	12%
Like off leash area being clearly designated	26	11%
Like having gates	18	7%
Safer for people and dogs with clearer boundaries and fencing	14	6%
Like the path bypassing the off-leash area (going around, not through)	10	4%
Amenities		
Like the drinking water / wash station for dogs	24	10%
Like plan for better signage	16	7%
Like plan for improved lighting at night	15	6%
Size of off-leash area		
Good idea to keep size similar to existing	12	5%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	19	8%
Provides good balance between interests of dog owners and non dog owners	6	2%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
Off leash area not needed (don't like dogs in park, or near the lake)	12	5%
Don't want gates	5	2%
Want enforcement for dog owners	4	2%
General negative comment	4	2%
Other comments		
Other comment	18	7%
No comment	4	2%
Total references	357	
Total responses	244	

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Dog Off-Leash Area

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Space and location of dog on-leash area		
Space allocated for off-leash area is too big	25	11%
Relocate dog area away from the lake	15	7%
Prohibit/limit dogs from the water/beach (for water quality/swimming)	15	7%
Boundaries		
Fencing / gates are not needed	23	10%
All entrances to area should be gated	15	7%
More fencing needed / fully fenced	7	3%
Divide off a "small dog only" area within the off-leash area	5	2%
Want natural/sustainable fencing	4	2%
Amenities		
Have a permanent washroom this side of the park	7	3%
Need for more dog facilities e.g. wash station	5	2%
Retain/have more seating in this area for dog owners	5	2%
Lighting is unnecessary in the dog off-leash area	3	1%
Dogs in on-leash areas		
Enforcement of restricting off leash dogs to off-leash area	30	13%
Better signage in rest of park - dogs must be on leash	21	9%
Other improvements / suggestions		
Want disc golf course in NE area	10	4%
Improve drainage in this area	6	3%
Ensure water quality in lake	6	3%
Ensure nature/wildlife is protected from dogs (e.g. have dense underbush)	5	2%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	8	4%
Other comments		
Other comment	31	14%
No comment	7	3%
Total references	253	
Total responses	223	

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South Beach Event Area

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
Flexible plaza space		
Like the plan for a plaza space in the parking lot	58	30%
Like the multi purpose and flexible use of the space	23	12%
Good to have an expanded, larger space	5	3%
Like separate spaces for gathering / pedestrian only area	3	2%
Like minimal / no loss of green space	2	1%
Like the open lawn areas	2	1%
Like that the plan uses what already exists (space, parking lot, paving)	2	1%
Amenities		
Important to have improved / upgraded washroom facilities	35	18%
Good to have power and lighting, e.g. for market vendors, for events	19	10%
Like the new/upgraded playground	17	9%
Like covered spaces, e.g. events area, picnic area	15	8%
Like the increased / improved picnic areas	13	7%
Good for events to be closer to washrooms	8	4%
Parking plan is good, clearly designated, and a larger space	7	4%
Range of activities		
Like having more events generally	7	4%
Good to have more arts, culture and performance space and events	7	4%
Farmers Market		
Good location for the Farmers Market	19	10%
Good that the Farmers Market will be larger	6	3%
Like the market (general comment)	2	1%
Cultural Focus Area		
Like the Indigenous Celebration Facility	10	5%
Like the consultation / partnership with First Nations and Urban Indigenous residents	3	2%
Upgrading of south parking lot		
Like the idea of permeable paving	20	10%
Trees		
Like amount of shade proposed / shading trees	14	7%
Overall plan		
General positive comment (like it / it's good)	27	14%

Category	# References	% Respondents
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
General negative comment	1	1%
Other comments		
Other comment	12	6%
Total references	337	
Total responses	196	

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South Beach Event Area

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Amenities		
Want to keep the concession stand	18	10%
Have food vendors / trucks / café / beer garden	13	7%
More covered space would be good	6	3%
More picnic tables	6	3%
Would like a water feature	5	3%
Would like more art & cultural activities, sports, activities for adults	5	3%
Prefer Farmers Market in current location	5	3%
Need for bike parking / racks close to events space	4	2%
Need for more / improved washrooms	4	2%
Want a community garden (food security, grow vegetables)	3	2%
Would like a dance floor	2	1%
Would be good to have drinking water / fountain	2	1%
Need for better lighting	2	1%
Would like changing rooms and showers	1	1%
Green spaces		
Keep green / natural space - not paved over, have events on grass	26	15%
Noise and crowding		
Events will attract people, making the park too busy / too much in one place	15	8%
Concerns about noise for local residents from events	10	6%
Transportation and parking		
Keep same level of parking / more parking	13	7%
Reduce parking / cars	6	3%
Manage parking / parking enforcements	3	2%
Traffic management, signage for cars, speed restrictions	2	1%
Extend sidewalks / more walking options	2	1%
Maintenance and upgrading		
Maintenance and litter management will be needed	9	5%
Need for better paving options / resurfacing	2	1%
Overall plan		
Ensure plans go ahead as described	8	5%
Prefer no development / no change / no events	4	2%
General negative comment	2	1%

Category	# References	% Respondents
Other comments		
Other comments	21	12%
No comment / none	13	7%
Total references	212	
Total responses	177	

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Farmers Market Relocation

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
New location and space		
Like the relocation / new location for the Farmers Market	28	14%
Good to have a larger space for the market	22	11%
Good to have a dedicated / permanent space for the market	13	7%
The new location will be less crowded / fewer conflicts / better flow	6	3%
Good to have the market further from off leash dog area	5	3%
Like multi use space / better use of parking lot	4	2%
Vendors should be consulted on location / what works best for them	4	2%
New location will move traffic away from Victoria Drive	3	2%
Like the idea, but uncertain about adequacy of space and parking	3	2%
Access to amenities		
Good that the market will be closer to washrooms	47	24%
Market will be closer to other park amenities - e.g. picnic area, water fountain	38	19%
Closer to public transit - SkyTrain, buses	25	13%
Better access to market for drivers and cyclists, closer to parking	20	10%
Like the improved amenities e.g. covered spaces, improved drainage, additional washrooms	6	3%
Power access		
Having power / less reliance on generators is good for the environment / less noise	23	12%
Overall plan		
Like the Farmers Market / pleased it will remain in the park	10	5%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
Prefer current location of Farmers Market / new location not better / will be less convenient	15	8%
Other comments		
Other comment	9	5%
No comment	3	2%
Total references	284	
Total responses	198	

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Farmers Market Relocation

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Location and space		
Prefer to keep the market in its current location	18	13%
Space for the market isn't big enough, and will become too crowded	17	12%
Keep green space / prefer no paving	7	5%
Consult with farmers / vendors farmers about space / location	3	2%
Would rather have the market elsewhere (not in the park)	2	1%
Amenities		
Additional amenities wanted, e.g. food trucks, splash pad, community garden, live music	8	6%
Would like more seating / picnic tables	7	5%
Would like more covered areas in market	4	3%
Need to maintain cleanliness of washrooms	3	2%
Need more trash cans and improved recycling	2	1%
Prefer no diesel generators	2	1%
Need for signage to the market	2	1%
Traffic, access, and parking		
Reduce street parking (on 19th) / enforce parking rules / discourage cars	23	16%
Keep street parking / keep parking lot / need more parking	15	10%
Add more bike parking - encourage cycling	14	10%
Concerns about limited access through driveway for cars, large vehicles, vendors / drop-offs	8	6%
Concerns about neighbourhood impact, from increased visitor volume / traffic on 19th	7	5%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	8	6%
Other comments		
Other comments	23	16%
No comment / none	9	6%
Total references	182	
Total responses	143	

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Courts Activity Centre

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
New location and space		
Like the outdoor ping pong tables	24	18%
Good to have more basketball courts	14	11%
Good there will be more courts	12	9%
Like the expansion - greater variety of sports, better availability	11	8%
Like the multi use courts	7	5%
More tennis courts - good idea and needed	6	5%
Like the reorientation of courts (North-South)	5	4%
Like the plan for pickleball courts	4	3%
Like the improved pedestrian connection between courts area and park	2	2%
Amenities		
The improved lighting will be good	7	5%
Having power and wi-fi is a good idea	4	3%
Spectator space		
Like the spectator areas, lounge, space to meet	11	8%
Like the shaded lounge area / shaded seating	10	8%
Good to have more seating	5	4%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	18	14%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
Want dedicated pickleball courts with permanent nets	10	8%
Developments are unnecessary - courts are fine as they are	4	3%
Other comments		
Other comment	8	6%
No comment	11	8%
Total references	173	
Total responses	132	

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Courts Activity Centre

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Additional sports and courts		
More pickleball courts / dedicated pickle ball courts with permanent nets	22	20%
Other courts e.g. badminton, hockey, volleyball	6	6%
One practice wall in a multi-purpose court	5	5%
Covered area for ping pong / more ping pong	4	4%
Other sports e.g. disc golf, soccer, climbing wall	4	4%
Outdoor fitness area e.g. Tai Chi, Qigong	3	3%
Skate park	3	3%
More tennis courts (often in use)	2	2%
Multi use court for kids, with shorter basketball hoop	2	2%
Additional Amenities		
Booking system so everyone gets a turn, especially tennis	7	6%
More lighting for evening play	5	5%
More seating / shaded seating	4	4%
Drinking water / water station / water fountain	4	4%
Benches for players to rest / while waiting	3	3%
Pathway from courts to playground for wheelchairs and strollers	2	2%
Unnecessary Features		
Courts - don't like loss of green space	7	6%
Spectator seating is unnecessary	3	3%
Wi-fi is unnecessary	3	3%
Ping pong area is unnecessary	2	2%
Other comments		
Other comment	15	14%
No comment / none	15	14%
Total references	121	
Total responses	108	

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Victoria Drive Community Plaza

Q: What do you think works well in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Works well		
Amenities		
Good to have space / opportunities for youth	34	20%
Like the skate element	24	14%
Good to have covered areas - allows activities year round, and shade	20	11%
More seating is good	20	11%
Good to have power, wi-fi and charging facility	17	10%
Like the art showcase / display area	15	9%
Like games area	6	3%
Grassy play area is good - for group activities, e.g. Tai Chi, dancing, yoga	4	2%
The outdoor tables will be good for writing, art, reading, etc.	2	1%
Location and space		
Good use of underused area / better use of space	54	31%
Like multi use plaza - for games, eating, space to relax	14	8%
Good to have a community gathering space, accessible to all	7	4%
Like location close to community centre	6	3%
Overall plan		
General positive comment	16	9%
Not an improvement / improvement wanted		
Close to busy road - won't be popular	6	3%
Keep green space / not paved	3	2%
Other comments		
Other comment	12	7%
No comment	4	2%
Total references	264	
Total responses	174	

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Victoria Drive Community Plaza

Q: What do you think could be improved in these recommendations?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Could be improved		
Sports		
Would like more sports facilities e.g. climbing wall, disc golf, skate park, more ping pong tables, fitness/exercise machines	9	7%
Tetherball could be removed - it's not as popular	7	6%
Would like a chess/board game area	4	3%
Amenities		
Would like a food truck, concession, café, drinking water fountain	11	9%
Other amenities wanted e.g. for seniors, community garden, reading circle, parking, washrooms, water feature	8	7%
Would like more covered areas	7	6%
Would like public art spaces, Indigenous art, permanent art features	5	4%
Need for improved evening lighting	5	4%
More seating/benches	3	2%
Wi-fi is not needed in a park	2	2%
Location and space		
Concerns about noise from skating for local residents	10	8%
Not sure if people will use this space - not nicest area / noise from road	7	6%
Prefer green space to paving / preserve nature/flowers/trees	6	5%
Need a larger space - will be well used	4	3%
Prefer to keep this area as a quiet area to relax	4	3%
Improved connection with rest of park / feels disconnected	3	2%
Safety		
Need for a barrier between park and busy road (Victoria Dr) e.g. fence, planters, screen trees	10	8%
Need for traffic calming on Victoria Drive / reduced speed	5	4%
Need for a safer crossing / crosswalk on Victoria Drive	2	2%
Other improvements / suggestions		
Ensure there is a budget for maintenance	3	2%
Consult with youth on plans	2	2%
Overall plan		
No improvements needed - it's all good	9	7%
Other comments		
Other comment	24	20%
No comment	4	3%
Total references	154	
Total responses	122	

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Comments on Other Recommendations

Q: Do you have comments on any of the other directions shown in the DRAFT concept on pp. 3-4, that weren't part of the updated directions outlined in the previous section?

Category	# References	% Respondents
Specific Recommendations		
#1 Cultural Focus Area		
First Nations involvement in design is important	7	3%
Change the name of the park to an Indigenous name	5	2%
Cultural area should be in a nicer area of the park	2	1%
#3 Lake Water Quality & Treatment		
Need upgrade or maintenance of lake / water system	5	2%
Would like an outdoor pool	3	1%
#4 Rainwater Channel		
Like the plan to use rainwater for the lake / rain water run off	4	2%
Improve inflow of clean water to lake	2	1%
#6-9 Natural Spaces		
Protect nature, keep the park as natural as possible	11	5%
#6 Northeast Woodland		
Like the woodland addition - good for wildlife, keep it natural	6	3%
#7 Natural Lake Edges		
Like the lake edge plan	5	2%
Protect wildlife	4	2%
#8 Tree Inventory & Renewal		
Maintain / replace / add more trees, like trees for shade	9	4%
Would like food bearing trees and shrubs, e.g. berries, edible chestnuts	4	2%
Like the tree renewal plan	3	1%
#9 Pollinator Planting		
Focus on endangered species, culturally significant plants, understory / low bushes for wildlife	4	2%
Pollinator plantings are a good idea	2	1%
#11 Picnic Shelters		
Would like more picnic tables in the park	2	1%
#12 Lake Lookouts		
Like the plan for the piers	4	2%
Like the plan for the lake lookouts	4	2%
#13 Seating, Drinking Water, & Amenities		
Would like benches / more seating	2	1%
Would like more shading in the park / in the playground	2	1%

Category	# References	% Respondents
#14-25 Activity Spaces		
Additional sports, e.g. disc golf, beach volleyball, lawn bowling, pickle ball, bike skills, climbing wall, cross country skis	16	7%
Would like a community garden (food security) - included in earlier draft of plan	16	7%
#14 Dog Off-Leash Area		
Upgrade the dog park - all season/no mud, clear debris from water (safety for dogs)	4	2%
Don't change / expand the off leash area	4	2%
Fence the off leash area / improved control of dogs	3	1%
#17 Little League Fields		
Would like all weather field	2	1%
#19 South Beach Activity Area		
Keep the concession stand	7	3%
Would like a splash pad or water park	3	1%
Prefer no beach volleyball	2	1%
Would like volleyball	1	0%
#20 South Beach Event Area		
Would like outdoor fitness or workout area	4	2%
An outdoor stage for music and shows	1	0%
#22 Courts Activity Centre		
Dedicated pickleball courts (not multi use) with fixed nets	2	1%
#23 Victoria Drive Community Plaza		
Would like a skate park	1	0%
#24 Community Centre Playground		
Upgrade the playground - better design / safety standards	2	1%
#25 North Public Washroom Building		
Additional amenities - showers, storage for clubs, roof top garden, food truck	4	2%
Like the plan / it is important	3	1%
#26 Bicycle Circulation		
Keep mixed use path, don't restrict cycling	2	1%
Need for more bike racks	1	0%
#27 Primary Park Trails		
Maintenance of trails / levelling of paths	5	2%
Would like a continuous path around the park	1	0%

Category	# References	% Respondents
#28 Secondary Park Trails		
Adding boardwalks to wet trails is good	1	0%
#29 Parking		
Don't introduce paid parking	1	0%
Ensure adequate parking	1	0%
Widen exit to parking lot	1	0%
#30 Wayfinding		
Improved signage - include maps, car / bike rules, protocols for use of spaces / courts, dog off leash delineation, noise limits	11	5%
Would like information boards about history and conservation	2	1%
#31 Park Lighting		
Better lighting in evenings, including trails and pathways	9	4%
Additional Comments (General comments about whole park / plan)		
Amenities		
Other amenities e.g. water fountain, workout circuit, showers, recycling bins	9	4%
Need for more washrooms in park	6	3%
Would like food outlet / food trucks / allow alcohol	5	2%
Want a community garden	4	2%
Would like more covered areas	3	1%
Park maintenance		
Maintenance of park - picnic areas, washrooms, geese population, drainage, garbage removal	11	5%
Traffic		
Need barrier between cars / road and park	2	1%
Traffic calming needed on Victoria Drive	2	1%
Would like a crosswalk on Victoria Drive	2	1%
Other comments		
General positive comment (like the plans)	14	6%
Other comment	29	13%
No comment	9	4%
Total references	296	
Total responses	225	

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NEXT STEPS

The results from this final phase of engagement will be used to inform the final iteration of the John Hendry Park Renewal Plan. The plan will be presented to the Board for consideration in Spring 2022, with phased implementation beginning upon approval.



