



Item
Meeting 2013 Sep 23

COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2013 September 19
FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES
SUBJECT: EDMONDS PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT
PURPOSE: To request to bring forward a bylaw to appropriate \$732,710 from Capital Reserves to finance the Edmonds Park redevelopment project.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** a bylaw be brought down to appropriate \$732,710 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance the Edmonds Park redevelopment project.

REPORT

At its 'Open' Meeting of 2013 September 18, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission received the attached report and adopted the two recommendations contained therein.

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Dave Ellenwood
DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachment

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Copied to: Director Finance
City Solicitor

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: ACTING DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: EDMONDS PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **THAT** the expenditure of \$700,000 from the Annual Capital Budget for continued Edmonds Park construction outlined in this report be approved.
2. **THAT** Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$732,710 (inclusive of G.S.T.) from Capital Reserves to finance the work.

REPORT**BACKGROUND**

At a workshop on 2012 May 28, feedback was received from Council and Commission on the redevelopment vision for Edmonds Park. Some significant changes were made that have helped to refine and improve the plan. The following information provides a copy of the revised plan (Attachment #1) and a general description of the park features starting from the Edmonds Community Centre toward Elwell Street. Also included (Attachment #2) is a summary of work and costs to date, work for Fall 2013 and Spring 2014 as well as features and funding requirements in order to complete the project.

DESCRIPTION

- Coming off the Edmonds Community Centre is a large pedestrian plaza facing the park. The multiuse plaza will feature informal gathering spaces, seating nodes and seating stairs below a shade pergola. A speaker podium is on the opposite side of the plaza facing the seating. Other features in the plaza will include accent paving and lighting.
- To the west of the plaza, the existing parking lot will be retained and improved at a later date.
- To the east of the plaza, open lawn will be available for flexible uses such as a farmers market.
- Moving north off the plaza the green lawn spaces of the park open up and are surrounded by a walking circuit. The paths will be lined with park benches, lighting and drinking fountains.

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- The green spaces will function as informal flexible play areas, picnic areas, program space for summer camps and as audience gathering space for special events.
- The performance space will be serviced with power to enable set up of temporary stage facilities for special events.
- The centre piece of the active zone is a large district level playground with separate components for preschool age children and swings.
- At the north east end of the walking circuit the waterplay zone, washrooms, basketball, tennis and playcourts are grouped in close proximity. Shade seating is provided next to the waterplay and playground facilities.
- At the northwest end of the park, the open lawn provides space for more informal activities to take place, such as bocce, frisbee, mini soccer and pick up sports games.
- Most of the highest quality mature trees will be preserved. In addition, new trees will be planted throughout the park along the pathways and adjacent street edges.

Construction Schedule

The first phase of reconstruction began along Elwell Street in 2011 with the installation of the semi-circular path around the Great Lawn, tennis courts and multi-play sports court. Work continued in this zone and into the Heart of the park in 2012 and early 2013. The lacrosse box has been removed, and the underground services are ready to be installed. Regrading for the playground has begun with specifications and purchase of the play equipment being undertaken this fall. With the completion of the Edmonds Pool and Community Center, construction of the outdoor plaza will also begin this fall. Installation of the walkways and spray park will be undertaken in future phases. Capital Reserves are available to continue the work this Fall and next Spring in the 2013 Annual Capital Budget. It is recommended that Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$732,710 (inclusive of 5% HST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

Construction of the park will continue over the next few years. Capital funds for additional phases of work will be requested in the future.



Dave Ellenwood
DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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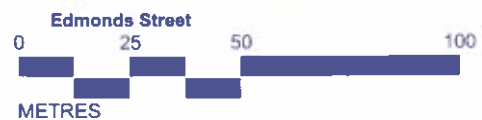
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PROGRAM ELEMENTS

- PEDESTRIAN PLAZA WITH SEATING, SHADE STRUCTURES, FOCAL FEATURE (PLANTER + PERGOLA), PODIUM + LIGHTING
- SPRAY PARK
- COURTS: 2 TENNIS + MULTI-SPORT
- 3 HALF BASKETBALL
- INFORMAL PICNIC AREA (ALL ACCESSIBLE TABLES)
- DISTRICT SIZED PLAYGROUND
- DESIGNATED PERFORMANCE & STAGE AREA
- URBAN TRAIL ALIGNMENT ON HOLLY - VISTA
- GREAT LAWN WITH PERIMETER PATHS & SEATING (ACCOMMODATES INFORMAL SOCCER)
- FLEXIBLE LAWN AREA ACCOMMODATES GATHERINGS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS, SPECIAL SUMMER PROGRAMMING / OUTDOOR CLASSROOM
- BOCCIE AREA
- CONTINUOUS LOOPED PATHS
- LARGE TREE PRESERVATION + PLANTING MEASURES



Edmonds Park Development

1.	Budget spent to date:		\$944,692
	- tennis courts and fencing		
	- sport court and fencing		
	- great lawn circular path base and paving		
	- remove and dispose of lacrosse box		
	- design and specifications for plaza		
	- base preparation for playground		
	- water connections from street to plaza		
	- sewer connections from street to plaza		
2.	Current Budget and Present Request		\$1,663,155
	- plaza construction	\$1,000,000	
	- supply and install playground	440,000	
	- pathway on Humphries side of Central Lawn, conduit	160,000	
	- Central Lawn grading, top dressing, seeding, drainage	100,000	
3.	Remaining Work		\$1,870,000
	- water play feature	\$750,000	
	- pathway lighting	250,000	
	- pathway on apartment side of Central Lawn	160,000	
	- removal and disposal of wading pool	25,000	
	- Central Lawn – Elwell side of playground	100,000	
	- +/- 60 trees purchase and plant	90,000	
	- outdoor stage area	40,000	
	- parking turn-about	75,000	
	- picnic tables, benches, shade structure	150,000	
	- drinking fountains	30,000	
	- basketball half-courts	100,000	
	- electrical, water, sewer from plaza to device	100,000	
4.	Washroom – refurbish or replace		\$250,000 – \$450,000