



# NATURALLY MANAGED PARK PLAN

## Gibby's Field

Park Board Committee Meeting  
Monday, February 27, 2023



- The purpose of the presentation is to describe draft park plans for the site at E18th Ave
  - Background project description and proposed plans
  - Board to consider recommendations to advance this design
  - Proposed next steps





# RECONCILIATION MISSION, VISION & VALUES

## MISSION

### Decolonize the Vancouver Park Board

The Park Board recognizes the institution's colonial history and upholds the Board's commitment to the 11 Reconciliation Strategies.

## VISION

An evolvable organization in which every employee and Commissioner recognizes the humanity in themselves by recognizing and respecting the humanity of First Peoples; and an organization that sets a worldwide example in treating Reconciliation as a decolonization process.

## VALUES

These values are your compass to help guide the way you work, interact with colleagues, external partners and the public.



### PATIENCE

Colonialism didn't happen overnight. Untangling it takes time. We will pace ourselves for the marathon, not the sprint. We will adjust deadlines to ensure things are done well and respectfully.



### CLARITY

We will focus on how colonialism functions to exclude, not on how to include.



### PRAGMATISM

All staff are inheriting a system not of our making. The Park Board Reconciliation Team (PBRT) is here to assist colleagues with examining the ways colonialism continues to damage others. Blame is unproductive.



### LEADERSHIP

We will nurture and sustain each other, demonstrating Indigenous principles in the way we function as a team.

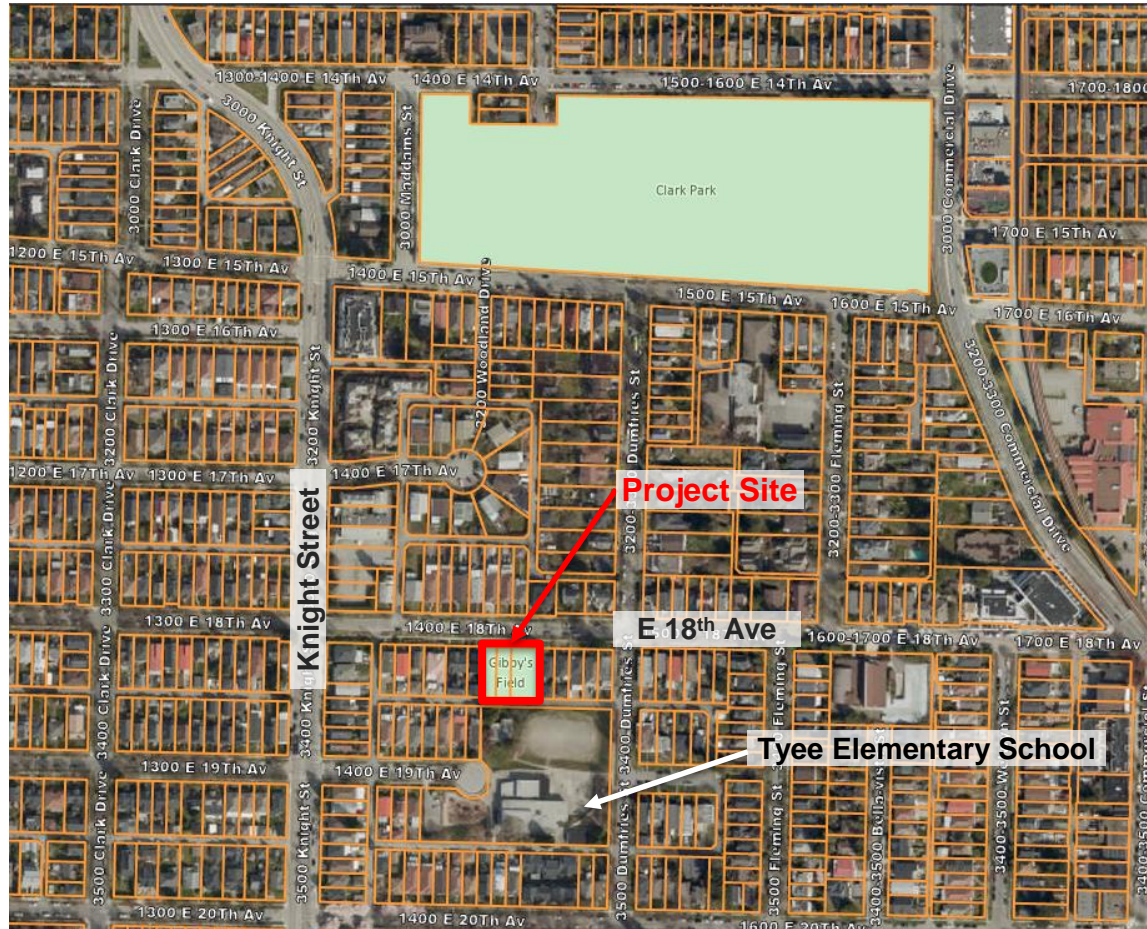


### LEARNING

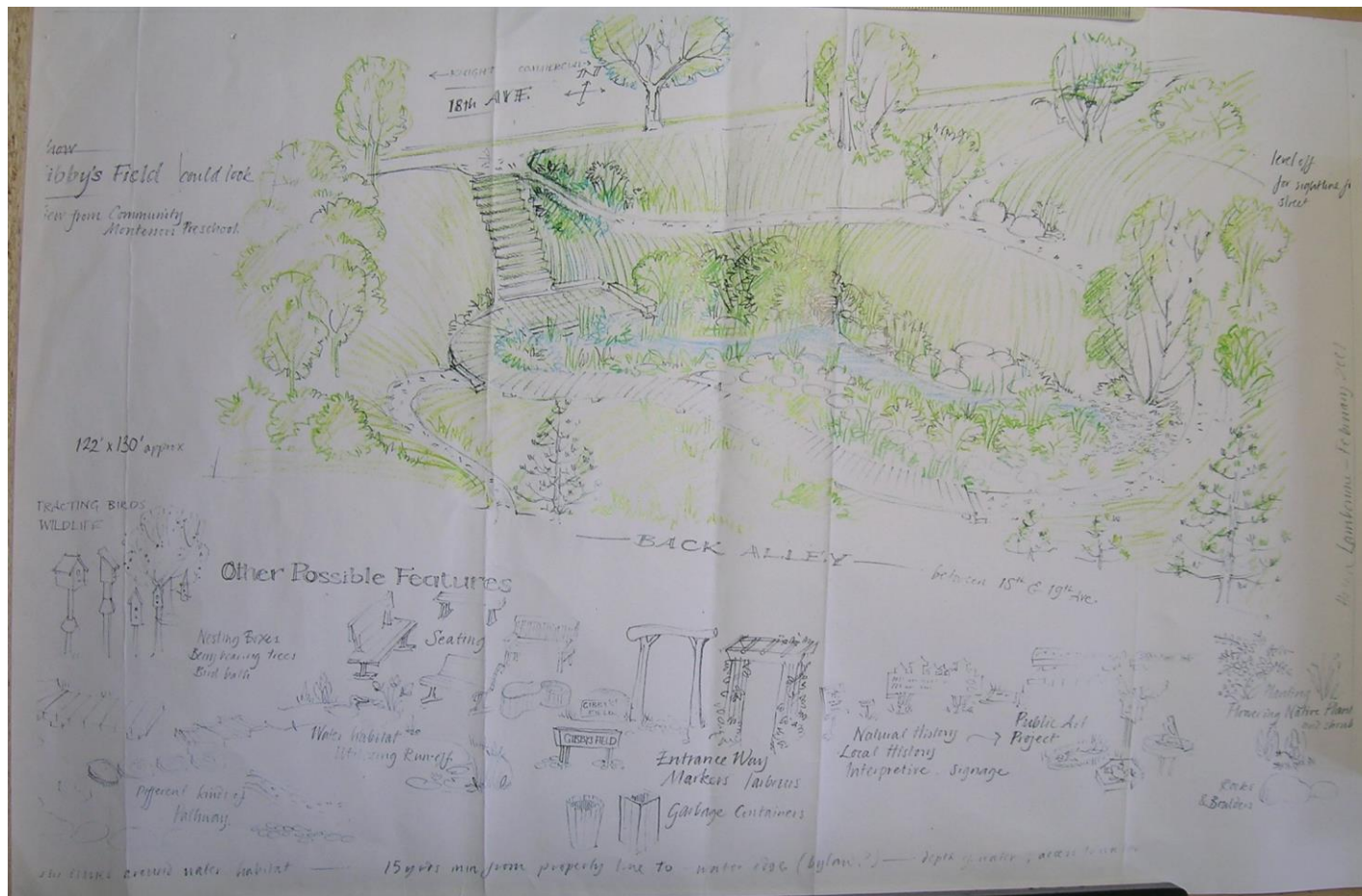
We consent to learn in public. We will make mistakes. We will sit with those mistakes, be transparent about them, and use them both to learn and to teach. Our mistakes will be diagnostic tools.



# Site Location



# Background - Gibby's Field Group, 2001



# Policies - VanPlay, Rain City

#	INITIATIVES
N.2.1	Identify, acknowledge, uncover and connect <b>freshwater features, and historic streams</b> , to both help manage and filter stormwater and increase their visibility.

Improve and  
protect  
Vancouver's  
**WATER QUALITY**



Enhance Vancouver's  
**LIVABILITY**  
by improving natural and  
urban ecosystems

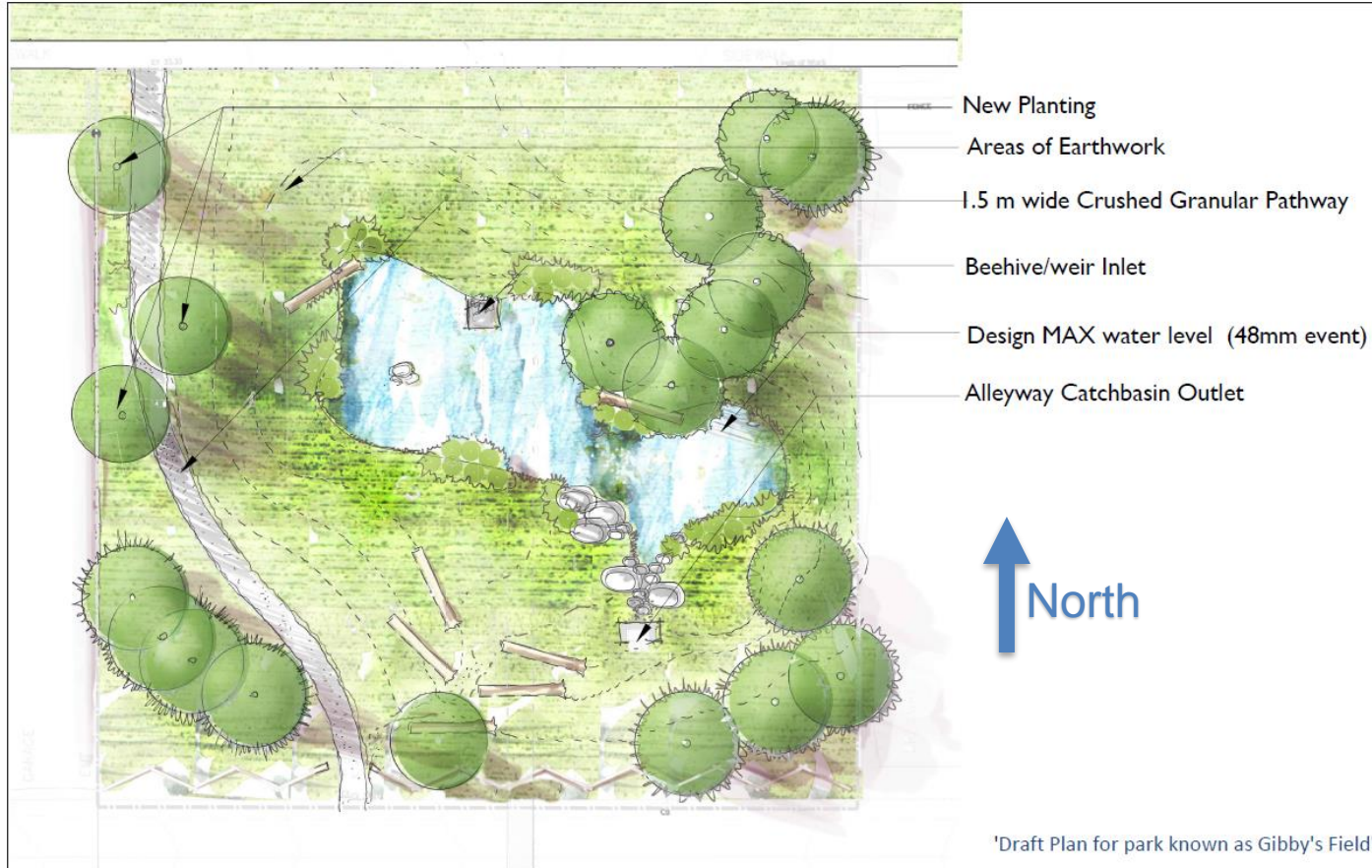


Increase  
Vancouver's  
**RESILIENCE**  
through sustainable  
water management





# Preliminary Design



# Project Timeline

## Capital Project Delivery Process

Asset  
Management  
& Policy

Prioritization  
& Planning

Design

Construction

Operate &  
Maintain

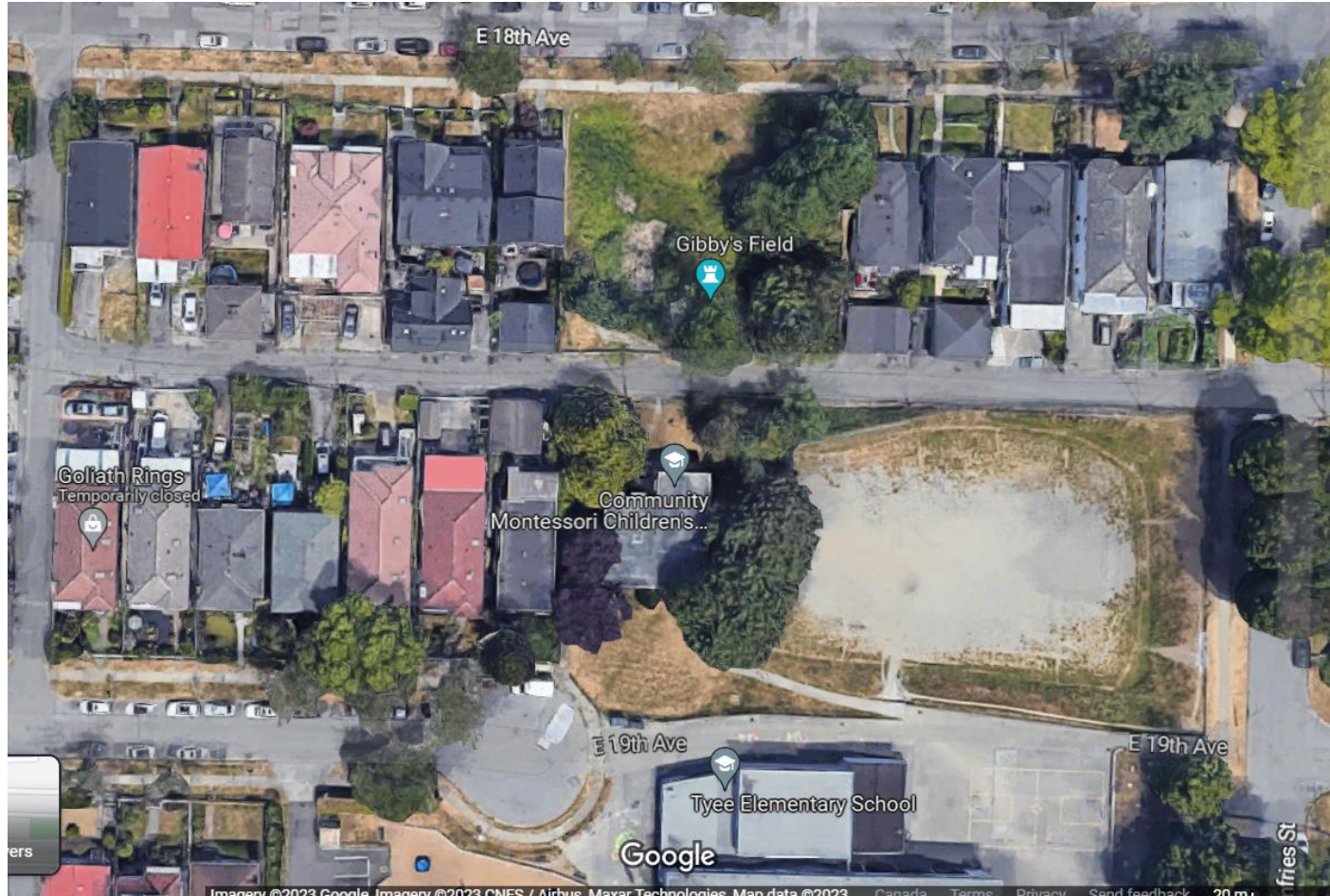




# Stewardship Opportunities



## Potential for future, further connectivity





- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the draft concept plan for the new park site known as Gibby's Field, and direct staff to design and implement the path, rainwater retention, and vegetation work as described;
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board direct staff to work with the City of Vancouver Engineering Department staff to include this work as a part of a grant claim for federal funding assistance; and
- C. THAT the Vancouver Park Board direct staff to work with City staff to consolidate the parcels at 1454, 1458, and 1462 East 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue as a single park parcel and designate the consolidated parcel as permanent park.

