



# Collingwood Park Renewal Concept Plan

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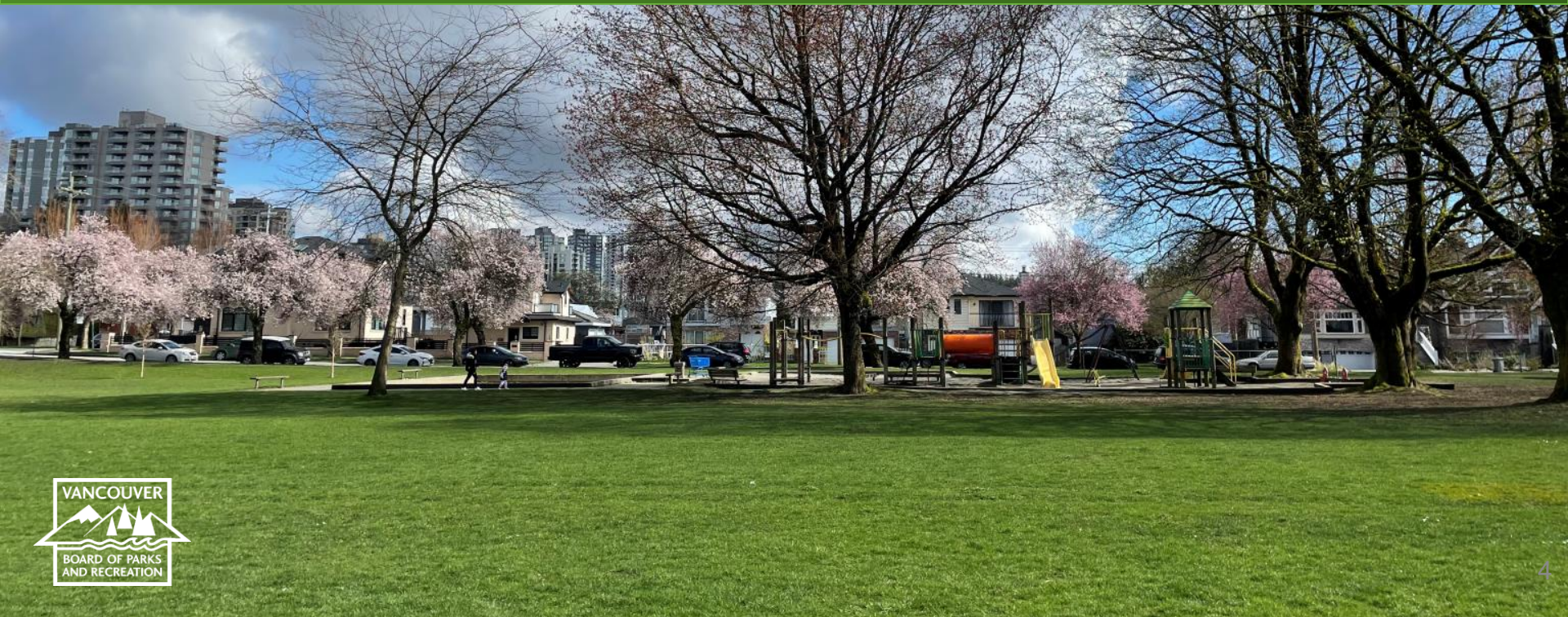


- The purpose of this presentation is to:
  - Provide background information on the conceptual planning process for the Collingwood Park Renewal project
  - Share results of public engagement
  - Seek Board decision on the proposed concept plan to enable staff to progress to the detailed design and construction stages





# Project Background

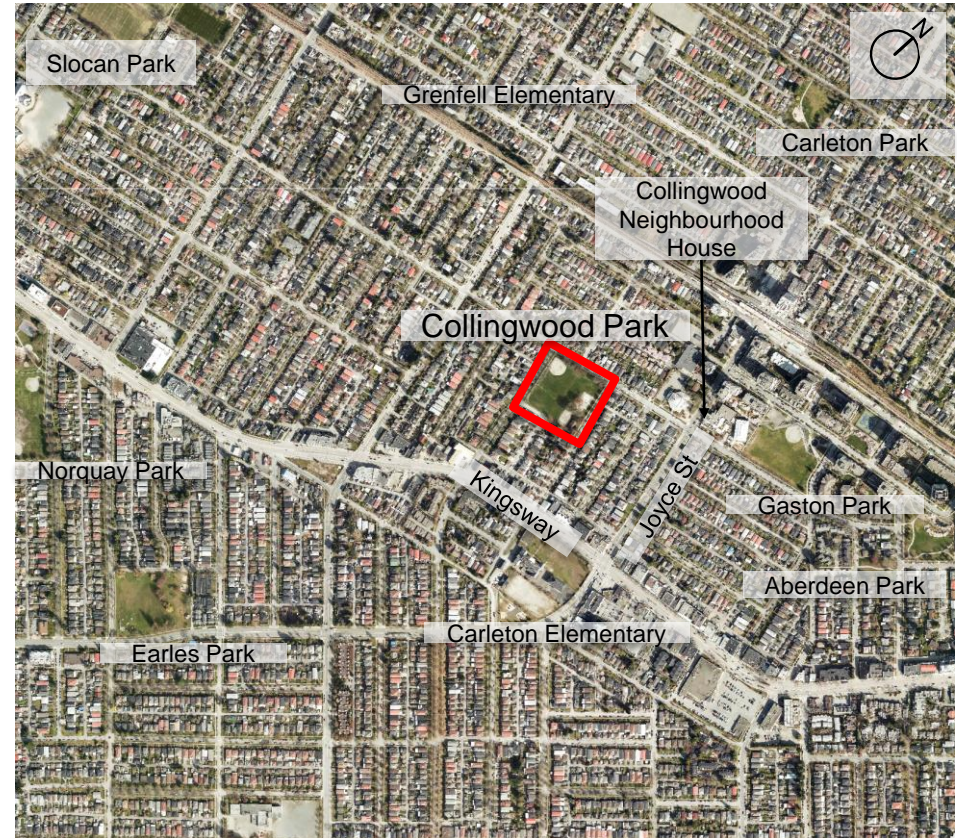


- The Renfrew - Collingwood neighbourhood is considered an underserved area as per VanPlay equity considerations
- Collingwood Park was identified for renewal in the 2019-2022 Capital Plan
- The playground was ranked as a top priority for replacement in the Park Board's Assessment of Playspaces report (2015)
- Other existing amenities and infrastructure are at the end of their service life and require upgrades and improvements

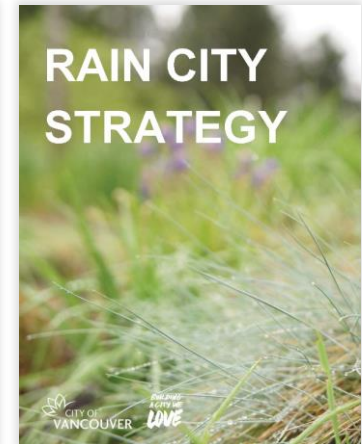
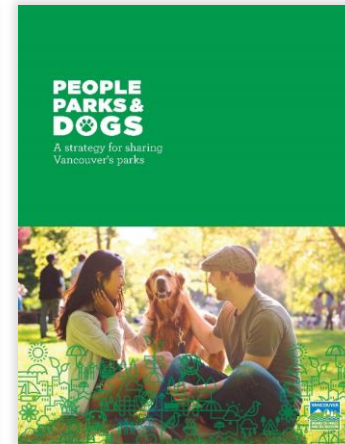
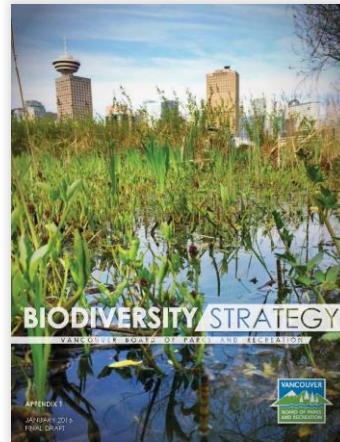
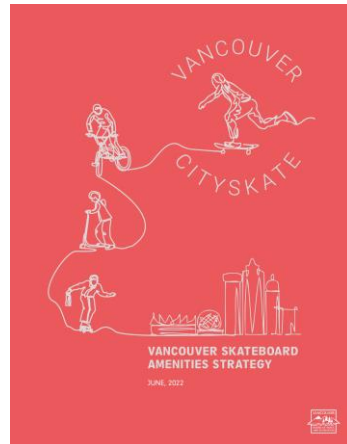


# Background – Context Map

- 1.27 hectare park in the Renfrew-Collingwood Neighbourhood
- Mix of single family, multi-family & high-rise homes
- In an area experiencing high levels of growth
- 17% denser than the City's average density overall

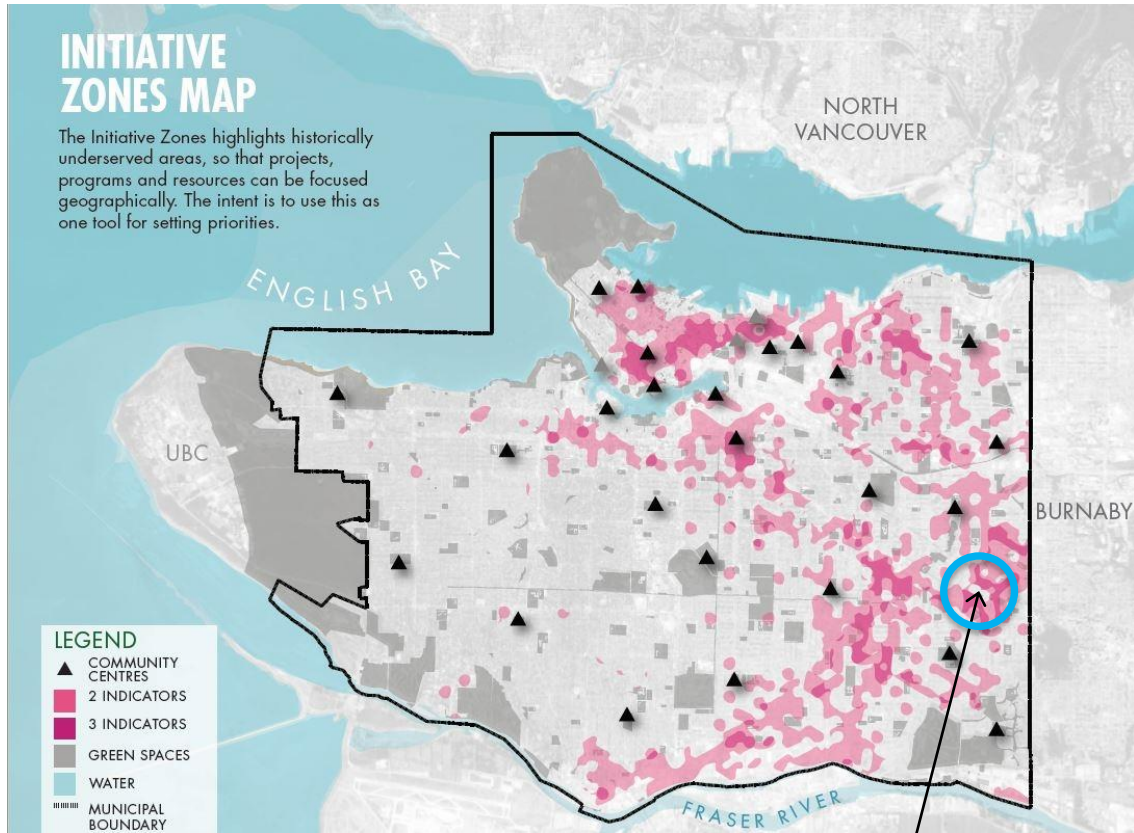
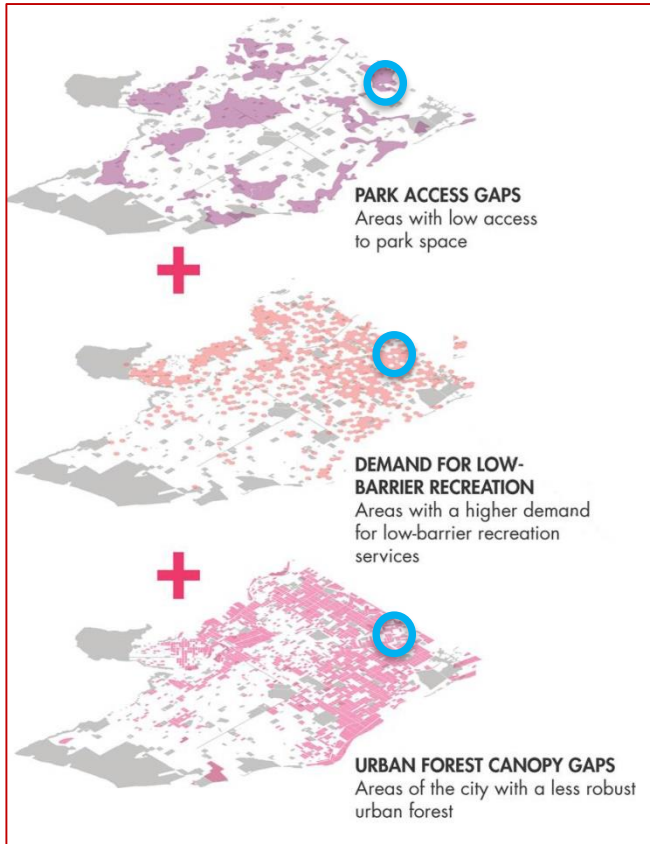


- The proposed concept plan for Collingwood Park is supported by principles outlined in the following plans and strategies:





# Van Play - 3 Initiative Zone Indicators



Collingwood Park



# Background - Existing features



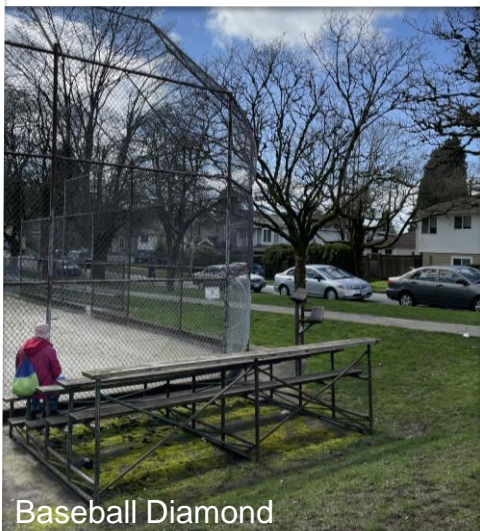
Baseball Diamond



Wading Pool



Field house/ washrooms



Baseball Diamond



Basketball Court

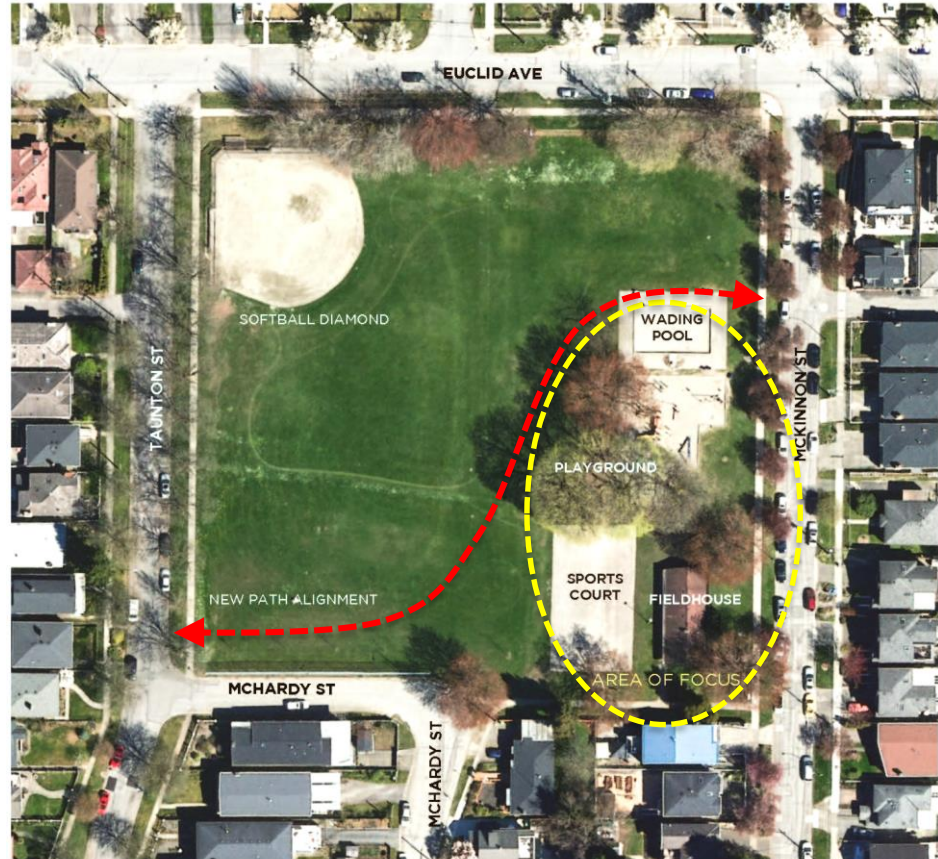


Playground looking northwest



# Background – Existing features

- The renewal focuses on the southeast corner of the park which includes the existing playground, wading pool, sports court and field house.
- This concentration of amenity creates a social heart for the park while maintaining the existing softball diamond and open green space.



# Discussion





# Engagement - Round 1

- Round 1 survey available on Shape Your City project page
  - May 20, 2022 - June 9, 2022
  - **563** surveys were completed
- Changes people wanted to see
  - More seating
  - Newer amenities
  - More shade and plants
  - New paths and accessible features



Open house May 2022 in Collingwood Park

# Engagement - Round 2

- Round 2 survey available on Shape Your City project page
  - Nov 21<sup>st</sup> to Dec 19<sup>th</sup> 2022
  - **125** surveys were completed
  - **92%** strongly or somewhat agree with proposed improvements



November 2022 Open House at Renfrew Community Centre



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



May 2022 on-site pop up event





## LEGEND

- ① PLAYGROUND
- ② SPLASH PAD
- ③ PLAZA AND STAGE
- ④ MULTI SPORTS COURT
- ⑤ IMPROVED SOFTBALL DIAMOND
- ⑥ RAIN GARDEN
- ⑦ NEW SHADE TREES
- ⑧ PEDESTRIAN TRAILS AND STEPS
- ⑨ OPEN LAWN AND LAWN MOUNDS
- ⑩ SKATEBOARDING AREA
- ⑪ IMPROVED WASHROOM FACILITIES AND LITTER RECEPTACLES
- ⑫ PICNIC TABLES AND SEATING
- ⑬ NEW DRINKING FOUNTAIN WITH BOTTLE FILLER
- ⑭ PARK ENTRY PLAZA



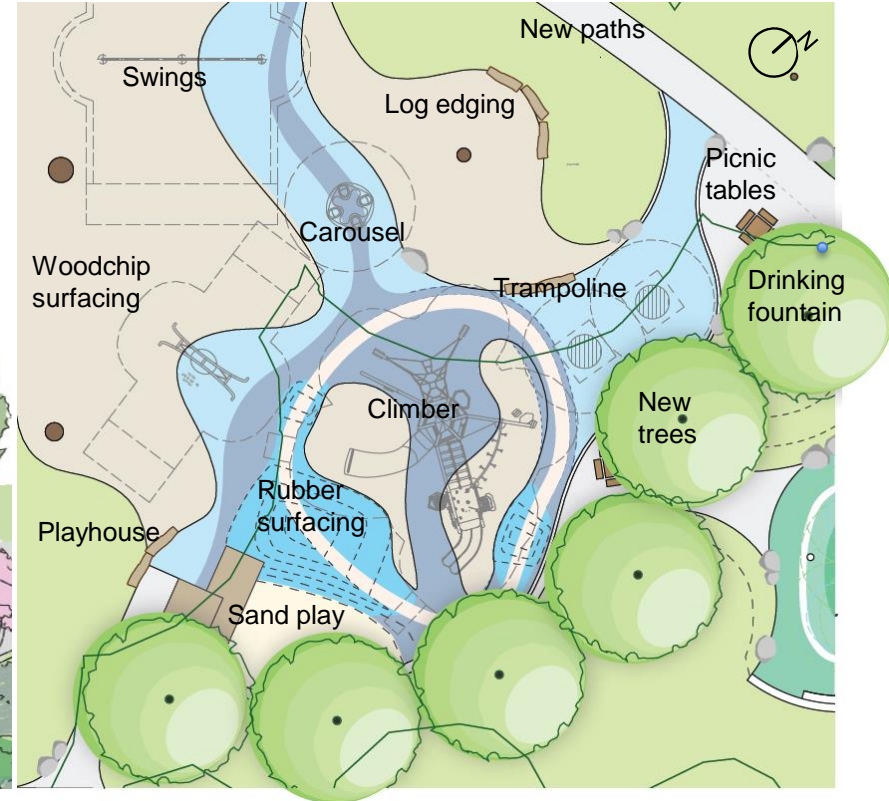
NORTH

# Concept - Playground

- The playground concept includes:
  - Natural log & boulder features
  - Accessible rubber & wood chip surfacing
  - All new play equipment
  - Sand play area
  - Adjacent seating



Playground perspective



Playground plan



# Concept – Playground Precedent Images



Climber and slide



Accessible carousel



Balance logs



Playhouse



Sand play



Rubber mound

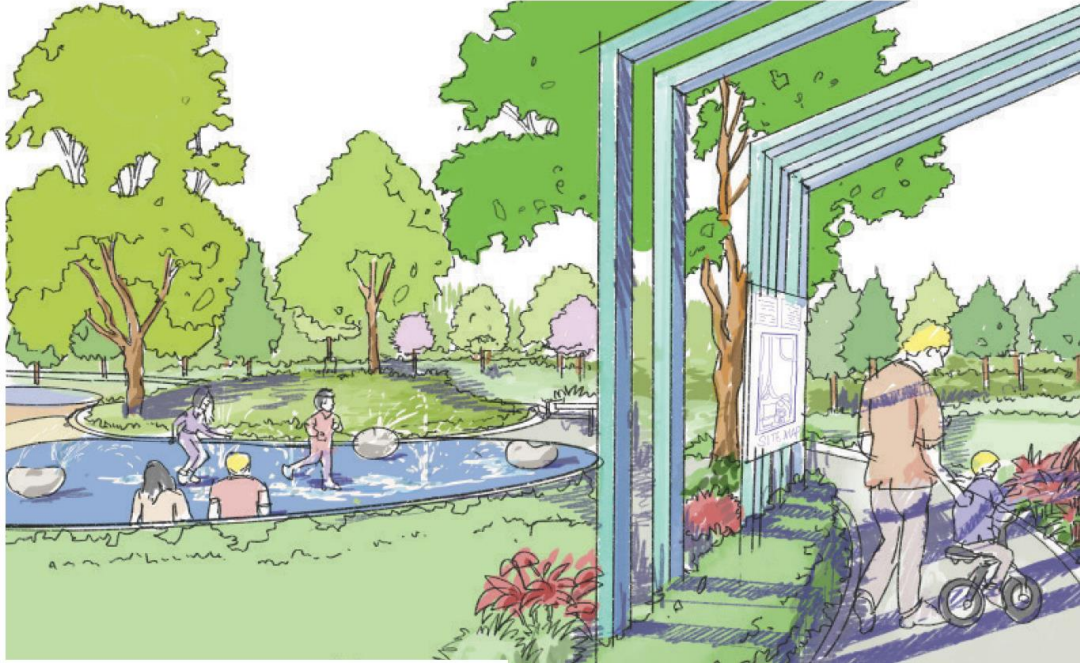


Swings

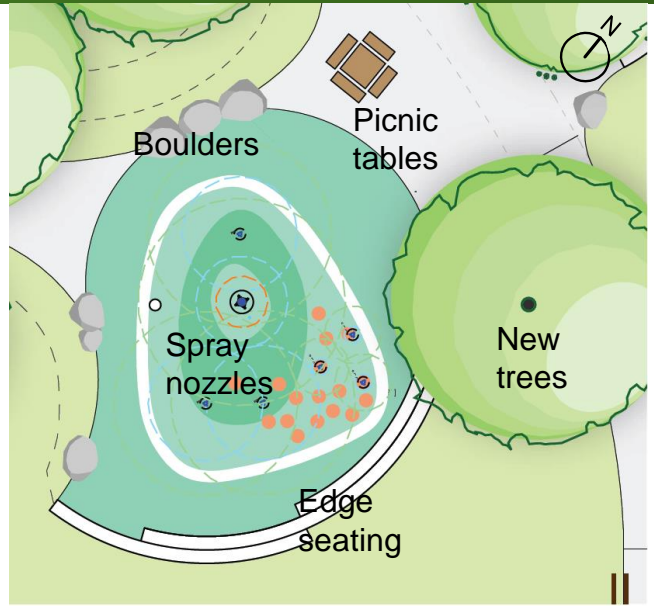


# Concept - Splash Pad

- The splash pad concept includes:
  - Natural boulders
  - In ground spray nozzles
  - Water saving recirculation system



Park entry & splash pad perspective



Splash pad plan



Natural elements



Coloured surfacing

# Concept - Plaza / Stage

- The plaza/stage includes:
  - Seating walls
  - Picnic tables
  - Benches
  - New trees



Benches



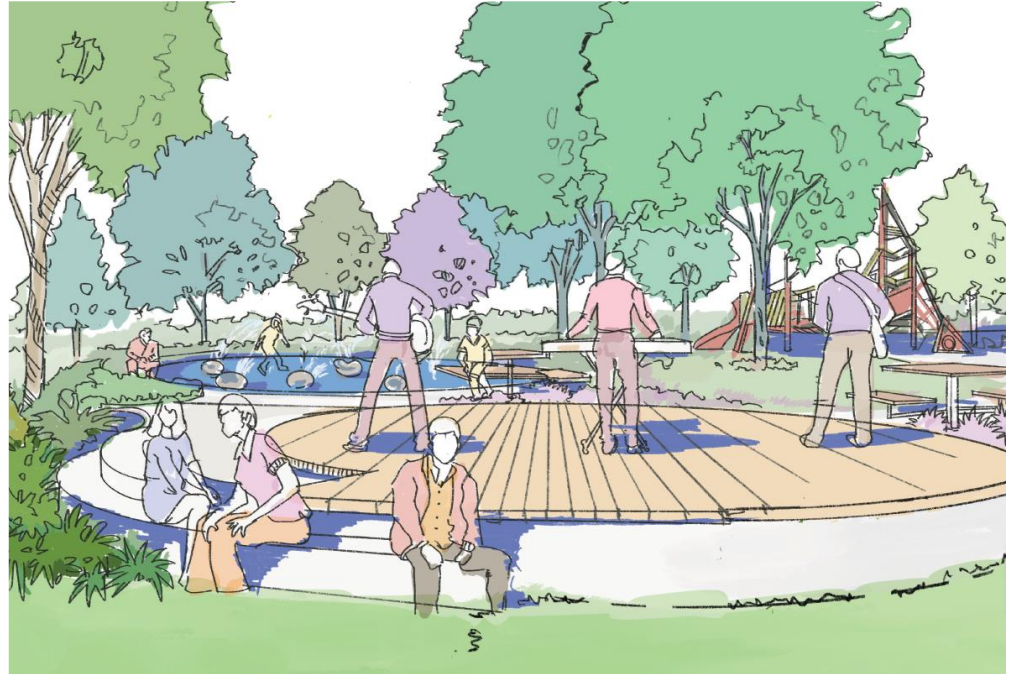
Seating walls



Picnic tables



Connecting paths



Plaza perspective



# Concept - Multi-Use Court with Skateboard Amenity

- The multi-use sports court includes:
  - Improved surfacing
  - Court seating wall
  - Skateboard amenity on court edge



Multi-use court precedent images



Skateboard amenity precedent images





- The renewal of Collingwood Park is funded from the 2019-2022 and 2023 -2026 Capital Plan.
- The estimated budget for this park is \$2.4M.
- Based on standard maintenance and operation practices for parks of similar size and program, the operating budget for this park is estimated at \$110,000 per year and would be requested as part of the annual operating budget process.
- Subject to Board approval, the anticipated start of construction will be Winter 2023 completion target of Fall 2024

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the concept plan for the Collingwood Park renewal as described in this report and as shown in Appendix A.

# Questions and Comments





