

Phase 2: Park Master Plan for Dallan subdivision

Summary of feedback

Further to feedback received in the first phase of community engagement, a revised master plan was prepared for the park in Dallan subdivision, based on the aggregated comments on the original concepts presented.

The revised concept and perspective graphics were posted online from June 29-July 28, 2020.

During the consultation period, over 500 participants viewed at least one of the web pages, over 200 downloaded a document, and 29 were active in commenting, responding to a survey or asking questions.

Generally comments on the plan were positive, while a number of participants requested additional features. Summary and response are as follows:

Request a zipline in play equipment (four comments)

Detailed layout and design of the play equipment will be resolved by the play equipment manufacturer during the playground selection process. Inclusion of a zipline will be considered at this stage and included if space and budget allow.

Evergreens for privacy

Visibility is to be maintained into the park for safety and security.

Splash pad (four comments)

As discussed during Phase 1, Dallan Park is not considered a good candidate for a splash pad, as this feature draws users from outside the local neighbourhood, and there is little opportunity for parking on street or onsite.

No wood mulch, rubber play surface preferred (two comments)

City standard for a neighbourhood park is engineered wood fiber, due to the cost and maintenance associated with rubber.

Degree of accessibility

Accessible features will be provided, including ramps, accessible play structures and swings. Exact details for the play equipment will be resolved during the playground selection stage.

Engagement summary

Full basketball

Spatial footprint of a full basketball court will take up too much of the park.

Concrete ping pong table for chess boards

One of the games tables can be exchanged for concrete ping pong.

Preference for natural environment

Main park will remain turf for active use, but the back of the park will transition to natural.

Provide a library box

This isn't typically a City initiative, and would be up to the neighbourhood to pursue.

Provide washrooms, picnic and garbage disposal

Washrooms aren't typically provided in parks of this size due to cost, footprint and security concerns. Picnic tables and garbage receptacles will be provided.

Pickleball

Typically provided in banks of multiple courts, the spatial footprint would take up too much of the park.

Fence playground

City standard is not to fence playgrounds, though the property limit is fenced, and the playground is located away from the road.

Recommendations:

- Include zipline and accessible elements in playground design. This will be addressed in the playground selection process.
- Replace one games table with concrete ping pong.