



**PUBLIC AGENDA
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE
ON PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT
AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Monday, August 15, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

**Council Chamber, City Hall
Committee:**

**Councillor D. Hill (Chair), Councillor T. Davies (Vice-Chair), Councillor Z. Jeffries, Councillor P. Lorje,
Councillor T. Paulsen, His Worship Mayor D. Atchison (Ex-Officio)**

Pages

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Recommendation

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Recommendation

That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services held on July 18, 2016 be approved.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.2.1 Request for Extension of Honourary Signage - Sister Theodosia Lane [File No. CK. 6310-1]

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Request for Extension of Honourary Signage - Sister Theodosia Lane 200 Block of Avenue M South - Nadia Prokopchuk, Member of St. George's Cathedral; Martin Hryniuk, Member of Musee Ukraina Museum; and Sr. Sophia, Provincial Superior of

the Ukrainian Sisters of St. Joseph of Saskatoon.

A letter dated July 28, 2016, requesting to allow the honorary signage for Sister Theodosia Lane on the 200 Block of Avenue M South to remain in place, is provided.

City Council previously approved temporary renaming of the 200 Block of Avenue M and the placement of temporary honorary street signs on the north and south sides of the 200 block of Avenue M as "Sister Theodosia Lane" from April 10, 2016 to August 31, 2016, with the applicants being responsible for any costs of installation and removal. City Council also resolved that the Administration look into setting a policy for future special street naming requests for report back to the Committee and that the matter be referred to the Naming Advisory Committee as well.

Recommendation

That the direction of Committee issue with respect to the request to allow the honorary signage to remain in place.

6.2.2 Proposed Advisory Committee Budgets for 2017 [File No. CK. 1704-5]

The following proposed budget is submitted for consideration for placement in the 2017 Business Plan and Budget.

Municipal Planning Commission - \$5,000 (same as 2016)

For educational opportunities for Commission members, through attendance at local, provincial and national conferences and workshops.

Recommendation

That the above proposed budget of the Municipal Planning Commission be included in the 2017 Business Plan and Budget for consideration at that time.

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

6.3.1 Darrell Lechman - 20th Street West Improvements and City of Saskatoon, SCYPA and Riversdale BID Partnership [File No. CK. 4125-4]

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A request to speak on this matter dated August 5, 2016 has

been received from Darrell Lechman.

Recommendation

1. That the speaker be heard; and
2. That the information be received.

6.3.2 Request for City to Proceed with Heritage Designation of the Third Avenue United Church - Peggy Sarjeant, President, Saskatoon Heritage Society [File No. CK. 710-60] 9 - 10

A request to speak dated August 8, 2016, from Peggy Sarjeant, Saskatoon Heritage Society, requesting the City to proceed with heritage designation of the Third Avenue United Church, has been received.

Recommendation

1. That the speaker be heard; and
2. That the information be received.

6.3.3 Wally Funk and Brant Matheson, Duco Developments Inc. - Urban Forestry and Timber Pointe Building located at 306 Queen Street [File No. CK. 4139-4] 11 - 11

An email dated August 8, 2016 from Wally Funk and Brant Matheson, has been provided by the Chair for placement on the Committee's agenda.

Recommendation

1. That the speakers be heard; and
2. That the information be received.

6.3.4 Shannon Vinish - Property Maintenance of Vacant and Derelict Properties [File No. CK. 4400-1] 12 - 12

A request to speak on this matter dated August 5, 2016 has been received from Shannon Vinish.

Recommendation

1. That the speaker be heard; and
2. That the information be received.

6.3.5 Khawaja Mustafa Rashid - Allocation of Cricket Field [File No. CK. 5500-1] 13 - 14

A request to speak on this matter dated August 9, 2016 has been received from Khawaja Mustafa Rashid, President, Saskatoon Cricket Association.

Recommendation

1. That the speaker be heard; and
2. That the information be received.

6.3.6 Sam Khan - Booking of Cricket Pitches [File No. CK. 5500-1] 15 - 15

A request to speak was received on this matter dated August 9, 2016 has been received from Sam Khan, President, Saskatchewan Cricket Association.

Recommendation

1. That the speaker be heard; and
2. That the information be received.

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Delegated Authority Matters

7.1.1 Land Use Applications Received for the Period From June 29, 2016, to July 27, 2016 [File No. CK. 4000-5 and PL. 4350-1, PL. 4132, PL. 4355-D, PL. 4115, PL. 4350, and PL. 4300] 16 - 33

Recommendation

That the information be received.

7.1.2 Approval for Advertising: Proposed Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan Amendment, Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment, and Rezoning – 2950 McClocklin Road [File No. CK. 4131-1 x 4351-016-009 and PL 4350-Z3/16] 34 - 41

Recommendation

1. That the advertising, in respect to the proposed amendment to Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 and Zoning Bylaw No. 8770, be approved;
2. That the General Manager, Community Services Department, be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the proposed amendment to Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 and Zoning Bylaw No. 8770; and
3. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required bylaws to amend Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 and Zoning Bylaw No. 8770.

7.1.3 2015 Annual Report - Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership [File No. CK. 0750-1 and PL. 9550-1] 42 - 58

Recommendation

That the information be received.

- 7.1.4 **2015 Annual Report – Regional Planning Section [File No. CK 430-34 and PL 430-1]** 59 - 82

Recommendation

That the information be received.

7.2 Matters Requiring Direction

- 7.2.1 **Building Better Parks: An Asset Management Plan for Parks [File No. CK 4205-1 and PK 4150-1]** 83 - 95

Recommendation

1. That the Asset Management Plan for Parks be received as information; and
2. That the Administration provide a report for the 2017 Business Plan and Budget deliberations on options to address the funding gap.

- 7.2.2 **Kinsmen Play Village - Play Structure [File No. CK. 4205-9-3 and RS 4206 KI-1]** 96 - 119

At its meeting held on July 18, 2016, the Committee received the attached email and presentation from Ms. Robin Hansen requesting the re-opening of the original Kinsmen Playground.

The attached additional letters and emails from Peter and Margaret Block, Barbara Farries, Lexie Craig and John Thomson, and a request to speak from Justin McGowan on behalf of the Caswell Community Association, were received after the submission deadline.

The Committee resolved that the information be received and that the matter be referred to the Administration for a report to the August 15, 2016 meeting of the Committee and that any additional correspondence and speakers be referred to the same meeting to be heard at that time.

An additional request to speak has been received from Kurt Soucy.

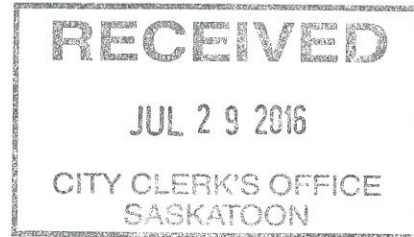
Recommendation

That the information be received.

8. MOTIONS (notice previously given)
9. GIVING NOTICE
10. URGENT BUSINESS
11. IN CAMERA SESSION (If Required)
12. ADJOURNMENT

July 28, 2016

Don Atchison, Mayor
City Hall
City of Saskatoon



Your Worship, Mayor Atchison,

A few months ago a request was made to City Council for temporary signs to be placed above the street signs on the 200 block of Ave. M South in honour of Sister Theodosia, a dedicated and respected citizen of Saskatoon who passed away on April 14, 2015. Sister Theodosia was the Administrator of St. Joseph's Home and a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph. She represented our city well both locally and globally in locations such as the Vatican/Rome, Brazil, and Ukraine.

We would like to thank City Council for supporting our request earlier this spring. Two honorary signs, titled ***Sister Theodosia Lane*** were placed on each end of the 200 block of Ave. M South in April. They will remain in place until August 31, 2016. The full cost of the signage was covered by the signatories of this request.

Our Ave. M community would like to request an extension of the honorary signage. The signs for ***Sister Theodosia Lane*** have been admired and appreciated by local residents and visitors. This block is unique in that it is the central hub of the province's Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy. Sister Theodosia was instrumental in designing and overseeing the construction of two architectural landmarks for the block, namely the Sisters of St. Joseph Monastery and Shrine to Nun-Martyrs Olympia and Laurentia. These special buildings complement the spiritual identity of the 200 block of Ave. M, which is already home to St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral, Eparchial offices, the provincial Musee Ukraina Museum, and St. George's Senior Citizens housing complex.

We are asking City Council to accept this letter as a formal request to allow the honorary signage to remain in place. The signage does not affect mailing addresses. The honorary signs add a positive, spiritual and cultural identity to the block and surrounding neighbourhood. We look forward to receiving your response.

Respectfully,

Nadia Prokopchuk, Member of St. George's Cathedral, 210 Ave. M. South
Email njprokopchuk@gmail.com

Martin Hryniuk, Member of Musee Ukraina Museum, 222 Ave. M. South
Email hrymartin@yahoo.ca

Sr. Sophia, Provincial Superior of the Ukrainian Sisters of St. Joseph of Saskatoon, 215 Ave. M. South

From: City Council
Sent: Friday, August 05, 2016 5:39 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Form submission from: Write a Letter to Council - File CK 4125-4

Submitted on Friday, August 5, 2016 - 17:38
Submitted by anonymous user: 142.165.164.244
Submitted values are:

Date: Friday, August 05, 2016
To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council
First Name: Darrell
Last Name: Lechman
Address: 253 - 3rd Avenue South
City: Saskatoon
Province: Saskatchewan
Postal Code: S7K1M3
Email: scyapinc@gmail.com
Comments:

I am requesting to appear and speak to council on August the 18th. The matter is currently not on the agenda and I would ask that it please be included. The matter of interest is the "20th Street West Improvements and the City of Saskatoon, SCYAP and Riversdale Bid partnership.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/111640>

From: City Council
Sent: Monday, August 08, 2016 1:14 AM
To: City Council
Subject: Form submission from: Write a Letter to Council - File CK 0710-60

Submitted on Monday, August 8, 2016 - 01:14
Submitted by anonymous user: 207.195.120.226
Submitted values are:

Date: Monday, August 08, 2016
To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council
First Name: Peggy
Last Name: Sarjeant
Address: 674 University Drive
City: Saskatoon
Province: Saskatchewan
Postal Code: S7N 0J2
Email: williampeggy@sasktel.net
Comments:

Ms. Peggy Sarjeant is requesting to speak to the Committee on this matter.

Mayor Don Atchison and
Members of City Council

8 August 2016

Your Worship and Members of Council,
Re: Third Avenue United Church

During the past few years, the Saskatoon Heritage Society, along with many other citizens, has grown increasingly concerned about the future of Third Avenue United Church.

This building is highly valued, not only by Saskatoon's faith community, but also by the community at large, for its architectural and historical significance and as a community gathering place. Its magnificent sanctuary, one of the largest on the prairies, has functioned as an auditorium from its early days. It has provided an early home for the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra and has played host to musical legends such as Percy Grainger, Arthur Rubenstein and Duke Ellington. The quality of the acoustics is legendary. Over the years, it has also hosted important political gatherings, notably the meetings that led to the formation of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool.

The church also figures prominently as an architectural heritage landmark in the downtown and is included within the City's recent Civic Precinct Master Plan.

Sadly, promises made by the previous owner to pursue official heritage designation for the property were never fulfilled. Consequently, any change of ownership, either now or in the future, leaves the building vulnerable to demolition or, what is perhaps more likely, vulnerable to inappropriate renovation. Under such a scenario, key features, contributing to the building's heritage significance, such as the stained glass windows, the auditorium ceiling, the balcony and the organ could be in jeopardy.

Under the authority of the Heritage Property Act, the City has the ability to proceed with heritage designation of the property. This would protect the building and its heritage assets while still allowing for its creative re-use.

There are several successful examples of adaptive re-use of places of faith in North America and in Europe. Of particular relevance would be Calvary United Methodist Church in Philadelphia (www.calvary-center.org). There is a discussion group attached to the National Trust for Canada which could be helpful (<https://www.nationaltrustcanada.ca/get-involved/national-networks/national-roundtable-endangered-places-faith>) and also the organization, Partners for Sacred Places, in the United States (www.sacredplaces.org).

As a matter of urgency, we ask City Council to move forward in the designation of Third Avenue United Church. This will lay the groundwork upon which any future re-use of the building would be based. We believe this action will be supported by the wider Saskatoon public, as well as by the heritage community.

Sincerely,

Peggy Sarjeant, President, Saskatoon Heritage Society

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/111835>

From: Wally Funk <wfunk@sasktel.net>

Date: August 8, 2016 at 4:05:18 PM CST

To: "'Hill, Darren (City Councillor)'" <Darren.Hill@Saskatoon.ca>

Cc: Brant Matheson <brantmatheson@hotmail.com>

Subject: Timber Pointe 306 Queen Street

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Email to:

Standing Policy Committee on Planning development & Community Services

With regards to: Urban Forestry and Timber Pointe Building located at 306 Queen Street

Mr. Chair,

In regards to our building at 306 Queen Street and the tree close to the corner of 3rd Ave and Queen Street

We want to address the importance of keeping the Urban Forest in City Park area and have come to an understand that the Urban Forest Department inside the City of Saskatoon wants to remove the large Elm Tree in front of the building, this is NOT our wish and hope to find a solution or give it time to heal. The tree has been in City Park for more than 80 years and we are told by someone that the tree is alive, yes it is hurt, but it is alive.

We do not want it removed, we are prepared to pay for the canopy pruning and give it time to heal.

Are we able to have a discussion in person to clarify our concerns?

Regards,

Wally Funk & Brant Matheson

Duco Developments Inc

602 Brightwater Bay

Saskatoon, SK

S7J 5J4

Ph: 306-249-3323

From: City Council
Sent: Friday, August 05, 2016 1:23 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Form submission from: Write a Letter to Council - File CK 4400-1

Submitted on Friday, August 5, 2016 - 13:23
Submitted by anonymous user: 207.195.86.145
Submitted values are:

Date: Friday, August 05, 2016
To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council
First Name: Shannon
Last Name: Vinish
Address: 1131 Ave. E. North
City: Saskatoon
Province: Saskatchewan
Postal Code: S7L1T2
Email: vinishs@sasktel.net
Comments:

I'd like to address the committee regarding the property next-door to me at 1129 Avenue E North. The house has sat vacant for five years as of early June. Their south wall caved in after a huge rainstorm and they did not want to spend the money to have it remedied, therefore the house is condemned and cannot be rented until the problem is corrected. They've had a cheapo house for sale sign in the window for years and finally a month ago listed it, but are totally unrealistic about the value of the property – it's a knockdown and nothing more! *Personal Information - Sec 23(1)(a)(b) & 28(1) - LA FOIAPI* and they have left their property mainly unattended all these years. As a neighbour who has to deal with their weeds, infrequently mowed grass and insufficient eavestroughing to direct water away in the summer (which has cost me money with having to rebuild the southwest corner of my foundation two years ago) and remove snow buildup between our houses in the winter (which they never participate in), I'm past frustrated – I'm mad. This summer there have been many people cutting through their backyard and between our houses which creates a safety issue for my property. What I'm looking for is to see a new bylaw that addresses vacant or derelict properties, ensuring that the owner of that property has one year only to either correct/remedy the issue or pay the consequences! Adjacent neighbours should not have to bear the brunt of irresponsible home/landowners. Please put me on your list to address the committee. Thank you.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/111612>

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From: City Council
Sent: August 09, 2016 10:21 AM
To: City Council
Subject: Form submission from: Write a Letter to Council

Submitted on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 - 10:20
Submitted by anonymous user: 216.174.134.2
Submitted values are:

Date: Tuesday, August 09, 2016
To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council
First Name: Khawaja Mustafa
Last Name: Rashid
Address: 419 Wakabayashi Crescent
City: SASKATOON
Province: Saskatchewan
Postal Code: S7K 7L7
Email: info@cricketsaskatoon.com
Comments:

Dear His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council,

I am writing this letter to raise the concern Saskatoon Cricket Association had with ground allocation in 2016 season. We have established a long working relationship with the city for organizing cricket in the city for youth and adults and worked closely to book city facilities to organize cricket league.

The Saskatoon Cricket Association is a non for profit organization established in 2002 to serve the community of Saskatoon and area to establish the sport of cricket. We never had issues with ground booking until 2016. As per agreement signed with the city in March 2016, we finalized schedule to run our league but city cancelled our contract to give half of our bookings at the Forestry Park cricket ground to a newly formed group in the city. This group incorporated on April 17, 2016 and demanded equal use of ground even though Saskatoon Cricket Association signed the agreement with the city for coming cricket season back in March 2016.

This group had no prior experience in running the league and just came to existence and city took half of our booking slots and handed to this group. We have no concern if another group in the city wants to organize cricket in the city but we have concern if city takes away our booking late in the season when we are ready to commence our league.

Two months later this new group dismantled. They started with 6 teams to organize cricket league and now left with only 2 teams with no league. The Saturday bookings which city granted to them at the Forestry Farm has not be used for at least last three week.

Saskatoon Cricket Association build the pitch at the Forestry Farm and now at Pierre Radisson park. All we are hoping for and requesting that the City to work with us for scheduling which should be done in advance (as we have done in the past) to avoid surprises just before start of season. I understand that the city has full right how to allocate city facilities but I am requesting to assess the eligibility of groups and understand if they are organized and well planned. May be a group has to be established for a year or two before request prime time slots (weekends). There are weekdays evening available

where they can get started. We only had one pitch in the city (Pierre Raddison was not ready this year) and we know everyone should have the opportunity to use the facility but some thought should be given before allocating significant booking time which now is wasted. We are unable to use ground on Saturdays as the field is still booked for this new group and they are not using it.

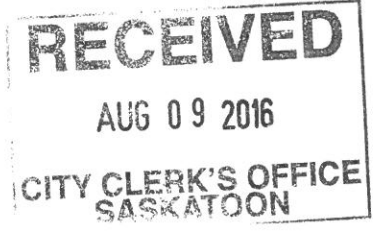
The president of Saskatchewan Cricket Association and I (President of Saskatoon Cricket Association) would like to speak with His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council to discuss our situation. I will appreciate for a time slot at the next council meeting in the afternoon on August 15, 2016.

Regards

Khawaja Mustafa Rashid
President
Saskatoon Cricket Association

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/112045>

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From: City Council
Sent: August 09, 2016 3:29 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Form submission from: Write a Letter to Council

Submitted on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 - 15:29
Submitted by anonymous user: 73.106.73.137
Submitted values are:

Date: Tuesday, August 09, 2016
To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council
First Name: Sam
Last Name: Khan
Address: McCombie Crescent
City: Regina
Province: Saskatchewan
Postal Code: S4W 0B2
Email: saskcricketassociation@gmail.com

Comments:
Dear

Council committee

SCA representative would like to discuss issue of forestry park booking handled this year in a standing committee. We like to get full understanding from city of saskatoon about their signed valid contracts with Cricket Saskatoon and their investment on saskatoon pitches .

We would like to know why city of sasktoon treating differently cricket Saskatoon and Saskatchewan cricket association or this is a norm and apply on all other sports organizations registered in Saskatoon .

Thanks

Sam khan
President SCA
306 535 4648

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/112112>

Land Use Applications Received for the Period From June 29, 2016, to July 27, 2016

Recommendation

That the information be received.

Topic and Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide detailed information on land use applications received by the Community Services Department for the period from June 29, 2016, to July 27, 2016.

Report

Each month, land use applications are received and processed by the Community Services Department; see Attachment 1 for a detailed description of these applications.

Public Notice

Public notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Public Notice Policy No. C01-02, is not required.

Attachment

1. Land Use Applications

Report Approval

Reviewed and

Approved by: Randy Grauer, General Manager, Community Services Department

S/Reports/2016/PD/Land Use Apps/PDCS – Land Use Apps – August 15, 2016/lc

Land Use Applications Received for the Period From June 29, 2016, to July 27, 2016

The following applications have been received and are being processed:

Condominium

- Application No. 9/16: 250 Akhtar Bend (28 New Units)
Applicant: Webb Surveys for
Innovative Residential Investments Inc.
Legal Description: Parcel RR, Plan No. 102215551
Proposed Use: To create 28 new residential units
Current Zoning: RMTN1
Neighbourhood: Evergreen
Date Received: June 29, 2016

Discretionary Use

- Application No. D16/16: 103 Ells Crescent
Applicant: Sam Kumar (1 Oak Developments Ltd.)
Legal Description: Lot 49, Block 214, Plan No. 102171732
Proposed Use: Type II Care Home
Current Zoning: R1B
Neighbourhood: Kensington
Date Received: July 12, 2016
- Application No. D17/16: 2125 St. Charles Avenue
Applicant: David and Janet Calow
Legal Description: Lot 12 and N ½ of Lot 13, Block 24, Plan No. GV
Proposed Use: Garage suite
Current Zoning: R2
Neighbourhood: Exhibition
Date Received: July 15, 2016

Official Community Plan

- Amendment No. OCP 22/16: 2950 McClocklin Road
Applicant: Saskatoon Land
Legal Description: Lot 28, Block 1, Plan No. 102064025
Proposed Use: Multi-family residential development
Current Land Use Designation: Residential
Proposed Land Use Designation: Commercial
Neighbourhood: Hampton Village
Date Received: June 30, 2016

Rezoning

- Application No. Z20/16: Corner of Township Road 380 and Highway 12
Applicant: City of Saskatoon for Overpass Farms Inc.
Legal Description: Parcel A, Plan No. 102194609
Proposed Use: To create a commercial site
Current Zoning: DAG1
Proposed Zoning: IH by Agreement
Neighbourhood: North West Development Area
Date Received: June 7, 2016

- Application No. Z21/16: Larkhaven Park (851 Cynthia Street and 211 Robin Crescent)
Applicant: Saskatoon Land Branch
Legal Description: MR1, Plan No. 69S07233 and MR2, Plan No. 79S17444
Proposed Use: Vacant light industrial land
Current Zoning: IL1(H)
Proposed Zoning: IL1
Neighbourhood: Airport Business Area
Date Received: June 22, 2016

- Application No. Z23/16: 309 and 319 22nd Street East and 116 and 130 3rd Avenue South
Applicant: North Prairie Developments Ltd.
Legal Description: Lots 27 to 31 and Lots 21 to 26, Block 157, Plan No. C195; and Lot 43, Block 157, Plan No. 99SA35105; and Lot C, Block 157, Plan No. 00SA30408
Proposed Use: All permitted uses in B6 District
Current Zoning: B6 by Agreement
Proposed Zoning: B6
Neighbourhood: Central Business District
Date Received: July 6, 2016

Subdivision

- Application No. 37/16: Circle Drive South Project –
Circle Drive/Malouf Road
Applicant: George, Nicholson, Franko & Associates Ltd. for
City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Lots 2 to 7 inclusive, Block 188, Lots 3 to 8
inclusive, Block 189, Lots 4 to 8 inclusive,
Block 190, Lots 5 to 19 inclusive, Block 191,
Parcels A and D, Municipal Reserve MR2, All in
Plan No. 80S31338; and
Road Closure of Part of Malouf Road and
Jonathan Avenue, Plan No. 80S31338; and
All of Parcel B, Plan No. 67S07546
Proposed Use: Creation of right-of-way for Circle Drive South, to
accommodate the realignment of Malouf Road and
resubdivision of the adjacent lots
Current Zoning: IL1
Neighbourhood: South West Industrial
Date Received: June 13, 2016
- Application No. 38/16: Highway 5 and M Ormond Drive
(Wilson's Greenhouse Property)
Applicant: Webster Surveys for Deam Asset Management
Legal Description: All of Plan No. 01SA27946; Parts of
Plan No. 101897062; Area R, S, and T,
Plan No. 93S04586, and Parcels A and B,
Plan No. 102194759 in SE ¼ Sec. 31; Part of
Parcel E and All of Parcel F, Plan No. 102194759
in SW ¼ Sec. 32; and Part of Road Allowance
between SE ¼ Sec. 31 and SW ¼ Sec. 32 All in
36-4 W3
Proposed Use: Creation of commercial sites
Current Zoning: B4H
Neighbourhood: Brighton
Date Received: June 17, 2016
- Application No. 39/16: 620 Cornish Road
Applicant: Webb Surveys for
Cory Crossing Inc. c/o Innovative Residential
Legal Description: Parcel F, Plan No. 102211344
Proposed Use: Creation of two bareland condominium units
Current Zoning: M2
Neighbourhood: Stonebridge
Date Received: June 22, 2016

Subdivision

- Application No. 40/16: Kingsmere Boulevard Lift Station
Applicant: Compass Geomatics Ltd. for City of Saskatoon
Legal Description: Lot G, Block 247, Plan No. 84S30068 and Parcel C, Plan No. 94S17318

Proposed Use: Creation of two residential lots
Current Zoning: R1A
Neighbourhood: Lakeridge
Date Received: July 8, 2016

- Application No. 41/16: SaskPower Overhead Transmission Line
North of 71st Street
Applicant: Meridian Surveys for Various Owners
Legal Description: Parcel U, Plan No. 101459718 in NW ¼ Sec. 34, Parcel A, Plan No. 101459651 in SE ¼ Sec. 34, LS2 and LS7 Sec. 34, LS2, LS7, LS10, LS11, LS14 and LS15, Sec. 27, Plan No. CW2950 in SE ¼ Sec. 27; and SW ¼ 27-37-5 W3

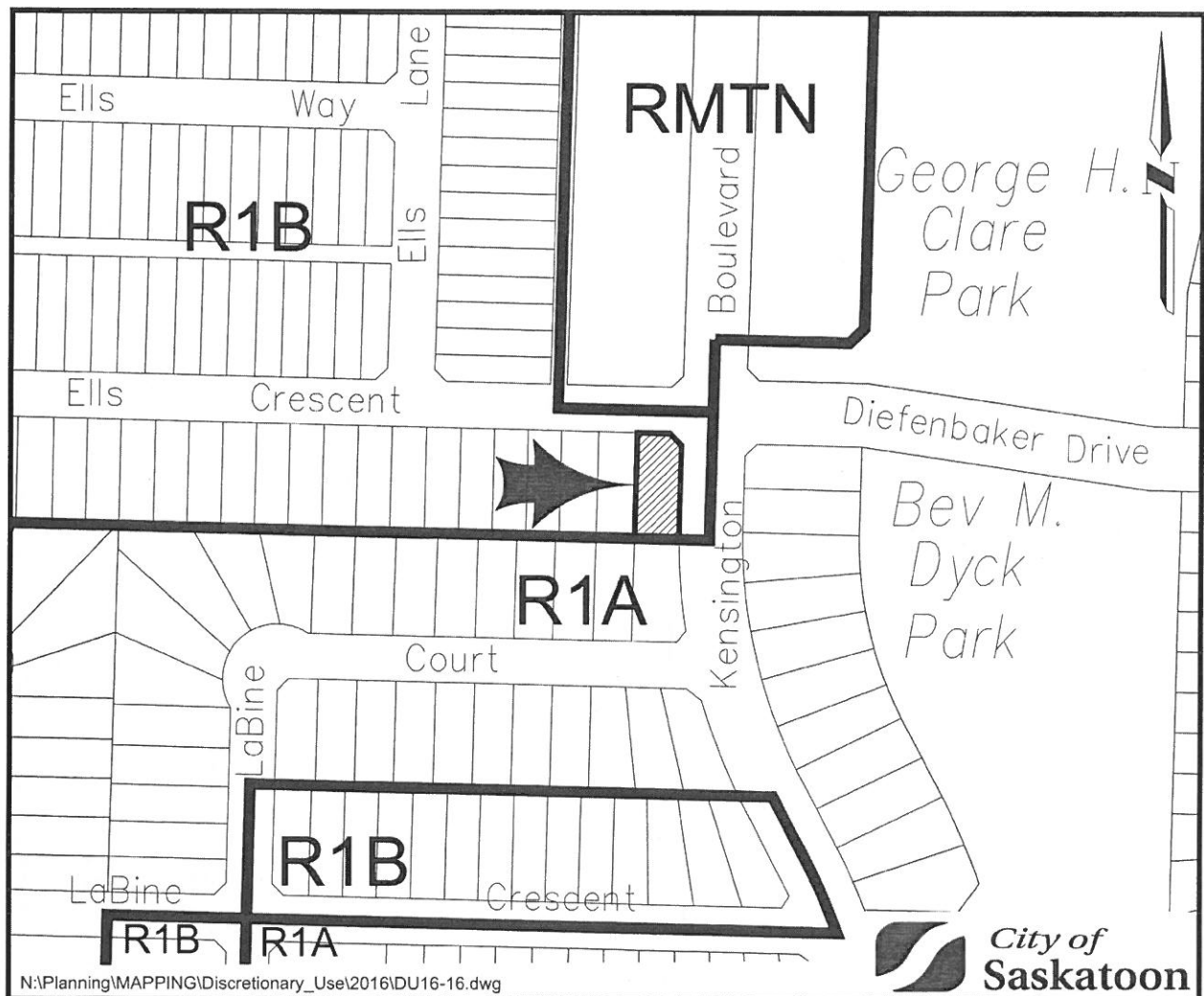
Proposed Use: Feature plan for a constructed transmission line
Current Zoning: DAG1
Neighbourhood: Marquis Industrial and North Development Area
Date Received: July 13, 2016

- Application No. 43/16: 103 Pohorecky Crescent (65 Units)
Applicant: Webb Surveys for the Pines Development Ltd.
Legal Description: Parcel C, Plan No. 102030219
Proposed Use: Creation of 65 bareland condominium units
Current Zoning: RMTN
Neighbourhood: Evergreen
Date Received: July 19, 2016

Attachments

1. Plan of Proposed Condominium No. 9/16
2. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D16/16
3. Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D17/16
4. Plan of Proposed Official Community Plan Amendment No. OCP 22/16
5. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z20/16
6. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z21/16
7. Plan of Proposed Rezoning No. Z23/16
8. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 37/16
9. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 38/16
10. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 39/16
11. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 40/16
12. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 41/16
13. Plan of Proposed Subdivision No. 43/16

Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D16/16




Plan of Proposed Discretionary Use No. D17/16



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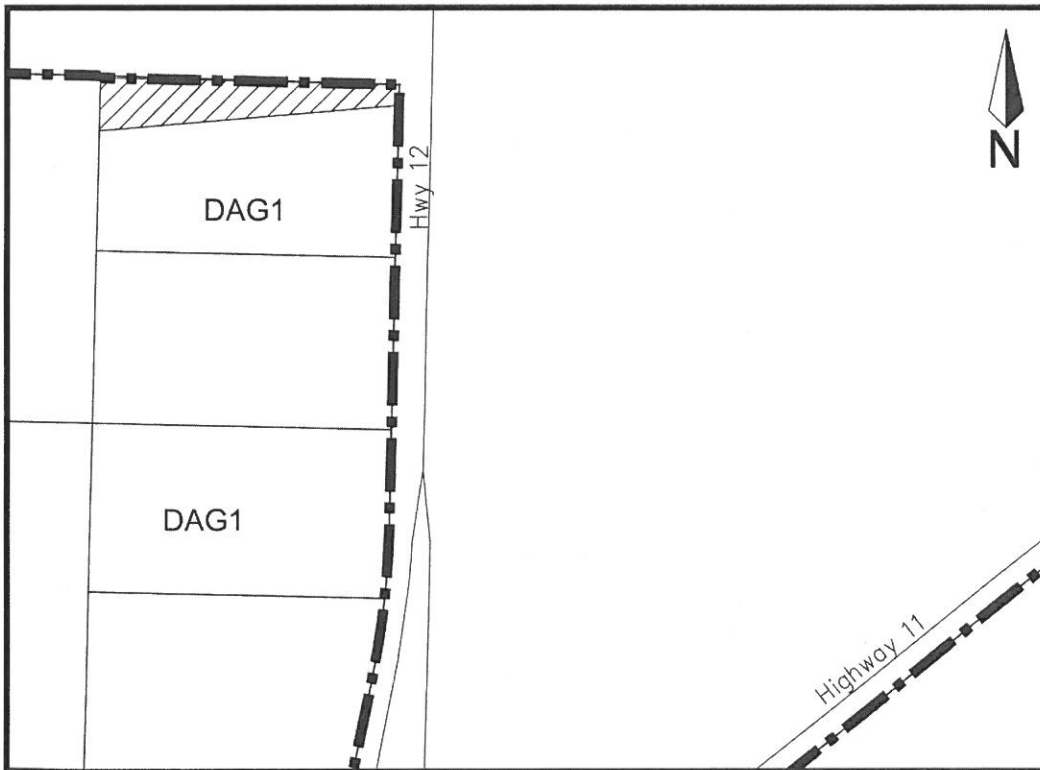


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LAND USE MAP

 From Residential to District Commercial

File No. OCP22-2016

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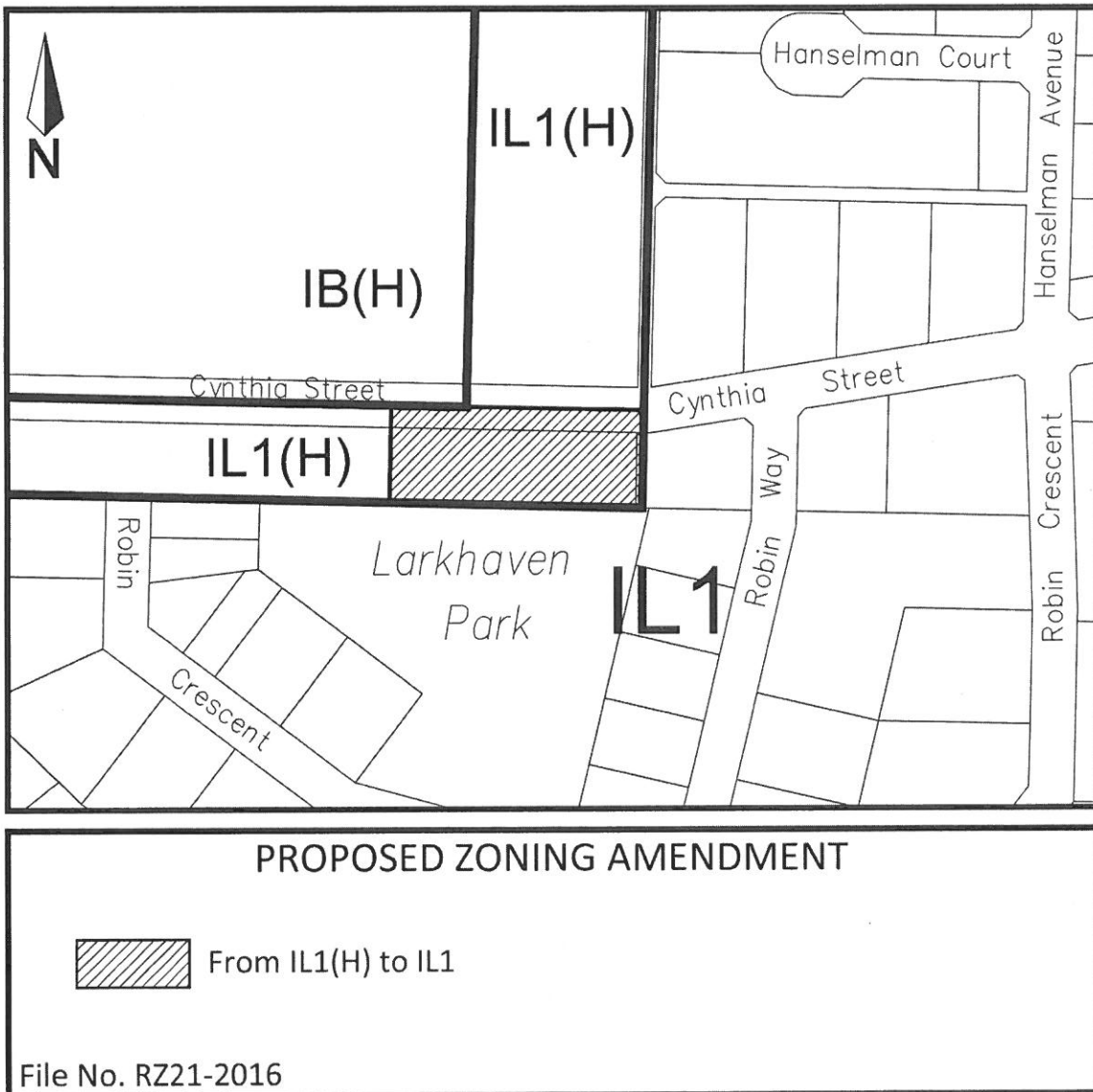


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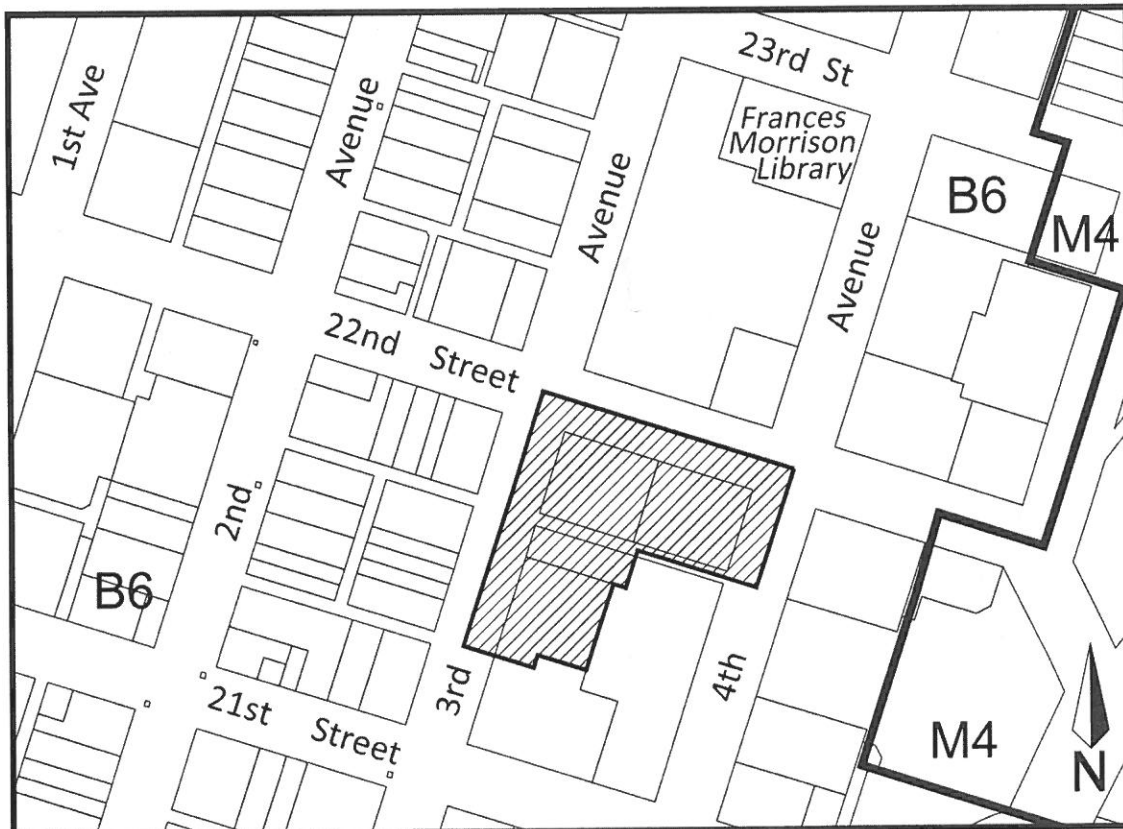
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SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN
BY T.R. WEBB, S.L.S.
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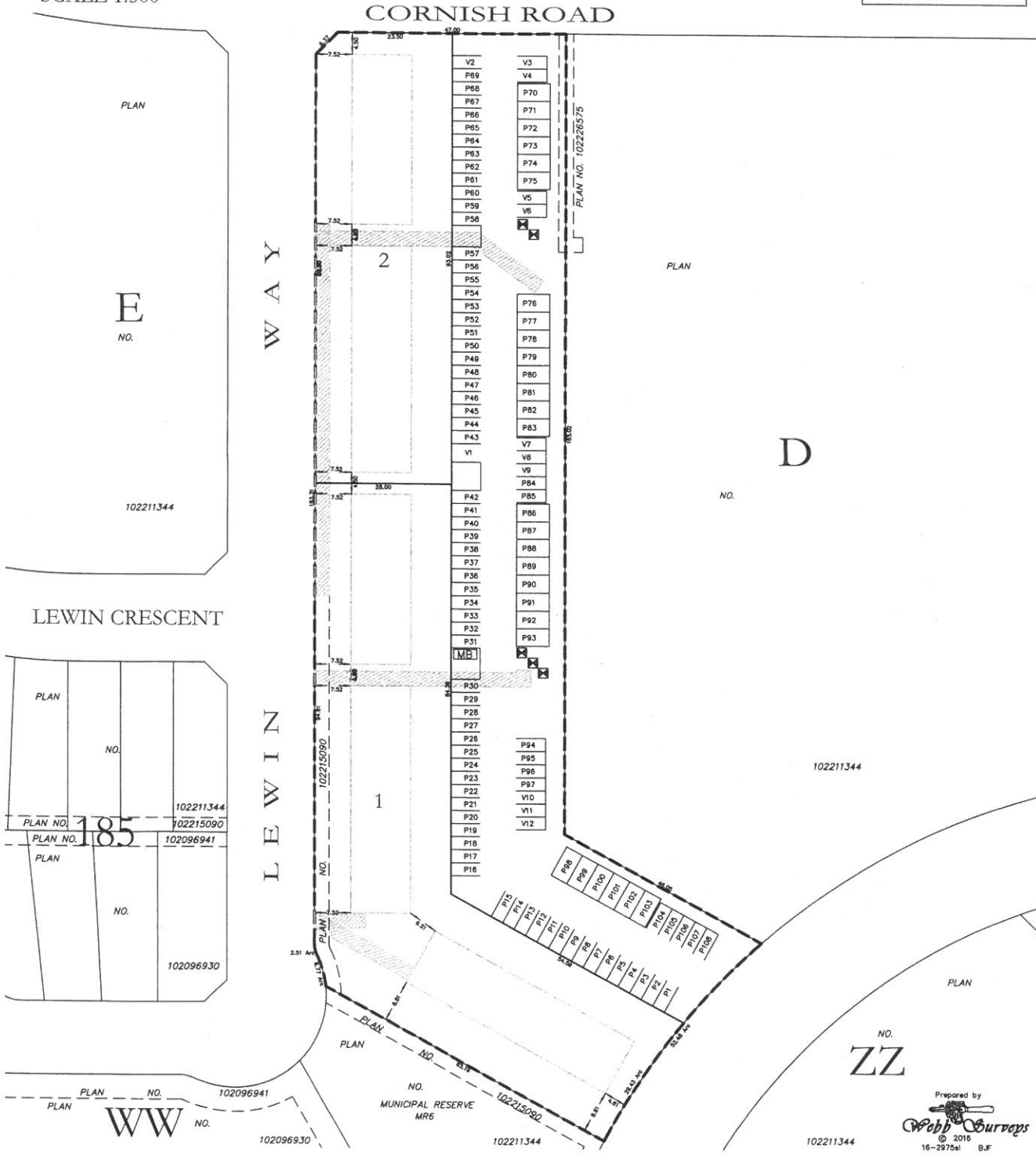
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T.R. Webb
T.R. Webb June 27, 2016
Saskatchewan Land Surveyor

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PLAN SHOWING
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 PARCEL C, REG'D PLAN NO. 94S17318
 S.E.1/4 SEC. 13
 TWP. 36 RGE. 5 W.3 MER.
 CITY OF SASKATOON
 SASKATCHEWAN
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Examined By : CITY OF SASKATOON

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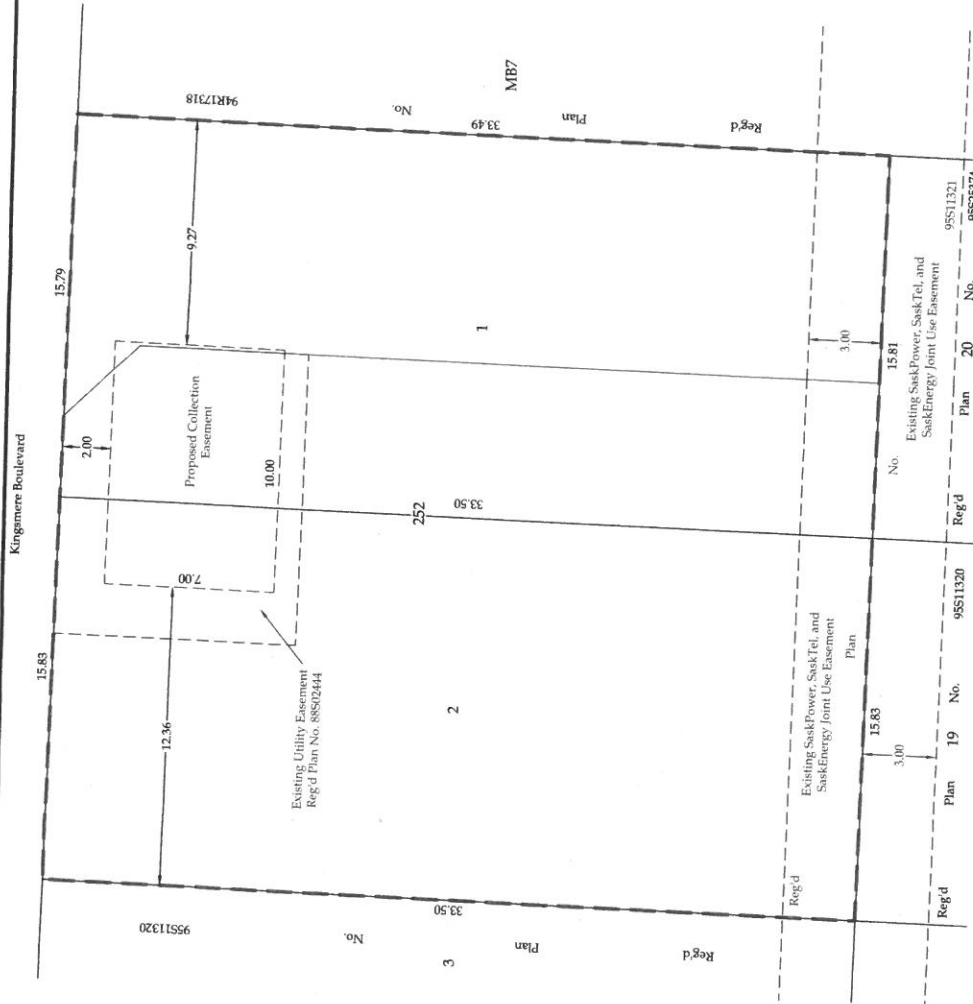
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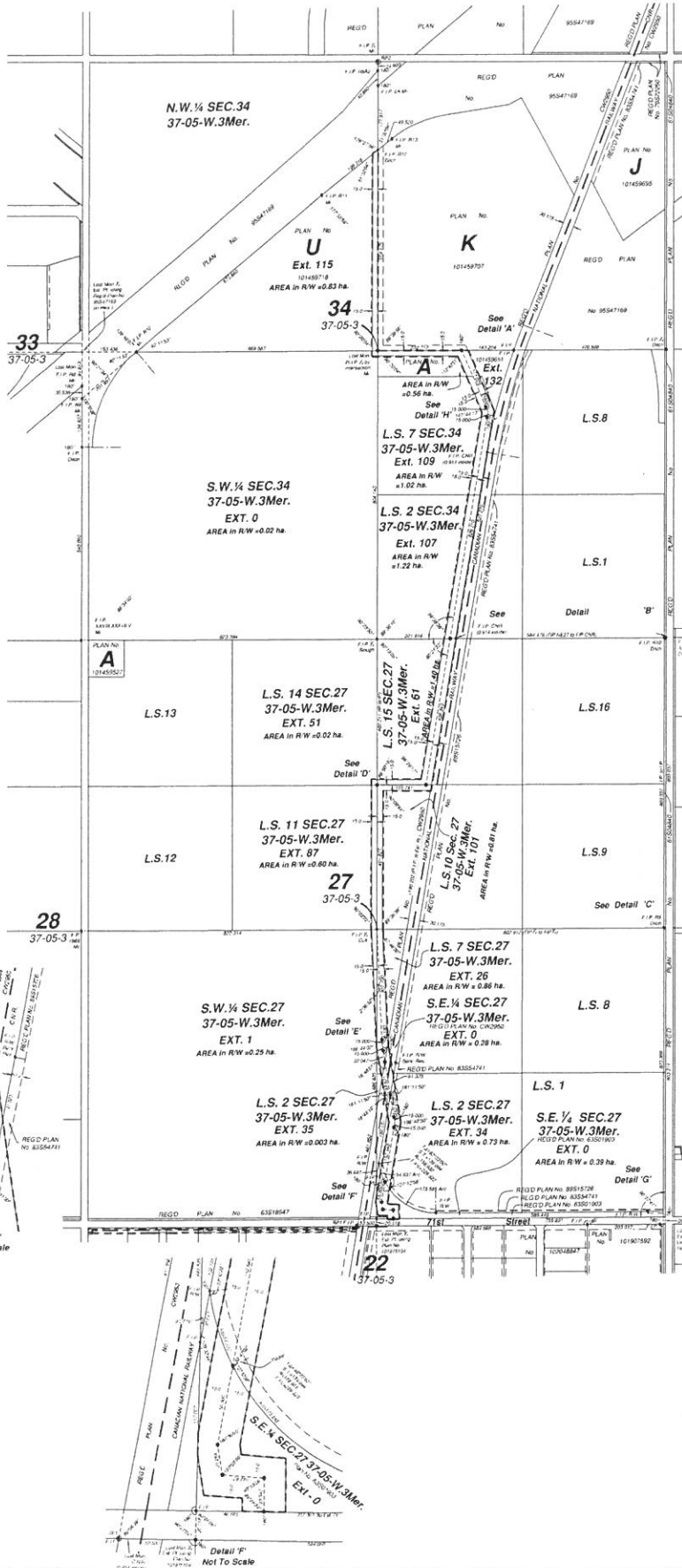
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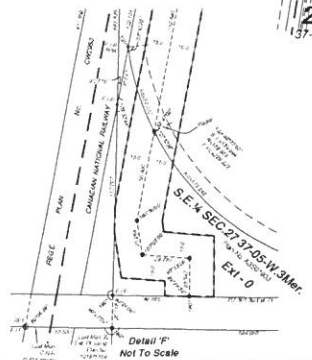
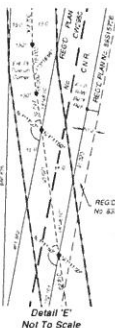
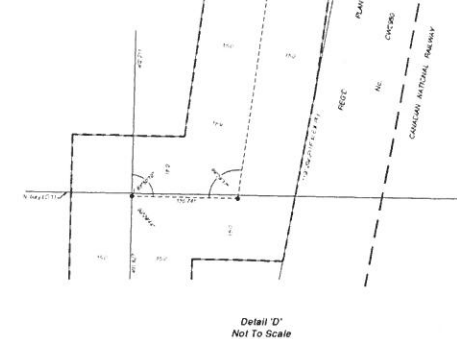
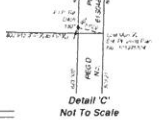
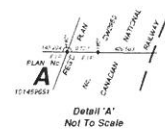
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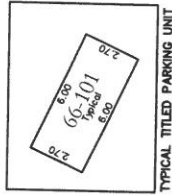
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Saskatchewan Land Surveyor June 30th, 2016



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Approval for Advertising: Proposed Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan Amendment, Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment, and Rezoning – 2950 McClocklin Road

Recommendation

1. That the advertising, in respect to the proposed amendment to Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 and Zoning Bylaw No. 8770, be approved;
2. That the General Manager, Community Services Department, be requested to prepare the required notices for advertising the proposed amendment to Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 and Zoning Bylaw No. 8770; and
3. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the required bylaws to amend Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 and Zoning Bylaw No. 8770.

Topic and Purpose

The purpose of this report is to request approval to advertise an application from Saskatoon Land to amend the land use designation of 2950 McClocklin Road from “Residential” to “District Commercial” on the Official Community Plan – Land Use Map and rezone it from RM3 – Medium-Density Multiple-Unit Dwelling District to B2 – District Commercial District.

Report

Saskatoon Land has applied to amend the land use and zoning designations of 2950 McClocklin Road in the Hampton Village neighbourhood. Approval is required from the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services to advertise this amendment, as required by Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, prior to a public hearing at City Council. This amendment was considered by the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) on July 26, 2016. See Attachment 1 for the report that was considered by MPC, which provides further detail on the amendments requested for the land in question.

Options to the Recommendation

The Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services could decline to support the recommendations of this report. Further direction would then be required.

Public Notice

Public notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 11(a) of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021. If the recommendations of this report are approved, a notice will be placed in The StarPhoenix two weeks prior to the public hearing date.

Attachment

1. Report Considered by MPC on July 26, 2016: Proposed Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan Amendment, Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment, and Rezoning – 2950 McClocklin Road

Approval for Advertising: Proposed Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan Amendment, Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment, and Rezoning – 2950 McClocklin Road

Report Approval

Written by: Brent McAdam, Planner, Planning and Development
Reviewed by: Alan Wallace, Director of Planning and Development
Approved by: Randy Grauer, General Manager, Community Services Department

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Proposed Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan Amendment, Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment, and Rezoning – 2950 McClocklin Road

Recommendation

That a report be forwarded to City Council recommending that at the time of the public hearing, City Council consider the following recommendations of the Administration:

1. That the proposed amendment to the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan, as outlined in this report, be approved;
2. That the proposed amendment to the Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 Land Use Map, as outlined in this report, be approved; and
3. That the proposed amendment to Zoning Bylaw No. 8770, as outlined in this report, be approved.

Topic and Purpose

Applications have been submitted from Saskatoon Land requesting the following amendments relating to 2950 McClocklin Road, located in the Hampton Village neighbourhood:

- i) amend the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan to redesignate the property from “Multi-Family (Medium-Density)” to “Commercial”;
- ii) redesignate the property from “Residential” to “District Commercial” on the Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 Land Use Map; and
- iii) amend Zoning Bylaw No. 8770 to change the property’s zoning designation from RM3 – Medium-Density Multiple-Unit Dwelling District to B2 – District Commercial District.

The purpose of these amendments is to provide for additional commercial development opportunities to serve Hampton Village and adjacent neighbourhoods.

Report Highlights

1. The subject site was previously identified as the location for a future fire station, although further analysis has concluded that it is no longer required for this purpose.
2. Hampton Village and adjacent neighbourhoods have a relative absence of commercial development opportunities.
3. Amendments to the Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan (Concept Plan), Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8769 (OCP), and Zoning Bylaw No. 8770 (Zoning Bylaw) are proposed to accommodate commercial development at this location and to provide further commercial opportunities in the area.

Strategic Goal

This report supports the Strategic Goal of Sustainable Growth by supporting the creation of “complete community” neighbourhoods, which include access to commercial services that provide convenience and amenities to residents.

Background

The Concept Plan was originally approved by City Council in 2004 (see Attachment 1). The Concept Plan identified 2950 McClocklin Road for development as multi-family (medium-density) residential. A designation of “Residential” on the OCP Land Use Map and zoning designation of RM3 – Medium-Density Multiple-Unit Dwelling District (RM3) were subsequently applied, consistent with the approved Concept Plan. This property was later retained as a location for a future fire station.

Report

Site No Longer Required for Fire Station

The subject property, 2950 McClocklin Road, was previously identified by the Saskatoon Fire Department (Fire Department) for a future fire station and the property was purchased for this purpose. The Zoning Bylaw includes a provision that allows for a fire station to be constructed within any zoning district provided that such a facility is generally compatible with properties in the vicinity in terms of height, setbacks, landscaping, and parking.

In 2015, the Fire Department conducted a reassessment of the deployment plan for current and future fire stations with the use of geographic information system technology. The results of the analysis identified that overlap of response zones for this area of the city would be reduced by relocating the fire station proposed for Hampton Village to a location in the future Elk Point neighbourhood at the corner of Claypool Drive and an extended Latrace Road. As a result, 2950 McClocklin Road is no longer required for Fire Department operations.

Need for Additional Commercial Opportunities

The northern part of the Confederation Suburban Development Area, including Hampton Village and adjacent neighbourhoods, has few opportunities for commercial development.

Hampton Village presently has 2.81 acres of commercially-zoned land split between two sites with approximately 3,160 m² (34,000 square feet) of developed commercial space. The acreage of commercially-zoned land in Dundonald and Westview is 0.95 acres and 0.79 acres, respectively. The nearest location of higher-order commercial services is in the Confederation Suburban Centre, which is approximately 3 km away from Hampton Village Square.

In more recently developed neighbourhoods, larger supplies of commercially-zoned land have been integrated into residential areas. This is part of an evolving effort to further mix land uses in neighbourhood design and to provide a wider array of services

and amenities within a neighbourhood that are available at walking or short driving distance.

Given this, and based on previous feedback from neighbourhood residents and stakeholders, Saskatoon Land decided to explore the opportunity for development of 2950 McClocklin Road for commercial purposes in an attempt to increase the supply of services and amenities available to Hampton Village and adjacent neighbourhoods. The subject site is approximately 1.13 acres in area.

Proposed Concept Plan Amendment

To facilitate commercial development on the subject site, an amendment to its designation in the Concept Plan from “Multi-Family (Medium-Density)” to “Commercial” is proposed (see Attachment 2).

Proposed OCP Bylaw Amendment

A corresponding amendment to the OCP Land Use Map from “Residential” to “District Commercial” is proposed. District Commercial areas are intended to accommodate commercial and mixed-use activities serving two to five neighbourhoods.

Proposed Rezoning

A rezoning of 2950 McClocklin Road from RM3 to B2 – District Commercial District (B2) is proposed. If approved, development of the site could proceed under the provisions of the B2 District.

Saskatoon Land intends to sell the site through a public process, whereby proposal submissions are evaluated on the basis of purchase price, building design, site layout, and the overall proposal’s ability to appropriately integrate with the surrounding area.

Suitability of Site for Commercial Development

It is felt that the subject site is appropriate for commercial development for the following reasons:

- i. The site is located between an existing commercial site (B2 by Agreement) to the west containing a Shoppers Drug Mart, and a place of worship and multiple-unit dwelling to the east zoned RM3.
- ii. The site does not directly abut any single-family residential.
- iii. The site is located between McClocklin Road and Hampton Circle, both major collector roadways carrying higher volumes of traffic.
- iv. The site is located near an entrance to the neighbourhood via Hampton Gate South/Junor Avenue, providing easy access via adjacent neighbourhoods.
- v. The site is located near Hampton Village Square, neighbourhood schools, and existing commercial development.

Comments from Other Divisions

No concerns were received through the administrative referral process that precludes this application from proceeding to the public hearing.

Options to the Recommendation

City Council could choose to deny this application. The current zoning of the property would remain in place.

Public and/or Stakeholder Involvement

Adjacent property owners, as well as residents of the larger neighbourhood, had the opportunity to obtain information on the proposal, ask questions, and voice concerns at a public meeting held in conjunction with the Transportation Division's Neighbourhood Traffic Review for Hampton Village on June 14, 2016. Approximately 30 members of the general public were in attendance.

The proposal for commercial development at this location was well-accepted, with questions mostly related to possible uses and zoning requirements for site development. No written feedback specific to this matter has been received to date.

Other Considerations/Implications

There are no policy, financial, environmental, privacy, or CPTED implications or considerations; a communication plan is not required at this time.

Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion

No follow-up is required.

Public Notice

Public notice is required for consideration of this matter, pursuant to Section 11(a) of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021. Once this application has been considered by the Municipal Planning Commission, it will be advertised in accordance with Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, and a date for a public hearing will be set. The Planning and Development Division will notify all property owners within 75 metres of the subject site of the public hearing date, by letter. A notice will be placed in The StarPhoenix two weeks prior. Notice boards will be placed on the site.

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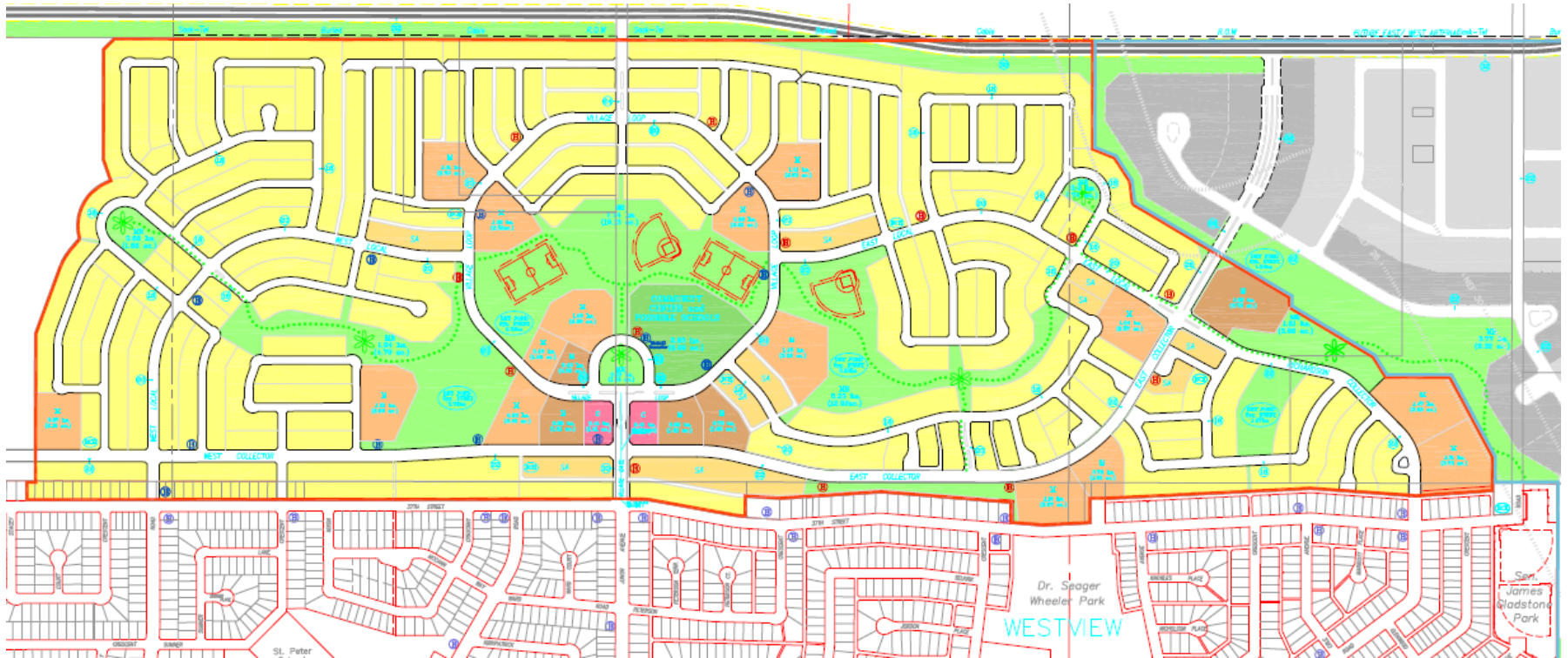
1. Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan
2. Location Plans

Report Approval

Written by: Brent McAdam, Planner, Planning and Development
Reviewed by: Don Cook, Acting Director of Planning and Development
Approved by: Randy Grauer, General Manager, Community Services Department

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Hampton Village Neighbourhood Concept Plan



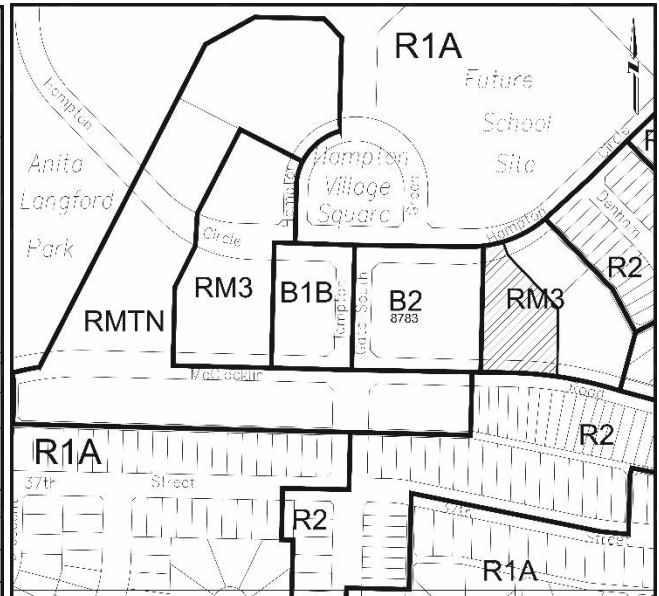
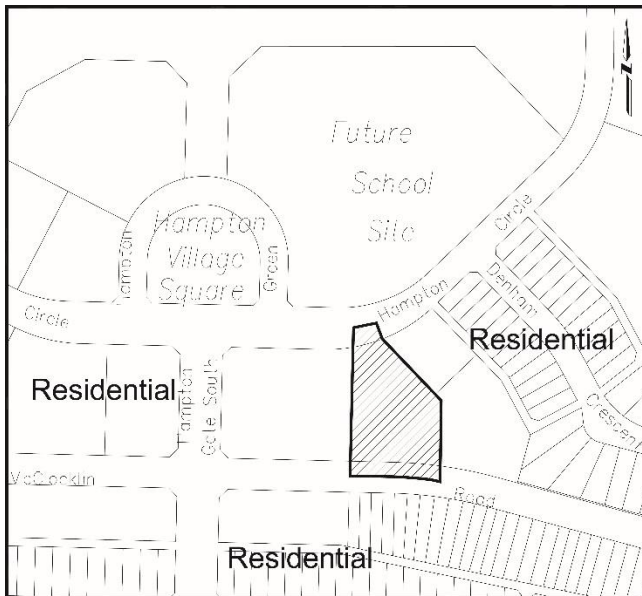
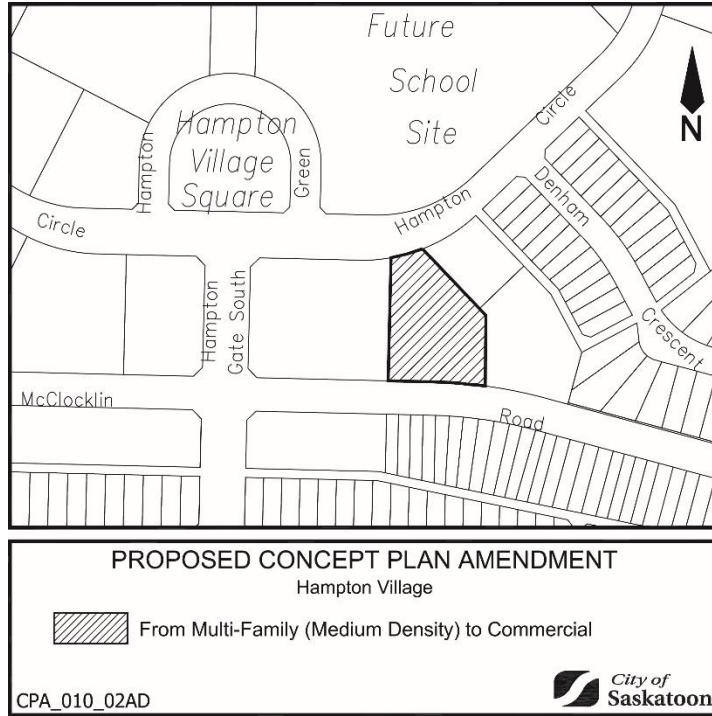
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- SA SINGLE FAMILY (Attached)
- MULTI FAMILY (Townhouse)
- MULTI FAMILY (Medium Density)
- COMMERCIAL
- BUSINESS PARK
- INDUSTRIAL PARK
- OPEN SPACE & BUFFERS
- COMMUNITY CENTER AND SCHOOLS

Concept Elements

- PARK FEATURE
- PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY
- NOISE EXPOSURE FORECAST CONTOUR
- B BUS STOP (Route #19)
- B BUS STOP (Route #15)
- RCH RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME
- Neighbourhood
- Business/Industrial Park

Location Plans



2015 Annual Report – Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership

Recommendation

That the information be received.

Topic and Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the activities of the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership in 2015.

Report Highlights

1. The Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) serves to support the implementation of the City of Saskatoon's (City) Housing Business Plan and strengthen the community capacity to deliver affordable housing projects in Saskatoon.
2. SHIP's 2015 Annual Report (Annual Report) to the City provides details of their activities in 2015, which should result in 114 new affordable rental units in Saskatoon.

Strategic Goal

This report supports the City's long-term Strategic Goal of Quality of Life by increasing the supply and range of affordable housing options.

Background

SHIP was created in 1999, and strives to bring the necessary expertise, experience, and assistance to housing providers in order to help build the capacity to develop new affordable housing projects in Saskatoon.

When SHIP was established, the City, as well as non-profit housing providers, agreed there was a gap in services and capacity that limited the development of affordable housing. SHIP's role was to fill that gap by providing community-based services to help affordable housing providers develop business plans for affordable housing projects.

At its March 21, 2011 meeting, City Council approved a service agreement with SHIP for a five-year term, set to expire on October 31, 2016, providing annual funding of \$100,000 from the Affordable Housing Reserve to SHIP. SHIP's contract is proposed to be extended six months to allow time for the Homelessness Plan to be completed. In return, SHIP would help to support the goal of facilitating the creation of at least 100 affordable housing units every year in Saskatoon. In addition, the agreement requires SHIP to provide the City with an annual report and a five-year strategic plan.

Report

SHIP's Work a Vital Component of the City's 2013 - 2022 Housing Business Plan

SHIP is a community-based organization with a mission to provide business planning services for affordable housing projects by bringing together expertise and experience in the community. The work of SHIP has been critical during a period of sustained economic and population growth in Saskatoon, which has been accompanied by an increase in the cost of housing. SHIP makes a significant contribution to achieving the City's attainable housing targets.

SHIP's Consulting Work in 2015 Should Result in 114 New Affordable Rental Units

The details of its contribution to achieving 114 units are in the Annual Report (see Attachment 1). SHIP's consulting work on projects with Sherbrooke Community Society, Stewart Properties Holdings, and Camponi Housing corporation included need and demand studies, operational planning, financing options, data analysis, and assistance in applying for funding from the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation.

These projects, which together include 114 units, are targeted at a variety of household types including seniors, families, singles, Aboriginal and those with intellectual disabilities. Two of these three projects, Sherbrooke Community Society, and Stewart Properties Holdings, are expected to be located in areas with a low concentration of affordable rental housing.

The Annual Report also includes information regarding funding that SHIP has disbursed in its role as the Community Entity for the federal government's Homelessness Partnering Strategy funding.

Public and/or Stakeholder Involvement

No public consultation or stakeholder involvement is required.

Financial Implications

The service agreement between SHIP and the City includes an annual payment to SHIP of \$100,000, from the Affordable Housing Reserve, with the following scaled performance bonus when SHIP facilitates the creation of more than 100 units in a year:

- 101 to 120 units - \$5,000 bonus
- 121 to 140 units - \$10,000 bonus
- 141 or more units - \$15,000 bonus

As SHIP has facilitated the creation of 114 units in 2015, they qualify for a bonus payment of \$5,000.

Other Considerations/Implications

There are no options, policy, environmental, privacy, or CPTED or privacy implications or considerations; a communications plan is not required at this time.

Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion

Under the terms of the service agreement between the City and SHIP, an annual report is required each year of the five-year agreement. An annual report on SHIP’s activities in 2016 will be presented to City Council by August 2017.

Public Notice

Public notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, is not required.

Attachments

1. SHIP’s 2015 Annual Report

Report Approval

Written by: Daryl Sexsmith, Housing Analyst, Planning and Development
Reviewed by: Alan Wallace, Director of Planning and Development
Approved by: Randy Grauer, General Manager, Community Services Department

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2015

ANNUAL REPORT



**PARTNERING TO DEVELOP SOLUTIONS TO
AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS
IN SASKATOON**

SHIP is a community based organization that strives to increase the supply of affordable and appropriate housing options in Saskatoon.

The economic, social and personal well-being of the residents of this great city is our main concern. We believe that a wide range of housing options creates a safe, healthy and prosperous community.

When people can access the right housing at the right time, it opens doors to help create a healthy and happy life. Our vision is that everyone in Saskatoon has a safe, secure, and appropriate place to call home.

We have ambitious plans for the future and are committed to helping even more people across Saskatoon.

We know we won't end the housing affordability crisis and homelessness overnight or on our own. But we communicate with everyone involved, animate discussions and collaborate with our partners across the community, the province and the nation.

Together we make change happen.



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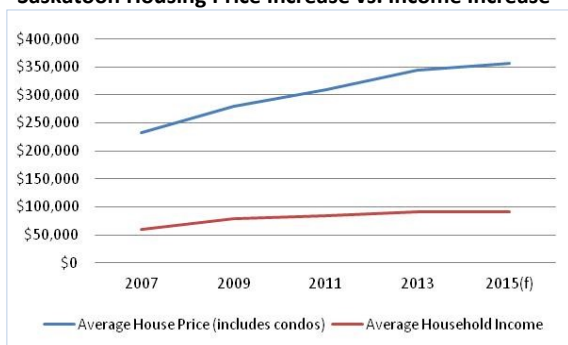
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A HOUSING CRISIS IN SASKATOON

The Saskatoon housing market has experienced rapid price increases since 2006. For example, in 2016, the average MLS resale price of a home increased to \$356,462 in Saskatoon, a nearly 300% increase compared to a decade earlier. Rental prices also experienced a significant increase.

Saskatoon Housing Price Increase vs. Income Increase



Source: City of Saskatoon

Before the housing price boom in 2006, a \$48,000 median household income was sufficient to buy an average house in Saskatoon. In 2011, Saskatoon households needed approximately \$88,524 to purchase an average Saskatoon home.

Household Type	Median Employment Income
Families	84,370
Dual Earner Family	103,190
Single Earner Family (Male)	44,910
Single Earner Family (Female)	26,690
Lone Parent Family	43,350
Singles	37,040

In 2006, average rent in Saskatoon was \$557, and in 2016 that amount has increased by 80% to \$999. Renter households need an income of \$36,000 to spend the recommended 30% of income on housing, which is often difficult considering the size and make up of many families and the rental options available in Saskatoon.

While housing prices in Saskatoon increased, household incomes showed only modest gains in recent years, especially lower income jobs. Many Saskatoon households are spending more than the recommended 30 percent of their disposable income on shelter sacrificing some of the basic necessities in order to achieve home ownership status. For example, approximately 18% of owner households are spending over 30% of their income on shelter.

Housing tenure including presence of mortgage and subsidized housing	Total # of households spending more than 30%
Owner With mortgage	10,815
Owner Without mortgage	9,155
Renter	1,665
Subsidized housing	14,645
Not subsidized housing	2,915
Total	25,460

Unsafe housing is also an issue in the city. According to the 2011 National Household Survey, 6.1% of Saskatoon households (5.2% for owner-occupied dwellings and 8.1% for renter-occupied dwellings) were reported living in dwellings that required major repairs.

Rising housing costs also contribute to homelessness. In June 2015, a one day Point-in-Time count found 450 people experiencing homelessness. Nearly 2,000 unique individuals stayed in a shelter last year in Saskatoon.

There are many organizations doing amazing things to support people where they are at, be it someone in need of a bed in a shelter, or family looking to purchase an affordable new home. But more needs to be done.



OUR RESPONSE

SHIP is helping create solutions to housing and homelessness in Saskatoon through project development assistance, community engagement, partnership development, and investing in projects that address homelessness.

Working across the entire affordable housing continuum, SHIP offers a unique service to affordable housing developers in Saskatoon. The organization that brings together a wealth of expertise and experience from a diverse group of individuals involved with affordable housing in Saskatoon. SHIP's Board, committees and staff are teeming with experienced advisors that bring a wealth of knowledge to the organization.

By identifying the needs of the community, SHIP develops creative solutions to the housing challenges faced by many Saskatoon residents. This is achieved by conducting market research, reviewing best practices, engaging organizations and individuals through meetings and outreach, and building strategic partnerships with groups that are working toward goals and outcomes common to our organization.

SHIP's housing project development team works with clients to create a customized business plan to help bring their project to fruition. Plans review zoning and building requirement and explores development options. By performing financial feasibility assessments and establishing timelines and goals, SHIP helps mitigate risks often encountered during the project development phase.

Our project development expertise also provides a strong knowledge base for the invest-

ments we manage (\$1 Million per year) for initiatives that address homelessness in our city. By working together with our community partners, SHIP is helping build communities, revitalize neighborhoods and address homelessness.

With expertise in project development and research, and proven strength as prudent fund managers, SHIP has all the elements needed to empower organizations to develop solutions to affordable housing and homelessness.

SHIP'S VISION

SHIP will help create a safe, healthy and prosperous community by ensuring that there is an ample supply of affordable housing choices that contributes to the economic, social and personal well-being of the residents of Saskatoon.

SHIP'S MISSION

SHIP provides leadership to foster creative housing solutions by engaging developers, builders, lenders, and housing providers.



OUR YEAR IN NUMBERS



114 Units

We provided research and development assistance for 114 affordable housing units



\$1 Million Invested

We invested \$1 Million in Homelessness Partnering Strategy Funding in Saskatoon in 2015

100 INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WERE HOUSED THANKS TO HPS INVESTMENTS IN HOUSING FIRST WHICH INCLUDED 4 CASE MANAGERS CENTRALIZED INTAKE HOUSING LOCATOR



450 People Homeless

SHIP contracted Community University Institute for Social Research (CUISR) to conduct a Point in Time Count of homelessness people in Saskatoon.



1,200 Attendees

SHIP helped organize the 2nd Annual YXE Connects, a one-stop-shop to support people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness.



2,000 Unique Individuals

Over 2,000 unique individuals stayed in a shelter in Saskatoon last year .

AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

The past year has had SHIP involved in some exciting projects to address the need for affordable housing in Saskatoon.

Sherbrooke Community Society (50 Units for Seniors, Singles & Families)

Sherbrooke is proposing an affordable housing development for individuals and families in Saskatoon's College Park neighbourhood. Moderate development costs will create a price point that will allow seniors purchasing life lease units to maintain decent living standards for their elderly life. A mix of market and affordable rental units will create a diverse community. The aim of the housing development is to provide individuals and couples of various backgrounds and income levels the opportunity to move into an affordable home that focuses on a sense of community, that supports each person to live a full and abundant life, as well as place where seniors can age in place through the provision of complementary services and promotion of healthy aging.

SHIP provided research and development services to produce a Need and Demand Study that demonstrated the lack of affordable housing for singles, families and seniors in Saskatoon. We also completed a Feasibility Study that including an operational plan and various financing options.

Stewart Properties Holdings (40 Units for Hard to House Individuals)

Stewart Properties Holdings is in the process of developing a project to addresses a lack of supply of quality, affordable rental solutions for people who are considered "hard to house" because of their intellectual disability. Through a complimentary partnership with community service providers, support will be provided to help people thrive in their new home. Most importantly, this project will provide high quality housing for people with an intellectually disability that is affordable, inclusive and sustainable in the long term.

SHIP provided proposal coordination and business planning development services to SPH in response to the Saskatchewan Housing Corporations Call for Proposals for the Rental Development Program.

Camponi Housing Corporation (24 Units for Aboriginal Individuals & Families)

Camponi Housing Corporation is developing a project to addresses a lack of supply of quality, affordable rental solutions for aboriginal individuals and single parents in Saskatoon. Through their Holistic Housing Program, Camponi will support people to successfully remain housed and build a healthy life.

SHIP provided housing data and analysis services for the Saskatchewan Housing Corporations Rental Development Program call for proposals.

114 UNITS

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
ASSISTANCE IN 2015**

ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS

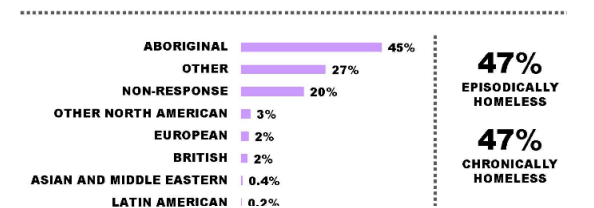
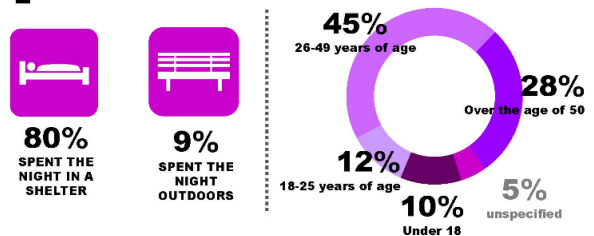
Homelessness in our city is real. Individuals and families live day to day without a home and are faced with the instability, risk and volatility this brings to their lives. Some live on the street, many live in shelters, many more live in inappropriate and unsafe situations. It is emotionally and physically devastating for people who live this reality.

To address this issue, the Government of Canada invests millions of dollars into communities across the country every year though the Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS). Over the past decade, the federal government has engaged local agencies for direct delivery of funding. Known as Community Entities, these organizations are knowledgeable about the challenges the community faces when responding to homelessness.

Since 2012, the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) has been the Saskatoon Community Entity, managing \$1 Million in HPS funding for Saskatoon annually. The program was renewed in 2014, with the Government of Canada investing over \$5 Million in funding from 2014-2019.

The focus of the renewed funding is to move towards a "Housing First" approach to addressing homelessness. The Government of Canada aims to target people who are chronically or episodically homeless, moving them from the street or shelter into permanent homes or their own.

With ongoing advice and guidance from the Community Advisory Board on Saskatoon Homelessness, SHIP allocates funding in Saskatoon through open Calls for Proposals. In 2015, SHIP invested in many capital and service projects, working with partners to enhance the coordinated response to homelessness in Saskatoon.



47%
EPISODICALLY HOMELESS

47%
CHRONICALLY HOMELESS

Source: 2015 SaskatoonPoint in Time Count



- Jo-Ann Coleman-Pidskalny (Chair)**
Saskatoon Housing Coalition
- Tracy Kushniruk**
Saskatoon Health Region
- Barry Downs**
Cress Housing
- Deb Horseman**
Saskatoon Housing Corporation
- Ray Neale**
Saskatchewan Housing Authority
- Drew Bilboe**
Salvation Army
- Daryl Sexsmith**
City of Saskatoon

- Shirley Isbister**
Central Urban Metis Federation Inc. (CUMFI)
- Peter Wong**
Ministry of Social Services (Child & Family Services)
- Brenda Reed**
Ministry of Social Services (Income Support)
- Don Meikle**
EGADZ
- Heidi Gravelle**
White Buffalo Youth Lodge

HOMELESSNESS PARTNERING STRATEGY INVESTMENT SUMMARY

The Power of Friendship – Rapid Rehousing and Centralized Intake

Project Partners: Saskatoon Indian and Métis Friendship Centre (SIMFC), SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$230,833 (January 2015—March 2016.)

Overview: SIMFC hired and trained two Rapid Rehousing case managers and one Centralized Intake worker to augment the Housing First and housing placement efforts in Saskatoon. Over the 15 months, the case managers housed 20 people who were homeless and had mid-acuity needs (some barriers to remain housed). The Centralized Intake Worker assessed 312 individuals in 2015/16.

Housing First Case Management

Project Partners: Saskatoon Indian and Métis Friendship Centre (SIMFC), SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$177,131 (August 2015 – March 2017)

Overview: With Rapid Re-housing program underway, it became evident that there was an immediate need for more case management in Saskatoon. In the first seven months there were nine Housing First clients housed and stabilized in the program. The target is people who are chronically and episodically homeless.

Housing First Case Management

Project Partners: White Buffalo Youth Lodge, SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$179,544 (August 2015 – March 2017)

Overview: This project was created with the goal of housing families who are chronically or episodically homeless. In the first 7 months, there were 6 Housing First families and 4 Rapid Rehousing families who were housed. The case manager worked hard at housing the most acute families.

Housing Locator

Project Partners: The Lighthouse Supported Living Inc., SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$118,761 (January 2015—March 2016)

Overview: The Lighthouse hired a Housing Locator that worked with 40 landlords to support case managers at Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Services, SIMFC and White Buffalo Youth Lodge to find units for their clients and to manage the “connecting to housing” funding for Housing First clients. With the sudden change to the vacancy rate, there was less reliance on the housing locator, and much of the energy of the staff went into direct housing placement from The Lighthouse. The Housing Locator worked with 50 people over the course of 15 months, most of whom remained housed.



SHIP facilitated monthly Housing Team meetings for all HPS funded Housing First and Rapid Rehousing Programs, including Centralized Intake, the Housing Locator, and the Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service’s Journey Home program. This team discussed gaps in service and barriers to successful implementation. Everyone worked together to take the first steps to developing a coordinated Housing First response in Saskatoon, and found the meetings valuable. We are currently expanding the team further as more Case Management programs are developed.

HOMELESSNESS PARTNERING STRATEGY

INVESTMENT SUMMARY

HIV Hospice/Transitional Care Home

Project Partners: Sanctum Care Group, SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$189,835

Overview: To address the rate of HIV/AIDS throughout, Sanctum received funding to create an HIV/AIDS transitional hospice with 10 beds, targeting people who are homeless and not receiving support for their health management. This facility now provides care without prejudice or judgment in a safe and secure home environment.

Sweet Dreams Expansion

Project Partners: EGADZ, SHIP, City of Saskatoon, Province of Saskatchewan

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$207,059

Overview: This project adds four beds to the EGADZ Sweet Dreams facility, as part of a larger expansion offering transitional housing to moms and babies who are homeless.

Supporting Homelessness & Food Insecurity Programs

Project Partners: Saskatoon Indian and Métis Friendship Centre (SIMFC), SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$32,187

Overview: The project included a purchase of a trailer for Housing First and Rapid Rehousing clients to move furniture; a new dishwasher; chairs and tables; coffee and tea servers and a floor burnisher to support programs that address homelessness and food insecurity.

Coffee Station

Project Partners: Friendship Inn, SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$6,761

Overview: This project funded the purchase and installation of a hot coffee station in the main area of the Friendship Inn facility that will allow the staff to serve hot beverages throughout the entire day.

Kitchen & Food Preparation Training Facility

Project Partners: The Bridge on 20th, SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$30,000

Overview: The Bridge works to meet the physical needs (safety, food, and clothing) of people in the inner city of Saskatoon. The clientele who frequent the Bridge include individuals and families who are chronically and episodically homeless, those suffering from active addictions and women involved in the sex trade.

As part of their long-term vision, they have purchased and begun renovating a building that will house their operations. The Bridge installed a walk-in cooler/freezer and a cooking ventilation system to support their food programs, and eventually provide cooking training to clients.

Training & Exercise Facility Upgrades

Project Partners: The Lighthouse Supported Living Inc., SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$14,934

Overview: This project included furniture in the new atrium training centre of The Lighthouse. New exercise equipment for the gymnasium will promote fitness for residents.

Kitchen Upgrades

Project Partners: Central Urban Metis Federation Inc. (CUMFI), SHIP

SHIP Funding Allocation: \$31,048

Overview: CUMFI provides support for individuals and families who are homeless or at-risk. They received funding to renovate their kitchen and gathering room, including flooring and freezers/refrigerator to support food insecurity for their clients..

MOVING FOREWORD

Since 1999, SHIP has assisted in the successful development of a range of affordable housing choices in Saskatoon. This includes supported housing, seniors housing, affordable rental units and affordable home ownership. Over the past four years, SHIP has administered the Government of Canada's Homelessness Partnering Strategy funding in Saskatoon; researching, developing and investing in many capital and service projects that have had an impact on homelessness.

Our work now extends beyond affordable rental and affordable home ownership to emergency and transitional housing for people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. SHIP is well positioned to bring a strong perspective when addressing affordable housing and homelessness in Saskatoon.

Over the past three decades, homelessness has increased in Saskatoon. Government and non-profit organizations have developed emergency services to ensure immediate safety, but a systematic response has been missing. The community has demanded that we do better.

We are listening and we are taking action.

In late 2014, the United Way Plan to End Homelessness (P2EH) Leadership Committee, the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP), and the Community Advisory Board on Saskatoon Homelessness (CAB-SH) formed a Steering Committee to discuss the best way to create a coordinated approach to addressing homelessness in Saskatoon. It was agreed that an updated plan, based on recent community consultations and lessons learned from new initiatives would be developed, and that a leadership model focusing on results and community impact be established.

Since the consultations in 2013 and 2014, many new efforts are already underway and are having an impact on homelessness in Saskatoon. But there is much more to do. With this in mind, the three organizations worked together to integrate the community's recommendations into an ambitious five-year **Saskatoon Homelessness Action Plan** that will turn vision into action.

The responsibility of leading the Homelessness Action Plan will be undertaken by the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership.

A multi-sectoral approach is essential to achieving the collaboration necessary to meet the goals of the Plan. The SHIP Board has agreed that transformation is necessary will create an inclusive, open organization which fosters support and encourages participation. Leading by example, SHIP will endeavour to inspire change in our community, and embolden everyone to work together towards a common vision.

To implement the new participatory governance process, SHIP will review its mandate, its bylaws, and structure its Board in mid-2016 to be representative of a community committed to addressing homelessness.

While SHIP will retain its role in the community as an affordable housing development consultant, its functions and activities will expand. As lead agency, SHIP will facilitate meetings, provide staff support to committees and action teams, help develop new and enhance existing programs, research solutions, evaluate and report on progress, foster collective action and ensure that the actions set out in the Plan are undertaken.

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS

The support of the City of Saskatoon is integral to SHIP's success. Providing five years of stable funding for SHIP with an investment of \$100,000 to \$115,000 per year (based on performance) that covers the cost of the Executive Director and the Contractor Services Fund (a grant for predevelopment activities). This strategic investment creates a cornerstone for the entire organization with a strong network and knowledge base that facilitates the development of affordable housing and helps reduce and prevent homelessness in Saskatoon.



Since 2012, SHIP has administered the Federal Government's Homelessness Partnering Strategy funding in Saskatoon. In March 2014, SHIP renewed its contract to 2019. We will invest close to \$5 Million to prevent, reduce and end homelessness in Saskatoon. SHIP receives administrative fees that to administer the HPS funding. This has increased our staffing complement, and expanded our impact across the housing continuum in a significant way.

Over the past year, SHIP has partnered with the United Way of Saskatoon & Area in order to address homelessness in Saskatoon. Initiatives include the second annual **YXE Connects** fair that brought over seventy service providers together under one roof to provide assistance to people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. Currently, SHIP and the United Way of Saskatoon & Area are finalizing the **Saskatoon Homelessness Action Plan** that combines the wisdom of past community plans, consultations and experience gained through implementation of various projects that address homelessness in Saskatoon.



Along with the funding from the City of Saskatoon and the Government of Canada, our membership sales help us make a positive impact on our great city. We are truly grateful to all the organizations that support us.



2015 SUMMARY

SHIP continues to provide project development services for affordable housing, which provides funding for additional activities. Our focus on collaborative community development ensures that our investments complement current programming for homelessness. We are very proud of our achievements and are excited about the projects currently in development.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The summary financial information presented here is derived from SHIP's consolidated statements for the year ended March 31, 2015

SASKATOON HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP		
BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2015		
ASSETS	2015	2014
Current Assets	\$	\$
Cash	255,528	420,745
Short-term investments	110,861	109,995
Accounts receivable	28,942	89,132
Prepaid expenses	2,960	1,692
	398,921	621,566
Tangible capital assets	981	1,202
	<u>\$399,272</u>	<u>\$622,768</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	19,456	31,484
Deferred revenue	209,457	430,728
Total Liabilities	228,913	462,212
Retained Earnings	170,359	160,556
EQUITY	<u>\$399,272</u>	<u>\$622,768</u>

Summary Statement of Receipts and Expenditures	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Receipts	1,103,680	1,990,132
Operating Expenditures	1,093,877	2,000,723
Net Operating Income	9,803	(10,591)

SHIP's Executive Director and the Executive Committee, a sub-committee of the Board of Directors, adhere to responsible policies and procedures to ensure fiscal responsibility. SHIP holds itself fiscally accountable to its core financial contributors and members.

114 UNITS

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Sherbrooke Care Group

(50 Units – seniors & families)

Stewart Properties Holdings

(40 Units - Hard to House Individuals)

Camponi Housing

(24 Units - Singles & Lone Parent Families)

\$1.1 MILLION

INVESTED TO PREVENT AND END HOMELESSNESS

Saskatoon Indian & Metis

Friendship Centre

(Housing First & Rapid Rehousing)

(Centralized Intake)

(Capital to Support Programs)

White Buffalo Youth Lodge

(Housing First & Rapid Rehousing for Families)

The Lighthouse Supported Living

(Housing Locator)

(Training/Fitness Facility Upgrades)

Sanctum Care Group

(HIV Hospice (10 Units))

EGADZ

(Sweet Dreams Expansion (4 Units))

CUMFI

(Kitchen Upgrades)

The Bridge on 20th

(Kitchen / Food Prep. Training Facility)

Friendship Inn

(Coffee Station)

OUR PEOPLE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tyler Stewart (President)

Stewart Properties Holdings

Greg McLeod (Vice-President)

Camponi Housing Corporation

Ray Neale (Secretary/Treasurer)

Saskatoon Housing Authority*

Barb Cox-Lloyd / Jessica Kyle (Past-President)

Habitat for Humanity – Saskatoon

David Hnatyshyn

Hnatyshyn Gough

Lisa Taylor

Affinity Credit Union*

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KC Charities Inc.*

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2015 Annual Report – Regional Planning Section

Recommendation

That the information be received.

Topic and Purpose

The purpose of this report is to highlight the 2015 major initiatives of the Regional Planning Section, Planning and Development Division.

Report Highlights

1. The focus of the Regional Planning Section (Section) is to form and maintain working relationships with other jurisdictions and agencies within the Saskatoon region, and to create a framework for sustainable growth on a regional scale. A summary of the noted 2015 Highlights includes a number of major initiatives undertaken by the Section.
2. The Section has identified a number of key initiatives to pursue in 2016 to enhance regional partnerships and support planning on a regional scale.

Strategic Goals

This report relates to the City of Saskatoon's (City) Strategic Goals of Sustainable Growth, Quality of Life, and Economic Diversity and Prosperity by reporting on the collaborative partnerships and the productivity of the Section.

Report

The Section was established (using existing staff) in 2014 to provide dedicated resources to the development and implementation of a new Regional Plan. The primary role of the Section is to form and maintain working partnerships with other jurisdictions and agencies within the Saskatoon region to create a framework for increasing sustainable growth on a regional scale. The Section relies heavily on the cooperation and assistance of other jurisdictions, including the Rural Municipality (RM) of Corman Park, the City of Martensville, the City of Warman, the Town of Osler, and First Nations governments.

The Section maintains a lead role in working with regional partners to create a Regional Plan, providing professional and financial support to the Corman Park-Saskatoon Planning District, undertaking boundary alterations, and fostering and supporting effective working relationships with First Nations who are creating reserves and selecting Treaty Land Entitlement lands, both in Saskatoon and in the region. The Section also partners with the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA) on events and committees, which brings an economic development perspective to the regional planning efforts.

The Section also undertakes key land use planning, strategic planning, and demographic and quality of life research for the City. It produces the Saskatoon

Strategic Trends report, provides semi-annual population estimates, assists with developing and measuring the Corporate Performance Targets, assists with creating and maintaining the central Data Directory for corporate monitoring, and develops customized information to support policy and programming. It also collaborates with partners in other agencies, such as the Saskatoon Health Region and the University of Saskatchewan, in the development of key strategic information sources and analyses.

The Section provides mapping and specialized Geographic Information Systems services to the City. The Section plays a key role in developing and maintaining corporate information through the City's Site Database. Mapping staff provide services to the planning process through involvement in neighbourhood planning, sector and concept planning, subdivisions, and civic addressing. Mapping services are provided on a fee-for-service basis to corporate units, such as the Saskatoon Fire Department, Saskatoon Transit, and Saskatoon Police Service.

The Section operates with a staff complement of 9.5 full-time equivalent employee positions, consisting of Professional Planners and Planning Technologists. It also includes the Project Manager for the Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G), which is a shared position with the partnering municipalities. In addition, one staff member of the Long Range Planning Section provides assistance to the Section.

2015 Highlights

The following is a summary of the 2015 activities of the Section. Further details can be found in the 2015 Regional Planning Annual Report as shown in Attachment 1:

- a) Boundary Alteration
 - 4,578 acres of land were added to the City in September 2015. This concluded a two-year process of discussion, consultation, and negotiations with the RM of Corman Park.
- b) Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G) Regional Plan
 - A Vision, a State of the Region Report, and an Interim Development Strategy were completed by P4G in 2015.
- c) First Nation Community Profiles
 - The first edition of the First Nation Community Profiles was released, which includes highlights of 11 First Nations with reserves and Treaty Land Entitlement lands in Saskatoon and region.
- d) Prosperity Through Partnerships - Conference Series
 - Hosted by the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations (FSIN), in partnership with the City, the City of Regina, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), and SREDA, these events promoted economic opportunity for First Nations through wealth creation and land claims.
- e) Saskatoon Strategic Trends and the Data Directory
 - The Saskatoon Strategic Trends document is produced annually to accompany the corporate budget document. All of the data is updated

regularly and stored in the Data Directory, which is centrally located on the City's SharePoint site and can be accessed throughout the corporation.

- f) Homelessness Survey
 - Through the City's partnership with the Community University Institute for Social Research (CUISR), a point-in-time Homelessness Survey was completed in 2015. This is a significant resource for the City and housing-focused community groups as they plan and develop housing programs.
- g) Neighbourhood Profiles
 - The fourteenth edition of the Neighbourhood Profiles was released in 2015, containing an extensive database of demographic information at city-wide and neighbourhood levels.

Key Initiatives for 2016

The 2015 Regional Planning Annual Report identifies major projects the Section will be working on in 2016. These include:

- a) Regional Plan – Work continues on this project with an estimated completion date of April 2017. The next steps include a Regional Land Use Map, a Regional Servicing Strategy, Development Policies, and an Implementation Strategy including Governance and Administrative structures. Rights-holder engagement with First Nations will also continue, as well as stakeholder and public engagement.
- b) Prosperity through Partnerships Conference Series – Further sessions for the FSIN-led conference collaboration are being planned, focusing on legislative tools, urban reserve creation, and encouraging new economic partnerships.
- c) First Nations Inclusion – A review of civic policies and the Official Community Plan will identify opportunities to enhance First Nation inclusion and engagement. A Communications Protocol Handbook is being developed to provide information on meaningful engagement and inclusion of First Nations and other Aboriginal groups in planning and other corporate initiatives. This responds to the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the City's Strategic Plan.
- d) Quality of Life Survey – A comprehensive survey of quality of life will occur in 2016, which will mark the sixth time in 16 years that citizens have been asked their opinions of quality of life in Saskatoon.

Other Considerations/Implications

There are no options, policy, financial, environmental, privacy, or CPTED implications or considerations; a communication is not required at this time.

Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion

This is the first annual report for the Section. Future reporting regarding the activities of the Section will be done annually, as part of a broader Division report.

Public Notice

Public notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, is not required.

Attachment

1. Regional Planning - 2015 Annual Report

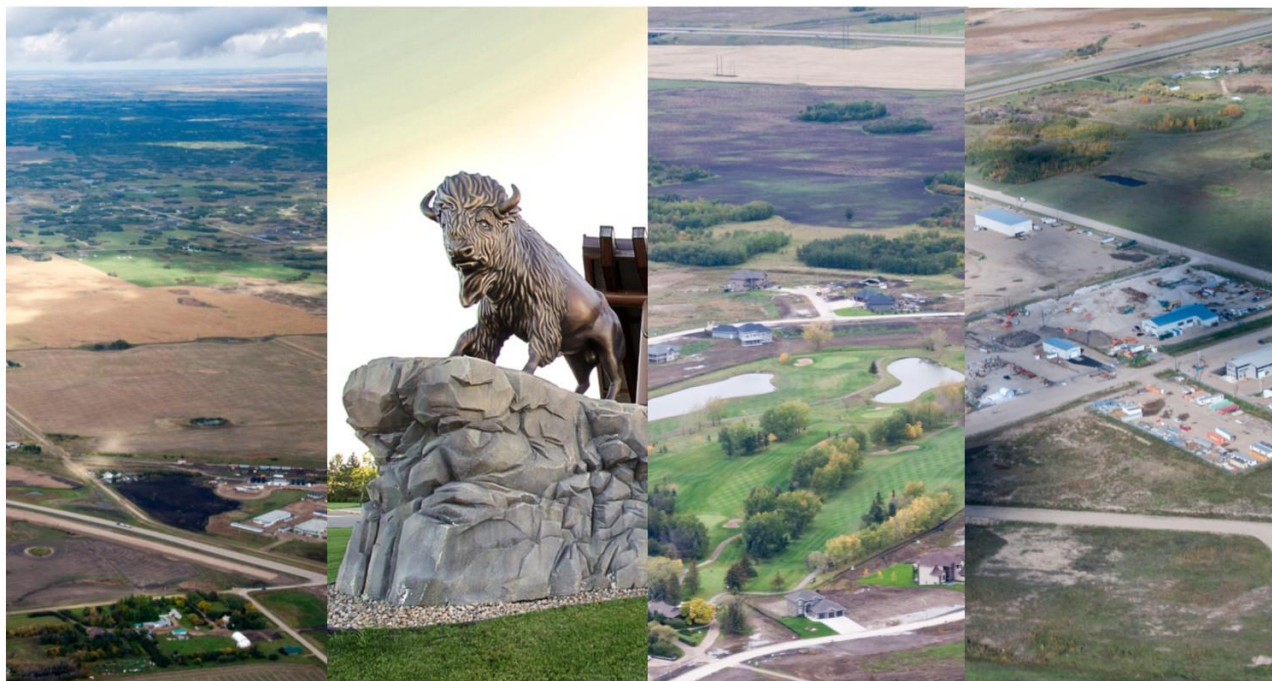
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Introduction to Regional Planning

Welcome to the 2015 Annual Report of the Regional Planning Section!

The 2015 Annual Report summarizes the responsibilities of the Regional Planning Section, highlights 2015 achievements, and identifies the work ahead in 2016.

The Regional Planning Section is part of the Planning and Development Division (Division). The Section works with many internal and external stakeholders and rights-holders in the Saskatoon region to strengthen relationships and plan for sustainable growth on a regional scale.

The Regional Planning Section is made up of two work groups: one that focuses on planning and development with a regional lens; and, the other that focuses on mapping and research. The planning group or Regional Planning, consists of three and a half full time equivalent staff. This includes the Project Manager for the Regional Plan – Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G), which is a shared position with the five P4G partnering municipalities. In addition, one staff member of the Long Range Planning Section provides assistance to Regional Planning. The mapping and research group, or Mapping and Research, is made up of six full time equivalent staff. The Section is made up of a blend of Professional Planners, Geographic Information System (GIS) specialists, and Planning Technologists.

REGIONAL PLANNING

Some of the key partners Regional Planning works with include:

- Corman Park-Saskatoon Planning District (District) with the Rural Municipality of Corman Park (RM);
- Fourteen First Nations with reserves and land holdings in the Saskatoon region;
- Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G), comprising the RM, the Cities of Warman, Martensville and Saskatoon, and the Town of Osler;
- Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations (FSIN);
- Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC);
- Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA);
- Broader Regional Committee (BRC); and
- Provincial Ministries and agencies.

Mapping and Research conducts research, collects data, provides mapping and GIS services and a wide range of products to many internal and external user groups. Its work includes:

- land use planning, strategic planning, demographic, and quality of life research;
- the Strategic Community Trends report;
- the corporate Data Directory;
- Neighbourhood Profiles;
- population projections and semi-annual population estimates;
- assisting with developing and measuring the Corporate Performance Targets; and
- maps including those used by the Saskatoon Fire Department, Saskatoon Transit and the Saskatoon Police Service.

Mapping and Research collaborates with community partners such as the Saskatoon Health Region, the University of Saskatchewan (University), the CommunityView Collaboration, and the Saskatoon Regional Inter-sectoral Committee.

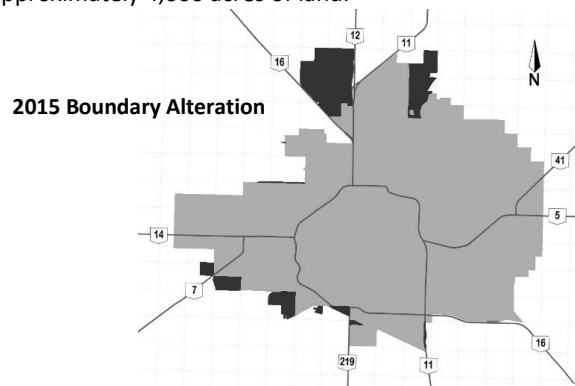


Regional Planning

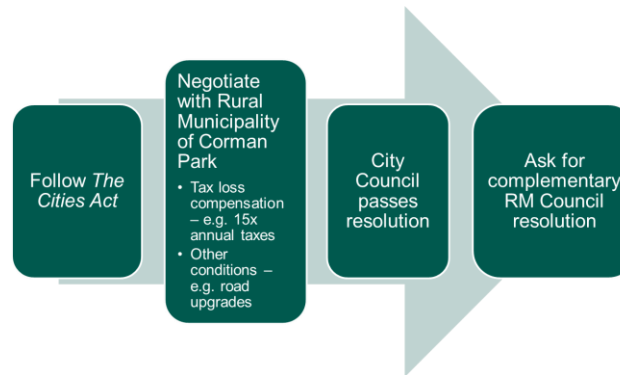
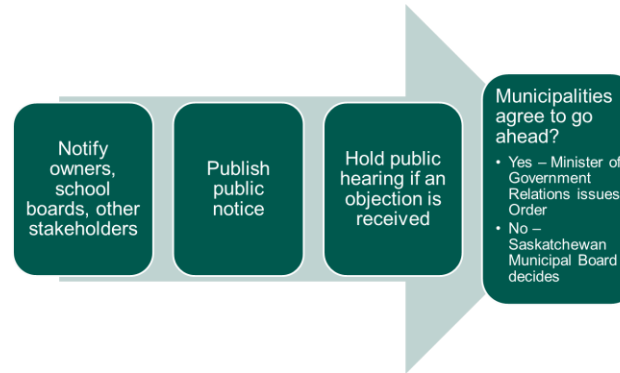
Boundary Alteration

Boundary alteration, also referred to as annexation, is the process of altering municipal boundaries to add territory from one municipality to another. Regional Planning facilitates the boundary alteration process for the City of Saskatoon (City). Boundary alterations are an integral component of the planning process as they enable urban growth, bring City-owned land and City infrastructure into City limits, and correct inconsistencies. Boundary alterations also allow the City to do long range planning which includes detailed land use and servicing plans that are needed before urban development occurs.

Boundary alteration is a complex process and requires notification of landowners, stakeholders and the public, as well as Provincial approval. The most recent boundary alteration came into effect on September 1, 2015 and included approximately 4,600 acres of land.



The Boundary Alteration Process



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Corman Park – Saskatoon Planning District

In 1956, the Corman Park – Saskatoon Planning District (District) was established. The District surrounds Saskatoon and extends one to three miles from the City limits. In this area, the RM and the City have agreed to jointly manage land use and development. Regional Planning acts on behalf of the City and

is the conduit to other civic departments for land owners and prospective developers. The District Planning Commission (DPC) was established by the RM and the City to review and provide recommendations to the RM Council and City Council on planning related matters. The DPC comprises nine members: four are appointed by each municipality, and one is appointed jointly.

Corman Park – Saskatoon Planning District



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Members of Regional Planning act as non-voting advisors to the DPC, reviewing a wide variety of development proposals and applications including:

- Rezoning;
- Discretionary Uses;
- Subdivisions; and
- Comprehensive Development Reviews (CDR), which are similar to Concept Plans.

Applications are submitted to the RM, who acts as the lead in the referral process. Regional Planning reviews the applications from a land use perspective and also circulates the information internally for additional technical review to ensure that the City's interests are represented.

During 2015, Regional Planning reviewed approximately 20 applications, which included several industrial park subdivisions, two large community facilities, additional phasing for the Greenbryre multi-parcel country residential development, and a regional snow management facility. As well, staff participated on the Steering Committee for the Grasswood Mixed Use Node Market Impact Study, which will recommend the amount, type and phasing of development along Highway 11 north of Grasswood Road. Regional Planning is often asked to participate on other review committees such as the Advisory Committee on the development of a Regional Travel Demand Model.



Chief Whitecap Park - Photo courtesy of City of Saskatoon

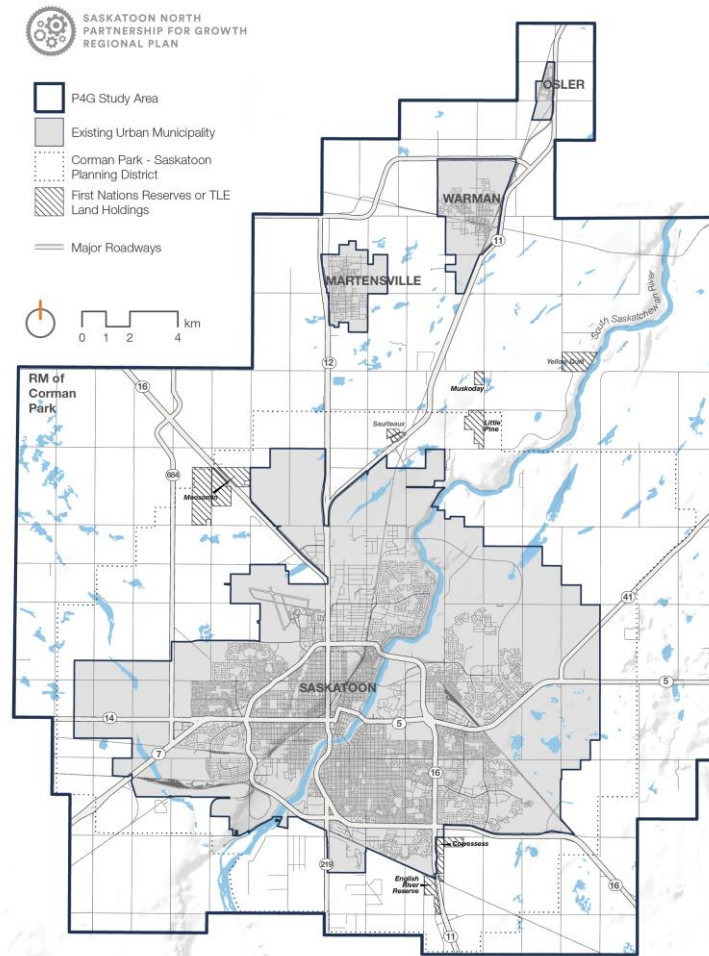
The Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth (P4G)

The [P4G](#) is a collaborative partnership which includes political and administrative representation from the five partnering municipalities - the Cities of Warman, Martensville and Saskatoon, the RM and the Town of Osler, as well as an advisory representation from SREDA. These partners have come together to develop a Regional Plan that will guide the region’s growth over the next 60 years. P4G has engaged O2 Planning + Design Inc. to develop the Regional Plan.



The P4G has two committees: the Regional Oversight Committee (ROC), which comprises elected officials from each of the five partners; and the Planning and Administration Committee (PAC), which comprises planning and administrative staff as well as advisory representation from SREDA. For Saskatoon, PAC includes staff from Regional Planning.

The ROC reports to the five partner municipal Councils and provides direction to the PAC. Members of the PAC, the senior administrations of the five partners, and SREDA attend the ROC meetings.



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Development of a Regional Plan

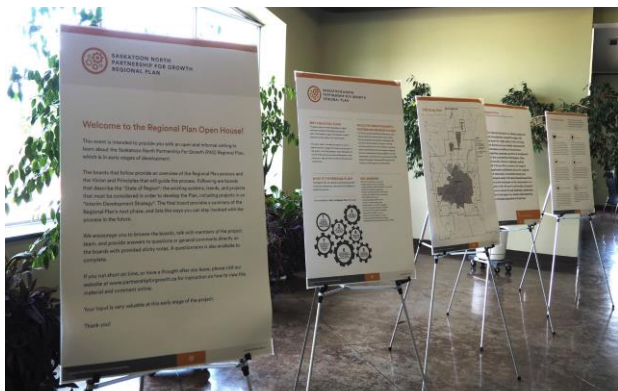


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The Regional Plan will be developed in three phases and establish a coordinated approach to management of the physical, social, or economic circumstances of the Saskatoon region.

- Phase 1 – Vision Development and Background Report
- Phase 2 – Interim Development Strategy (IDS) and Draft Regional Plan
- Phase 3 – Implementation Plan for Regional Growth Accommodation

Highlights

The P4G has attained a number of major achievements during the 2015 year:

- ROC approval of the Regional Plan Vision, Guiding Principles and Strategic Direction, which sets the direction and tone for the Regional Plan process.
- ROC approval of the IDS – The IDS identifies development projects that are of joint interest to the P4G municipalities and highlights conditions under which P4G member municipalities may allow development to proceed ahead of the Regional Plan being completed.
- Public Open Houses and rights-holder / stakeholder engagement – Over 100 people attended two public open houses in June 2015 which provided an introduction to the Regional Plan project.
- State of the Region Report – This Report provides a foundation for the Regional Plan and associated implementation strategy by presenting the regional context and identifying major issues for consideration as part of the process.

Looking Ahead

The next steps for the P4G Regional Plan project are:

1. Regional Land Use Map, Regional Servicing Strategy and Development Policies.
2. Continued rights-holder, stakeholder and public engagement.
3. Implementation Plan including Governance and Administrative Structures, which would include a Financing Strategy.

First Nations Planning and Inclusion



Medal from the Office of the Treaty Commissioner. It is most commonly associated with the building of relationships.

The City’s Strategic Plan (2013-2023) identifies a key corporate priority to strengthen relations with local Aboriginal organizations by developing partnerships and programs that will assist in enhancing economic, employment and training opportunities. Regional Planning strives to foster and encourage effective working relationships with First Nations and other Aboriginal organizations in Saskatoon and the region.

Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE)

In 1992, the TLE Framework Agreement was established to fulfill outstanding Treaty land obligations of the Federal and Provincial governments, and ensures First Nations receive funds to purchase land on the open market. There are ten TLE holdings in the Saskatoon area; three in the City and seven in the region.

The entitled First Nation receives monetary compensation based on an agreed upon formula. The formula was created to compensate First Nations for the shortfall in land received when the original land survey was completed.



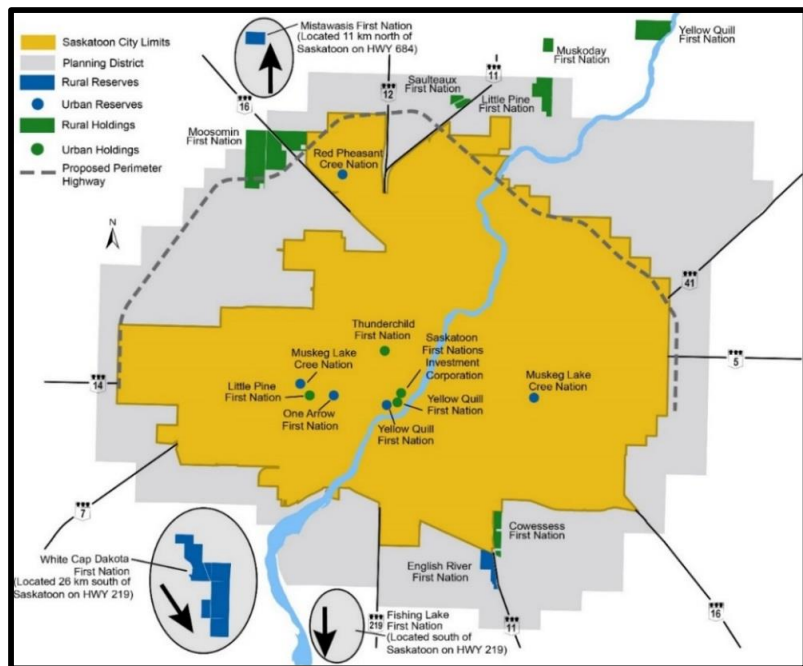
Treaty Land Entitlement Framework Agreement Signing - Photo courtesy of FSIN

Urban Reserves

Urban reserves are created by a First Nation purchasing a parcel of land in an urban municipality and then choosing to proceed through the reserve creation process.

Regional Planning plays a key supporting role in the urban reserve creation process. When a First Nation decides to designate their land reserve, the City negotiates agreements to address land use compatibility and municipal services. Regional Planning helps facilitate these discussions. Yellow Quill First Nation has the newest urban reserve in Saskatoon, approved by the Federal government in 2014. The reserve is a vacant lot located at 240 4th Ave South, and an office building is proposed. The adjacent office building, which houses the First Nations Bank of Canada, is one of Yellow Quill’s TLE land selections.

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First Nation Planning Initiatives

During 2015, Regional Planning collaborated with a number of First Nations to discuss planning interests, including the following:

1. Muskoday First Nation notified the City of their TLE selection located north east of City limits, resulting in continued dialogue regarding their development plans

to ensure the land use is compatible with what is being proposed in the surrounding area.

2. Fishing Lake First Nation approached the City regarding their intentions to purchase lands in or near Saskatoon and subsequently selected land south of the City.
3. Mistawasis First Nation approached the City regarding development potential of their newly designated reserve lands located north west of Saskatoon.
4. Moosomin First Nation shared their intentions to seek reserve designation for a portion of their lands in the District north west of Saskatoon. Moosomin also began exploring the possibility of seeking a joint servicing agreement with the City and the RM.
5. Red Pheasant Cree Nation reserve lands on 71st Street came into City limits as part of the 2015 boundary alteration, triggering the need to renew existing agreements and relationships between elected officials and administrations.
6. The Grasswood Mixed Use Node Market Impact Study was undertaken with the inclusion of English River First Nation and Cowessess First Nation, who have reserve and TLE lands, respectively, along Highway 11 South.
7. Representatives from nine different First Nations participated in BRC meetings. The BRC is an informal group led by SREDA, which includes First Nations with land interests in the Saskatoon region, as well as representatives from ten municipalities located adjacent to the Regional Plan study area. The BRC provides a framework for collaboration on regionally significant issues such as servicing and transportation. Members of PAC also participate on the BRC.

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2015 Highlights

Year of Reconciliation

On June 22, 2015, City Council unanimously declared a “Year of Reconciliation” beginning on July 1, 2015. This came about as a result of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action.



In an effort to respond to the Calls to Action, Regional Planning undertook the following initiatives:

First Nation Community Profiles

Regional Planning produced the first edition of the First Nation Community Profiles (Profiles). This publication was created in partnership with each of the First Nations with reserves and land holdings in the Saskatoon region and with SREDA. The Profiles promote relationships and economic opportunities for First Nations investing in the Saskatoon region. The Profiles provide community highlights and opportunities including historical information, locations of the home reserve and land holdings, demographics, employment data, current and

proposed business developments, education and services, current governance and contact information. Additional Profiles will be created as new land purchases are made.



Photo courtesy of the Regional Planning Section

FSIN ‘Prosperity through Partnerships’ Conference Series

The FSIN engaged SREDA, the City, the City of Regina, the Saskatoon Aboriginal Employment Partnership (SAEP), and INAC to collaborate on a three part conference series on enhancing First Nations economic opportunity through wealth creation and land claims. Approximately 140 people attended the first conference held in December, representing fifteen

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First Nations, eight municipalities, the Provincial and Federal governments, private industry, economic development and educational institutions. The conference theme was Land Claims Implementation in Saskatchewan: An Introduction to Land Development Considerations and Collaborations. Topics included land selection, reserve creation, municipal governance, land development and planning processes in rural and urban environments.



Photo courtesy of the Regional Planning Section

Looking Ahead

- Regional Planning will be reviewing civic policies and guidelines on community engagement and proposing amendments to enhance Aboriginal opportunities for inclusion.
- Regional Planning will begin drafting a Communications Handbook to provide information on how to include First Nations and other Aboriginal groups in planning work and other corporate initiatives.

- In 2016, Regional Planning will be expanding the Profiles to include new regional partners such as Fishing Lake First Nation and Thunderchild First Nation.
- Further sessions for the FSIN led 'Prosperity through Partnerships' conference collaboration are planned for early 2016; themes include Enhancing the Opportunities: Legislative Alternatives and Other Innovations; and, Urban Reserves: Unlocking the Economic Potential. A subsequent series of workshops is being considered for the fall of 2016.
- Regional Planning will collaborate with other planners to review the Official Community Plan for opportunities to enhance engagement processes with First Nations.
- A Developers Handbook will be created to provide land use and development information to First Nation developers.

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Research and Mapping

Research and Mapping within the Regional Planning Section provides GIS, mapping and demographic and planning research services and products to the Division, other groups within the corporation and community clients.

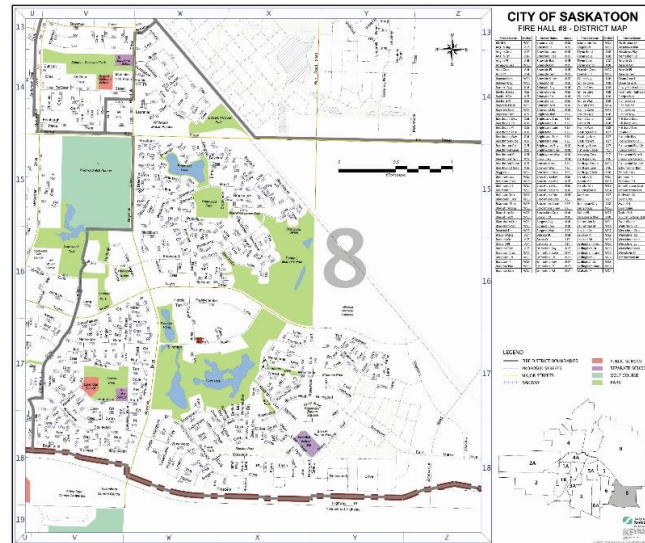
Mapping works closely with many groups within the corporation and create frequently used products like Transit Maps, Fire Department Response Area Maps and Cycling Network Maps. Mapping is also instrumental in providing the site plans, graphics, maps and public engagement materials that Division staff require for their work.

Research gathers, analyses and disseminates data and planning information that aids in policy and program development for the corporation and the broader community.

Mapping

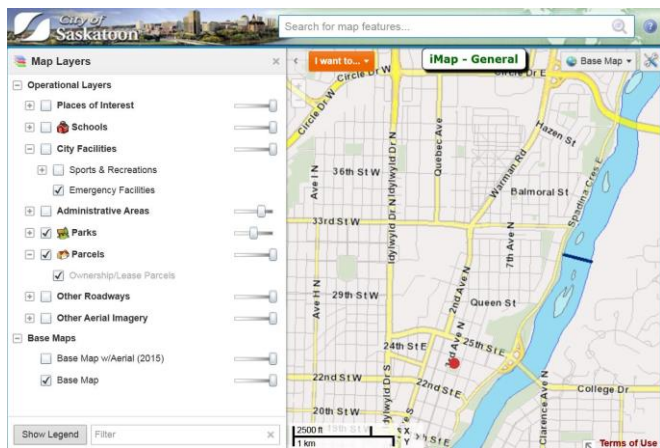
Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

The corporate GIS database parcel information is updated and maintained by Mapping. Data from here is used to create maps for the entire corporation. Mapping is primarily responsible for many of the data tables in the Site Database. This database is built of individual land parcel or site details. Assigning services to each parcel or site in the City starts with creating a parcel or site to which other City service related data can be linked, including utilities, building permits, fire and police services, and zoning designations. Mapping also creates civic addresses for new developments.



Maintenance and service provision of the City's Site Database is integral to the corporation and its services. The accuracy of the data is paramount, in that it is accessed by internal (Geocortex) and external (iMap) customers through mapping or utility service inquiries. Data is carefully scrutinized for accuracy.

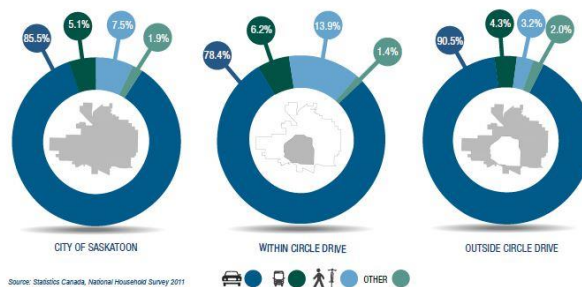
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Mapping also regularly accesses GIS data to create specific analyses for the corporation. For example, crime maps for Local Area Plans and Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) analyses, dwelling unit counts and themed maps of population characteristics, and business licence data can be generated using GIS.

Community Engagement Support

Mapping also produces maps required for legislated processes like Official Community Plan amendments, zoning amendments, Local Area Plans, boundary alterations, development appeals and discretionary use applications. These processes require site and location plans to help illustrate the affected areas and identify affected neighbouring property owners. These maps are an integral part of the reporting to City Council and the public notification process.



Source: Statistics Canada, National Household Survey 2011

Mapping also creates graphics for City public events and community engagement such as Local Area Plans. Display materials can include detailed plans, maps, graphics, and information boards that share project information with the public in an easy-to-understand manner.

Custom Mapping

Mapping creates custom mapping products for corporate and external clients. In 2015 an array of maps was produced such as emergency response area maps, transit maps, cycling maps and election maps. During 2015, Mapping produced the city maps found in Direct West's Saskatoon phonebook and the city street map for the Saskatoon and District Chamber of Commerce.

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2015 Highlights

- Mapping and graphics for the Protected Bike Lane Demonstration Project.
- Mapping and graphics for Growing Forward! Shaping Saskatoon.
- Transit route maps.

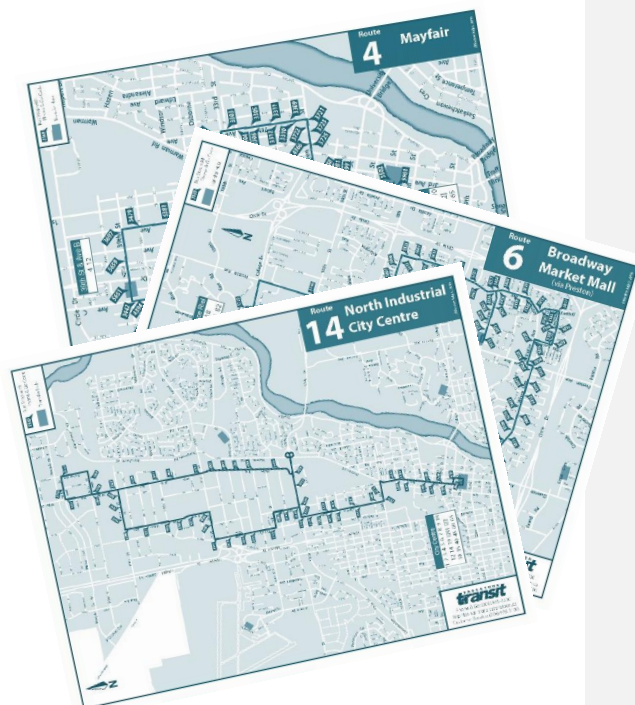
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- Continued support for legislated planning processes.
- Mapping and graphics to support implementation of the Growth Plan to Half a Million and the Active Transportation Plan.

Mapping Quick Facts!

- Many planning processes have a legislated requirement for public notice including a map. When there is a map in the Star Phoenix, Mapping created it!
- Mapping creates new lots and provides the address so other corporate functions like utilities, revenue and taxes, building permits, business licences and fire inspections can attach the services.
- When there is a public meeting, chances are the maps and plans on display were created by Mapping.
- Mapping created route maps and schedules for Saskatoon Transit.
- The Saskatoon Fire Department uses maps and a custom book of apartment complex addresses created by Mapping to respond to service calls.
- Mapping created maps for the Chamber of Commerce Map and the Saskatoon phone book.

- Mapping provides maps for Green Cart, Recycling and garbage pick-up for residential neighbourhoods.
- Mapping provides the Saskatoon Police Service with a jurisdiction map, as well as posters for important court cases.

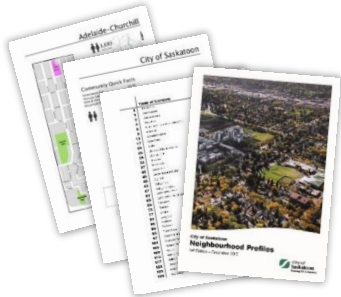


Research

Research Requests

Research regularly responds to data requests for planning and corporate analyses. A few recent requests include population data to assist with creating ward boundaries, the population of residents within the Saskatoon Light & Power franchise area, and the growth in residential units by type and neighbourhood over the last ten years.

Neighbourhood Profiles



The City of Saskatoon Neighbourhood Profiles (Neighbourhood Profiles) have been produced since 1976. Updates were done every five years until the recent change to annual updates. The Neighbourhood Profiles contain extensive demographic data at city-wide and neighbourhood

levels. This information provides demographic trends relevant to medium- and long-term planning initiatives, as well as key information that assists civic administration, elected officials, service providers and the public in making informed development and business decisions.

In 2015, the fourteenth edition of the Neighbourhood Profiles was released. This comprehensive document incorporated new data sources to make the information as current and accurate as possible. Data from eHealth Saskatchewan was used to generate current neighbourhood populations, and new

data from Statistics Canada allowed more recent indicators for employment and income. Data from the City's Site Database was used to provide an accurate account of the number of dwelling units per neighbourhood. The Neighbourhood Profiles were also visually enhanced with colour, more graphics and added features that make looking up specific neighbourhoods easier.

Getting the Data Out There



Neighbourhood Profiles Highlights

- **Population**
- **Ethnic diversity, spoken languages**
- **Transportation modes, number of registered vehicles**
- **Education levels, enrolment**
- **Household size, home ownership, dwelling unit types**
- **Labour force, personal income**

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Planning + Design

[Planning + Design](#) is a semi-annual publication (Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter) created to keep residents of Saskatoon and surrounding area informed about current planning and design projects and initiatives. It is published by Research, with articles being contributed by various Division employees. Planning + Design provides an opportunity to showcase the complexity and diversity of work that is being done, while highlighting individual projects that help create a more vibrant city.



The latest edition of Planning + Design can be downloaded on the City's website. Hard copies are available on the third floor of City Hall and at Public Libraries.

What is the population of Saskatoon?

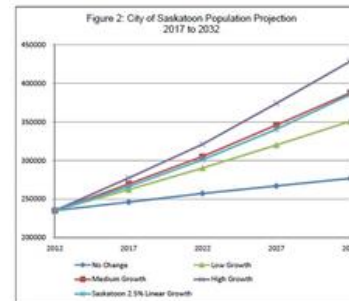
Population estimates are produced bi-annually by Research.

Comprehensive population projection reports were produced in 1996, 2002, 2008, 2010, and 2013. These 20 year population projections are based on eHealth Saskatchewan's covered population data.

Long term population projections are a useful tool for forecasting future municipal servicing needs and the demand for developable residential land. Population estimates also provide assistance with developing policies and long range plans, and are a useful planning tool for community agencies.

Table 1 City of Saskatoon Population Projection 2017-2032

Projection	2012	2017	2022	2027	2032
No Change	235,205	246,114	257,296	267,038	276,880
Low Growth	235,205	262,263	290,225	320,094	350,725
Medium Growth	235,205	269,552	305,167	346,988	387,742
High Growth	235,205	277,320	321,049	373,979	428,523
Saskatoon 2.5% Linear Growth	235,205	266,113	301,082	340,647	385,411



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Community-University Institute for Social Research (CUISR)

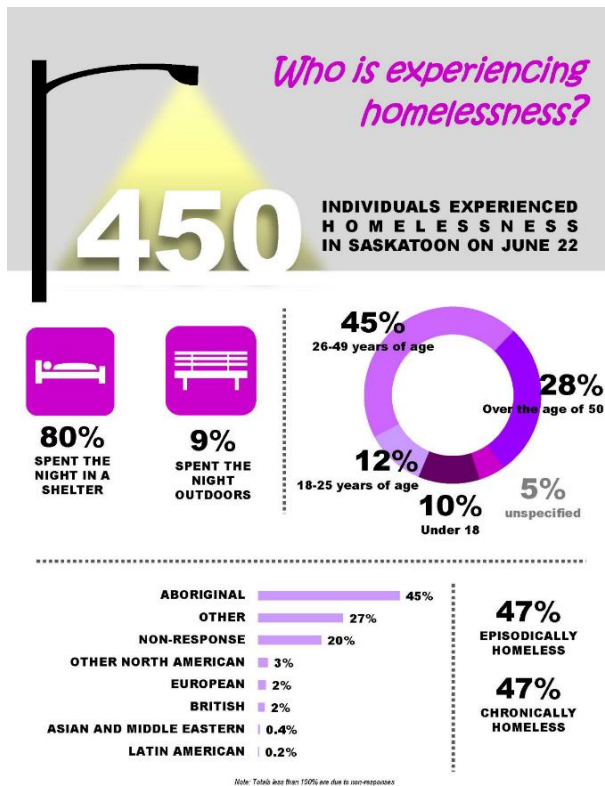
Research plays a strategic role in the ongoing work of [CUISR](#). CUISR is a research institute of the University that facilitates research partnerships between the University, community groups and agencies. These partnerships bring real world research questions from the community and combine them with the research expertise of the University. The goal is to create collaborative research partnerships that respond to local issues and provide evidence for community decision-making.

2015 Point in Time Homelessness Survey

In 2015, CUISR was the research partner in the city’s third Homelessness Survey. CUISR also conducted Homelessness Surveys or counts with community partners in 2008 and 2012. The Homelessness Survey brings together community organizations concerned with housing and homelessness issues to gather data on the scope of homelessness in the city. In 2015, funding and authority for the homelessness research was provided through the Federal Homelessness Partnering Strategy, the Community Advisory Board on Saskatoon Homelessness and the [Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership](#). The research phase engaged the community in developing the survey instrument and developing and training the volunteer base required to conduct a point in time survey and count of homelessness.

The 2015 Homelessness Survey was conducted on June 22, 2015, and enumerated 450 people who were experiencing homelessness in Saskatoon on that day. For the first time, the research included collecting information on the perceptions of homelessness; this survey was conducted on all willing

participants regardless of homeless status. Gathering these perspectives provides a broader picture of the attitudes toward the issue of homelessness.



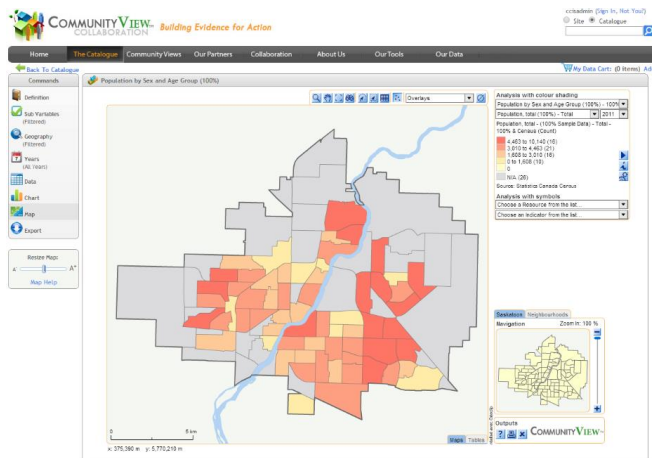
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Quality of Life Survey

CUISR has completed five periods of research into the quality of life of Saskatoon citizens. The quantitative and qualitative research reaches a large sample of citizens and probes the community's perceptions of quality of life. Monitoring of quality of life is part of the City's commitment to citizens through its Strategic Plan.

CommunityView Collaboration

The City, through Research, is a partner in the web-based [CommunityView Collaboration](#). Along with the Saskatoon Health Region, the Saskatoon School Boards, the Saskatoon Regional Intersectoral Committee (SRIC) and the University, the site shares community data and provides tools for the community to access the data. Research contributes to the governance of the partnership and its day-to-day operation. Research provides coordination for the CommunityView



Collaboration, organized data acquisition, training and support for the community. In 2015, the CommunityView completed initial research on outcome indicators for the communities of the SRIC.

2015 Highlights

Data Directory

Saskatoon Strategic Trends 2015 was released in October 2015 as part of the corporate budget document. It includes data on demographics, development, economy, environment, and social trends. Data used in this document is updated throughout the year and is available through the City's SharePoint site on the Data Directory page.

The Data Directory originated from a request to monitor the City's Strategic Goals and has since developed into a much larger tool. It allows for one central location for all working groups to retrieve data on a wide variety of topics, and ensures that consistent data is being used across the corporation.

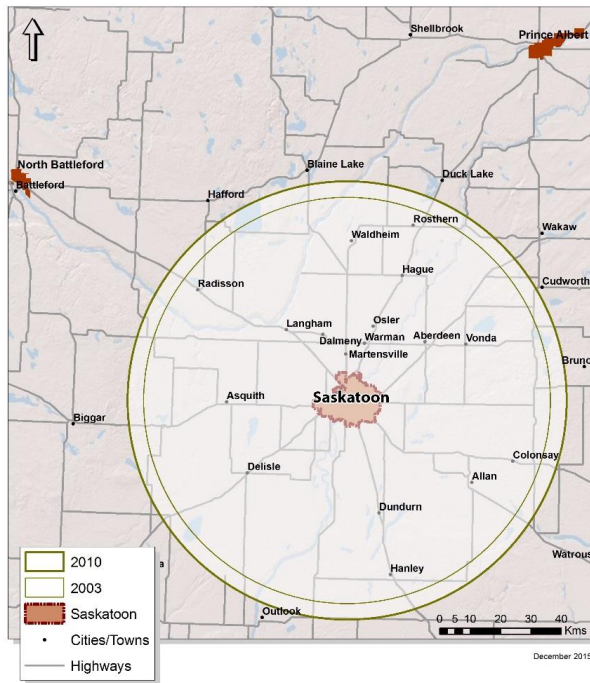
Ecological Footprint

Research, in partnership with the Environmental and Corporate Initiatives Division, engaged a consultant to update ecological footprint metrics for the City. The ecological footprint measures the ecological impact of a population by expressing population consumption in "global hectares" or the amount of land required to produce the resources consumed. The ecological footprint and greenhouse gas footprint metrics produced in this analysis are used to monitor the progress of the Strategic Goal of Environmental Leadership as identified in the City's Strategic Plan. This work was previously done for

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Saskatoon in 2005 and 2010 and now, with the 2014 metrics being produced, a multi-year trend can be established and monitored. The results are anticipated to be available in 2016.

City of Saskatoon's Ecological Footprint



Looking ahead

- 20 Year Population Projection: Research will be creating a projection for 2015 – 2035. This product will provide a full view of the makeup of future populations to aid in planning future development and services.
- Quality of Life Survey: A comprehensive view of citizens' quality of life will be generated. 2016 will mark the sixth time in 16 years that citizens have been asked their opinions of quality of life in Saskatoon.
- CommunityView Collaboration Update: Mapping and Research will be working toward renewing the tool's mapping engine in 2016. This is necessary to allow CommunityView to function on updated internet browsers and mobile devices.
- 2016 is a Census year: Research will receive data from the census surveys and update statistical information that will be used in future decision making.

Building Better Parks: An Asset Management Plan for Parks

Recommendation

1. That the Asset Management Plan for Parks be received as information; and
2. That the Administration provide a report for the 2017 Business Plan and Budget deliberations on options to address the funding gap.

Topic and Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide information on assets primarily belonging to the Parks and Facilities Divisions, such as pathway, irrigation, and play structure inventory. Specific information on value, condition, asset management initiatives, and a potential funding plan are included.

Report Highlights

1. The average age of both asphalt pathways and irrigation systems within City of Saskatoon (City) parks is 18 years and based on age of the asset, 57% of these assets are in poor to very poor condition.
2. The average age of play structures is 13 years and based on age of the asset, 44% of the play structures are in poor to very poor condition.
3. A potential plan to increase annual funding to these park assets is outlined in Attachment 1.

Strategic Goal

Under the Strategic Goal of Asset and Financial Sustainability, this report supports the four-year priority of adopting and implementing an asset-management philosophy for park assets.

Background

City Council, at its October 2, 2015 received the Civic Service Review for Parks, Design, Construction, and Maintenance and resolved, in part:

- “4. That the Administration report on a Park Infrastructure Asset Management Plan including a funding strategy to achieve desired service levels.”

Report

Pathways

As shown in Attachment 1 - Building Better Parks: An Asset Management Plan for Parks (the Plan), the estimated replacement values of the City's pathways are as follows:

- asphalt pathways: \$18.1M;
- Meewasin Trail Riverbank Park asphalt pathways within the City parks: \$3.2M; and

- crusher dust pathways: \$4.5M.

The current level of funding for operating and maintaining asphalt pathways is insufficient to implement a consistent preventative maintenance plan to extend the expected useful life of pathways. The expected useful life of an asphalt pathway without a preventative maintenance program is between 16 to 20 years of age. The average age of Park asphalt pathways is 18 years, and about 57% of the asphalt pathways are in poor to very poor condition. The potential funding plan, utilizing a phased-in property tax increase, will bring the average age to 15 years, within an 8-year timeframe, which equates to Fair condition overall.

Irrigation Systems

The estimated replacement value of the City's irrigation systems is \$34.5M. The expected useful life of irrigation systems is 20 years. Average age of the City's irrigation systems is 18 years, and approximately 57% of these are in poor to very poor condition. The potential funding plan utilizing a phased-in property tax increase will bring the average age to 14 years, within an 8-year timeframe, which equates to Fair condition overall.

Play Structures

The estimated replacement values of the City's play structures are as follows:

- destination accessible play structures: \$1.3M;
- wooden play structures: \$2.6M; and
- all other play structures: \$21.6M.

The average age of civic play structures is 13 years, and approximately 44% are in poor to very poor condition. The potential funding plan utilizing a phased-in property tax increase, will bring the average age to 4 years, within a 10-year timeframe, which equates to a Very Good condition. This is better than the Good condition that is proposed; however, in future years, part of this funding can be used for other Park assets once Good condition is realized.

In 2015, the City received funding of up to \$500,000 from the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program. The City will match this funding to replace 8 wooden play structures. In 2016, the City applied to replace an additional 8 wooden play structures for another \$500,000 of funding from the same program. The funding has not yet been approved but the potential funding plan assumes the City will be successful in the application and that the City will match the funding. This funding significantly expedites the replacement plan for the play structures. If the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program funding is not received for the 2016 application, the potential funding plan will be revised in the next version of the Plan.

Financial Implications

The Plan summarizes the current expenditure level, identified funding gaps, existing funding (both from the Parks Infrastructure Reserve, as well as the contribution to the Meewasin Valley Authority, specifically for pathway replacement), and a potential phased-in property tax increase to address the funding gap.

Communications Plan

The Asset Management Plan for Parks will be communicated with the City's overarching Corporate Asset Management Plan. Communication support will create awareness for this plan through information uploaded into a new display within the Finance pages of the City's website, saskatoon.ca.

Other Considerations/Implications

There are no options, public and/or stakeholder involvement, policy, environmental, privacy, or CPTED implications or considerations.

Due Date for Follow-up and/or Project Completion

The Administration will report back at the time of the 2017 Business Plan and Budget deliberations on options to address the funding gap. In 2017 and 2018, further reports will address other park-related assets, such as paddling pools, spray pads, sports equipment, furniture, and other elements.

Public Notice

Public notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, is not required.

Attachment

1. Building Better Parks: An Asset Management Plan for Parks

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Building Better Parks: An Asset Management Plan for Parks



Parks

INTRODUCTION

The City of Saskatoon's (City) parks inventory is composed of a variety of asset sub-classes that include but are not limited to: pathways, irrigation systems, play structures, trees, shrubs, trash cans, benches, fencing, sports fields, tennis courts, lighting, signage, picnic sites, skateboard parks, gazebos, foot bridges, shade structures, paddling pools and spray parks. This report will focus on asphalt and crusher dust pathways, irrigation systems and play structures. The potential funding plan in this report is for these asset sub-classes only. The remaining assets and their funding gaps will be added to the Asset Management Plan as it is updated annually.

CURRENT INVENTORY

The current replacement cost of the asphalt and crusher dust pathways, irrigation systems, and play structures is \$85.8 million, as detailed in Table 1.

Table 1: *What do we own, what is it worth?*

Asset	Inventory	Replacement Cost (2016)
Asphalt Pathways (not including Meewasin)	201,000 m ²	\$18,100,000
Meewasin Trail Riverbank Park Asphalt Pathway	35,000 m ²	\$3,200,000
Crusher Dust Pathways	75,000 m ²	\$4,500,000
Irrigation System	575 ha	\$34,500,000
Play Structures	166	\$21,580,000
Wooden Play Structures	20	\$2,600,000
Destination Accessible Playgrounds	3	\$1,350,000

Pathways

Asphalt and crusher dust pathways located in park areas are included in this report. Parks Division does not manage asphalt pathways located on other types of non-park open space such as road right of way, buffers etc. and, as such, those pathways are not considered as part of this report. Concrete pathways represent a much smaller portion of park pathway inventory and will be considered in future asset management plans.

The Meewasin Valley Authority (Meewasin) and the City share the responsibility to rehabilitate the Meewasin Valley Trail. Meewasin is currently completing a master plan and trail strategy for the Meewasin Valley Trail network which will include costs to replace and upgrade the trail system. The upgrades include improved accessibility and widening of the trail.

The information in this report includes the Meewasin Trail Riverbank Park pathways and the replacement cost to replace the pathway to its existing width without upgrades. The City's responsibility for the costs will depend on the level of rehabilitation or replacement required; however, the funding plan in this report reflects the full cost of replacement to the existing standards as well as a funding contribution of \$250,000 to Meewasin for the pathways.

Irrigation System

Irrigation assets include sprinklers, pipe, wiring, electronic field controllers, weather stations, central control computers and valves. This report includes irrigation in parks and open space landscape but not irrigation in non-park open space or the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Play Structures

Metal, wooden, and the destination accessible play structures are included in this report. Replacement cost of all the play structures includes the removal of the old structure, landscaping, and replacement of all components including the playground surface material under the play structures.

EXPENDITURE LEVELS

Administration evaluates the condition of the City’s assets in order to develop annual programs to maintain the assets at a minimum cost. Condition assessments or evaluations are conducted and used to establish condition levels as well as develop annual capital improvement plans.

The level of service for each type of asset is defined differently; however, as the level of service increases for the asset, so does the cost of maintaining the asset. In order to be able to compare the level of investment for all assets corporate-wide, five levels of expenditures are identified below. It should be noted that expenditure levels are not condition assessments but lead to a change in the asset condition over time; ‘A’ represents the highest level of expenditure and ‘F’ represents no expenditure.

Table 2

Expenditure Level	Asset Condition	Description
A	Getting Better Quickly	Sufficient expenditures to keep asset in the condition specified by City Council and to increase asset condition/value quickly over time.
B	Getting Better	Sufficient expenditures to keep asset in the condition specified by City Council and to increase asset condition/value slowly over time.
C	Maintain Assets in Current Condition	Sufficient expenditures to keep asset in constant condition over time.
D	Getting Worse	Insufficient expenditures to maintain asset condition. Over time asset condition will deteriorate.
F	Getting Worse Quickly	No expenditures. Asset condition/value decreased rapidly.

Parks

To date, there has not been a report presented to City Council where an Expenditure Level has been identified for these assets. If the following desired expenditure levels were selected, Table 3 details the funding gaps that would be present:

Table 3 (in millions of dollars)

Asset	Physical Condition Actual - Average Age ¹	Physical Condition Desired - Average Age ¹	Desired Expenditure Level	Required Annual Funding (to meet Expenditure Level)	2016 Dedicated Funding ²	Annual Funding Gap (to meet Expenditure Level)
Asphalt Pathways	Poor	Fair	Level B	\$1.50	\$0.64	\$0.86
Crusher Dust Pathways	Fair	Fair	Level C	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.00
Irrigation	Poor	Fair	Level B	\$3.20	\$1.56	\$1.64
Play Structures	Poor	Good	Level A	\$1.04	\$0.57	\$0.47

¹ See Table 4

² The Required Annual Funding and the 2016 Dedicated Funding does not include one-time funding but does include current operating funding. This is subject to further refinement once complete operational and maintenance regimes have been established.

In order to determine a representative condition assessment of the City's park assets as a whole, fixed asset useful life has been determined as an applicable benchmark. Useful life is the time the asset is expected to be usable for the purpose it was intended. Based on Administration's knowledge of the park system assets and using industry best practices, the useful life of the assets included in this report have been determined as follows: 20 years for asphalt pathways, 20 years for the irrigation system, and 15 years for the play structures. The following fixed asset useful life chart has been developed to illustrate the corresponding condition rating:

Table 4

Physical Condition	Pathways (Avg Age=18 years)	Irrigation (Avg Age=18 years)	Play Structures (Avg Age=14 years)
Very Good	1-5 years	1-5 years	1-4 years
Good	6-10 years	6-10 years	5-8 years
Fair	11-15 years	11-15 years	9-12 years
Poor	16-20 years	16-20 years	13-15 years
Very Poor	21+ years	21+ years	16+ years

As shown in the following charts, 57% of the asphalt pathways, 57% of the irrigations systems and 44% of the play structures are in poor or very poor condition.

Chart 1 – Asphalt Pathways

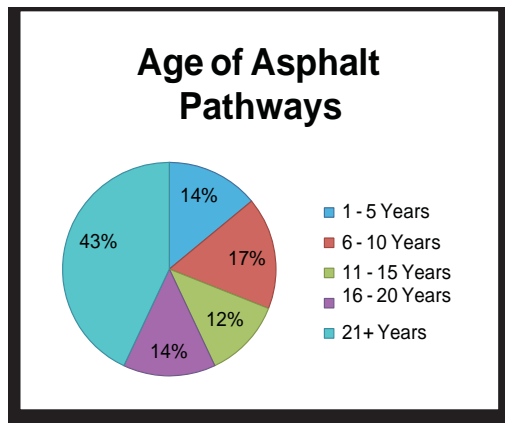


Chart 2 – Irrigation Systems

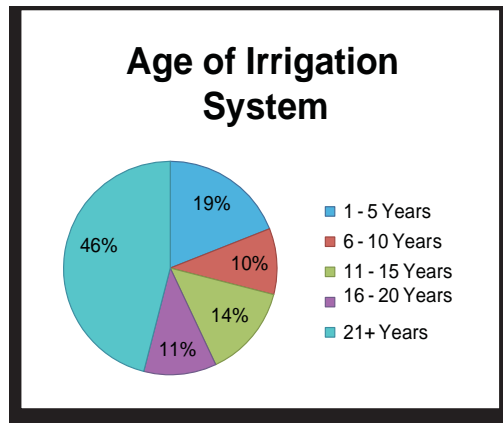
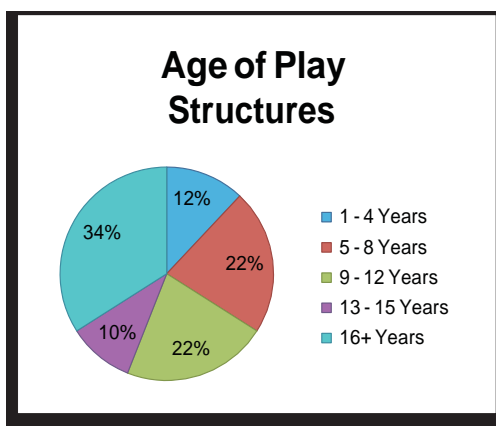


Chart 3 – Play Structures



To provide some context as to how the condition and useful life correlate, the following photographic images show a pathway of 23 and 3 years of age respectively. The extensive deterioration, cracking, and sloping can be seen in the older pathway:



PRESERVATION PROGRAMS

Pathways

The useful life of asphalt pathways is directly related to the preventative maintenance procedures that are applied. With the current level of funding of \$169,200 for operating/maintenance on the entire network of pathways, the City is only able to address the poorest condition assets that may represent safety concerns. To date, funding levels have not supported a consistent preventative maintenance program for park pathways. By implementing a preventative maintenance program, the useful life of asphalt pathways could potentially increase to 25–30 years; however, without a preventative maintenance program, the expected useful life is 16–20 years depending on the specific site conditions. A preventative maintenance program on asphalt pathways could include:

- crack sealing being performed about 7 times throughout a 30 year useful life (\$7/m² per application);
- slurry sealing being performed about 2 times during a 30 year useful life (\$5/m² per application); or
- an overlay being performed at approximately year 20 of a 30 year useful life (\$50/m² per application).

Preventative maintenance for crusher dust pathways includes weed control, crusher dust top-up, erosion repair, and smoothing. If preventative maintenance is applied, the crusher dust pathways can last indefinitely. Currently, the City spends approximately \$23,000 annually to maintain these pathways, which is sufficient to keep these pathways in good condition. Full replacement would not be required unless there is damage by construction equipment or underground utility repair. Replacement cost would be approximately \$60/m².



Irrigation Systems

The preventative maintenance performed for irrigation systems includes the annual blow out of the system prior to the winter season and charging the system with water in the spring in combination with operational system checks that are performed to ensure each system is applying water as efficiently as possible. Deficiencies including broken heads, valves, wiring, and pipe are repaired as identified and allow continued distribution of irrigation water throughout the growing season. These maintenance costs are paid for through the irrigation operating budget.

Play Structures

For play structures, preventative maintenance is included in the Parks and Facilities operating budgets and is approximately \$285,000 per year. This includes playground equipment certifications, labour for inspections of the structures, replacement materials for the components that are worn out or unsafe, cleaning of broken glass, pumping water after spring melts or rain events, sharps checks, sand / woodchip replenishment, sweeping, raking, and rototilling of sand.

POTENTIAL PLAN TO ADDRESS FUNDING GAP

Pathways

Currently, there is insufficient operational funding to establish a preventative maintenance program for the pathways. The average age of the asphalt pathways is 18 years and most of these pathways have not had a preventative maintenance program applied over the lifetime of the asset, therefore, approximately 57% of pathways are in poor to very poor condition.

The current estimated cost to replace the asphalt pathways that are over 30 years old is \$3.2 million; the estimated cost to replace the pathways over 25 years old is \$7.9 million, and the estimated cost to replace the pathways over 20 years old is \$9.4 million.

Irrigation System

It is difficult to determine the actual condition of the irrigation system as the majority of the asset is below ground, but the average life of an irrigation system is 18 years. The estimated average useful life of the various components within the system is 20 years. There are many irrigation systems that are still functioning beyond the expected useful life; however, there are two parks that have deteriorated systems that no longer operate (Rochdale Park and St. Andrews Park). As irrigation systems continues to age, more of the systems will become unrepairable and require replacement if irrigated service levels are to be maintained.

The current estimated cost to replace the irrigation systems that are over 20 years old is \$16.1 million. In 2016 there is an approved project in the amount of \$575,000, funded with one-time funding from the Dedicated Lands Reserve, to replace 2 older irrigation systems in Cumberland Park and Nutana Kiwanis Park.

Play Structures

There are 166 metal play structures, 20 wooden play structures, and 3 destination accessible play structures in use. The wooden play structures are all in need of replacement as they do not meet CSA safety standards. There are also metal play structures as well as combination metal and wooden playgrounds that do not meet CSA safety standards.

The current estimated cost to replace all the wooden play structures is \$2.6 million. The estimated cost to replace the metal play structures that are over 15 years old is \$6.4 million. The oldest destination accessible play structure is 10 years old and is still within the useful expected life. The replacement cost of all play structures includes replacement of the ground surfacing material under the play structure, if required. The City received approval in 2015 for funding up to \$500,000 from the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program to replace up to 8 structures that are most in need of repair. This funding is being matched by the City. The replacement of these 8 structures will take place throughout 2016 and 2017. In 2016 the City applied for additional Canada 150 Community Infrastructure funding for replacement of 8 more structures. Although approval has not been received, this report assumes that funding will be approved. If this funding is not approved, an adjustment will be made when the Asset Management Plan is updated.

Potential Plan

There is a Parks Infrastructure Reserve that provides funding to park assets and receives funding from the operating budget on an annual basis in accordance with the Capital Reserve Bylaw 6774. This reserve has been in an authorized deficit due to upgrades made at Dundonald Neighbourhood Park but in 2017, the reserve will return to a surplus position and have funding available for use on the backlog of park rehabilitation. The Dedicated Funding in Table 3 and the potential funding plan in Table 5 assume that the existing reserve funding will be used on the 3 asset sub-classes detailed in this report.

In order to begin to address the funding backlog, additional funding directed towards these asset sub-classes will be required. The potential funding plan described below and also shown in Table 5 is an example of a plan that could be adopted by City Council if additional phased-in funding were to be allocated towards rehabilitation of the Park assets.

An option would be to add additional funding to the Parks Infrastructure Reserve through a potential phased-in property tax increase. An annual increase of approximately \$600,000 for 4 years and 300,000 for an additional 2 years would:

- bring asphalt pathways back to fair condition at the end of 8 years;
- provide irrigation systems with appropriate funding to return to a fair condition at the end of 10 years; and
- allow play structures to return to good condition after 4 years.

In the first year there would be sufficient existing funds within the Parks Infrastructure Reserve and therefore a property tax increase would not be necessary in 2017, under this scenario. After the 10 year plan, there will be sustainable funding in the reserve that can be used to replace and rehabilitate the parks assets on a systematic basis while also addressing the need for comprehensive preventative maintenance programs.

Table 5: Potential Phased-in Property Tax Increase (in Millions of Dollars)

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
Asphalt Pathways	Funding	\$0.55	\$0.91	\$1.02	\$1.29	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50
	Average Age (years)	18	19	18	18	18	17	17	15	15
Irrigation System	Funding	\$1.30	\$1.70	\$1.90	\$2.22	\$2.60	\$2.90	\$3.20	\$3.20	\$3.20
	Average Age (years)	18	18	17	18	18	17	16	16	15
Play Structures	Funding	0.46	\$0.75	\$1.04	\$1.04	\$1.04	\$1.04	\$1.04	\$1.04	\$1.04
	Average Age (years)	12	11	9	8	7	7	6	5	4
TOTAL FUNDING REQUIRED	\$2.31	\$3.36	\$3.96	\$4.55	\$5.14	\$5.44	\$5.74	\$5.74	\$5.74	\$5.74
Existing Funding Available*	\$2.31	\$2.77	\$3.36	\$3.96	\$4.55	\$5.14	\$5.44	\$5.74	\$5.74	\$5.74
Additional Funding Required	\$0.00	\$0.59	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$0.59	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Property Tax Increase (%)	0.00%	0.29%	0.29%	0.29%	0.29%	0.15%	0.15%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Funding and Matching City Funding**	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

*Existing funding includes \$250,000 funding contribution to Meewasin for upgrade and replacement of pathways as well as Parks Infrastructure Reserve funding, all in 2016 dollars.

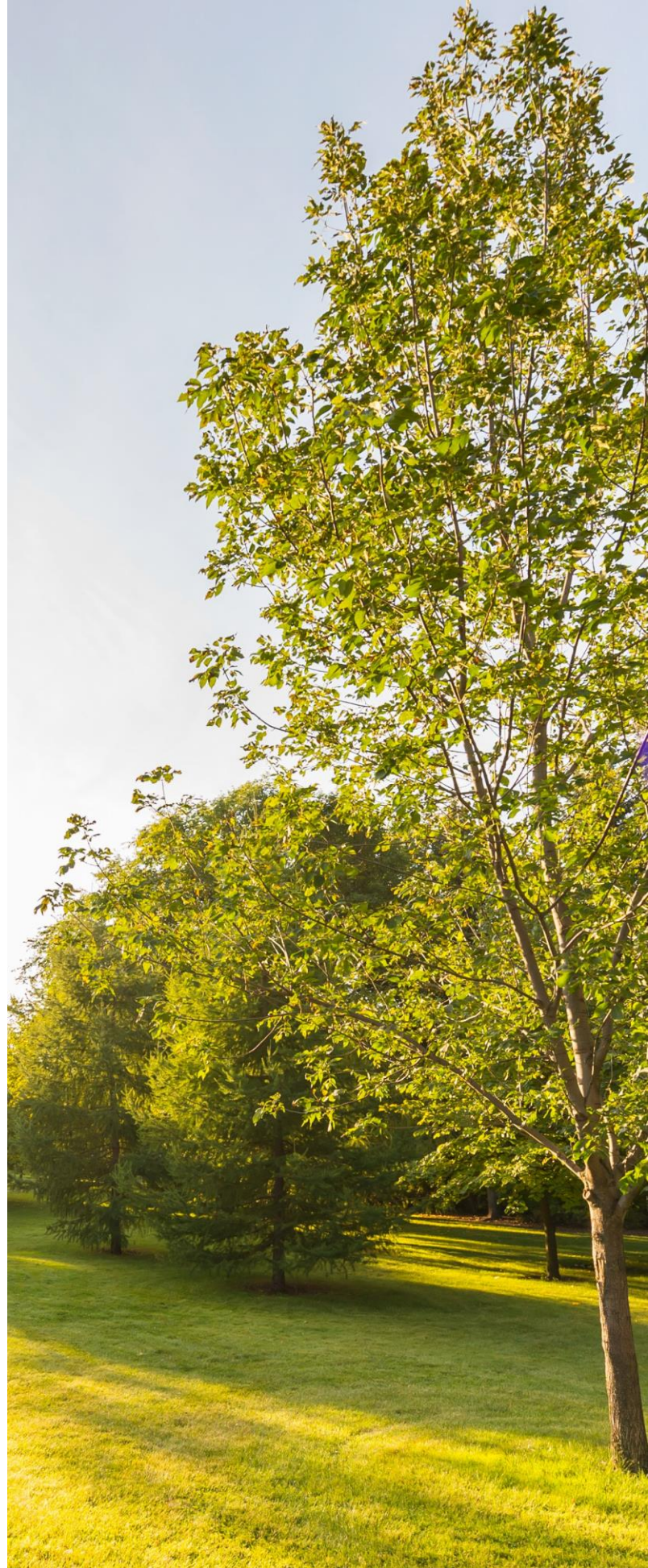
**In 2015 the City received approval for up to \$500,000 in funding from the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program for replacement of up to 8 Play Structures and in 2016 the City has applied for an additional \$500,000. The \$2.0M funding shown in Table 5 assumes the second round of funding will be approved and the City will provide matching funding.

The Federal Government has announced additional funding for infrastructure and specifically for repair and replacement of assets. Specific details of the funding and timing are expected in the near future. Some of the replacement of the parks assets may be eligible for this senior government funding. This could assist in the catch-up of the repair and replacement of these assets; however, constant and predictable funding would still be necessary to sustain a preservation program and asset replacement.

CLIMATE ADAPTATION STRATEGY

To prepare for periods of extreme weather, the Parks Division has already implemented or is currently developing the following systems and plans related to the asset sub-classes in this report:

- irrigation systems are installed for times of prolonged drought;
- updating landscape design and construction specifications (eg. slope, surface drainage) to mitigate the park impacts associated with prolonged wet weather conditions;
- durable pathway surfaces are being installed in areas with high risk of erosion as a result of storm water movement;
- ensuring safe work practices for workers during extreme hot or cold; and
- design and construction specifications are being developed to ensure new park development considers all risk events.





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Kinsmen Play Village - Play Structure

Recommendation

That the information be received.

Topic and Purpose

This report provides background relating to the consultations involved in the development of the Kinsmen Park Master Plan and the subsequent decision to remove all amenities within the Kinsmen Play Village at Kinsmen Park. This report also provides information on the Kinsmen Park Master Plan and financial implications of retaining the play equipment within the Kinsmen Play Village at Kinsmen Park.

Report Highlights

1. The Kinsmen Park Master Plan (Master Plan) was developed through a yearlong process, including extensive community engagement, and was formally approved by City Council in 2012.
2. There are a number of projects and tenders connected to the current play structure at Kinsmen Play Village at Kinsmen Park (Play Village), including a demolition contract for the existing paddling pool and building, a contract for the relocation of the play structure, and a tender for the construction of an accessible playground at Ashworth Holmes Park within the Caswell Hill neighbourhood.
3. There are a number of financial and Master Plan implications to keeping the play structure in its current location at the Play Village.

Strategic Goal

Under the City of Saskatoon's (City) Strategic Goal of Quality of Life, this report supports the long-term strategy of ensuring recreation facilities are accessible, both physically and financially, to meet community needs.

Background

The Master Plan can be found on the City website at www.Saskatoon.ca/potashcorpplayland. It was developed through a meaningful and ongoing public process that directed the formulation of the vision, goals, management strategies, and physical plan for the Kinsmen Park. Attachment 1 provides an overview of the potential park programming for summer activities, and Attachment 2 provides an overview of the potential park programming for winter activities.

The Master Plan was developed with extensive community engagement. Below is a list of public engagement opportunities undertaken in developing the Master Plan:

- a) High School/University Student Design Workshop;
- b) Stakeholder Workshop No. 1;
- c) Public Workshop No. 1;
- d) Play Area Design Workshops;

- e) Children's Festival Workshop;
- f) Stakeholder Workshop No. 2;
- g) Public Workshop No. 2;
- h) Meewasin Valley Authority Development Review;
- i) two public open house meetings (November 2 and 10, 2011); and
- j) a number of meetings were held with various stakeholders (e.g. a cycling advisory group, a cross-country ski group, the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, the Kinsmen Club of Saskatoon, etc.).

The final recommendations and directions in the Master Plan were based on very strong community support for the concept of a Central Activity Hub, with the intent of providing a central destination of activity within the heart of the park (see Attachment 3). Through the various community meetings and workshops, the community was also presented with the concept of a Dispersed Activity design (see Attachment 4), which would have provided a series of different experiences dispersed throughout the park, including the retention of the Play Village area. Attachment 5 provides an overview of the short-term projects to be undertaken within five years, including reference to the removal of the Play Village.

Many of the projects identified for completion within the first five years are complete, most significantly the new PotashCorp Playland at Kinsmen Park. The Administration has been working to complete the remainder of the projects identified.

Report

Projects Currently Underway in Kinsmen Park

Removal of the Play Village

Removal of the Play Village includes a number of components and contracts for work. The total budget allocated for the demolition, play structure removal, and landscaping of the Play Village site/area is \$129,000, allocated as follows:

- a) \$10,000 for relocation of electrical utilities from the old building (work already completed);
- b) \$5,000 for demolition of the building and paddling pool (contract awarded);
- c) \$5,000 for demolition and removal of the concrete, sand, and rubberized surface (contract awarded);
- d) \$30,000 for the removal and relocation of the play structure (connected to the Ashworth Holmes Park playground project); and
- e) \$79,000 for site survey, restoration, and landscaping.

Based on the Master Plan's direction to remove the Play Village, and prior to the decision to demolish anything, the Administration investigated options for relocating or repurposing various components. It was confirmed that the paddling pool was at the end of its lifecycle and would have required either substantial upgrades or a full rebuild. The rubberized surfacing beneath the play structure was in need of major repairs or replacement in the near future; however, the play structure, itself, still had many years of useful life. Therefore, the Administration investigated options to relocate the structure, as opposed to demolishing it. The accessible playground project in Ashworth

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Holmes Park was considered, and it presented an excellent opportunity for overall cost savings.

Accessible Playground in Ashworth Holmes Park

Ashworth Holmes Park, situated within Caswell Hill neighbourhood, is located less than 3 km from Kinsmen Park. A number of years ago, this park had been identified as the next location for a destination accessible playground. The Caswell Community Association has since been working to raise funds to support the building of this playground.

As part of the 2016 capital budget, the accessible playground was approved with a total budget of \$400,000, of which \$285,000 is funded from the Reserve for Capital Expenditures, \$90,000 is from a Co-op grant secured by the Caswell Community Association, and \$25,000 is from a park enhancement grant, approved for the Caswell Community Association. Of note: large-sized accessible playgrounds, such as this one, typically cost \$475,000 to \$500,000, but the relocation of the play structure resulted in an overall lower cost.

An overview of the project work for this accessible playground is as follows:

- a) completed design work and consulting fees - \$12,500;
- b) project tender prepared, issued, and closed on July 28, 2016; and
- c) received a valid bid for the Ashworth Holmes Park playground project. The contract is ready to be awarded. This bid is valid until September 19, 2016, but the project will not be completed as planned in 2016 if not awarded in the near future.

Implications of Retaining the Play Structure

Kinsmen Park

1. Within the Play Village, the demolition of the building and paddling pool, and removal of the concrete would still occur for approximately \$10,000;
2. Partial site leveling, restoration, and landscaping would still be required in the areas where the building and paddling pool are removed for approximately \$45,000;
3. The Administration would be required to present a revised Master Plan to the Meewasin Valley Authority Development Review Committee and Board for approval;
4. The rubberized surfacing beneath and around the play equipment would have to be replaced and concrete edging installed for approximately \$145,000; and
5. An annual operating impact for the inspections, maintenance, and contribution to the Civic Buildings Comprehensive Maintenance (CBCM) Reserve would need to be added to the operating budget for approximately \$22,000.

Accessible Playground Project

1. 2016 completion would be jeopardized;
2. Current tender would be cancelled;

3. Funding would need to be secured for the cost of new play equipment for the site for approximately \$150,000 to \$170,000;
4. Updates to the design would be required for new play equipment for the site for approximately \$1,000 to \$2,000;
5. A new tender package would need to be prepared and issued; and
6. The playground construction would need to be rescheduled to the 2017 construction season (dependant on weather in May and June).

Options to the Recommendation

The Committee may choose to provide further direction to the Administration on possible changes to the current Master Plan phases of work.

Public and/or Stakeholder Involvement

In preparation of this report, the Administration contacted the Child Development Centre, YWCA of Saskatoon (YWCA). Below is a summary of their comments relating to the Play Village:

- In the past, the YWCA daycare has utilized the Play Village because of the close proximity, and the fenced area provided some peace of mind. Typically, five staff take up to 18 children between the ages of 2½ and 6 years to utilize the play structure;
- The daycare has also utilized the play area in PotashCorp Playland at Kinsmen Park; and
- The YWCA has its own play area; however, the Play Village is more appropriate for the younger ages.

The Administration also spoke with the Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club who indicated that the club does not object to either option of removing or maintaining the Play Village in its current location. They are definitely interested in an opportunity to find space to extend the ski trails and believe this could be done in other areas of the park if the Play Village remained. Their primary requests for amenities to help support the success of their programs are to have an appropriate winterized shelter and bathroom facilities, as well as lighting.

A review of earlier comments from various Saskatoon Health Region representatives who attended the stakeholder workshop centered around the potential therapeutic use by patients of the proposed community gardens located south of Saskatoon City Hospital.

Financial Implications

Currently there is an approved budget of \$129,000 included in the overall \$9.5 million PotashCorp Playland at Kinsmen Park project. Within Accessible Playgrounds Capital Project No. 2354, \$400,000 is approved for the accessible playground project.

The financial implications of retaining the play structures and the site restoration work in the Play Village area are as follows:

- a) \$30,000 savings for the removal and relocation of the play structure (connected to the Ashworth Holmes Park playground project);
- b) \$34,000 savings of the \$79,000 allocated for site survey, restoration, and landscaping; \$45,000 of this work would still be required, as noted earlier in this report;
- c) \$145,000 new capital to replace the rubberized surface at the Play Village;
- d) \$150,000 to \$170,000 new capital for new play structure components for the accessible playground project;
- e) \$1,000 to \$2,000 new funding for additional design fees to modify the design of the accessible playground project; and
- f) \$22,000 new annual operating impact for the inspections, maintenance, and contribution to CBCM Reserve for the play structure remaining at the Play Village. The Facilities and Fleet Management Division has confirmed that neither the existing play structure at the Play Village, nor the rubberized safety surface has contributed to the CBCM Reserve. The operating impact that was in the budget for the Play Village (approximately \$10,000 for inspections, maintenance, and vandalism) was removed from the operating budget when the decision was made to decommission and close the Play Village.

The net financial impact would require up to \$253,000 in additional capital funding and \$22,000 in annual operating impact.

Communication Plan

Pending the review of this report, the Administration will update the information on the PotashCorp Playland webpage and issue a Public Service Announcement with information on the update of timelines for the two projects.

Other Considerations/Implications

There are no policy, environmental, privacy, or CPTED implications or considerations.

Due Date for Follow-up

Upon Committee's review of this report, and direction, the Administration will undertake to carry out the applicable playground projects and Master Plan work and/or report back with future plans to enhance play components in Kinsmen Park for younger-aged children.

Public Notice

Public notice, pursuant to Section 3 of Public Notice Policy No. C01-021, is not required.

Attachments

- 1. Park Programming Summer Activities
- 2. Park Programming Winter Activities
- 3. Central Activity Hub Concept Plan
- 4. Dispersed Activity Concept Plan
- 5. Short-Term Moves (Within 5 Years)

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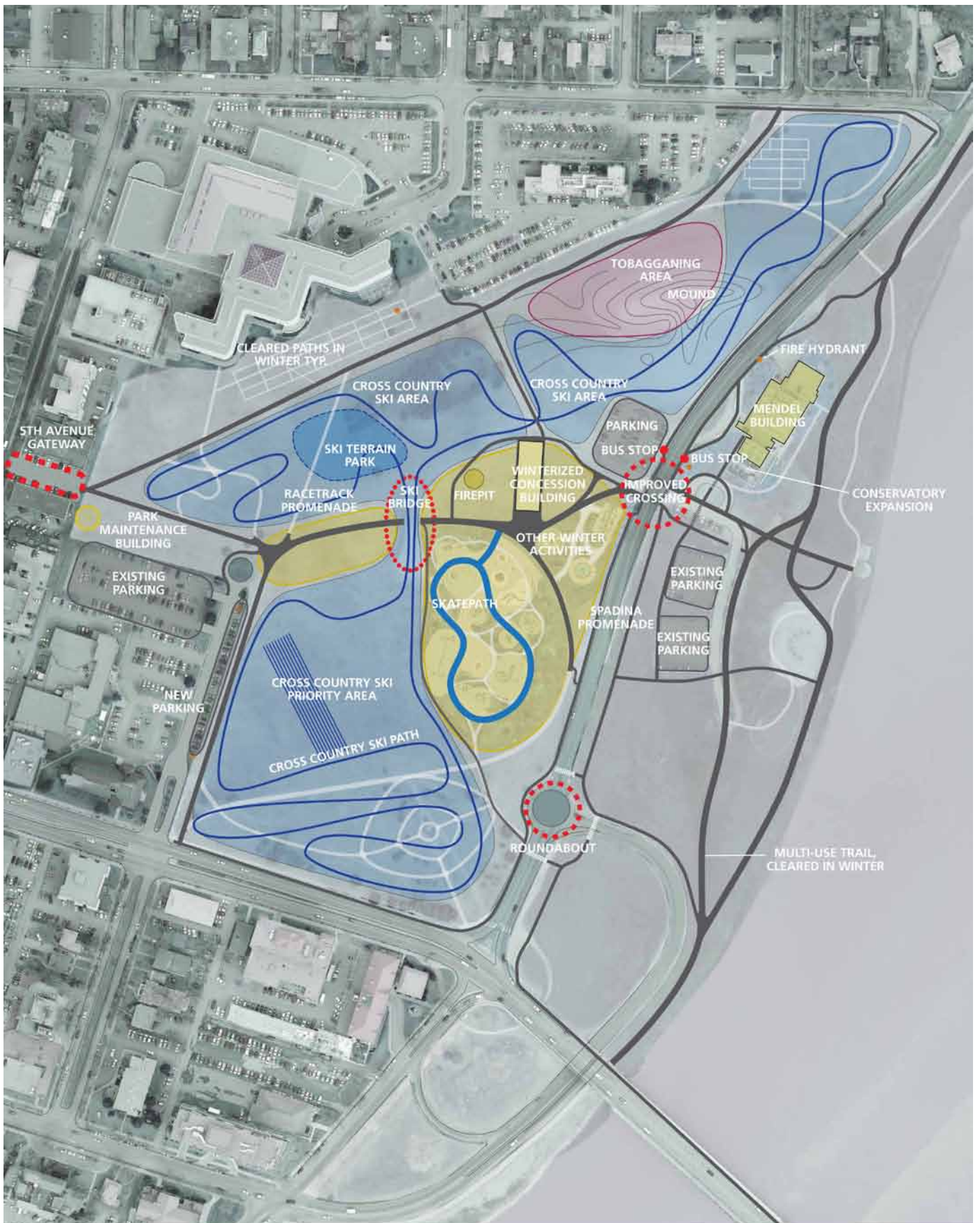
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PARK PROGRAMMING: WINTER ACTIVITIES Image: s2p and City of Saskatoon

05_WORKSHOP SERIES #2

SELECTED APPROACH CONCEPT 1: CENTRAL ACTIVITY HUB



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CONCEPT 2: DISPERSED ACTIVITY

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1. SHORT-TERM MOVES (WITHIN 5 YEARS)

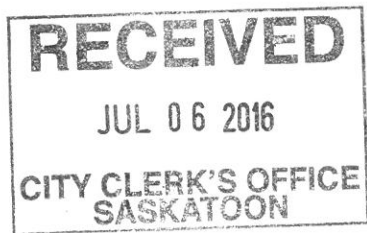
- **New:** Play Area, Rides Garden, new miniature train cars, east-west “racetrack promenade,” improved east-west crossing by Mendel Building, vehicle turn-around loop at north end of Kinsmen Ave, right-angle parking along Kinsmen Ave, festival space
- **Reconfigured:** miniature train route, some pedestrian pathways, parking lot along Spadina Crescent
- **Removed:** ball diamonds, former Play Village, “sports fields” parking lot (north end of Kinsmen Avenue)



MASTER PLAN: SHORT-TERM (< 5 YEARS)

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Dear Honourable Mayor and Members of City Council,

I am writing to request permission to address Council with a presentation of a petition that has gained more than 100 signatures in its first 24 hours. Simply put - I am requesting permission to make a presentation of citizens' wishes regarding the re-opening of the original Kinsmen Park Playground.

As the petition letter describes, the closure of the original Kinsmen Park Playground takes away a lovely area that is especially suited to young children and those with disabilities. The new "PotashCorp" playground is aimed at older children and is not fenced. If the purpose of the Kinsmen Park Masterplan is truly to "Provide a place for Children in the city." (page 5 of the document) then why not leave the the wonderful existing playground, alongside the new one? There are enough families in Saskatoon for both to be well used, as they were during the time of overlap until the end of May, 2016. There is simply no good reason to close this playground and the prospect of it closing is heartbreaking for many families with young children.

To suggest that this closure is the result of transparency and consultation is erroneous. The Masterplan document approved in 2011 listed closure of the existing playground as "optional" in the budget area (page 134), and the consultations revealed absolutely no pressure to close the existing playground. In fact, the Masterplan noted that at the largest consultation (Saskatoon library) "9 of 10 groups noted the importance of the play village and/or suggested it be increased in size and refreshed to appeal to a wider range of ages." (page 42). To close the existing playground wastefully takes away an area perfect for toddlers and preschoolers. These children are too young to participate in "focus groups" or "consultations" and there was no childcare provided at any of the events held, making it difficult for caregivers to advocate on their behalf.

Following a Newsarticle on May 20, 2016, (<http://thestarphoenix.com/news/local-news/old-kinsmen-park-playground-mourned>) a "Q and A" document (file creation date of June 9, 2016) was uploaded on the City website (https://www.saskatoon.ca/sites/default/files/documents/community-services/recreation-sport/kinsmen-park/kinsmen_play_village_faq_june_2016.pdf). This document

stated that the playground was being closed, "...to transform the park into a memorable and enjoyable place for all ages and abilities year-round, while continuing to support local communities and the growing downtown population." It is unclear to me, and the growing number of people signing the petition on the subject, how demolishing a playground helps in any way to transform the park into a memorable and enjoyable place. The two playgrounds can co-exist. There is no need to destroy the existing one.

In sum, I am requesting the opportunity to make a brief presentation at the next Council meeting, (I believe the 21st at 1pm) that I may present the petition which citizens of Saskatoon are signing at <https://www.change.org/p/mayor-and-city-councillors-of-saskatoon-re-open-original-kinsmen-playground-in-saskatoon> .

Thank you very much for your time and attention. It is much appreciated.

Best regards,

Robin Hansen
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The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/105528>

Petition Request: Re-Opening of Original Kinsmen Playground

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE
ON PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

18 July 2016

Summary:

- Petition created on Monday, July 4, by Saskatoon parent, Robin Hansen; more than 1300 petition supporters, as of July 18, 2016.¹

Rationale for Request to Re-Open the Original Kinsmen Playground:

- The original Kinsmen Playground serves an important role in providing a place for children's recreation, especially for children who use mobility aids and for children under 5.
- This original Kinsmen Playground is vital to the local community, but moreover is valuable to Saskatoon more broadly, as a necessary component of Kinsmen Park, a destination for children.
- The original Kinsmen Playground is very different from the PotashCorp Playland, and provides a shady, wheelchair accessible respite from the busy excitement of the latter. The two play areas are complementary. Together, they make Kinsmen Park a place for [all] children, as was the chief objective of the Master Plan. Without the original Kinsmen Playground, Kinsmen Park will under-serve children under 5, and children who use mobility aids.
- The Playground and its facilities are in good repair and are a valuable recreation resource. The Playground and its facilities are of greater value to Saskatoon children than a "re-naturalized area" would be. The expense of re-naturalizing this area is not warranted in light of the continued value of the Playground.
- Recognition of the continued value of the original Kinsmen Playground does not negate the clear need for a playground upgrade at Ashworth Holmes Park. It would be much better to invest in a new structure for Ashworth Holmes Park than to remove a valued play structure from Kinsmen Park. Instead of spending resources on "re-naturalizing" the Kinsmen Playground area, such resources could be spent on purchasing a play structure for Ashworth Holmes Park. This would be a win for Saskatoon as a whole, with the creation of an additional accessible playground.
- In addition to its current value as a place for young children and those with disabilities, the original Kinsmen Playground is a beloved part of Saskatoon and its history, with a cherished place in many people's memories across generations.

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Sample Comments Re: Historic and Enduring Appeal of Play Village

“When I take my grandchildren there I get to tell them the stories about their mom when I used to take her there. Why does the new always have to replace old? Can it not augment? Can we not keep history as we move forward? That little playground is a safe haven and a joy.”

“Four generations of my family have created lasting memories at Kinsmen Playground.”

“This is a landmark, a piece of history, and a great park for children with special needs.”

“I have been taking my family to this park for 20+ years. It was a safe place to enjoy time together as a family. I was so disappointed when we visited the park this summer and found it was closed. There is room for 2 parks.”

Re: Suitability for Young Children:

“I have a toddler who is too small to enjoy the PotashCorp playground. Without the original one there, I don’t have much reason to go to Kinsmen Park.”

“My little kids are scared of the big new playground and often get run over by big kids. I have stopped going as a family to the potash playground. I used to spend an entire morning at the old playgroundA multi age appropriate, shaded park is hard to find in Saskatoon. It will be a sad day if they shut this park down.”

“The playground is much better for younger kids. My little ones can’t enjoy the bigger new play area. Also having a more shady playground is much more appealing for our younger kids and babies.”

“The original Kinsmen Park Playground was the perfect place to take my kids (ages 2, 1 & 1)! The new Potash Corp Playland is geared towards older children and my kids are still too small to freely play on it themselves. There is no legitimate reason they can’t coexist, they are drastically different!

Re: Relocation and “Re-naturalization” Costs:

“This is such a wonderful park in a great location! I am curious how a demolition and reinstall in another location can be less expensive for the city than building an entirely new park in that location.”

“I have 3 children 4 and under that are too small to enjoy the current playground structures at Kinmen Park and it will be many years before they are able to. To me it makes more sense for the city to allocate the funds they were going to spend dismantling and moving this park to building a new one in Ashworth Holmes instead.”

Re: Accessibility

“My daughter cried when she learned it was closing. I have a son with developmental delay and disability who is two and could use the harnessed swing. I could go down the small slides with him....Please don’t take this away. I have to take the bus to other play areas more suitable for him.”

“I have a sister in a wheelchair. I know that the fight for accessibility taken many voices.”

“I have a daughter who uses a wheelchair and it is demographically significant that we keep parks and such that already have these accesses in play. Permanently closing this park induces prejudice and injustice aimed towards individual who are mobile using specialized equipment....[P]lace yourselves and your children in our shoes.”

“I have a 7 year old son in a wheelchair. I’m so saddened that we can’t use the new park. It’s really not accessible at all. I don’t understand how that can be an oversight, [in] this day and age.”

“I grew up playing there and it was an inexpensive, fun day at the park for my parents to take our family to. When I became a parent myself, I took my child there to play. I want that tradition to continue for other families as well. It’s a quiet refuge for those who may not want all the excitement of the rides or the overcrowding. This park is also accessible for kids who have mobility issues. This gives them a chance to play like everyone else. It’s not in disrepair, so please, keep the playground where it is.”

ATTENTION: SASKATOON 4205-9
CITY COUNCIL

RECEIVED
JUL 13 2016
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
SASKATOON

RE: KINSMAN PARK
PLAY VILLAGE

I SUPPORT THE PETITION TO
RETAIN THE PLAY STRUCTURES AT THEIR
PRESENT SITE.

THE COST OF REMOVAL & RE-LOCATION
AND SITE RE-CLAMATION WOULD
POSSIBLY MATCH OR EXCEED THE
COST OF NEW EQUIPMENT.

THIS PLAY GROUNDS IS REALLY APPRECIATED
BY FAMILIES WITH YOUNGER CHILDREN,
WHO HAVE COME TO THE PARK, RECENTLY
TO FIND IT LOCKED UP.

I LIVE ON 5TH AVE. NORTH IN
DISCOVERY PARK CONDO, AND HAVE SEEN
CHILDREN ENJOYING THE PLAY STRUCTURES AND
ALSO NOW DISAPPOINTED THEY HAVE BEEN
TO FIND THE PLAY GROUND LOCKED UP.

I HAVE TALKED TO COUNCILLOR CHARLES
CLARK
PREVIOUSLY REGARDING THIS MATTER.

I BELIEVE COUNCIL SHOULD
APPROPRIATELY

DECISION AND ALLOW THESE
PLAY STRUCTURES TO REMAIN
AS IT COMPLEMENTS THE
WATASH CORP PLAY AREA.

PETER & MARGARET BLOCK
NEW SASKATOON RESIDENTS
SINCE OCT. 2014

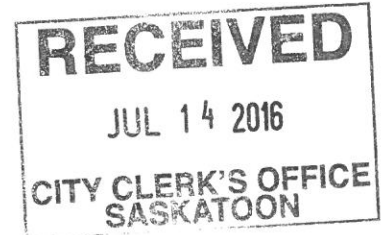
"HAVE LIVING DOWN TOWN"
"WE ALSO NEED YOUNG
FAMILIES DOWN TOWN"

902-510 5th AVE. N.

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4205-9

From: Barbara Farries <farriesbarbara@sasktel.net>
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July 13, 2016

I was quite dismayed to learn that the playground in Kinsmen Park is to be removed. We have lived on 9th. Ave. in City Park since 1970, and there are many more children in this area now than there were when we moved here and our boys were young. Our boys loved going to that playground and now our grandchildren love going there.

The new Potash Corp. "Play Land" is very nice, but I have noticed that very little "playing" actually takes place there. Please consider the following:

1. There is no opportunity for interactive play or social development there.
2. There is no opportunity for creative play.
3. There is no chance to make new friends and just "play".
4. It is very hot standing waiting in line for a very short ride. In contrast, the "old" playground is a lovely shady place for adults and children.
5. The addition of the spray features in that playground were a nice addition, but a paddling pool is not really a necessity. There was no playground supervisor there last year. I'm not sure about the year or two before that. The playground activities are great for many children who wish to take part. If the water is turned off, the kids still enjoyed the climbing apparatus and other play structures.
6. The cost of the rides is an obstacle for many families with young children. If they come, the cost may limit them to 1 ride each. Does that mean they should go, stand in line and wait, and then watch everyone else ride, or just go home? Previously we would often see people having a picnic on the grass in the shade while the children played in the playground. The cost of that is nothing!
7. The zip-line, the only free part of Play Land, has several problems:
 - a) only 1 zip-line of 2 appears to be available this year.
 - b) it has been my observation that it is too high for small children to get off when it stops, and they aren't big enough to pull it back up the hill.
 - c) by the time kids are big enough to manage it well, it gets boring standing in line for so long for such a short ride.

8. The article in the Star Phoenix this morning mentioned that there is nothing there suitable for small children. Frankly, there isn't much there for school age children either, but my middle grade grandchildren still loved to go over to the playground to play with old or new friends. Play Land is strictly a nice place for parents or grownups to take their children. It is not a place where children go to play.

With reference to Cross Country skiing:

1. The plan to get rid of the playground in order to increase the cross country ski trails seems ridiculous – it really doesn't add much more actual space.

2. The season that the old playground is used (when the snow is melted until winter truly arrives) is much greater than the short length of time that cross country skiing is even possible.

3. Our family cross country skied in Kinsmen Park for years when we were learning and when our boys were young. The playground in its present location was certainly not an issue.

4. There are many areas in the city where people can cross country ski – including the whole river bank (both sides!), the Forestry Farm, Diefenbaker Park, and many other areas.

Experts in child development tell us, and people who work with children know, that children today need more creative, interactive outdoor play, where they are moving, meeting new friends, and just being "kids".

The idea of just "adding" a play area to Play Land will not replace the shady peace and quiet of our wonderful old neighbourhood playground. Other areas, such as Caswell Hill, in need of a playground ought to have one. Does it need to be at the expense of our neighbourhood playground?

Let's not destroy a good place for children which we already have.

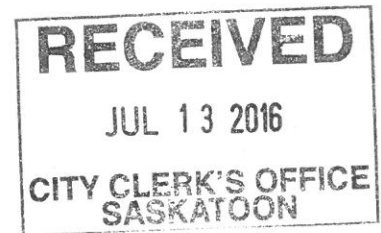
Sincerely,

Barbara Farries

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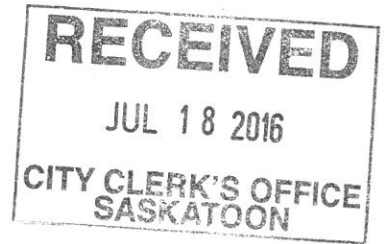
Hi, I live in the Caswell hill neighbourhood and I know that the old playground from Kinsmen park was going to be relocated to Ashworth Homes park but a petition has now stalled that. I have an 8 year old son who is in a wheelchair and Ashworth Homes park is not accessible for him at all. We have made use of the park at kinsmen but to have an accessible park closer to home would be much more appreciated. There is not a single thing he can utilize at the Ashworth Homes park. If you would be able to point me in the right direction so I could have my point hear that would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your time
Lexie

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4205-9

From: John Thomson <grouchomarx@shaw.ca>
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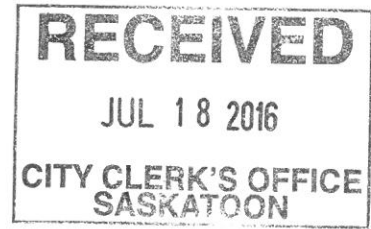
The recent attention about Kinsmen Park is a good opportunity for the City to evaluate if the park is in fact achieving it's goals. Council needs to initiate a review not only because of the petition but because if councillor's would take the time to question users they would find that there is a lot of dissatisfied users, especially those with children 3 - 6. It would be nice to receive communication from administration on a few items: 1. Ferris wheel, which requires adult supervision for younger children is extremely difficult for adults to board. I have watched as adults struggled to get past the doors which open inwards towards the center support post - I would suggest that many members of council would struggle to get on. It's almost as though the doors were installed incorrectly? 2. water features - 2 long handled pumps are extremely difficult for children to operate and in fact difficult for adults to use. On several occasions I have observed grown men trying to pump water for the features and end up being exhausted on the verge of passing out! The whole time we were in the water area there were 3 pole features that never once dropped a single drop of water - regardless of how many times the pump was pumped or children pressed the sensors, which of course leads to children standing around. It should also be noted that the water feature at river landing also seems to have issues with the sensors not being responsive to children as we have watched children stand (even groups of children) and hit the sensors with no results! The lack of swings and slides at Kinsmen Park for younger children is disgraceful, as anyone should know these are basic attractions for younger children, a zip line just doesn't cut it for this age. My final note is regarding the merry go round - why hasn't there been any type of typical merry go round music included with this ride? Most merry go rounds have music, can't recall ever coming across any that didn't.

Surely the City can get an electrical employee to rig up a CD player on a loop playing appropriate music? I would appreciate a response to my concerns in a timely fashion.

Regards,
John Thomson

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From: Justin McGowan <spotty.froglord@gmail.com>
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To: Saskatoon City Council Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services

Re: Petition in Response to the Closure of the Original Kinsmen Playground

Please accept this letter on behalf of the Caswell Community Association (CCA). We wish to speak in response to the petition submitted by Robin Hansen to halt the closure of the original Kinsmen playground and its move to Ashworth Holmes Park in Caswell Hill. The CCA is disappointed and frustrated that the city is considering stopping the move of the old Kinsmen playground equipment to Ashworth Holmes park – especially at this critical stage near the end of a lengthy process. At this point funding for the Ashworth Holmes project has already been allocated by the city, the CCA has already raised \$90,000 in grant support (which is contingent upon the current plan going forward), and much community consultation on the proposed relocation has already been completed.

This petition is also coming very late in the process of redeveloping Kinsmen Park. While we sympathize with the petition signers who want to continue to use the old Kinsmen playground, we must point out that removal of those structures was clearly indicated in the approved Kinsman Park masterplan. The PotashCorp Playland was installed at the cost of \$9.5 million, and the masterplan indicates that this elaborate play area was intended to meet the needs of children of all ages. It is unfortunate that it does not seem to fully address the needs of younger children. However, we believe that the solution to the problem should not involve interfering with the imminent construction of a much-needed playground in an underserved area of the city.

Ashworth Holmes park was designated by the City of Saskatoon in 2015 for an accessible playground where children with sensory, physical, and developmental disabilities can play together with typically able children. This is the fourth and final one proposed by the City. This designation was made to meet the City declared need for accessible playgrounds in each of four quadrants of the city, with the one in Ashworth Holmes serving the North Central area of Saskatoon. Importantly, the playground

would serve not only residents of Caswell Hill, but other nearby neighbourhoods such as Westmount, Hudson Bay Park, Mayfair, Kelsey-Woodlawn and City Park.

The current playground in Ashworth Holmes Park consists of 6 pieces of equipment: 2 swing sets, a slide, a monkey bars, and two climbing structures, most of which were installed in the late 1970s (one piece was added in the 1990s). None of the current equipment meets the accessible design standards of today. The Park is open and used year-round, with walkways cleared all winter. During the months of July and August, the City of Saskatoon operates a Summer program for children out of the existing Rec Unit. The program makes use of the adjacent playground and paddling pool area, and runs 7 days/week during these months. In 2014, there were over 2,800 children and adults who visited this program.

In 2015, the Caswell Community Association was awarded \$90,000 from the Co-Op Community Spaces funding program to partner with the City of Saskatoon to relocate much of the play structure from the old Kinsmen playground to Ashworth Holmes Park. The additional funding required for moving the old Kinsmen playground, as well as purchasing and installation of the rest of the equipment was allocated in the 2016 City of Saskatoon budget. The proposal to re-purpose the old Kinsmen play structures was made because city staff indicated the budget for a brand new accessible playground would not be forthcoming for several more years, while Ashworth Holmes park is in dire need of a playground renewal. The equipment had already been slated for removal, and a sensible plan was put in place that would allow the Ashworth Holmes Destination Accessible Playground to be completed by October 31, 2016.

We are very concerned that if the City decides to halt this project:

- 1) CCA will lose the grant funding for the project that has been acquired contingent upon the currently proposed project,
- 2) due to budgetary constraints, the additional needed funding for a brand new accessible playground will not be forthcoming for several more years, and
- 3) further delays would occur while a new design is developed and community consultation is again scheduled.

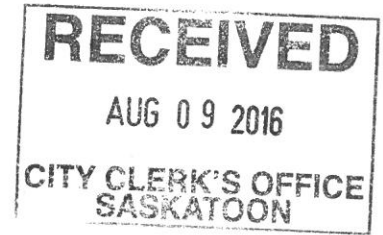
Ultimately Caswell Hill and surrounding communities could be left waiting up to another 5 or more years before receiving a desperately needed playground renewal. In addition, much time and effort of both volunteers and city staff will have been wasted.

Thus we urge you to allow the project to proceed as planned in Ashworth Holmes Park. Do not make us wait even longer for the promised upgraded amenities. If there are no further delays the project can be completed this year – and by next summer West side inner city children of all abilities will be able to play together in a well-designed, fully accessible playground.

Respectfully submitted by
The Caswell Community Association

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Comments:

Hello, for the upcoming Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services meeting (August 15th), I would like to speak to the agenda item pertaining to the Kinsmen Park (original) playground removal. Thank you.

Kurt Soucy

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<https://www.saskatoon.ca/node/398/submission/112057>