

Stanley Park Redevelopment Initiative – Phase 2 Summary

Common themes from the input received include the following:

VISION

- Include the word “structured”
- Balance structured/unstructured recreation
- Simplify language (i.e. what does riparian mean)
- “Respect” rather than “protect”
- More focus on community/neighbourhood park rather than destination park
- Recognize the organized groups that already use the park

GOALS

1. Riparian habitat
 - a. Naturalization of the river banks
 - b. Provide better access to the banks
 - c. Encourage/discourage rafting
2. Family-friendly/multi-sensory park
 - a. Already achieved – families currently use the park. Review target audience
 - b. Keep it natural
3. Healthy/active lifestyle
 - a. Remove reference to “authentic”
 - b. Outdoor fitness equipment
 - c. Improve sports field facilities
 - d. Questions over conflicts between connection with nature and active lifestyles
4. Connectivity
 - a. Clarification on what “seamless” means
 - b. Better bike connections
 - c. Separate foot/bike traffic where feasible
5. Responsible visitors
 - a. Signage
 - b. Enforcement
 - c. More bins
 - d. Noise restrictions
6. Other comments
 - a. Too much emphasis on learning. Leave it as it was intended: a park.
 - b. Let existing groups continue to use the park

DESIGN ELEMENTS

Overall, many of the design elements were agreed on. Those that scored high on the neutral or disagree scale provided the following commentary regarding design elements:

- Space for performance/events
- New basketball court
- Refresh baseball diamond
- Repurpose SW playground into a natural playground

Other emerging themes on the common design elements were as follows:

- Clarify what a natural playground is
- Keep open spaces for organized clubs
- Traffic calming on 1A street
- Question the inclusion of an event space due to proximity to residential area

CONCEPT 1

Overall the majority of respondents agreed to the design elements unique to Concept 1, with the exception of formalizing the trails around the southern Alberta building (majority were neutral).

Other common themes on the design elements unique to Concept 1 were as follows:

- Seating will get in the way of using the hill
- Don't expand lawn bowling
- Too much parking
- Don't formalize trails

CONCEPT 2

Overall the majority of respondents agreed to the design elements unique to Concept 2, with the exception of:

- Blocking off the trails around the southern Alberta building (majority were neutral).
- Developing a community garden (majority were neutral)

Other common themes on the design elements unique to Concept 2 were as follows:

- Don't include more parking
- Clarify how formalize trails/ block off trails are different

GENERAL

As anticipated, it seems people are asking for a hybrid of the 2 options. Other comments as follows.

- Repurpose the community building (no basement due to proximity to river)
- Formalize rugby pitch/multi-purpose sports field
- Leave as it – no point spending money after the flood
- Remove lawn bowling expansion (no longer on the table)