Minute No. 423
Report – Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works – June 9, 2009

Item No. 4 Upgrading of Chochinov Park - Funding for Improvements (Old Kildonan Ward)
eFile PR-7(34)

COUNCIL DECISION:

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and adopted the following:

1. That the sum of $40,000.00 be a first charge against the 2010 Park Playground and/or Park Amenity Capital Programs for the Chochinov Park upgrading project, subject to the adoption of these programs by Council.

2. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Clement,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works be adopted by consent.

Carried

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 10, 2009, the Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works and the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee and submitted the matter to Council.

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On June 9, 2009, the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works concurred in the recommendation of the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee and submitted the matter to the Executive Policy Committee and Council.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On May 19, 2009, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee recommended to the Standing Policy Committee on Infrastructure Renewal and Public Works that the sum of $40,000.00 be a first charge against the 2010 Park Playground and/or Park Amenity Capital Programs, for the Chochinov Park upgrading project, subject to the adoption of these programs by Council.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY (continued):

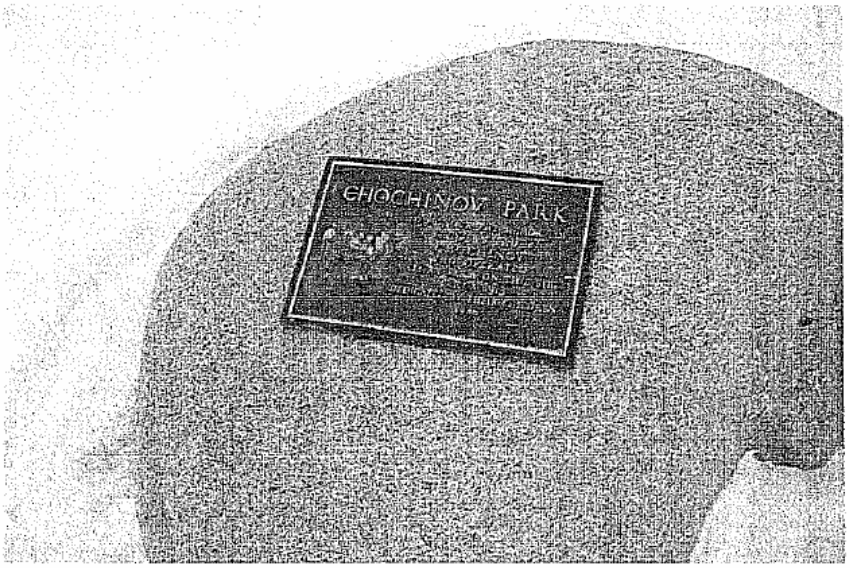
COMMUNITY COMMITTEE DECISION:

On May 19, 2009, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee approved the sum of $60,000.00 from the 2009 Park Playground (Old Kildonan Ward) program of the 2009 Capital Budget for the upgrading of Chochinov Bay Park.

Further, on May 19, 2009, the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee approved Land Dedication Reserve funding in the amount of $50,000.00, from the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Land Dedication Reserve, to assist with the cost of improvements for the Chochinov Bay Park upgrading project, subject to the following conditions:

1. An application being submitted.
2. Confirmation from the Winnipeg Public Service that the application meets criteria.
3. Approval of final plans and specifications for the project by the City of Winnipeg.

CHOCHINOV PARK
Facilities Assessment



City of Winnipeg
Planning Property & Development

Submitted by
Jack Lubinski
to the LSWKCC
on May 19/09.
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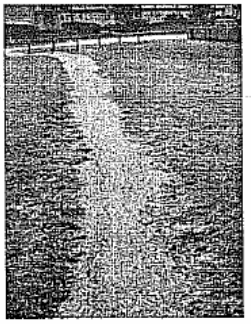
DAVID WAGNER ASSOCIATES INC.

The following assessment is based on a February 24, 2009 site visit and analysis of summer 2008 photographs supplied by the City.

Asphalt Pathways

The asphalt seating pads and pathways are in poor to very poor condition. The edges are crumbling away and the path is narrowing due to grass and weed intrusion.



Winter assessment shows that the path from the Safeway store to Farlinger Bay is well used all year round.

Recommendation: Replace the paths.

Site Furniture

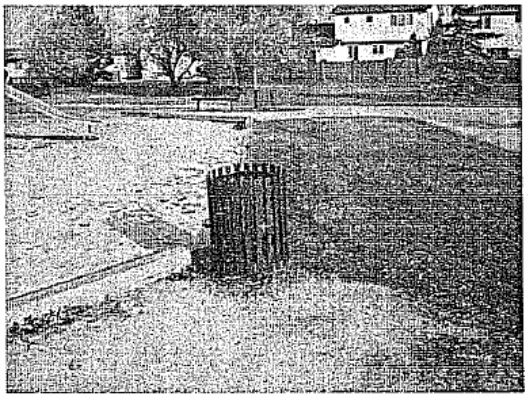
The three metal benches are rusting and one is badly misshapen and dented on the seat. The concrete foundations are heaved up from the asphalt.



CHOCHINOV PARK

Facilities Assessment

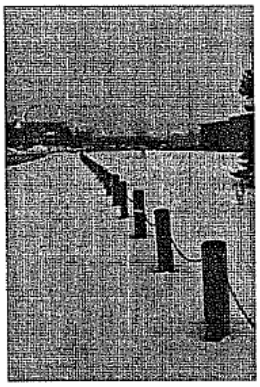
The metal slat waste receptacle appears in good condition. There is an expanded metal waste receptacle chained to a tree. The picnic table is a moveable one and appears in good condition.



Recommendation: Remove and replace the three benches. Retain the waste receptacle if possible given the other demolition occurring around it. Retain the picnic table.

Fencing

The bollard and chain fencing along Garden Park Drive is in good condition with the exception of one or two posts, which are split. The park service access point is at the south end of the bollard fencing. The chain link fencing along the NE end is in good condition.



Recommendation: No replacement is required.

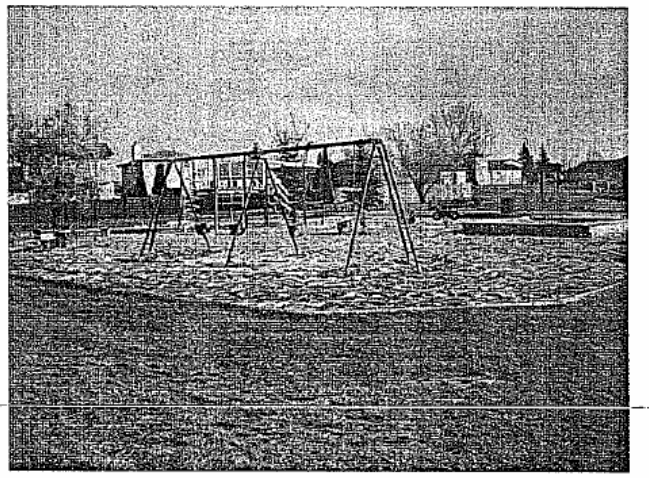
CHOCHINOV PARK

Facilities Assessment

Playground

The timber edging and sand box are pressure treated timbers nearing the end of their life cycle and are in poor condition. The sand surfacing is inundated with weeds and is not an adequate safety surface for the playground, not meeting CSA standards for depth. The layout of the play equipment does not meet CSA standards with overlapping and inadequate safety zones.

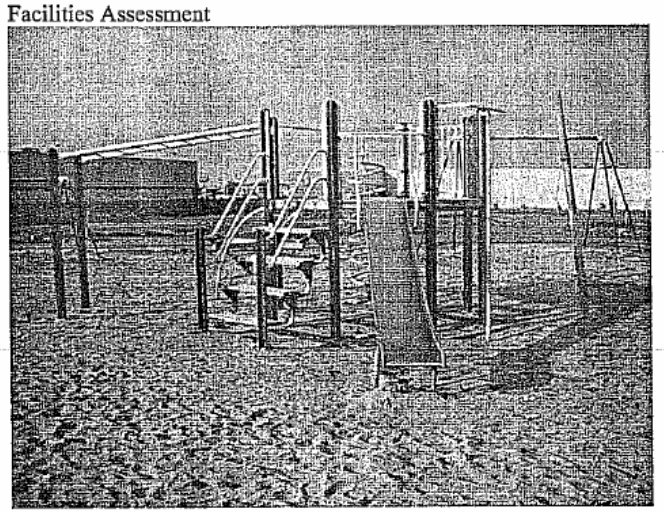
There are two options for the replacement of the edging: timber and concrete. Wood edging is more flexible in terms of maintenance as replacing portions of it requires less site disturbance during construction. Concrete is longer lasting and allows for curvilinear layouts.



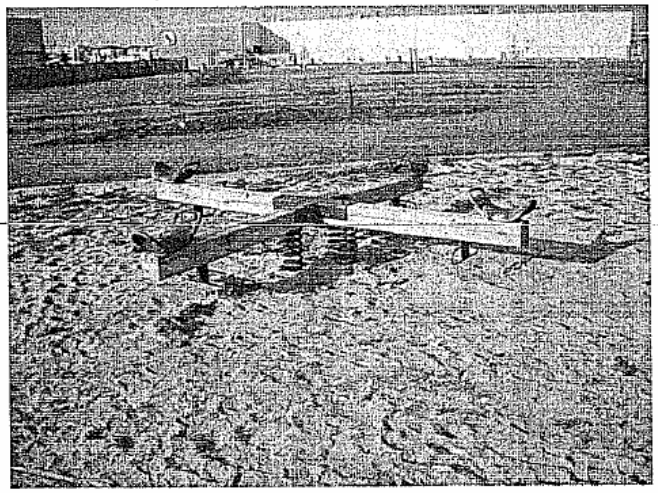
The playstructure is a ± 20 year old metal Gametime structure. The spiral slide has been removed leaving a metal post standing alone and the access point has been boarded over. The stairs have open risers that are too high for small children, and do not meet CSA regarding protective barriers and kickplates. There are four climbing/sliding components with no handholds or protective barriers at the top, which does not meet CSA. The platform does not meet CSA for protective barriers. The steps and platform are wood and are weathered and with slivers. The structure is obsolete with respect to design and construction, making it impossible to obtain parts necessary to retrofit it. It has very limited play value and is not accessible or safe for young children (2-5yrs).

CHOCHINOV PARK

Facilities Assessment



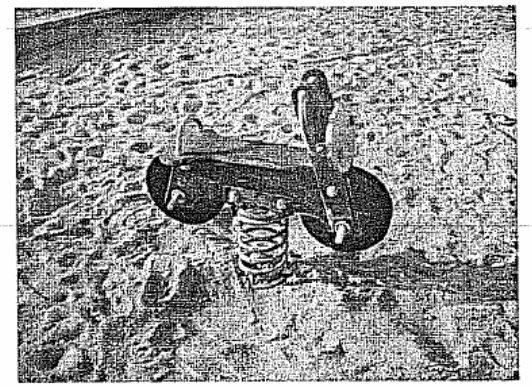
The buck-about is wood and metal, with loose connectors creating pinch points. The paint is worn. The wood has slivers.



CHOCHINOV PARK

Facilities Assessment

The spring toys have been repainted at some time but are worn. The springs are rusting. There are parts missing from at least one.



The swings have old flaking paint that could be lead based. They do not have adequate safety zones in conjunction with other play equipment.



Generally all the equipment is worn and unsightly.

Recommendation: Remove and replace all play equipment, edging and safety surfacing.

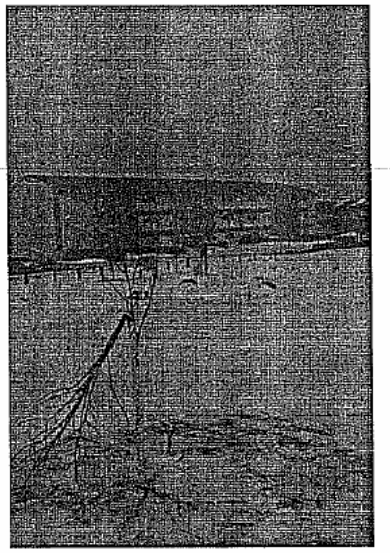
Park Landscape

The park has a gardening group, the Seven Oaks Community Gardens, which maintains the gardens. Disposal of organic garden waste in a neat and orderly manner is an issue.

CHOCHINOV PARK

Facilities Assessment
Based on photographs taken by the City in summer 2008, the turf appears to be in good condition.

A number of new trees have been recently planted and at least two of them have been broken / vandalized.



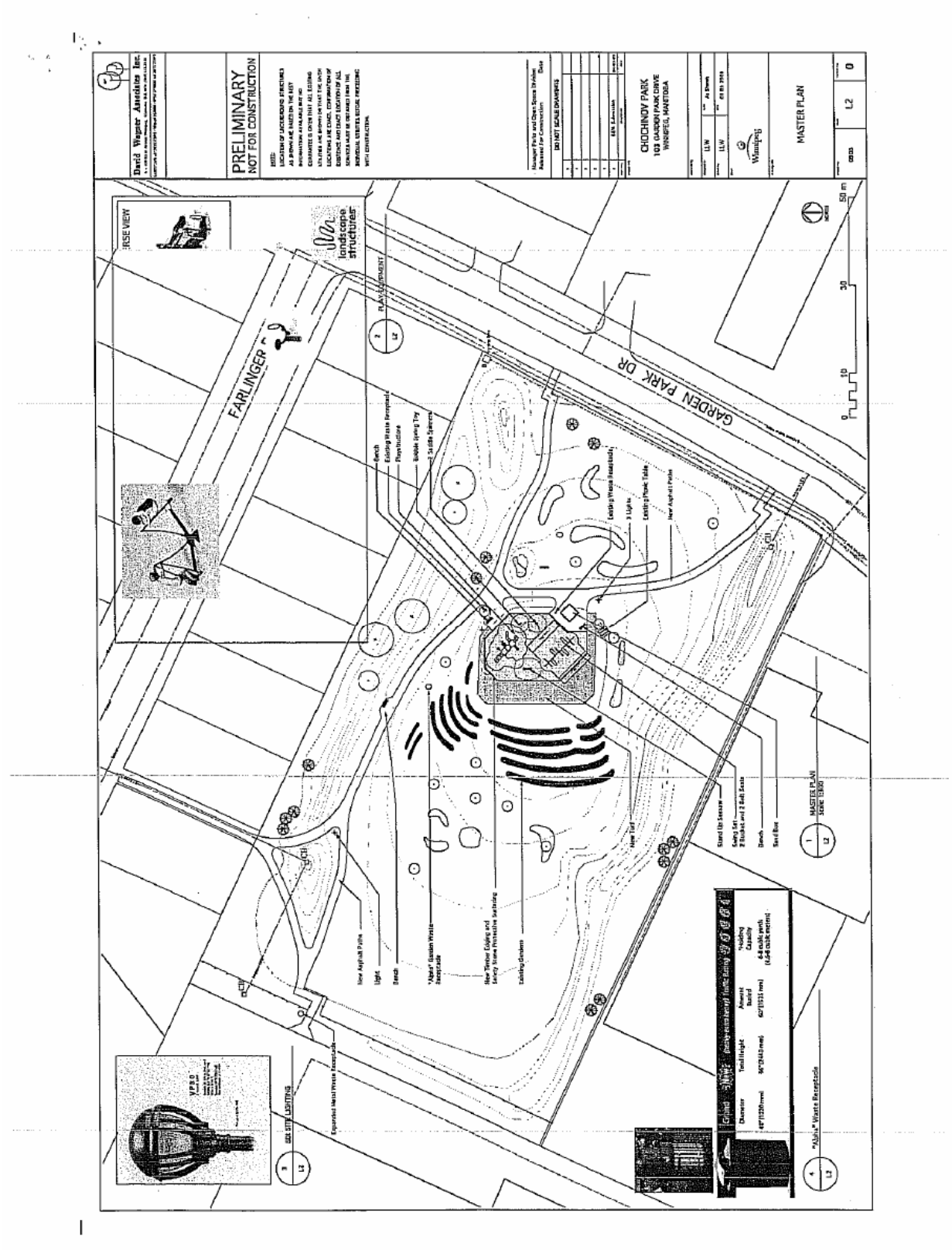
Recommendation: Installation of an "Alpha" or "Molok" type waste receptacle for the use by the garden club, to be emptied by the City as required.

Lighting

There is no park site lighting.

Shauna Prociuk: " Lighting options - the North East Pioneers trail group looked into solar lighting - very thoroughly - for the greenway and found that there is no economical solution as of yet. The technology just isn't there yet, because battery life is too short, and cost of fixtures too high, and lighting output is too low (you would need double the fixtures to create the same light output). They worked with the City's lighting people on this as well as a couple solar lighting company. Based on the work they did I would say that solar lighting would not be a good solution for this park at this time and would suggest traditional lighting if that is required for the park."

Recommendation: Traditional park lighting such as that located at Amanda Park be considered.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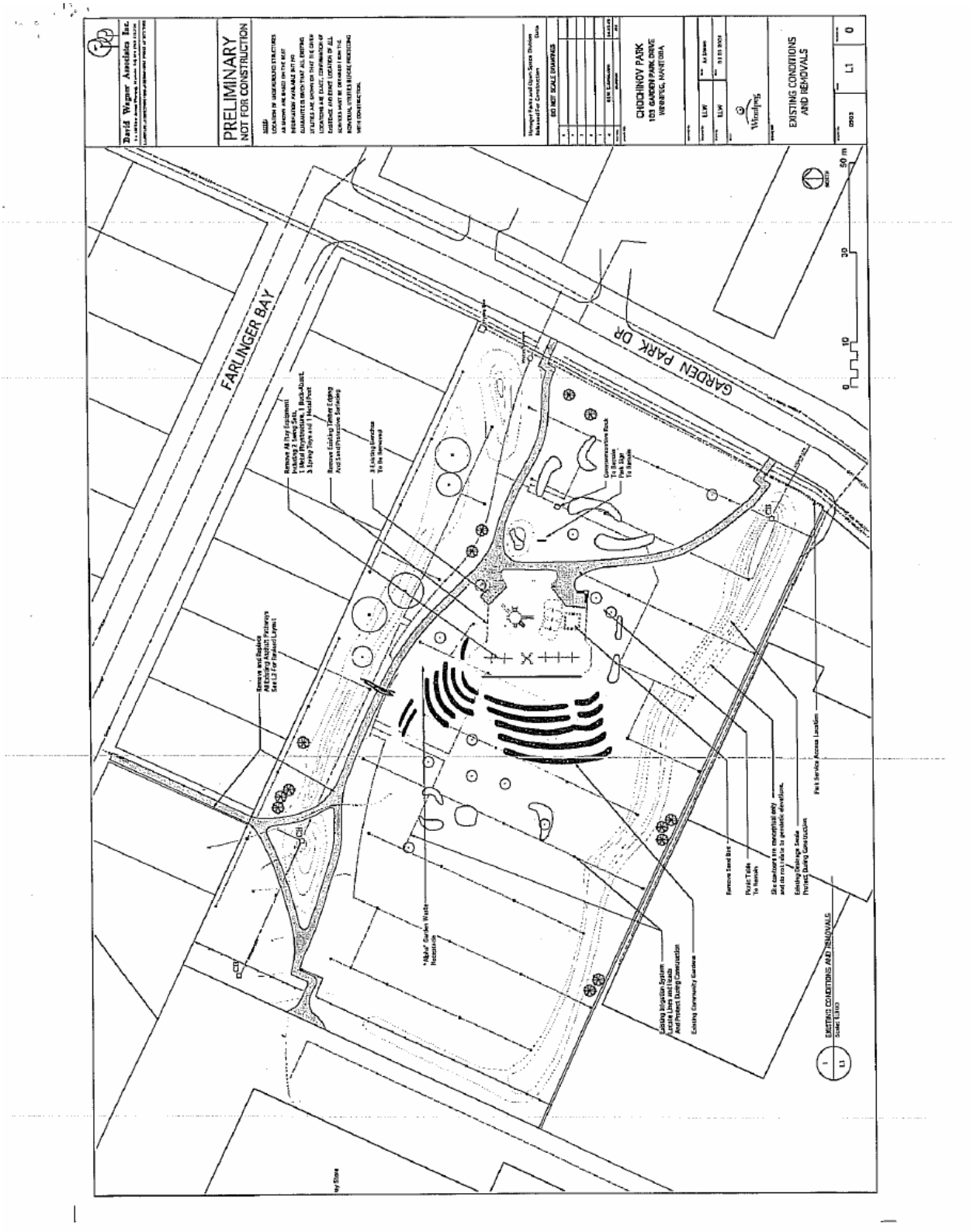
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Three Phase Cost Estimate

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	SPEC. REF.	UNIT	APPROX. QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
Phase I: 2009 Construction Program						
Playground Renovation						
1	Removals - play equipment and site furniture		L.S.	1	$ 4,650.00	$ 4,650.00
2	Site Preparation		S.M.	300	$ 10.00	$ 3,000.00
3	Timber Edging		L.M.	68	$ 70.00	$ 4,760.00
4	Safety Stone Surfacing		Sq. M.	87	$ 75.00	$ 6,525.00
5	Swings		Each	1	$ 4,700.00	$ 4,700.00
6	Spring Toys		Each	1	$ 1,385.00	$ 1,385.00
7	Seesaw		Each	1	$ 2,535.00	$ 2,535.00
8	Saddle Spinner		Each	2	$ 1,240.00	$ 2,480.00
9	Playstructure		L.S.	1	$ 27,500.00	$ 27,500.00
10	Sand Box		L.S.	1	$ 2,200.00	$ 2,200.00
11	Turf Restoration		S.M.	202	$ 20.00	$ 4,040.00
Sub Total - Playground Renovation						$ 63,775.00
Site Development						
12	Remove and Replace Asphalt Path		S.M.	350	$ 70.00	$ 24,500.00
Sub Total Site Development					$ 70.00	$ 24,500.00
Sub Total Construction						$ 88,275.00
13	Construction Contingency		%	3.5%	$ 88,275.00	$ 3,089.63
Sub Total Construction c/w Contingency						$ 91,364.63
14	Design, Consulting and Project Management		L.S.	1	$ 12,650.00	$ 12,650.00
Estimated Project Costs Phase I						$ 104,014.63

Phase II: Site Upgrades - 2010

Site Development						
2.1	Removals - Site furniture		L.S.	1	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00
2.2	Remove and Replace Asphalt Path		S.M.	385	$ 75.00	$ 28,875.00
2.3	Benches		Each	3	$ 1,200.00	$ 3,600.00
2.4	Expanded Metal Waste Receptacle		Each	1	$ 300.00	$ 300.00
2.5	3 Lights c/w pedestal and meter		L.S.	1	$ 35,000.00	$ 35,000.00
Sub Total Construction						$ 68,775.00
2.6	Construction Contingency		%	10%	$ 68,775.00	$ 6,877.50

Sub Total Construction c/w Contingency						$	75,652.50
2.7	Design, Consulting and Project Management		%	15%	$ 75,652.50	$	11,347.88
Estimated Project Costs Phase II						$	87,000.38

Phase III: Playground Accessibility Upgrades							
3.1	Removals - Safety Stone / Other		L.S.	1	$ 4,000.00	$	4,000.00
3.2	Site Restoration		S.M.	300	$ 15.00	$	4,500.00
3.3	Safety Fibar Surfacing		Sq. M.	290	$ 75.00	$	21,750.00
3.4	Playstructure - c/w Accessibility Upgrade		L.S.	1	$ 7,500.00	$	7,500.00
Sub Total - Playground Upgrades						$	37,750.00
3.5	Construction Contingency		%	10%	$ 37,750.00	$	3,775.00
Sub Total Construction c/w Contingency						$	41,525.00
3.6	Design, Consulting and Project Management		%	15%	$ 41,525.00	$	6,228.75
Estimated Project Costs Phase III						$	47,753.75
Estimated "Total" Project Cos						$	238,768.75

At the January 13, 2009 Lord Selkirk West Kildonan Community Committee meeting, I provided our concerns and a concept plan for the revitalization of Chochinov park.

A facilities assessment report has been prepared by David Wagner Associates Inc. and with it; I'm presenting our views on the overall project.

I have priorized items of the project which should be addressed by order with expedience.

NUMBER 1: With reference to the Jan.13/09 community committee meeting Report, item no. 28:

A general agreement that the Seven Oaks Resource Network as a funding associate of the project will convert the two most westerly garden plots to High Bush Cranberry shrub beds to buffer the garden plots from the open park area. The shrub beds and existing tree plantings east of the open play area will be turned back to sod for general recreation. The two community help yourself garden beds on the North side will be eliminated and turned back to sod.

As an addition to the cranberry shrubs, we would like to include at the ends and middle of the beds the plantings of Silver Buffalo Berry Shrubs. (See Attachment A). This shrub is very tolerant and would diversify these long beds. It has contrasting silver grey leaves, brown bark, yellowish flowers and red berries that can be used for jellies.

Submitted by Keith Gowsell to the LSWKCC on May 19/09 DS.

With the project yet to begin, we see this as an excellent opportunity to include them.

Our request is that these items be implemented and completed this spring of 2009 and followed up by a parks department site inspection.

NUMBER 2: We strongly concur with the reports recommendation that the play structures and playground area be removed and replaced with new play equipment, edging and safety surfacing. There are five areas where C.S.A. standards are not being met. (See attachment B). If there is an opportunity to apply for a community incentive grant to increase funding, we would be interested in doing so. The 2009 City of Winnipeg Capital Budget Projects Summary, page 2 – 5, indicated under Parks and Open Space: Playground structures receive $1.75 million and Community Park Amenities receive $1.5 million dollars. For each ward, that is approximately $200,000.00 with a proposed similar amount for the year of 2010. If the project can not be completed with the allocated funds for this year, we would like to see it over a two-year funding period.

NUMBER 3: In my January 13, 2009 presentation, and reviewed on page 6 of the David Wagner report, the disposal of garden waste and other materials is identified as a problem and requires resolution. We request the installation as recommended in the report that some Molok or Alpha waste receptacles (see attachment C) be placed at the Southeast

corner near Garden Park Drive for access to emptying. A combination of alternative bin receptacles and fencing may be considered.

This problem is already occurring and we do not want a repeat of 2008 where it continues to accumulate and remains until November removal.

NUMBER 4: The replacing and or resurfacing of the asphalt pathways are recommended and necessary, as is the removal and replacement of the rusting and misshapen park benches.

NUMBER 5: There is some site preparation work to be done with regards to the play area upgrades as well as turf restoration. In the Wagner report on the budget page there is $4040.00 in cost for this and $3,000.00 dollars for site preparation.

May these costs be provided for with Land Dedication Reserve monies and include some additional tree plantings around this area as outlined in my concept plan presentation?

NUMBER 6: The Wagner recommendation of traditional park lighting as located at Amanda Park is favoured.

We are looking forward to the start of these necessary improvements in the redevelopment of the park. This should

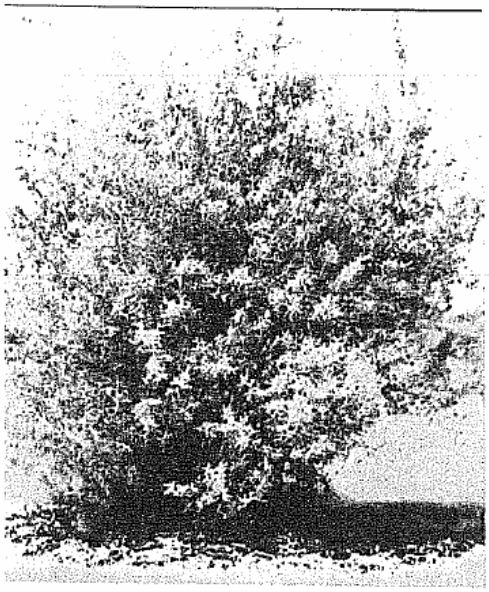
follow an ordered time-line of which I would like to be informed as it develops and proceeds to completion.

Sincerely

Keith Gans

Keith Gans
Representative for Farlinger Bay Residents.

Silver Buffaloberry









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Silver Buffaloberry *(Shepherdia argentea)*

General Description

A tall, thorny, thicket-forming native shrub. Well adapted to dry, moderately alkaline and saline soils. Tolerates infertile soils, in part because of its ability to fix and assimilate atmospheric nitrogen. Berries used for jellies.

Leaves and Buds

Bud Arrangement - Opposite.

Bud Color - Silvery.

Bud Size - Small, solitary or multiple, stalked, oblong.

Leaf Type and Shape - Simple, oblong-elliptical.

Leaf Margins - Entire.

Leaf Surface - Finely-scaled, pubescent.

Leaf Length - 1 to 2 inches.

Leaf Width - 1/4 to 5/8 inch.

Leaf Color - Silvery-gray on both surfaces.

Flowers and Fruits

Flower Type - Dioecious.

Flower Color - Yellowish.

Fruit Type - Drupe-like, insipid, ovoid.

Fruit Color - Predominately red, however, some female plants can produce yellow fruits.

Form

Growth Habit - Loosely branched shrub of rounded outline.

Texture - Medium-fine, summer; fine, winter.

Crown Height - 6 to 14 feet.

Crown Width - 8 to 14 feet.

Bark Color - Brown.

Root System - Spreading.

Environmental Requirements

Soils

Soil Texture - Grows well in most soils.

Soil pH - 5.5 to 8.0. Adapted to moderately alkaline and saline soils.

Windbreak Suitability Group - 1, 1K, 3, 4, 4C, 5, 6D, 6G, 8, 9C, 9L.

Cold Hardiness

USDA Zone - 2.

Water

Drought tolerant. Not adapted to wet, poorly-drained sites.

Light

Full sun.

Uses

Conservation/Windbreaks

Medium to tall shrub for farmstead and field windbreaks, riparian plantings, and highway beautification.

Wildlife

Highly important for mule deer browse. Ideal cover and nesting site for many birds. Preferred food source of many songbirds and sharptail grouse. Good late winter food source for birds.

Agroforestry Products

Food - Fruit processed as jams and jellies.

Urban/Recreational

Ornamental foliage and fruit, but limited in use because of thorns and suckering habit.

Cultivated Varieties

Sakakawea Buffaloberry (*Shepherdia argentea* 'Sakakawea') - Released by USDA-NRCS, Plant Materials Center, Bismarck, North Dakota.

Related Species

Russet Buffaloberry (*Shepherdia canadensis*)

Russian-olive (*Elaeagnus angustifolia*)

Sea-buckthorn (*Hippophae rhamnoides*)

Silverberry (*E. commutata*)

Pests

Common diseases include stem decay and branch canker. Deer commonly browse the twigs and leaves. Stems are sometimes broken by snow.

NON COMPLIANCE WITH C.S.A. STANDARDS

1) An adequate safe surface for the playground.

2) The layout of the play equipment.

3)The stairs have open risers and are not accessible for 2 to 5 years olds.

4)There are no handholds or protective barriers on the climbing/sliding components.

5)The platform does not have protective barriers.

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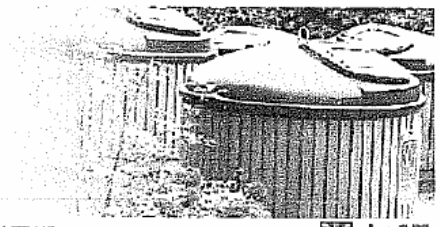

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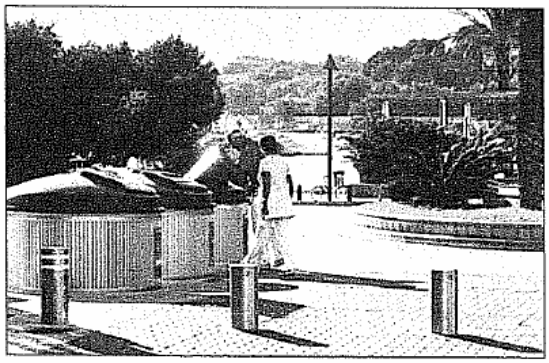



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Submitted by Keith Hans to the LSWK Community Committee on January 13, 2009.

January 12, 2009

At the October 15, 2008 Chochinov Park Garden Projects Community Consultation Meeting, I made a presentation.

I detailed some of our concerns, ideas and visions for Chochinov Park and provided a concept plan.

The following points that I will present for your consideration were not dealt with. Other concerns were discussed but not resolved due to the meeting's adjournment. There was one meeting held.

1. We request that the continuing process of piling debris and refuse on the park site cease. I have pictures here and presented to you this past July/08 indicating this. The pile by fall reached over six feet high by fourteen feet across. Refuse created should be taken home by those responsible for it.

2. The park lightening features that were discussed were not like those found on commercial parking lots, but rather an enhancing feature and one to deter vandalism. Solar lights were suggested, as were five foot lightening posts like those at the Aspen Meadows Condo Complex (Leila & Pipeline) or those at the Credit Union grounds (Jefferson & Adsum).

3. A defined number of garden plots are to be established for the park site. There are presently thirty eight plots for 2008 of which ten were abandoned.

Twenty two more have been indicated to be implemented, totalling sixty. We request that the total be at forty eight plots reflecting the ten lost to the Cranberry Bush buffer zone to be completed in 2009.

4. The raised garden planters shall be restricted to six in number and their size specified three feet by six feet The location to be in the southeast corner at the Future Shop fence line.

5. There shall be no permanent buildings or structures erected on the park property. This did not receive any discussion or resolution at the Oct.15/08 consultation meeting.

6. We request a completion date for returning the recreational open green space back to its original grassed state. Reference (#3 & #4 of File F1-22(34) of your report.

7. We request a department personnel be assigned to regularly oversee the park site maintenance. For 2008 the flowers were never removed, no fall tilling occurred in the beds or vegetable plots. The site must continue to reflect itself as a city owned property.

A layout plan has been provided for your consideration. The following has been included. The restored green space area, cranberry bush buffer zone plantings, additional benches, decorative lightning, and new multi-age play structure.

In conclusion we are looking forward to continuing our discussions with respect to a sequential development of the park itself.

As an outcome, the establishment of a time line is critical for the implementation of the concepts discussed as well as those recommended by the Winnipeg Public Service in your report.

Thank you.

Keith Gans

Keith Gans
Representative for Farlinger Bay residents.

REFERRING TO THE LAYOUT ATTACHED

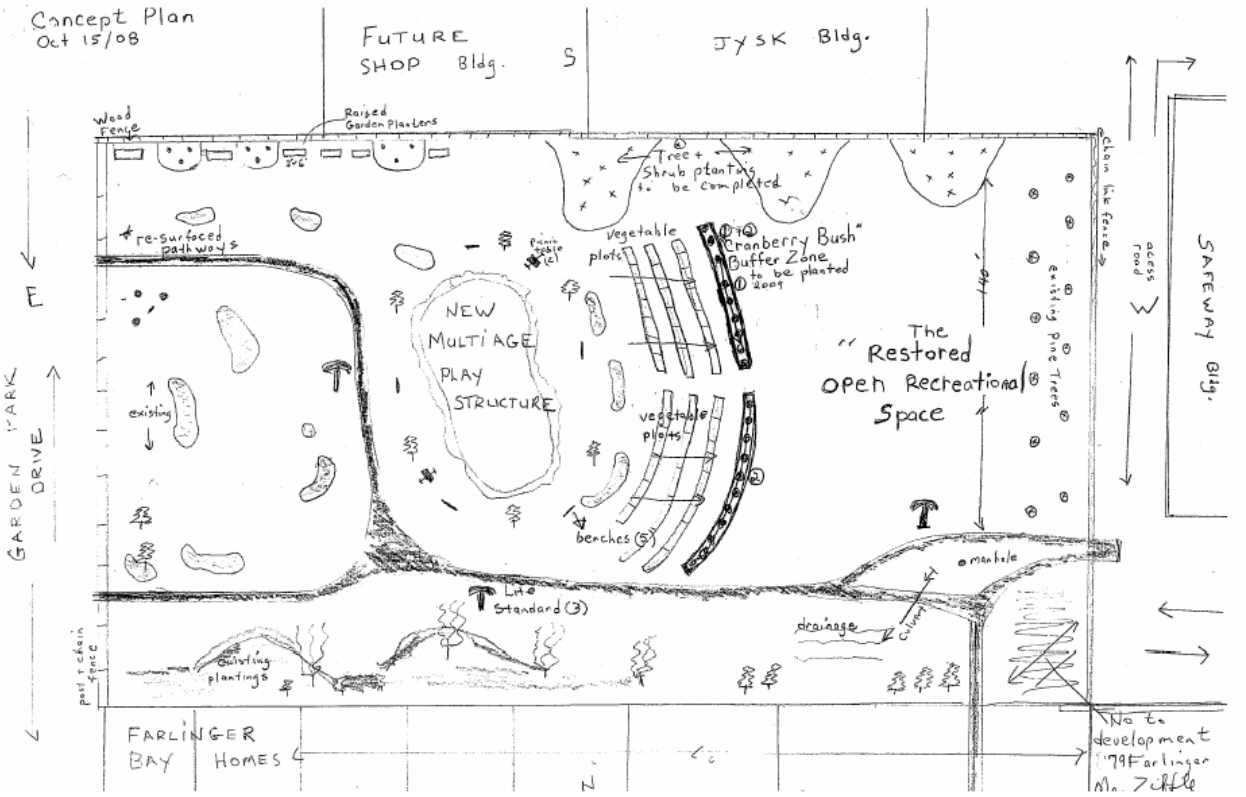
1) The open recreational space has been restored by re-locating some trees and shrubs and doing the necessary re-sodding. This grassed area can now be used for children's recreational activities. The new tree plantings will greatly enhance the area with a green border in years to come made up of the pines, spruces and cranberry bushes.

2) The new play structure features can be multi-faceted with a landscape component inside and out. The additional trees provide shade to area as well.

3) There are new benches to be added which can face in towards the play structure and others out toward the garden.

4) Addition of low level intensity lightning, I was informed that a solar type is available.

5) Re-surfaced pathways to replace the broken down and uneven ones presently. At some points, only two feet in width.


Concept Plan
Oct 15/08
FUTURE SHOP Bldg.
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JYSK Bldg.
Wood Fence
Raised Garden Planters
Tree + Shrub planting to be completed
re-surfaced pathways
Vegetable plots
"Cranberry Bush" Buffer Zone to be planted 2009
NEW MULTIAGE PLAY STRUCTURE
The Restored Open Recreational Space
existing Pine Trees
chain link fence
access road
SAFEWAY Bldg.
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GARDEN PARK DRIVE
existing
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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: **Lord Selkirk West Kildonan Community Committee**
Council Building, 510 Main Street
Attn. Diane Timmins

FROM: **Jack B. Lubinski, Superintendent of Park Services – North Area & Downtown**

DATE: **December 10, 2008**

RE: CHOCHINOV PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT
COMMUNITY CONSULTATION - MEETING RESULTS

On July 15, 2008 the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee requested the Winnipeg Public Service (Superintendent of Park Services – North Area & Downtown) to hold community consultations on the Community Garden project at Chochinov Park with representatives of the Seven Oaks Neighbourhood Resource Network, Farlinger Bay residents, and other interested parties, with a view of bringing back a mutually acceptable plan for the consideration of the Community Committee in the fall/winter of 2008.

Further, the Lord Selkirk – West Kildonan Community Committee requested the Farlinger Bay residents to come up with a concept plan for the controlled rebirth of Chochinov Park for the consideration of the Lord Selkirk – West Kildonan Community Committee, and in this connection, the Winnipeg Public Service be requested to work with the Ward Councillor with respect to the financing of future improvements to Chochinov Park (eg. Renewal of play equipment for tot lot, benches, lighting, etc).

A Meeting Minutes was prepared (Appendix I) and on October 15, 2008, a community consultation meeting was held, attended by Parks and Open Space representatives, Chochinov Park neighbourhood residents and Seven Oaks Neighbourhood Resource Network members.

Presentations were heard by Mr. Jack Lubinski, Superintendent of Park Services, Mr. Keith Gans, 91 Farlinger Bay and Mardy Yager and associates on behalf of Seven Oaks

Neighbourhood Resource Network. An open forum discussion ensued after the presentations to resolve issues regarding the Community Garden project. Meeting minutes were recorded and circulated (Appendix II) to group representatives.
The following items were discussed and/or resolved at the community meeting:

1. Playground Area – new playground equipment along with benches and trees is desired due to the age and general condition of existing equipment

2. Park Lighting – identified as a desired feature, however was not strongly supported by all due to adjacent street lighting and commercial building lights

3. Garden Plots – majority will stay where they are with height restrictions / planting guidelines to maintain desired aesthetics in the area. Additional garden plots south and east of existing plots will be established in the future. The two most westerly garden plots will be converted to shrub beds (High bush Cranberry) to buffer the garden plots from the open park area. The shrub beds and existing tree plantings east of open play area will be turned back to sod for general recreation. I.e. to play ball, kite flying, etc.

4. The two community “help yourself” garden beds on the north side, immediately west of the main garden plots will be eliminated and turned back to sod.

5. Raised garden planters will be phased in on the south side behind Future Shop and JYSK. Keith Gans will advise Oliver Garus if a few handicap accessible raised garden planters can be set up in the N.W. corner after consulting with the neighbouring residents.

6. No steel rods for vegetable plant support will be allowed in the gardens.

7. New pathways and other site improvements require prior review and approval from the City – Parks and Open Space and Planning.

8. Suggestion to install berms in future park redevelopment will be considered

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Jack B. Lubinski

Appendix I

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Consultation Meeting

October 15, 2008
7:00 PM
3 - 1050 Leila Avenue
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   Oliver Garus, Parks Technician

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6. Comments and suggestions regarding future plans and improvements at Chochinov Park. – Open forum discussion - Moderator: Oliver Garus.

7. Prepare list of park concept plans for the consideration of the Lord Selkirk-West Kildonan Community Committee - Moderator: Oliver Garus

8. Wrap-up: Jack Lubinski

Appendix II

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Conclusion:

Mardy Yager expressed sincere gratitude to all present for bringing the issues and concerns regarding the garden plots at Chochinov Park to a successful resolution.

The outcome of the Community Meeting will be presented to the L.S. / W.K. Community Committee for their consideration by the Superintendent of North Area Parks – Jack Lubinski

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Mr. Keith Gans
Winnipeg, MB

July 7, 2008

Ms Diane Timmins
Clerk
Lord Selkirk - West Kildonan Community Committee
510 Main St.
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Dear Ms. Timmins:

Re: Garden Committee Project in Chochinov Park

With reference to our telephone conversation on June 25, 2008, I am writing to request be placed on the Minutes and to appear in delegation at the next Lord - Selkirk West Kildonan Community Committee meeting, July 15, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

My neighbours, my family and I have the following concerns regarding the information meeting held March 8, 2007 by the Seven Oaks Resource Network, Community Garden Committee. My family attended as did Mr. & Mrs. Hertzberg at Farlinger Bay and Mr. S. Yuffie at Farlinger Bay.

1) We were not informed that the meeting would result in the formulation of a consultation report. We would have requested the minutes and a copy of the consultation report if we had known.

2) Our comments and opposition were not included in the report, in particular:

    a. No vegetables plots raised or otherwise are to be incorporated into the site.

    b. The open green space we identified for preservation was not included. We requested that all green space from the existing play structure west to the Safeway fence line remain open for activities such as soccer, baseball, kite flying, birthday parties, daycare visits (Wellness Centre), and Leila Day Care at 2-667 Leila, City of Winnipeg day camp programs, mini-soccer practices for 4 to 5 year-olds.

3) At the close of the meeting, we left our names, addresses, e-mail and phone numbers. Minute 175 of the Lord Selkirk - West Kildonan Community meeting of April 24, 2007 indicates that the Seven Oaks Resource Network committee promised “ongoing community consultation in the development and use of the Community Garden, including notification of residents living in the vicinity of the park”. No correspondence, feedback or discussion concerning site plan approval ever occurred. No final plan has ever been discussed or agreed upon with the residents.

4) We feel that if we knew our comments were to be used in a consultation report, we would have asked for another meeting and then ensured that our neighbourhood would have participated. All of the following people say they never received a flyer announcing the March 8, 2007 meeting:

Mr. & Mrs. Turney	Farlinger Bay
Mr. & Mrs. Shector	“ “
Mr. & Mrs. Palumbo	“ “
Mr. & Mrs. Siwicki	“ “
Mr. & Mrs. Bagnulo	“ “
Ms E. Sharby	“ “
Mr. & Mrs. Drebot	“ “
Mr. & Mrs. Katz	“ “
Mr. O. Sweeney	“ “

5) The present June 2008 site with vegetable plots, vacant sites, ground-up sod resembles nothing of the 2007 plan we were shown.

6) The consultation report indicates space bordering the residential area is open field. It is in fact made up of 2 drainage ditches with manholes, a culvert, five 20ft. to 30 ft. willow trees, five large spruce trees, two brims and numerous ornamental trees.

7) Minute 175 of the Lord Selkirk - West Kildonan Community meeting of April 24, 2007 indicates the Seven Oaks Resource Network may use a "portion of

Chochinov Park". Presently, only 27 ft. of green space (east to west) remains on the site.

We request that the green space identified by us at the initial meeting (and to the loss of which we objected) be repaired and restored to its original form and purpose, intended for our children's play and healthy living now and for generations to come.

We request that the Seven Oaks Resource Network, Community Garden Committee consult with us on any further development and come to agreement with us before proceeding.

Thank you,

Keith Gans
On behalf of the Farlinger Bay residents

CHOCHINOV BAY PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN

Consultation Report

The Seven Oaks Neighbourhood Resource Network's Community Gardens Committee hosted a Community Consultation regarding the development of a community garden at Chochinov Bay Park on March 8, 2007.

- Two hundred flyers inviting residents living around the park to attend the March 8 community consultation were hand delivered by community volunteers.
- Additional posters were distributed to community places in and around the park and neighbourhood (i.e., community bulletin boards in public spaces).
- The Seven Oaks Neighbourhood Resource Network received the invitation to attend the Community Consultation. This Network was also asked to distribute the invitation throughout their own community networks.

Results of the Community Consultation - March 8, 2007

- A total of six residents who live adjacent to Chochinov Bay Park attended the Community Consultation (additionally, five members of the Community Gardens Committee were in attendance).
- The residents in attendance shared their interests and concerns about the proposed Community Garden. Information and ideas were shared on the following topics;
  - General site maintenance (i.e., who will ensure that the site is cared for and clean, not overrun with weeds and garbage).
  - Green space – residents were concerned that the proposed garden would take up much of the green space that children/families may use for recreations such as soccer, kite flying etc. The draft plans were shared with the residents. The intent and plan has always, and will remain to keep a considerable amount of open field available for this type of recreation. This is the space that boarders the residential area.

Mr. J. Lubinski
Superintendent North Area
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September 11, 2006

Dear Mr. Lubinski:

RE: Seven Oaks Community Gardening Project

Over the past year the Community Gardens Committee of the Seven Oaks' Neighbourhood Resource Network (NRN) and the Seven Oaks Chronic Disease Prevention Initiative have engaged a number of small scale Community Garden projects.

The NRN is a coalition of residents, agencies, and businesses in Seven Oaks, all dedicated to improving the quality of life for area residents. The Seven Oaks Chronic Disease Prevention Initiative (CDPI) is a community-led, five year project that will make healthy living an easier choice for people who live in our community, through addressing issues of access to these opportunities and increasing opportunities in the community. For the purpose of the CDPI, we define "healthy living" as active living, healthy eating, and reducing or eliminating tobacco use. A list of people who are participating in the Seven Oaks Community Gardens Committee is attached.

Successful Community Garden projects have been initiated at Marymound School, Bleak House Centre (Senior Centre) and Belmont School. As a result of the interest and confidence created through participation in these projects, the Community Garden Committee is planning to embark on a larger scale Community Garden project in Seven Oaks.

We are very excited by the proposed community gardens project because of the clear health and social benefits it will offer people in our community. Gardening offers many therapeutic benefits and growing food will help those with a limited budget consume a healthier diet, an important component

in disease prevention. Many of our residents live in apartments with no opportunity for gardening, therefore this project will help overcome this issue. Secondly, providing isolated populations with opportunities for social interaction with other community members will have a positive impact on their mental health.

The Committee requests the use of Chochinov Bay Park at Garden Park Drive, North of Leila Avenue. We would like to establish a Community Garden on this property. Our plans include;

- Ongoing community consultation in the development and use of the Community Garden, including notification of residents living in the vicinity of the park as well as the engagement of the Chochinov family,
- The construction of a number of raised and ground level planting beds,
- The construction of compost facilities,
- Securing a sustainable water supply,
- And construction of a storage shed for supplies.

Future development may include the addition of seating and pathways through the garden.

We would appreciate your reply to this request to utilize space at Chochinov Bay Park for the purposes noted above. The identification of a Community Garden site will allow the Community Gardens committee to move forward with plans to seek additional funding and create plans for the development of the site. We also request that the Seven Oaks Community Gardens Committee be informed of any processes that we would need to engage in to secure this or an alternate City of Winnipeg property for the development of a Community Garden. The Committee is interested in registering with the City of Winnipeg Adopt-A-Parks program.

Thank you for considering this request from the Seven Oaks Community Gardens Committee. We look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Mardy Yager
Chair, Seven Oaks Neighbourhood Resource Network
Community Garden Committee

Seven Oaks Neighbourhood Resource Network
Community Gardens Committee

The Community Gardens Committee is comprised of individual residents, community groups and larger organizations. All are welcomed to participate!

Currently, there are members representing the following groups;

The City of Winnipeg - Community Services Department
Heifer International
The Home Depot
Parent Councils
Seven Oaks Healthy Living
Seven Oaks School Division
Seven Oaks Hearts in Motion™ Trail Committee
West Kildonan Horticultural Society
The Winnipeg Regional Health Authority - Community Facilitator