



VICTORIA JASON SKATE PARK PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

December 2017

Background

Victoria Jason Park, located across from Murdoch MacKay Collegiate on Redonda Street, saw the introduction of prefabricated skateboard obstacles in the early 2000s.

The desire to renew Victoria Jason skate park emerged after local community members expressed concern over the park's quality and deteriorated condition. The consulting services of Scatliff+Miller+Murray (SMM) were obtained by the City of Winnipeg (the City) to facilitate community engagement efforts and develop a new skate park design.

Engagement

SMM planned and facilitated two public workshops to involve community members in the redesign process. The goal was to provide regular and potential park users with the opportunity to express: what they enjoy about the current park; what they would like to see introduced in the new park; and, any additional concerns or ideas they may have. Gathering such information allows the redesign to be informed by the concerns and aspirations of the public.

The first workshop, held on October 24, invited community members to attend who had previously expressed interest in the project. The second workshop, held on October 28, was promoted to all members of the public. An online survey was also available on the project website.

Promotion

- Ten participants of the first Public Workshop were emailed and contacted by phone on October 16, 2017.
- A poster for the second Public Workshop was shared via Facebook, Instagram, and the City of Winnipeg's website on October 21, 2017.
- Online survey was shared by local skateboard shops and members of the skateboard community via Facebook and Instagram.

What We Heard

Positive remarks were made about the park's current size and the manner in which obstacles flow from one to the next. Results of the survey conveyed the quarter pipe features are the most popular in the park (21% of responses). Further comments were made in relation to the park's quality of lighting, suggesting it could be improved to offer a more comfortable and safe experience during the evening.

Transition obstacles emerged as the community's highest priority (mini-ramped ranked first and quarter pipe ranked second). In particular, the introduction of a mini-ramp was mentioned repeatedly, supported by a consistently positive ranking in the questionnaire results (36% of respondents ranked as highest priority). Incorporating a flat ledge and rail in the new park was also identified as a top priority (ranked third by respondents). Maintaining an appropriate scale to the obstacles was also recognized as an important

Engagement Activities

Date(s)	Technique	Description
Launched on Oct. 13, 2017	Website	218 unique views.
Launched mid-Oct. to early Nov.	Online Survey	90 completed surveys.
Oct. 24, 2017	Public Workshop I	Victoria Jason Park, 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m., 10-12 attendees, invited as key stakeholders.
28.10.2017	Public Workshop II	Victoria Jason Park, 12:00 p.m.-2:00p.m., 14-16 attendees, including key stakeholders, media, City of Winnipeg representatives, and local political representatives.

aspect of the redesign.

A common complaint among the participants was the quality of the current asphalt at the skate park. The asphalt has deteriorated from weathering and general use, posing issues for safety and limiting the quality of experience. Consistent with new skate park designs, emerging in surrounding areas, a polished concrete surface has been requested. As well, many workshop participants were disappointed when the obstacles' original colours of red, yellow, and green were covered by a generic grey paint.

Feedback	Consideration or Response
Desire for a mini-ramp feature.	We have incorporated a mini-ramp in the design.
Desire for a bowl or mini-bowl feature.	We have incorporated a full and half-bowl feature in the different options.
Desire for a good ledge with coping.	We have incorporated a good ledge, appropriately sized, with coping.
Desire for a new, smooth concrete pad	We have introduced a new concrete pad in the design.
Desire for a quality flat-bar.	We have included a flat-bar in the design.
Desire for colourful features.	We intend to suggest colours for the features in the design.

Next Steps

SMM has provided preliminary concepts for the skate park redesign, which are currently posted on the project website for public review. Following this step, the community's feedback will be incorporated into the final design of the skate park before it is released for tender as a design / build project in spring of the same year. Construction of the park is expected to begin in June, 2018.

Appendix A: Public Workshop Poster and Instagram Post



Public Workshop Session

Victoria Jason Skatepark Conceptualization

The City of Winnipeg is looking to restore and enhance Victoria Jason Skatepark. In doing so, they are seeking input from local community members to determine how the improvements can best reflect their needs.

Please join us at a Public Workshop Session to participate in:

- Determining what you would like to see featured in the new park
- Establishing any aspects of the park you want to be maintained
- Discussing the project scale and timeline



Date: Saturday, October 28, 2017

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: Victoria Jason Skatepark, Redonda St. (current site)

Format: Drop-in (come and go)

*In case of poor weather an alternative location will be posted online

For more information, visit us online at winnipeg.ca/VictoriaJasonSkatepark

For inquiries or for those who require alternate formats, French documents, or interpretation in order to participate, please contact:

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Appendix B: Social Media Post





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Appendix C: Public Workshop Attendance and Results

	Number of Attendees	Number of Exit Surveys (complete)	Number of Exit Surveys (incomplete)
October 24, 2017	10 (approx.)	6	2
October 28, 2017	14 (approx.)	5	2

*Due to inclement weather conditions on October 28th, many attendees opted for the online survey.

Table 1: What do you enjoy in the current park?

Quarter Pipe	Ledge	Bank Hip	Quarter Hip	Table w. Rail	Picnic Table	Table (lrg.)	Table (med)	Table (sml)	Flat Bar	Quarter Hip	Transfer/Hip
XXX	X	XX	X	XX	X				XX		X

Table 2: What do you want to see introduced in the new park?

	Kicker to Ledge	Quarter Pipe	Euro Gap	Taco Transition	Wallride/Channel	Hubba Ledge	Kicker over Obstacle	Table Top with ledge	Bank to Ledge	Mini Ramp	A-frame Ledge	Handrail and Stairs	Hip	Ledge/Manual Pad	Pole Jam
	4	14	10	9	7	5	12	11	8	3	6	13	2	1	15
	6	15	7	13	14	12	4	8	9	2	10	1	11	3	5
	9	6	13	8	5	14	3	12	10	1	11	15	7	2	4
	8	5	12	2	4	7	6	13	3	1	14	10	9	15	11
	9	4	10	2	14	11	1	8	3	13	5	12	15	7	6
	11	6	10	4	3	12	8	7	14	5	13	15	9	1	2
	13	2	15	3	5	11	12	8	9	1	7	10	6	4	14
	10	2	7	11	14	9	5	6	8	1	13	15	4	12	3
	6	1	5	4	12	13	7	8	14	11	3	2	15	9	10
	12	13	1	14	15	11	5	10	9	2	8	4	7	3	6
	10	1	4	6	7	11	12	5	8	2	3	15	9	13	14
Total:	98	69	94	76	100	116	75	96	95	42	93	112	94	70	90
Ranking:	11	2	8	5	12	14	4	10	9	1	7	13	8	3	6

*Four responses were not included due to incompleteness