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Infrastructure and Environment Committee

Dear Colleagues,

Re: Improvements to Maryport Parkette and deHavilland (Mossie) Park

Two small parkettes in York Centre are scheduled for very modest improvements. The timing is important as we move into a post COVID world, with social distancing, leveraging public spaces and keeping our small parkettes useable and safe. It is understood that as long as such parks amenities remain closed, this project will be put on hold until public health authorities deem it safe to proceed. However, this does not preclude design work, ordering of materials (such as seating) and scheduling the projects into the operations plan.

These are small, very local projects but are very important to the surrounding community. I have been assured that more staff resources are being added to parks operations, making the above requests both timely and reasonable.

Recommendation:**The Infrastructure and Environment Committee recommend that:**

1. City Council direct the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation to work with the local community and the local Councillor and take the next steps in planning and implementing a safe-seating plan, fencing and tree planting, and any other safety improvements deemed necessary at Maryport Parkette and de Havilland (Mossie) Park.

Best Regards,

Sincerely,

James Pasternak
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