

Completed Remedial Work to Washroom Facilities at Guild Park and Gardens

Date: April 5, 2022

To: Infrastructure and Environment Committee

From: General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation

Wards: Ward 24- Scarborough- Guildwood

SUMMARY

In December 2021, the Infrastructure and Environment Committee directed the General Manager, Parks, Forestry & Recreation to report back to the April 26, 2022 meeting of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee with an update regarding increased public access to the washroom facilities at the Guild Park and Gardens. This report will provide an overview of work completed to the washroom facilities at Guild Park and Gardens.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation recommends that:

1. The Infrastructure and Environment Committee receive this report for information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications as a result of the recommendation in this report. Any costs associated with the reopening of the washroom facilities at Guild Park and Gardens are included in the 2022 Council Approved Operating Budget for Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial implications as identified in the Financial Impact section.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on December 2, 2021, The Infrastructure and Environment Committee requested the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation report back to the April 26, 2022 meeting of the Infrastructure and Environment Committee with an update regarding increasing the availability of public washrooms at Guild Park and Gardens. <http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2021.IE26.21>

COMMENTS

The Guild Park and Gardens is a historic and scenic venue in Scarborough. Located at 201 Guildwood Parkway, the park boasts beautiful gardens and sculptures that reflect the unique history and contributions to the art community. The park includes a number of pathways and trails, encouraging park users to explore the greenspaces. There are two washroom facilities at this location that are accessible year-round, operating daily from 9:00 a.m. to dusk.

Staff worked with relevant contractors to complete the remedial work required to reopen the washroom facilities at Guild Park and Gardens. Remedial work included environmental inspections, testing and monitoring related to the remediation of water and mold damages. Mold was removed, and anti-microbial cleaning was undertaken. In the interim, two temporary portable washrooms were provided to the public while washroom repairs were underway.

Reopening the washroom facilities at Guild Park and Gardens will provide residents with the opportunity to enjoy the park for longer periods of time. As of April 4, 2022, the required remedial work was completed and washroom facilities at Guild Park and Gardens were opened to the public.

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