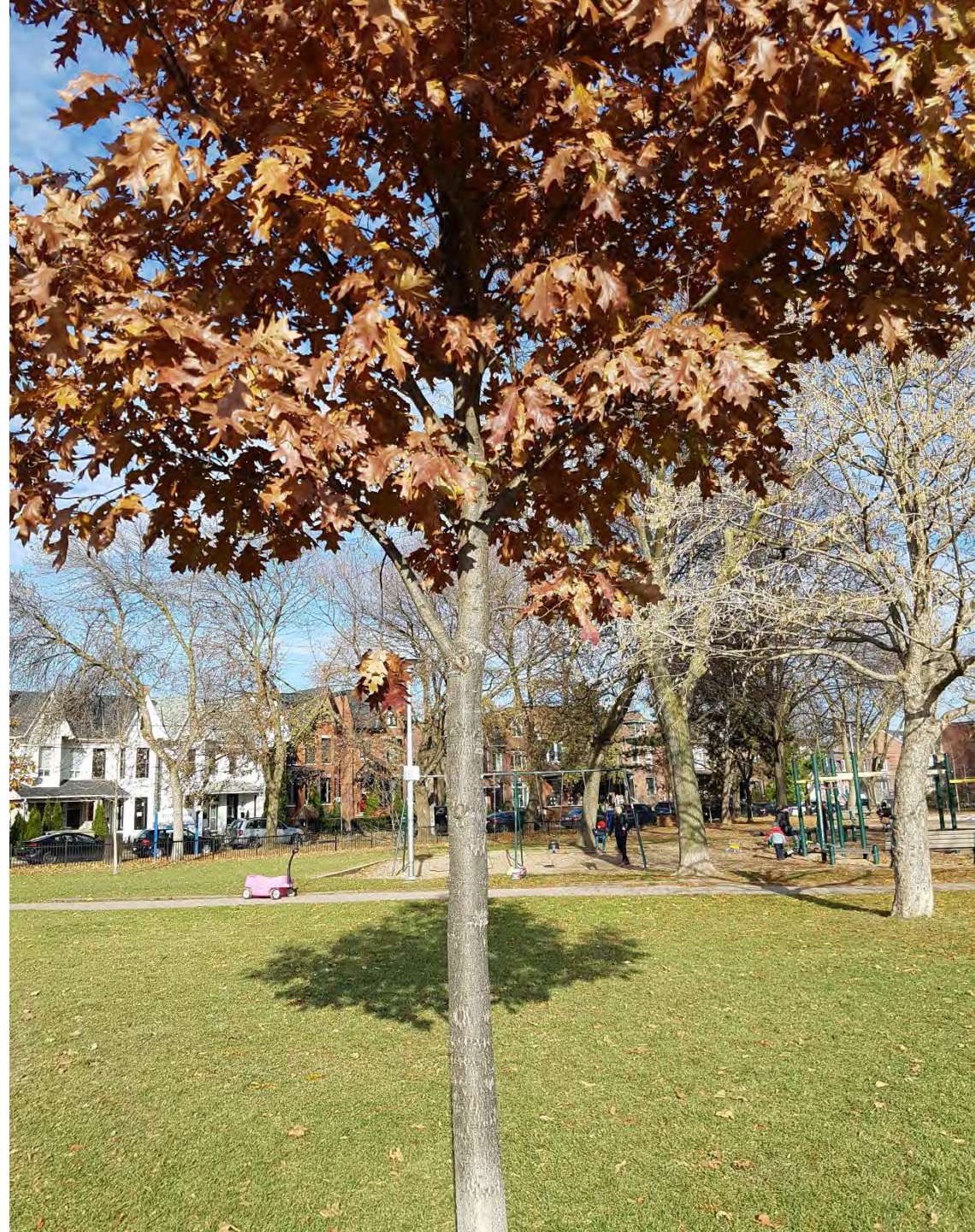


Osler Playground Revitalization

Park Program and Visioning Workshop








December 11, 2019



Land Acknowledgement



Agenda

-  Introductions
-  Opening Remarks
-  Presentation
-  Questions of Clarification
-  Workshop
-  Report Back
-  Next Steps





Introductions



Katy Aminian



Daniel Fusca



Rachel Weston



Jill MacLachlan



James Young



Opening Remarks

Joe Cressy

City of Toronto Councillor
Ward 10

Norm Di Pasquale

TCDSB Trustee





Project Scope & Timeline



Project Scope

On March 26, 2018 the City Council directed the General Manager of Parks, Forestry and Recreation to:

- work in consultation with the local Councillor toward the construction of a dogs off-leash area in Osler Playground.
- undertake a planning exercise for general park improvements.



Project Scope

What's in scope for this project?

- A dogs off-leash area
- Playground enhancements
- Waterplay improvements
- Green space improvements



Project Scope

Master Plan

Develop a park master plan based on the community vision

Fall 2019

Design

Develop a design based on the park's master plan

Anticipated Completion
Fall 2020

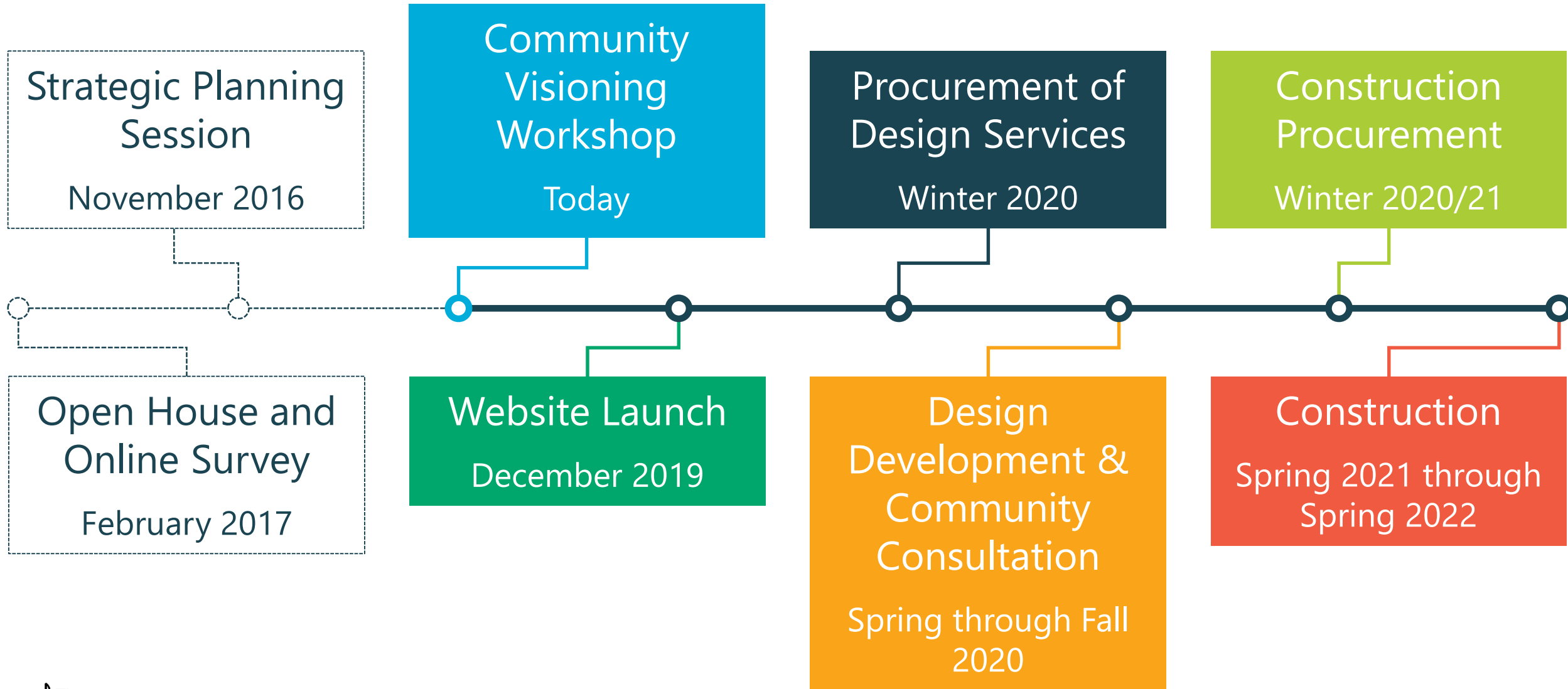
Build

Build the park based on the design

Anticipated Completion
Spring 2022



Project Timeline





Meeting Purpose



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- 1 Discuss the community vision for park improvements
- 2 Develop initial ideas for park uses, activities and layout
- 3 Develop criteria for hiring a park designer



What We Heard!



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Strategic Planning Session

November 1, 2016

Open House and Online Survey

February 9, 2017

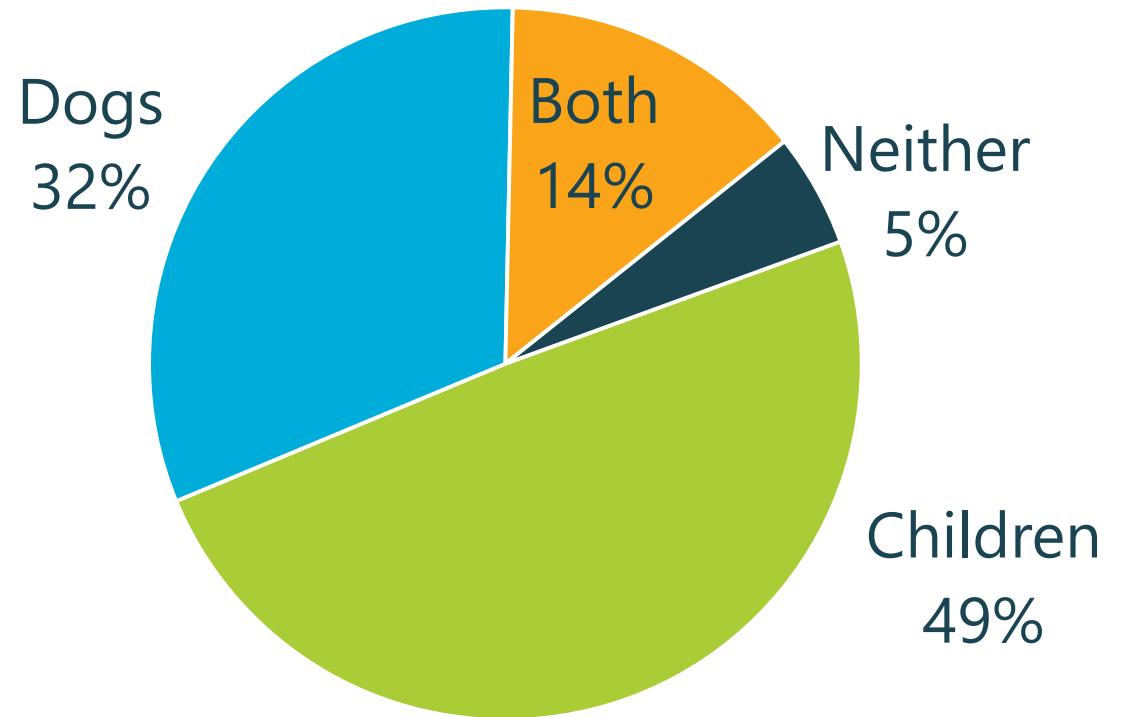


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Do you usually bring children and/or dogs with you to the park?

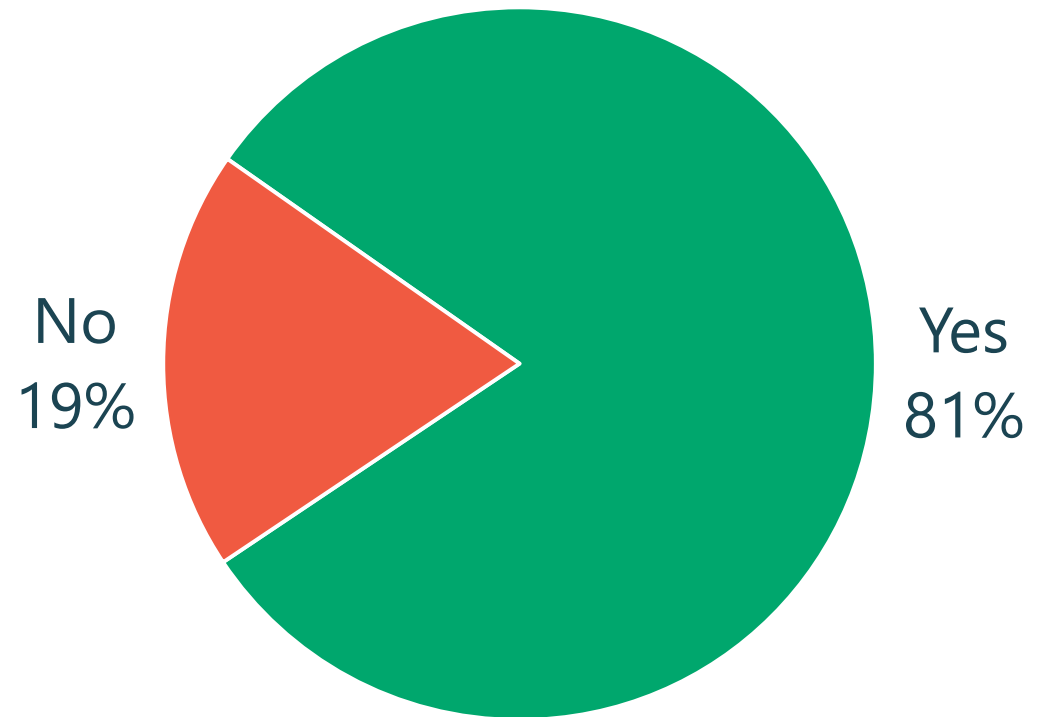


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Would you support the installation of
a fenced off-leash area?

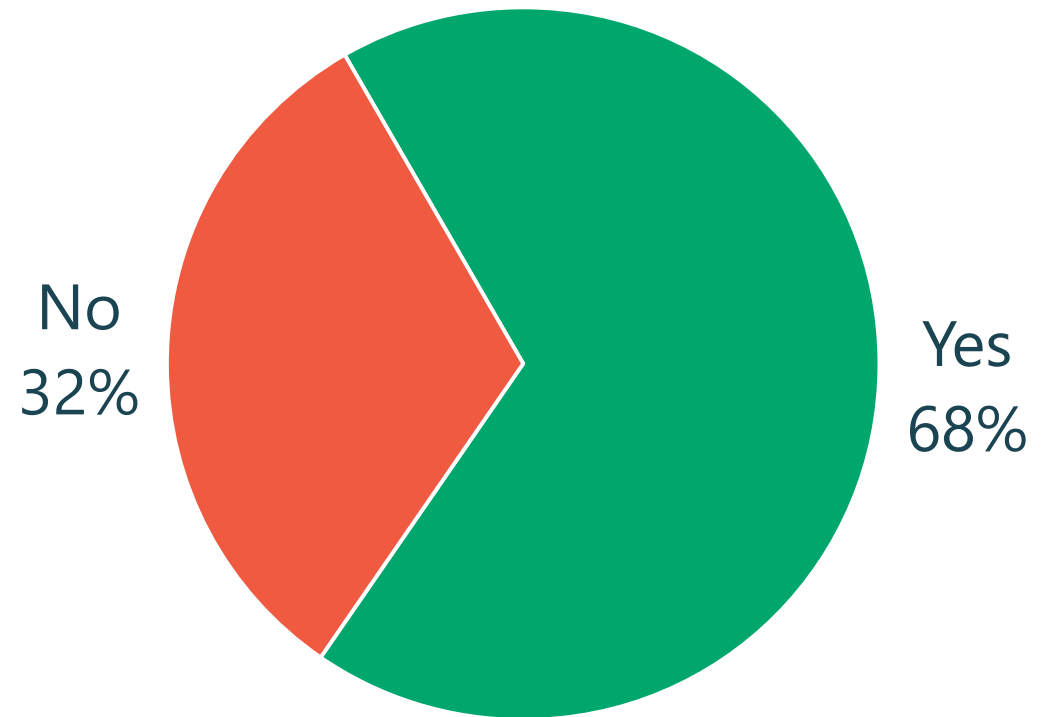


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Would you support the elimination of the fence in the middle of the park?

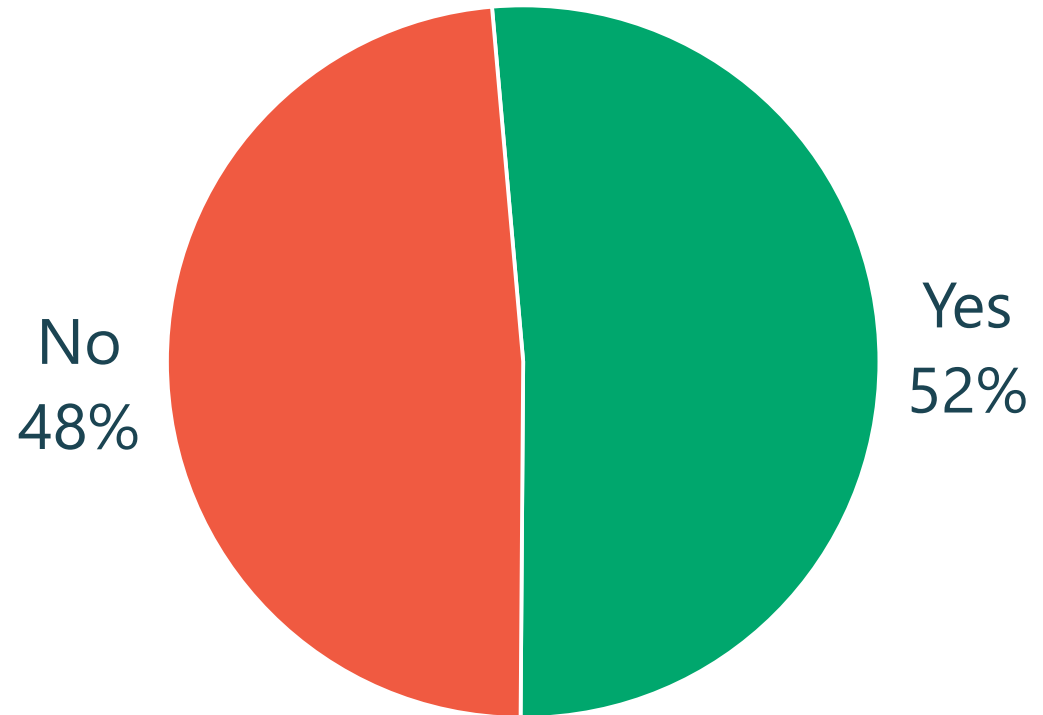


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Would you be okay with moving the playground area if it meant losing the existing play structure and sand box?

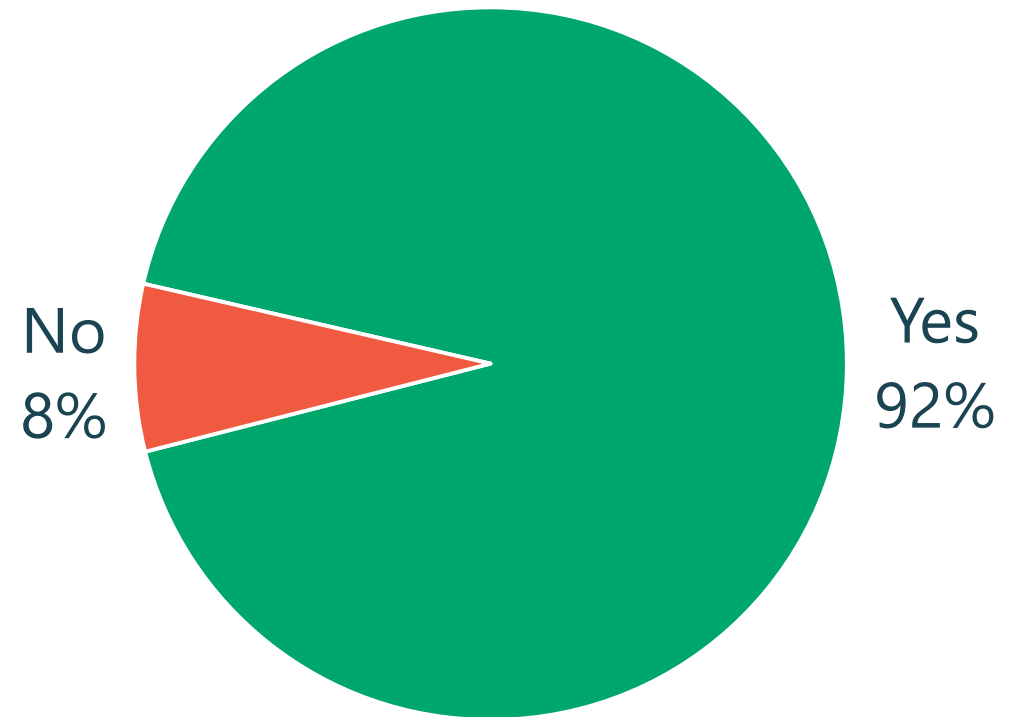


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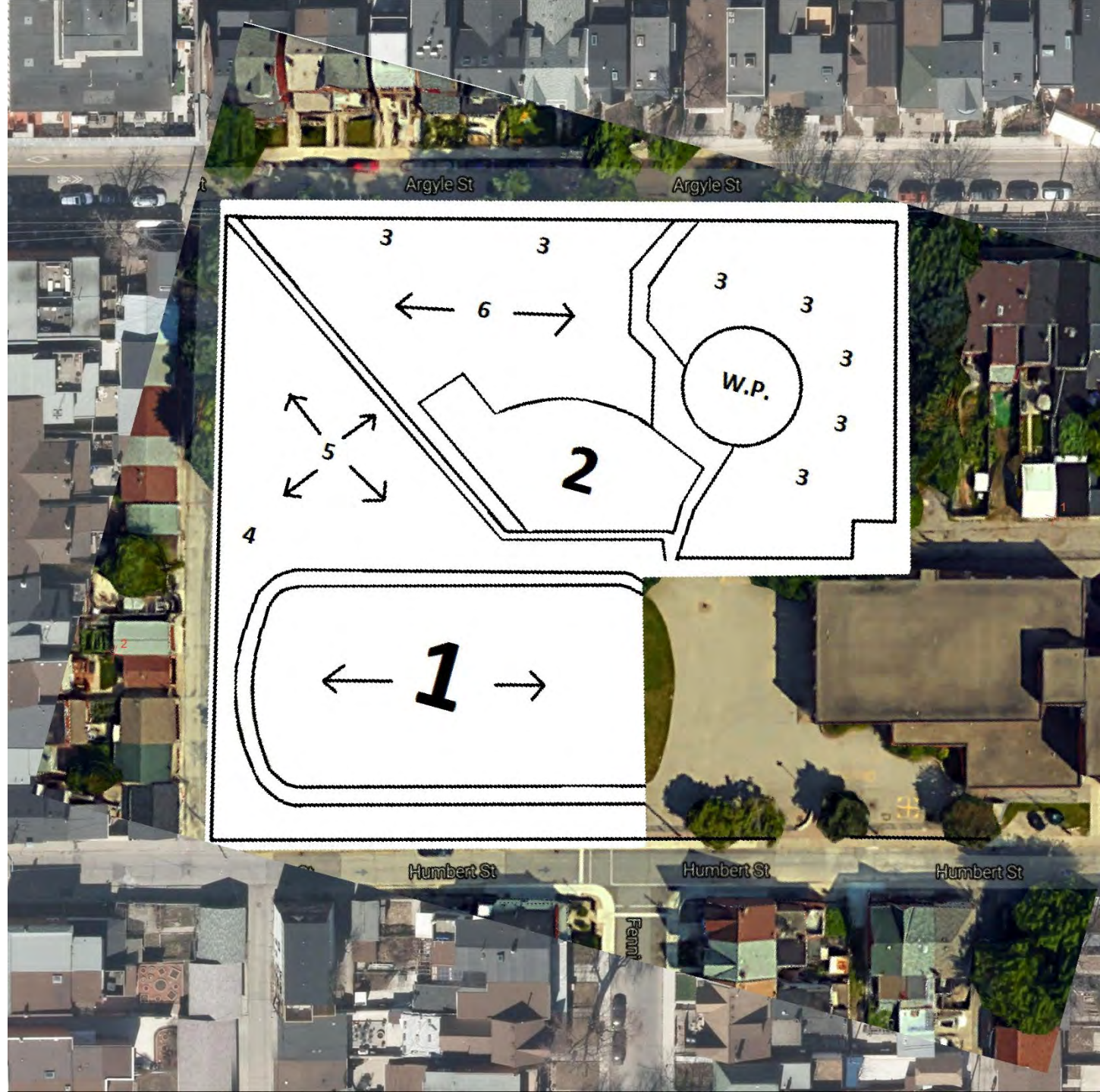
Would you support the addition of
natural play features?



What We Heard!

Identified priorities:

- ① Add a dogs off-leash area
- ② Enhance the playground
- ③ Add benches, seating and picnic tables
- ④ Address drainage issues at the west side of the park
- ⑤ Maintain green space
- ⑥ Add ball sports area



Park Context







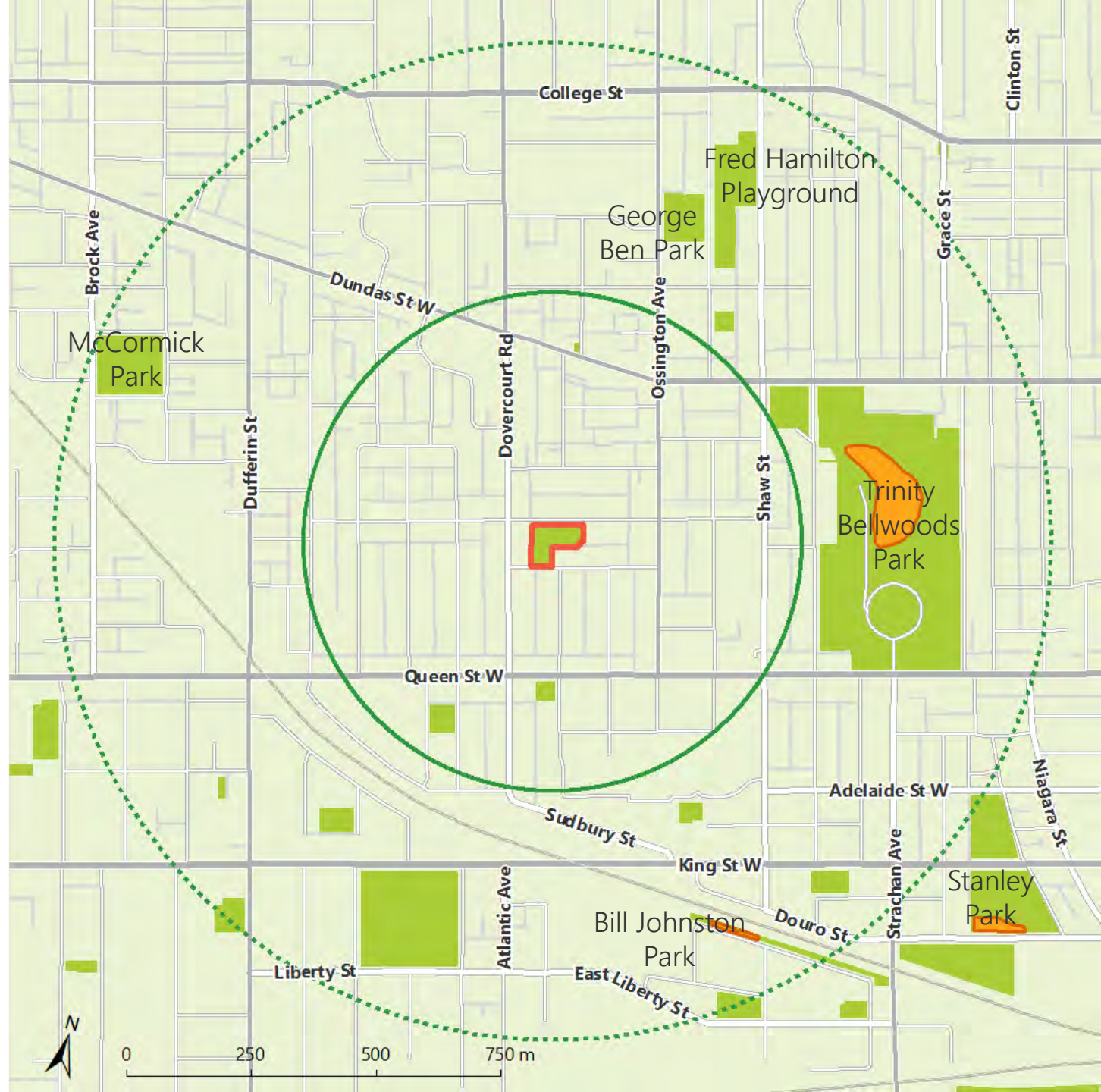
Nearby Parks

- 5-minute walk from Osler Playground
- 10-minute walk from Osler Playground
- Osler Playground



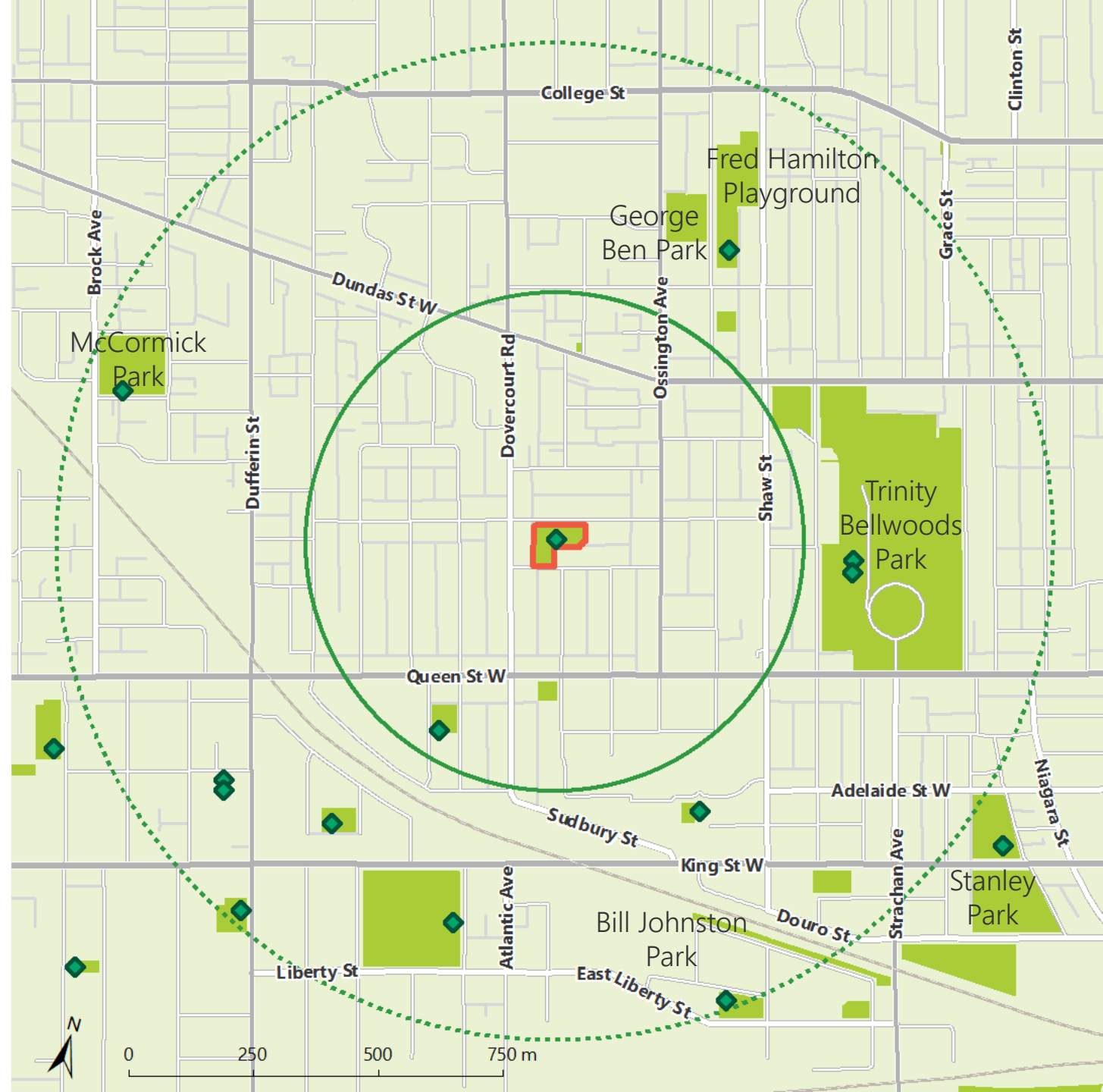
Nearby Dogs Off-Leash Areas

-  Dogs Off-Leash Areas
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-  Osler Playground



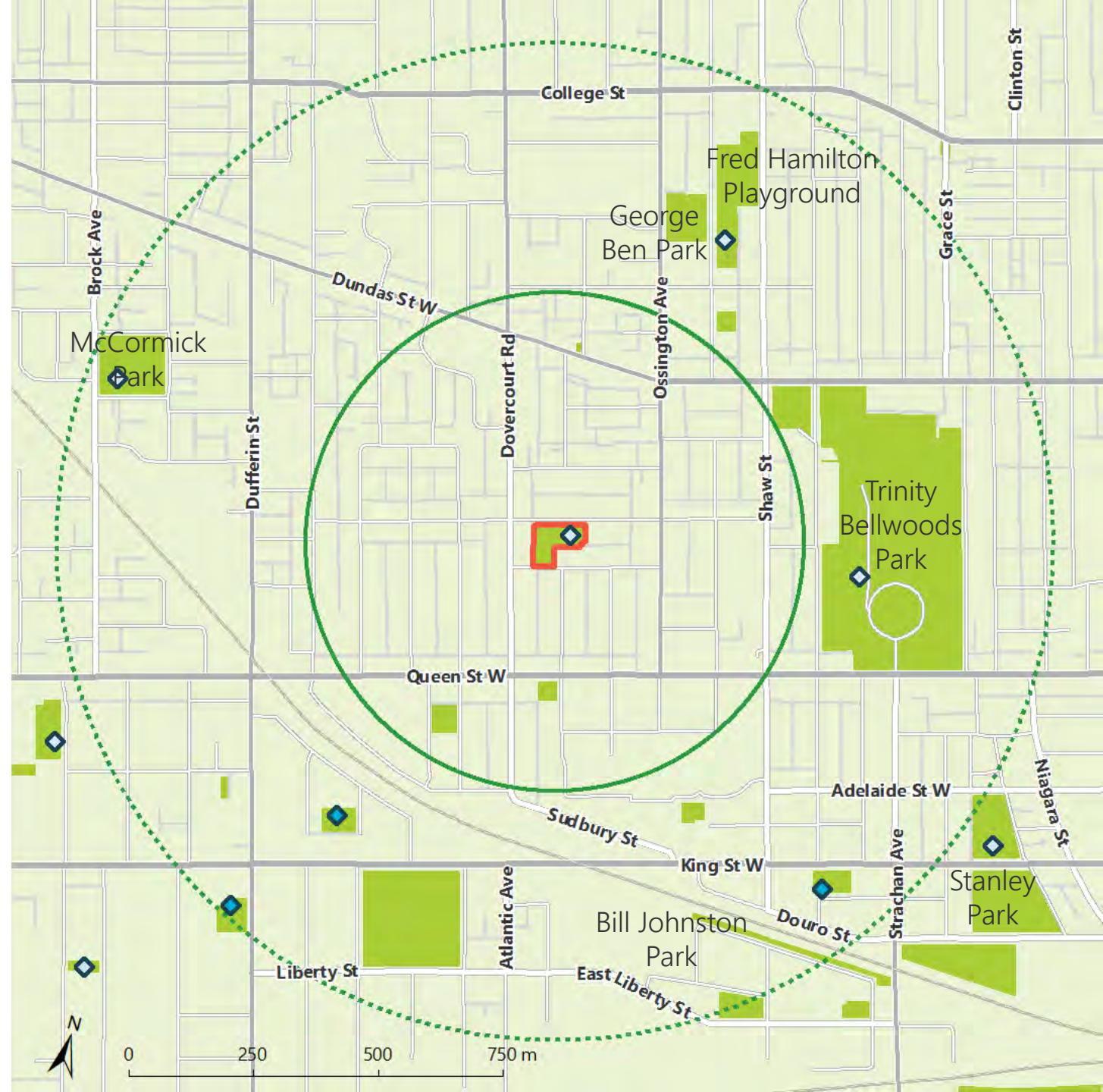
Nearby Playgrounds

- ◆ Playground
- 5-minute walk from Osler Playground
- ⋯ 10-minute walk from Osler Playground
- ▣ Osler Playground



Nearby Waterplay Areas

- ◆ Splash/Spray Pad
- ◇ Wading Pool
- 5-minute walk from Osler Playground
- ⋯ 10-minute walk from Osler Playground
- ▣ Osler Playground



Existing Park Property

 Park boundary





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② Questions of Clarification





Visioning Workshop



Conduct

- Allow everyone the chance to speak.
- Listen respectfully, without interrupting
- Listen actively and try to understand others' views
- Criticize ideas, not individuals
- Commit to learning, not debating.



Workshop Rules

- Identify one group member as the note recorder.
- Use the worksheets provided at your table to record your answers to each of the three workshop questions. **[25 minutes]**
- Use the post-it notes and masking tape to map your group's preferred park layout. **[25 minutes]**
- Identify a group member to report back on your decisions as a group.



The Canvas

- Each grid square represents an area of 100 m² (10 m x 10 m) or 1076 sq.ft (33' x 33')








Design Considerations

- Size and location of park elements
- Circulation Routes
- Preservation of existing trees
- Location of existing waterplay infrastructure
- Running track



Example Park Program Vision

-  Open Green Space
-  Playground
-  Dogs Off-Leash Area
-  Waterplay Area
-  Pathway



Report Back

Return your team's diagram and worksheets to any member of the City's team.



! Next Steps



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Please remember to fill out
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Thank you!