# New Park at 150 Harrison Street

Design + Development

Virtual Public Meeting
June 16, 2021

Webex Call In: 416-915-6530

**Meeting ID: 177 167 1380** 



\*Please note that all attendees have been muted and cameras have been turned off until the discussion period.





## **Land Acknowledgement**

I'd like to begin by honouring the land that I'm on. If you are not currently in Toronto, I encourage you to learn about the lands you're on.

We acknowledge the land we are meeting on is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.





## **Objective of Tonight's Meeting**

Present and discuss the **Revised Concept Design** for the future new park at 150 Harrison Street. The Revised Design is informed from previous community and stakeholder feedback collected in November 2020.



## **Agenda**



Welcome, Meeting Goals and Team Introductions



Opening Remarks from Councillor Bailão



**Revised Concept Design** 



Design Feedback and Discussion

thank you!

Next Steps + Adjourn





## **Project Team**

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## **Opening Remarks**

**Councillor Ana Bailão** 

Ward 9 Davenport

Deputy Mayor for the south area of the City







# Revised Concept Design

Stephen O'Bright, City of Toronto PFR



## **Anticipated Project Timeline - Update**



Conceptual
Design &
Public
Consultation

- September to December 2020
- Site Investigations and concept development
  - Online Survey (November 5 to November 20, 2020)
  - Public Meeting
     November 12 2020

June 16th 2021

- Public Meeting
- Present revised Concept & Finalize



Detailed Design

- Summer 2021
- Landscape architect design consultant to complete detailed design and tender drawings based on preferred concept design

Construction Procurement Environmental Remediation

- Summer 2021
- City to procure contractor for required site remediation measures.
- City to procure a separate contractor for landscape construction

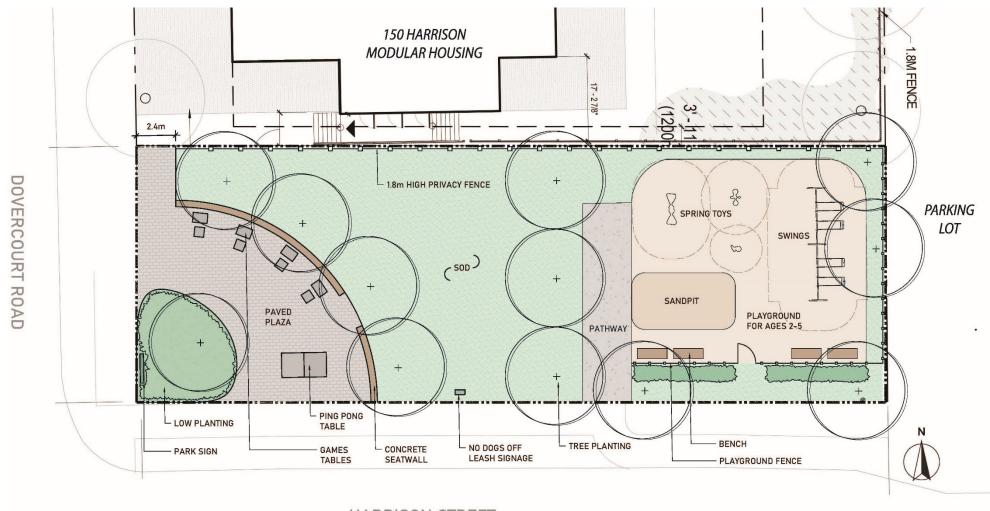
**Landscape Construction** 

- Fall 2021
- Landscape
   Construction
   commencement
- Anticipated substantial completion
   December 2021



## **Preliminary Concept Design – November 2020**

In November 2020, the City hosted a virtual public meeting and online survey to gather feedback on the conceptual park design and confirm priorities for the new park's amenities and features.





## What Did We Hear?

The survey received a total of **616** responses.

### **Key feedback highlights included:**

- How would park users visit the new park?
  - o 90% of respondents would walk
  - 40% of respondents would bike
  - o 15% of respondents would use public transportation
- What are the most popular activities for park users?
  - Relaxing, sitting and/or eating, enjoying/observing plants, spending time with others, spending time alone, and walking a pet
- What features were important or very important for the new park?
  - Seating (83%)
  - Open grass and lawn areas (80%)
  - Planting/garden areas (73%)
  - Bicycle parking (66%)

What would you like to do at the new park? Please select all that apply.

What would you like to do at the new park? Please select all that apply.	Count	% of responses	%
Relax	437		71%
Enjoy and observe plants	375		61%
Sit and/or eat	392		64%
Children play	166		27%
Sports	97		16%
Games (i.e. chess, ping pong etc.)	152		25%
Walk a pet	233		38%
Spend time alone	259		42%
Spend time with others	353		57%
Other, please specify	51	1	8%
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## What Did We Hear?

### **Key feedback highlights included:**

- When asked what features in the concept design they liked most, participants identified Trees, Plantings, Seating, and the amount and distribution of green space
- When asked what was missing from the initial concept design, the top 10 most popular suggestions included:
  - 1. A dog park (43 responses)
  - 2. More seating (24 responses)
  - 3. Drinking Fountain (22 responses) 4. More plantings (22 responses)
  - 5. A washroom (21 responses)
  - 6. A community garden (20 responses)
  - 7. Various playground features including climbing structures, monkey bars, a large slide, a playhouse, a central play structure, and climbing logs. (20 responses)
  - 8. Basketball court/nets (18 responses)
  - 9. Bike parking (14 responses)
  - 10. More open space/lawn area (14 responses)
- Many respondents (43) that it may be beneficial to have children play at the other playgrounds in the neighbourhood, while this space is instead used for other, more adult uses, such as more natural space, a community garden, basketball court, more open space, or fitness area.

What features shown in the concept design do you like the most? Please select all that apply.

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Children's playground	131		24%
Trees	398		72%
Plantings	283		51%
Amount and distribution of green space	226		41%
Paved plaza	80		14%
Seating	240		43%
Games tables	111		20%
Ping pong table	94		17%
Other, please specify	25	1	5%
I don't like any of the features shown	16		3%
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## **Revised Concept Design**



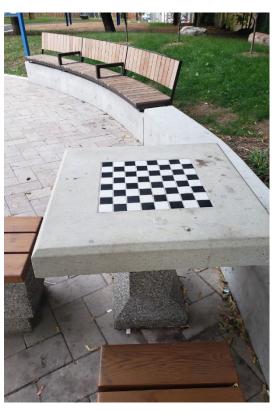


## Plaza Materials & Activity Amenities











Seat Wall & Games Tables





**Low Planting** 







Ping Pong Table

# Discussion

Do you have any questions of clarification?



## **Next Steps**

## Visit the project webpage at www.toronto.ca/150HarrisonPark to:

- Sign up for **e-updates** to stay informed!
- Access this presentation online!
- See the final concept design! The final design will be shared on the webpage and via Councillor Bailão communications.



## **THANK YOU!**

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