

# New Parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue

## Visioning Survey Summary Report

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## Project Background

A new 750 square metres municipal parkette is coming to 174-180 Broadway Avenue, near Mount Pleasant Road and Broadway Avenue. The parkette design is being developed in consultation with the community. Budget, site limitations and operational requirements will also be considered throughout the design development process.

The site for this new parkette is at two former residential lots near Broadway Avenue and Mount Pleasant Road.

### Phase I - Base Park Development

This phase is currently underway. The residential buildings that were located on the site have been demolished and utility infrastructure and sod have been installed.

### Phase II - Above-Base Park Development

This phase will be developed using feedback from this survey and will include features and amenities for the new parkette.

## Survey Objectives

An online survey was available from August 23 to September 15, 2021. The survey asked the community for feedback on their vision for the new parkette, including preliminary thoughts and ideas for the design.

The survey received a total of **599 responses**. Some surveys submissions included feedback from multiple people (e.g. entire households). In total **1,168 people participated** in the survey responses collected.

The survey feedback will be considered in the development of concept design options, which will be shared with the community for further input next year.

## Notification

The online survey was promoted through the following channels:

- Facebook and Instagram advertisements targeting area residents
- Promotions through the local Councillor's Offices
- Project webpage: [www.toronto.ca/174-180Broadway](http://www.toronto.ca/174-180Broadway)
- Promotional signs onsite and at nearby parks
- Postcard mail out to local residents

# Key Feedback Highlights

## Survey Respondents

- The survey received a total of **599 responses**. Some surveys submissions included feedback from multiple people (e.g. entire households). In total **1,168 people participated** in the survey responses collected.
  - The majority of survey respondents were in the 30 to 39, 40 to 55, and 19 to 29 years old age categories, respectively.
- **The majority of survey respondents found out about the survey from:**
  - Social media advertisements (59%)
  - A community postcard/mail out to their home (23%)
  - Park signage (12%)
  - Word of mouth (8%)
  - Other (2%)
  - Email from the project team (1%)
  - Communications from the local Councillor's Office (1%)
  - Project webpage (1%)
- **The majority of respondents only have access to public spaces like parks, and do not have access to private or semi-private outdoor space (40%)**
  - 34% of respondents have access to private outdoor space like a yard
  - 24% of respondents have access to semi-private/shared outdoor space.
- **Respondents were somewhat split between renting (49%) and homeowners (47%)**
  - 4% preferred not to answer.
  - 1% permanently lived with parent(s) or other family member(s)

## Visiting the Park

- **When asked if they would visit the new Parkette at 174-180 Broadway:**
  - 95% of respondents would visit
  - 5% of respondents were unsure
- **To get to the new park (respondents could select multiple options):**
  - 98% of respondents would walk
  - 18% would bike
  - 5% would use a personal vehicle
  - 4% would use public transportation
  - 2% would use a mobility device and/or stroller
  - 1% would use other methods (e.g. scooter, skateboarding, etc.)
- **When visiting the park:**
  - The majority of respondents would visit with their partner (51%)
  - Less than half of respondents' would visit with their children (42%), alone (36%) and friends (35%)
  - Some respondents would visit with pets (28%)
- **The most popular activities** respondents would like to partake in at the new park are relaxing on grass or in seating areas (78%), spending time with others (57%), enjoying and observing trees or planting areas (54%)

- **Some respondents** would like to have a picnic (40%), take children there to play (39%), walk a pet (33%)
- **Less popular activities** included travelling through the Parkette (24%), exercising (23%), playing games (17%) and playing sports (10%)
- **5% of respondents** said they would use the park for other activities, including meditating, photography, reading a book, drink coffee, cooling off, etc.

## Park Visioning

- **When asked what was most important to respondents when thinking about the new park:**
  - Top responses included **Safety** (e.g. clear sightlines and/or lights that turn on at night) [64%], **passive recreation** (e.g. seating areas, open lawn, etc.) [61%], and **trees and planting areas (61%)**
  - Less popular responses included:
    - Active Recreation (e.g. exercise, sports or play areas) [34%]
    - Universal accessibility (26%)
    - Accessible pathways (10%)
    - Other, please specify (9%)
- **Features identified as most important to respondents included:**
  - Trees and planting areas (88%)
  - Seating (e.g. benches, tables, etc.) [86%]
  - Lighting (83%)
  - Open lawn for flexible passive/active use (i.e. lounging, picnicking) [72%]
  - Bottle filling station and/or drinking fountain (62%)
  - Pathways (61%)
- **Features that received a mixed response from respondents included:**
  - Play Area for children
    - Very Important or Important (48%)
    - Neutral (21%)
    - Less Important or Not Important (30%)
  - Tables for eating/games
    - Very Important or Important (48%)
    - Neutral (29%)
    - Less Important or Not Important (24%)
  - Adult fitness area
    - Very Important or Important (29%)
    - Neutral (30%)
    - Less Important or Not Important (41%)

### Additional comments on the park design:

When asked if they had any **additional feedback on the design, features and/or any issues** they would like addressed in the park design, 180 respondents left comments.

A full list of text comments can be found in the Appendix B. Top comments and suggestions included (number of respondents sharing this sentiment included in parentheses):

1. Adding a dog off-leash area for pets in the new park (25)

2. Adding a children's play area (22) to reflect the large amount of children living in the area
  - Many respondents noted that there are not enough junior playgrounds in the area currently
3. Safety as a priority for the new park through design (e.g. well-lit, pathways, active programming, etc.) [13]
4. Not adding a dog off-leash area due to noise and waste concerns (12)
5. Ensuring enough waste and recycling bins are placed throughout the new Parkette (10)
6. Park maintenance from City staff should be a priority given the amount of people who would use the new park (9)
7. Making the park design and all equipment/features universally accessible (7)
  - Some comments requesting that play equipment be suited for children of all abilities and needs
8. Creating a park that is green, integrates native plantings, and shade trees (8)
9. Adding a splash pad and/or wading pool (4)
10. Adding adult fitness equipment (4)

## Appendix A: Quantitative Response Summary



If you were to visit the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue, who would you usually go with? Please select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Spouse or partner	304		51%
Children	252		42%
Alone	215		36%
Friends	208		35%
Pet(s)	168		28%
Other, please specify	13		2%







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Participants who selected *other, please specify* shared:

- Family (7)
- Children (2)
- Pet(s) (1)
- Colleagues (1)

\*Some participants (2) included responses that were not applicable to the question asked.

If you were to visit the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue, what method of transportation would you use? Please select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Walk	585		98%
Bicycle	110		18%
Personal vehicle	31		5%
Public transportation	26		4%
Mobility device	13		2%
Other, please specify	6		1%
Taxi or ride share	1		0%






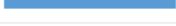
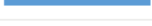
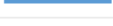




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Participants who selected *other, please specify* shared:

- Skateboard (2)
- Stroller (2)

\*Some participants (2) included responses that were not applicable to the question asked.

If you were to visit the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue, what activities do you see yourself doing? Please select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Relax on grass or in seating areas	470		78%
Spend time with others	343		57%
Enjoy and observe trees or planting areas	325		54%
Spend time alone	261		44%
Have a picnic	240		40%
Take children there to play	233		39%
Walk a pet	198		33%
Travel through the parkette	145		24%
Exercise	139		23%
Play games (e.g. chess, ping pong etc.)	103		17%
Play sports	59		10%
Other, please specify	29		5%

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Participants who selected *other, please specify* shared:

- Meditate and/or yoga (4)
- BBQ (2)

- Photography (1)
- Eat and/or drink (3)
- Skateboard/scooter (2)
- Read (5)
- Calisthenics (1)
- Tennis (1)

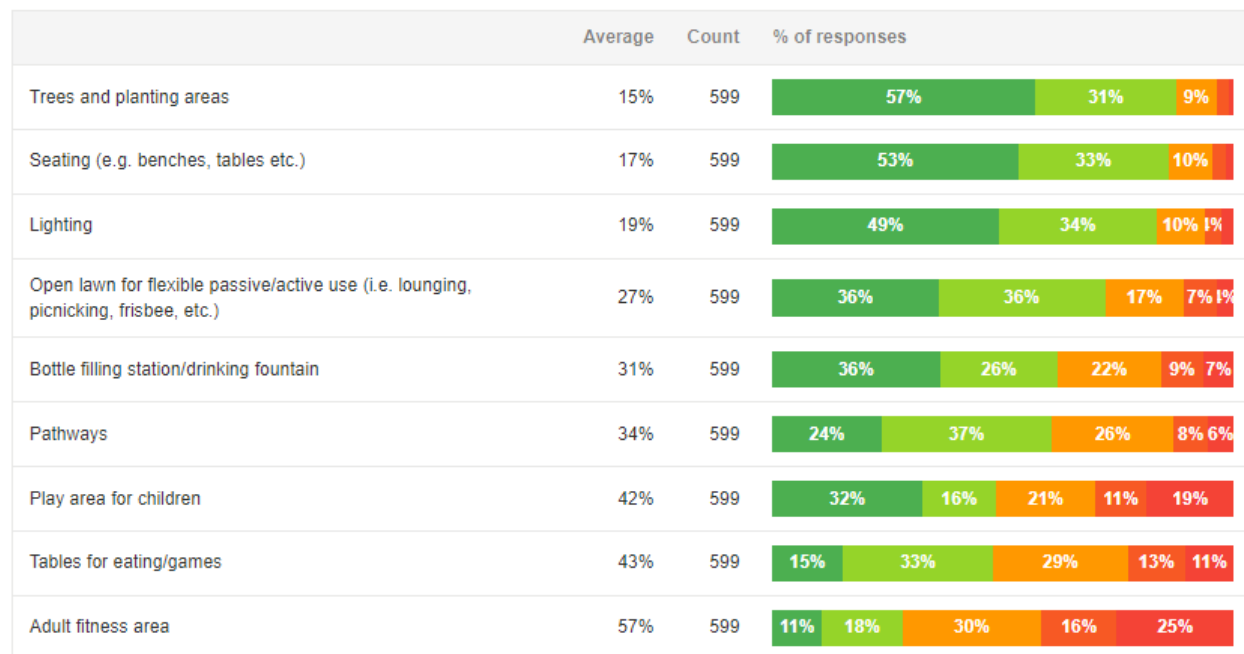
\*Some participants (10) included responses that were not applicable to the question asked.

What is most important to you when thinking about the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue? Select up to 3 options from the list below.

	Count	% of responses	%
Safety (e.g. clear sightlines and/or lights that turn on at night)	382		64%
Passive recreation (e.g. seating areas, open lawn etc.)	367		61%
Trees and planting areas	365		61%
Active recreation (e.g. exercise, sports or play areas etc.)	204		34%
Universal accessibility	156		26%
Accessible pathways	60		10%
Other, please specify	55		9%

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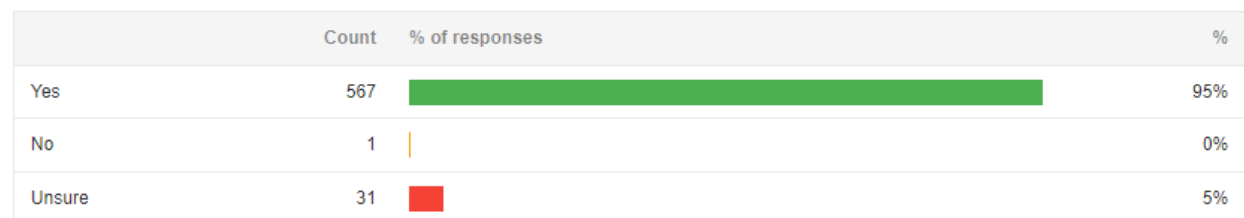
How important are each of the following potential features to you and members of your household when thinking about the design for the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue?



Very Important Important Neutral Less Important Not Important

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Do you plan on visiting the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue once it is built?



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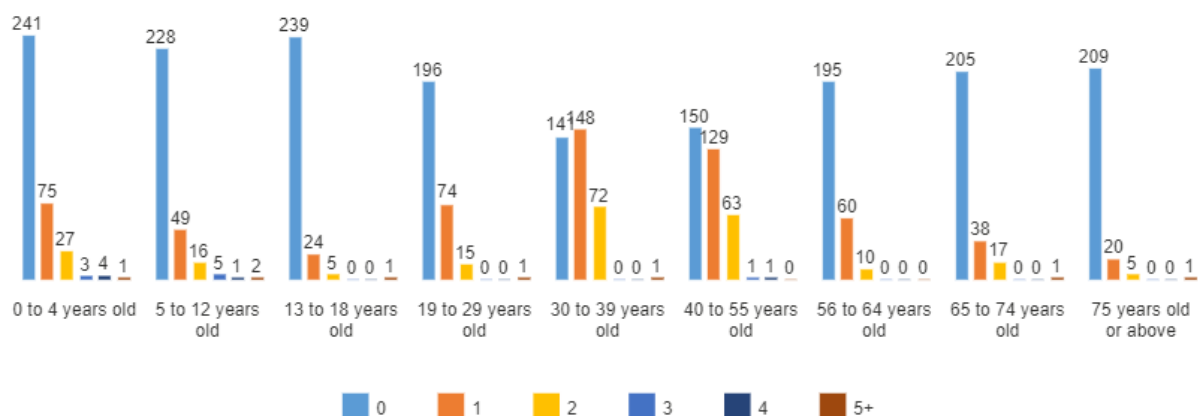
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## Demographics

## How many people of each age group participated in this survey?



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Total responses per age group include:










- 159 respondents age 0 to 4 years old
- 110 respondents age 5 to 12 years old
- 39 respondents age 13 to 18 years old
- 109 respondents age 19 to 29 years old
- 297 respondents age 30 to 39 years old
- 262 respondents age 40 to 55 years old
- 80 respondents age 56 to 64 years old
- 77 respondents age 65 to 74 years old
- 35 respondents age 75 years old or above

Gender identity is the gender that people identify with or how they perceive themselves, which may be different from their birth-assigned sex. What best describes your gender?

	Count	% of responses	%
Woman	421	<div></div>	73%
Man	138	<div></div>	24%
Prefer not to answer	35	<div></div>	6%
Gender non-binary (including gender fluid, genderqueer, androgynous)	7	<div></div>	1%
Not listed, please describe	3	<div></div>	1%
Trans woman	2	<div></div>	0%
Two-Spirit	2	<div></div>	0%
Trans man	1	<div></div>	0%

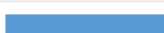










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Sexual orientation describes a person's emotional, physical, romantic, and/or sexual attraction to other people. What best describes your sexual orientation?

	Count	% of responses	%
Heterosexual or straight	448		78%
Prefer not to answer	76		13%
Bisexual	20		3%
Queer	12		2%
Gay	11		2%
Not listed, please describe	5		1%
Lesbian	4		1%
Don't know	2		0%
Two-Spirit	1		0%

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People often describe themselves by their race or racial background. For example, some people consider themselves "Black", "White" or "East Asian". Which race category best describes you? Select all that apply.

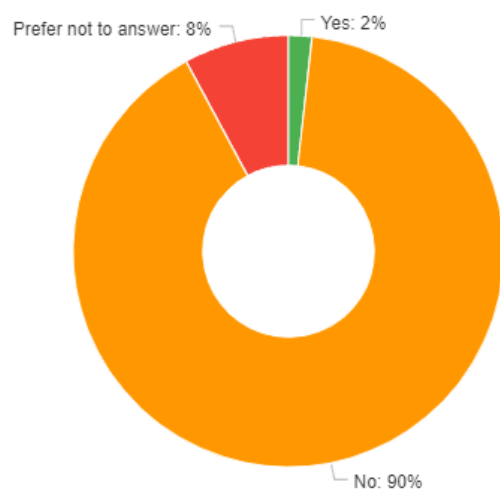
	Count	% of responses	%
White (e.g. English, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Russian, Slovakian)	319		55%
Prefer not to answer	74		13%
East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese)	57		10%
Jewish	54		9%
Latin American (e.g. Brazilian, Colombian, Cuban, Mexican, Peruvian)	38		7%
South Asian or Indo-Caribbean (e.g. Indian, Indo- Guyanese, Indo-Trinidadian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan)	23		4%
More than one race category or mixed race	17		3%
Southeast Asian (e.g. Filipino, Malaysian, Singaporean, Thai, Vietnamese)	16		3%
Black (e.g. African, African-Canadian, Afro-Caribbean)	15		3%
Arab, Middle Eastern or West Asian (e.g. Afghan, Armenian, Iranian, Lebanese, Persian, Turkish)	13		2%
Other, please describe	11		2%
First Nations (status, non-status, treaty or non-treaty), Inuit or Métis	5		1%

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## What language do you prefer speaking?

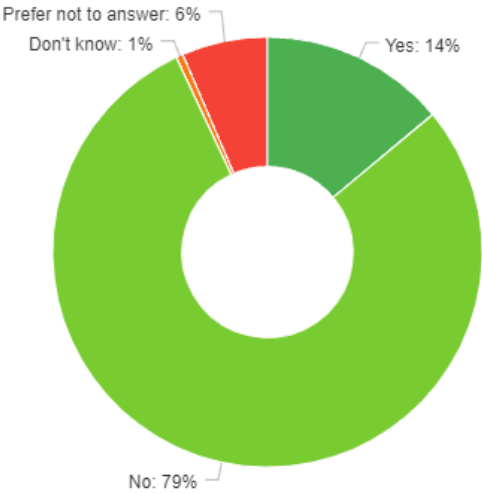
	Count	% of responses	%
English	535	<div></div>	95%
French	7	<div></div>	1%
Not listed, please describe	5	<div></div>	1%
Portuguese	4	<div></div>	1%
Spanish	3	<div></div>	1%
Albanian	2	<div></div>	0%
Chinese - Mandarin	2	<div></div>	0%
Russian	2	<div></div>	0%
American Sign Language	1	<div></div>	0%
Ukrainian	1	<div></div>	0%
Urdu	1	<div></div>	0%

Indigenous people from Canada identify as First Nations (status, non-status, treaty or non-treaty), Inuit, Métis, Aboriginal, Native or Indian. Do you identify as Indigenous to Canada?



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Disability is understood as any physical, mental, developmental, cognitive, learning, communication, sight, hearing or functional limitation that, in interaction with a barrier, hinders a person’s full and equal participation in society. A disability can be permanent, temporary or episodic, and visible or invisible. Does anyone participating in this survey identify as a person with a disability?



N 573

What best describes your current housing situation?

	Count	% of responses	%
Home owner	267	<div></div>	47%
Renting	280	<div></div>	49%
Permanently living with parent(s) or other family member(s)	4	<div></div>	1%
Temporarily staying with others (no fixed address)	0		
Unhoused (staying outside, in a shelter, in a 24-hour respite)	0		
Prefer not to answer	21	<div></div>	4%
Not listed, please describe	1	<div></div>	0%

N 573

What best describes you and your household's access to outdoor space?

	Count	% of responses	%
I have access to private outdoor space like a yard	192	<div></div>	34%
I have access to semi-private/shared outdoor space	135	<div></div>	24%
I only have access to public spaces like parks (I do not have access to private or semi-private outdoor space)	228	<div></div>	40%
Prefer not to answer	18	<div></div>	3%

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## Appendix B: Text Responses

If you were to visit the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue, who would you usually go with? Please select all that apply.

**Participants who selected "Other, please specify." (13 responses)**

- Students and staff from the 1,800 student school across the road to the south.
- Family
- Nephew or mother
- Yoga Class, Meditation Class, Chi-Gong Class, Art Class
- Parent
- childcare outings
- Work associates for lunch.
- Sister
- Family
- Family
- Parents
- Dog

If you were to visit the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue, what method of transportation would you use? Please select all that apply.

**Participants who selected "Other, please specify." (6 responses)**

- Electric skateboard
- Stroller
- Walk with stroller
- Sleeping bag
- Dog
- Skateboard

If you were to visit the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue, what activities do you see yourself doing? Please select all that apply.

**Participants who selected "Other, please specify." (29 responses)**

- Meditation.
- Read, eat
- Calisthenics, please!
- Meditate, Yoga & Chi-Gong. Maybe do some painting & drawing or play melodic acoustic music.
- Play tennis
- Bbq
- Areas to skate/scooter - skate park
- Read a book
- Bbq
- Photography
- Sit on a bench and have lunch.
- drink coffee and read in the shade. walk through leaves and snow
- Meditate
- Green space is critical/ essential
- Sit on a bench not on grass
- Soak feet in a splash pad
- paint plein air
- Walk a Labyrinth
- Skateboard
- Have a coffee or tea with light meal
- Read, meditate
- Cooling off from climate change/excessive heat. Not everyone has aircon and access to a pool/lake or means to travel to them. There are simply not enough cooling areas in proximity to poor residents of the area, especially when our municiple lands are being usurped by condo developers under MZO's and other nonsense.
- Water activity
- Read

What is most important to you when thinking about the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue? Select up to 3 options from the list below.

**Participants who selected "Other, please specify." (55 responses)**

- Dog Free Zone.
- Make a traffic barrier
- Dog Park
- garbage/vandalism from high school kids
- [REDACTED] No dogs / dog poop bins. Houses nearby receive a West wind that would carry bad smells.
- Slides and infant/child swing
- Traffic control
- Appropriate traffic flow - construction vehicles
- Dog off leash area
- Native plants that will support local wildlife.
- Playground
- bushes for wildlife
- Play set for kids

- Dog friendly
- Not to be exclusive dog park, feces odor, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
- Bbq and picnic tables
- Playground
- Flat surfaces with good drainage to sleep on

- Area for pets to play
- An off leash spot for dogs
- Safety, this area is full of drug abuse and will need to be monitored
- Off leash dog play
- Comfortable seating areas that invite one to linger... not control through environmental design.
- Park for kids
- Fenced in dog area
- Shade
- Playground for kids and toddlers
- Safety. Lots of drug use in area now. [REDACTED]

- Off leash enclosed dog area
- No dogs soiling the grass!
- Playground
- shade, cooling areas, wheelchair accessible.
- Exciting playground equipment
- Keeping school kids out during school hours - perfect set-up for smoking/pot use (as has occurred in the vicinity)
- Unexpected beauty and whimsy in plant material and installations. Something that is calm, noise canceling and can make us escape for a moment from relentless construction and cement ugliness. Smart looking benches. Necessary ebrios like garbage receptacles made to look good instead of eyesores. Think finesse!
- Enclosed off-leash area.
- Would love an off-leash, fenced in for dogs
- Well designed - feels inviting to seat and relax
- Classic Timeless Impressive Design
- Strong enhancement of local biodiversity values. Dense substantial native tree, shrub and ground cover planting. NO high maintenance, ecologically damaging turfgrass!!
- Fenced playground
- Pebble walkway for feet massage
- off leash dog area! the area is seriously lacking for this.
- Emphasis on native plant species of trees, shrubs and flowers
- Dog area
- Off leash dog park
- Designed to minimize risk of sharps disposal and littering from nearby high school and shelter
- No dogs!
- Odd location
- Dog park!!!
- Dog friendly
- Pet area
- Pet-free zone. This entire neighborhood of condos has pets defecating everywhere in the limited parkland and all over sidewalks.

- Dog park!!!

Do you have any additional feedback on the design, features and/or any issues you would like addressed in the design of the new parkette at 174-180 Broadway Avenue?

- Any paved surfaces should be water permeable.
- If it is possible to have a small area fenced that you can allow your dog to run without leash it would be perfect!
- Security is key. Seating should be designed to deter sleeping on seating.
- Will be heavily used by NSS students. May be problem - rowdiness loud music. illegal drinking at night. Re pets: need waste containers for dog poop bags as well as litter and recycling.
- Child play area and adult fitness area would be crucial
- Please leave areas alone; as natural as possible; there is too much construction already- why is this happening?
- It would be great to have play structures for toddlers and younger children - the nearby rescind/redpath parkette has swings for toddlers but the play structure is for older kids
- Given it is students from northern who will likely use this park the most, they should be top of mind when building it. Places for them to sit for lunch and hang with thier friends are likely most to be used.
- Playground for adults. Adult exercise equipment is usually boring. Make it fun like adult size monkey bars and swings and stufff
- Realize this summer that water feature is important
- Please label the types or flowers for nature education
- What about the abandoned and run down house next door. Could the city obtain that property and make the parkette bigger?
- [REDACTED] and outside urination.
- Make sure there is no sand involved. Wood chips or recycled rubber mats. Deanvar parkette has sand and it is terrible.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- Attention needs to be paid to the wind tunnels and lack of natural light as a result of the towering condo buildings being erected in the area. We need more parkettes like this to make the neighbourhood more people friendly instead of just tower after tower. Thank you  
Bike rings to lock your bike to!
  - How do we avoid turning this into a space that people will abuse?
  - Please ensure there will be shaded areas as the summers are getting hotter!
  - Please ensure the space is gated to keep children safe from fast vehicles in the neighbourhood, and include signage about keeping pets leashed
  - Please consider a skate spot to add to the parkette. Otherwise, the closest place for skateboarding would be Vander hoof which is very hard to get to without a vehicle. The kids deserve a place to go skate! With all of the nearby apartment complexes, it only makes sense!
  - This area became densely populated with young kids and families, due to tall building all around it. The closest parks are not a walking distance for kids, except Redpath. A designated Parkette for kids would be highly appreciated!

- Growing crime and drug use in area [REDACTED] Expect needles, defecation and drug use and sales in park. Plan on intense lighting and police presence.
- It is a small area surrounded by highrises so we need to see green and nature and feel safe so it needs to fee
- Try to allow for balance of sun and shade areas, especially in summer. Please be mindful of the increasing crime in this area and keep safety a top priority
- Ensurr it does bot become a dog recreational area.
- As it's a Parkette. I would use it more as an adult space to enjoy the flora and fauna. Some interesting art or even a pretty fountain. Maybe even for winter a small ice rink could be incorporated.. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]
- This is a school neighbourhood. Cleanliness will have to be addressed by signage (re littering), multi-garbage receptacles, etc.
- I live less than 5 minutes away. Neighbors are excited about this park. Thank you for asking for feedback.
- Follow ideas from the house on 130 Broadway
- It would be wonderful to have more beautiful play areas for children that are fun, unique, and aesthetically pleasing. Destinations like the playground beside OCAD, or St James Market playground.
- [REDACTED] No digs if children are to play in grass cuz of dog crap. Camera surveillance for security
- Please make a small off leash dog area
- not set up for people to sleep in, safe, and block sound for surrounding homes
- please do not let it become an encampment
- Stop the rampant condo development that is destroying what was once a quiet and enjoyable neighbourhood. It's like living hell now.
- Fenced in play area for kids so that they are safe from traffic
- Basketball net(s) and hockey net(s) for kids to play.
- There are lots of families with small children in the neighborhood, so some play structures would be a good idea. Also, a splash pad would be excellent.
- Given the location across from North Toronto Secondary school, the parkette will potentially be overcrowded by high school students at certain times of day. This should be factored into the planning, e.g. if there's a play structure for kids, make it for little kids so older children won't be tempted to conquer it. Provide lots of seating opportunity.
- A fence with a gate so that children are safe from the roadway.
- VERY important —as much of seating area as possible must be shaded in hot months.
- I think the city should incorporate a focus tree in each new parkette. Plant a tree with room for 100 years of growth. Include a plaque that explains the value of trees (shade, carbon capture, animal benefits). Select a native deciduous tree with a long life span.
- Need to work in conjunction with Northern Secondary to keep students from hanging in the park during school hours
- Fencing so kids don't run out into the street. Bird feeders or bird houses are good. Adirondack chairs like the ones at St. Clements and Yonge would be good. Sculpture or other durable public art.
- Given the location it's important that their space is safe for residents. So many of these areas have turned into areas for people to do and sell drugs
- The neighbourhood needs a designated enclosed off-leash area.
- Something nice in this area would be amazing! Especially for children and pets :)

- Please use sustainable materials so that once built, park would require minimal maintenance
- Universal accessibility is important. Should also not be a question. Just do it.
- Install outdoor pickleball courts for seniors to keep active
- Make sure there are adequate places for people to recycle and dispose of their trash.
- Classic Timeless Design that residents can take pride in - dedication to all Canadians who lost their lives to the pandemic.
- This is crucially needed with the insane completely unsustainable unmitigated dense residential growth affecting Broadway Avenue residents especially. I'm 61 and was raised beside Sherwood Park and have seen the quality of life in North Toronto decline precipitously over the past 50 years. Please do not make this another breeding stock dog park!
- Please stick to native species for plantings
- Please have it gated, so little ones don't run onto the busy road and dog owners don't use it as a dumping ground.
- I really think we need pebble walkway for foot massage
- It is too small for a climbing or swing set
- Please consider adding a dog park/dog friendly area. If there is a drinking station, please consider adding a dog height section.
- This is a community with lots of kids. Please make this park safe, welcoming, accessible and magical for them!
- We are seriously in need of play spaces for children in this area.
- Bathroom facilities
- Lots of shaded areas , trees gardens benches
- With so many pets in the area, it would be nice to have a safe and secure dog off leash space
- Please consider how to minimize sharps disposal.
- Public art would be fun
- There should be more parks between Mt. Pleasant and Yonge. This park has the potential to become a pet urinal and be useless for other users.
- Sad you demolished two low rise apartments for this.
- Put in a small fenced dog park please!
- Seating areas both in the shade and sun
- A dog park with with separate areas for small and large dogs would be a great addition to this area.
- Would prefer it not to become a dog park
- I think that SERIOUS care and attention should be taken so that this Parkette does not become an ideal spot for drug use from the school children or the homeless community
- A pet area (off-leash) is needed as pets are not allowed at the nearby school field, which is our only other green space.
- This park will basically become taken over by students at lunch time, and not accessible to residents during this time.
- Vehicles tend to 'gun it' in front of the said property to make it through the intersection at Broadway Avenue and Mount Pleasant Road when the traffic lights turn yellow. No doubt there will be children playing in the Parkette, so I would high recommend having a gated iron fence on the street side to protect small children from leaving the parkette without an adult. Gated iron fences to keep children within a parkette are quite common in and around Leaside.

- Please add a small off-leash area for dogs!!
- Why does it take so long? The site was cleared over 6 mths ago and you cant build it until 2023
- I would hope the parkette is completely fenced and gated. It would be nice if there were posted times when dogs could be off-leash as there are no fenced off-leash area in the neighborhood.
- As this park will be across from a high school, have lots of garbage bins!
- It would be nice to have some public art and/or sculptures in the space, as well as trees & bushes to seclude the space from the busy traffic in the area
- I think it would be a beautiful place to have a refuge or oasis-like feel for people to go to and heal & connect. There has been a lot of collective trauma in that area and a focus on nature would bring so much to the community.
- The staff and students at Northern Secondary School need to be consulted. They will be the biggest users of this parkette.
- Broadway & Mount Pleasant is very busy. For the safety of students and families using this park eye there should be NO right hand turn on red at this intersection. Cars often make right turns on red without coming to a full stop. Look at the number of accidents at this intersection in recent years.
- Rolling hills, stone paths, sitting rocks trees at back of park.
- Not dog exclusive, limited seating, not inundated by students.
- Dog park!!!
- Please include a dog run off-leash area
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED] No garbage or poop bins for pet owners because adjacent properties have a wind that would carry the stench, especially during the summertime when garbages are not emptied nearly often enough.
- [REDACTED]. There should also not be a pet poop bin or garbage bin because nearby houses receive a western and eastern wind that would carry the smell of summer trash and animal poop.
- Splash pad and wading pool for kids
- [REDACTED]
- It needs traffic protection as the area is quite crowded as it is
- It would be good to have some natural native vegetation to encourage the presence of birds and pollinators. Also, there are no community gardens in this neighborhood, that would be highly desirable.
- Given that there are schools and families in the area, ensuring that the parkette is designed to be safe is important - meaning it doesn't encourage drug use (eg. needles)
- [REDACTED] Hygiene would be important as well, so either making it a no-dog park and/or enforcing pick-up of dog feces (poop & scoop and disposal at other sites like home garbage) and garbage removal on a regular basis.
- It's a small space, so be careful not to jam too much in there. I [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]. This should be a peaceful green space for neighbourhood residents to enjoy. Desperately needed in the overcrowded disaster that Yonge/Ellington has become!
- The park will be excellent - but I think it needs to not become a high school hangout only
- This area has a ton of young children, and growing. This space must include equipment for them.

- We are in desperate need of more playgrounds in the area. Please make it a place that children can visit and play in.
- Please make a closed dog park - we need more!
- Dog drinking station
- I live in the neighborhood and would love to have another park in the area.
- Garbage, recycling, and green bins please!

- Just glad they're not putting up yet another tall rental building in the Redpath/Erskine/Broadway area!
- Would be great to have a lit off leash dog park.
- There are many dogs in the neighborhood and even a small off leash area can be perfect
- Don't wait until 2023. The neighbourhood needs it now.
- Safe place to go is very important. As well privacy for the homes around it too.
- Calisthenics, please!
- I think the new parkette should have 24/7 surveillance to keep it safe with good lighting in the evening/night & early morning. A small stage for life performance & theatre would be nice too.
- So thrilled this is coming to the neighborhood! The kids need a play area!
- Make sure the park is toddler friendly, the design of Rosedale Park kids area was top notch. Please check that as well.
- pandemic has shown how people need and use green space -stop the sardine buildings in our area-people do not like over crowding
- Please add a drinking fountain for humans and pets there are none in the area
- Careful not to create a space that teenagers will over run and litter - seeing as its next door to a high school
- some bushes for birds and bunnies
- Would like it to be catered to children. Due to the addition of the homeless shelter, if it were just open space, it might be frequented by adults as the other open areas are overnight and all day. Have noticed that some homeless people have already set up camp there. Hoping it can be made safe and for kids only
- We need an accessible park to include children with disabilities. At the very least, a park with an accessible swing. I am a pediatric occupational therapist with a child who has special needs. Please contact me for more information if required. [REDACTED]
- Would love a way to encourage dog owners to pick up after their dogs.
- Dog park (unleashed area) would be very much appreciated (do many pets in this area)
- Please make sure the children's playground is age appropriate for the area. Currently we travel to find engaging playgrounds for 4-6yo children. Also be mindful that high school students may want to use the playground inappropriately. Please ensure the safety of the area at night to discourage behaviors that may be harmful if we were to visit in the morning (eg needles, garbage etc)
- Shade is important for parks!
- Could really use more space designed for young children
- It would be good to expand the site further when possible. The area does not have enough parks and green space for all the residents especially with new incoming residents who will be inhabiting the newly built condos.
- Shaded play area for kids is important.

- A dog park would be great
- Concerned about safety and seating due to affordable housing in the area so benches are nice but security and lighting also
- Park design to encourage short term park use for people; well lit, video surveillance for safety issues discouraging unlawful park use.
- Wouldn't want to see it becoming a dog walking park or garbage containers full of dog poop deposits, with the feces scent overwhelmingly in the neighbourhood and repelling students and neighbours visiting. Frequent city check for garbage (emptying) and needles in the area for children safety.
- Please make this park accessible for everyone, mobile and not as mobile.
- I would like to this parkette is dog free. Seniors are property so they can get sunshine as much as they can. Since lots high rise building around Yonge-Eglinton-Mt. Pleasant-Keewatin are very hard to get necessary vitamin D3 year around. The sunshine is one of the important healthy dose that we all need.
- Please consider a skate park
- There are houses right there so please remember them when designing the park. They bought before it is a park, so for noise etc.
- Build a work out area SVP
- Bike racks are very important as it's located on a major crosstown bike route
- The soft rubber matting on playgrounds like the park at Trace Manes with rolling hills is something that kids love.
- Should have accessible play areas
- Please ensure enough garbage cans and don't make this a place to attract dogs because they shit everywhere and ruin it for the rest of us.
- My daughter has special needs and it is very important to us that this new park be accessible to everyone. She currently doesn't have a place where she feels she can play safely and confidently in the neighborhood. Thanks.
- Consider a Little Library or message board. Also volunteer run community garden?
- Would love no sand or gravel for the play area. Eglinton Park has a great rubber floor.
- I've always enjoyed green spaces, but COVID had shown me exactly how important they are to mental health, just to be able to go outside and soak up the sun, or read a book or suicidal distance with a friend. I can only imagine how much joy I'll receive from this
- This Parkette needs to be accessible to wheelchairs, baby carriages and walkers
- [REDACTED] I think this needs to be addressed in the plan somehow in order to keep the community safe for everyone, and the parkette accessible to children and families.
- No dogs allowed. Or have separate fenced dog area.
- There are many homes with pet dogs in the area. If no other planned parkettes in area include section for dog parkette then would include this suggestion for this parkette.
- Its very small, we need qay more green space un the area.
- Off lease dog areas are very much needed in this neighborhood and are very unavailable. I would imagine 1 out of 3 homes has a dog. Please consider this in your planning. A fenced off area for dogs to play!!
- This is going to become a trash site for school kids and homeless residents looking to do drugs.

- No bathrooms and no dark corners where homeless can set up tents; lots of community outreach people checking for needles; and a large area for dogs to play
- I think it is really important that the park be accessible for all children. I know that some parks in our neighbourhood have play areas or other features that are not easily accessible for children who have difficulty walking and their families. I think it is really important that all children in the neighbourhood and their families can play at the park and feel welcome there. I hope the new parkette is designed and built with accessibility in mind as a key consideration.
- If there is a play area, it would be great if there wasn't a rubber ground underneath as it sloughs off and becomes waste.
- I'm not aware of any bottle filling stations in the neighbourhood (including at Sherwood park), so having one here would be very good.
- Garbage/recycling containers
- I really hope that the parkette is designed the way modern ones are following examples in other countries.
- It will be a good park

[REDACTED]

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- please ensure there is enough garbage & recycling cans and that they are being emptied daily
- The demographics of the area is becoming young professionals with pets. The parkette should be designed with this demographic in mind.
- It would be nice to have specific area for pets given the high density of the area of numbers of pets. The grounds and lawns would be in better condition and more hygienic to sit on. Also provides owners of pets to gather.
- A fountain or splash pad would be nice to help cool off in hot weather
- I think that we don't have any off leash dog parks in the area and I think it would be very useful
- Plant native plants and make it an escape of the now very busy neighbourhood but be mindful that homelessness is becoming a bigger issue in the city
- Play structures would be most welcome, I am concerned if it is a grass area it will become the local spot for dogs to relieve themselves making it not conducive for children to play.
- Thank you for collecting community feedback. Hope these responses helped :)
- Lots of traffic on Broadway that needs to be addressed before building this parkette
- There are many places to workout. A park would be nice to relax or walk the dogs. There is so much going on in this area I think we just need some greenery and a break from construction
- The abutting property at 182 Broadway is falling apart inside and outside, and it is likely to negatively impact the parkette and its use (safety, garbage). I strongly suggest that this property is incorporated into the parkette before construction starts.
- The parks in Montreal are beautiful mainly because they are open with some shade coverage by the trees. When things are added they close up the space and limit your options.
- Please ensure it is monitored safely due to the changing demographics in this neighbourhood.
- Thank you! I think it is a wonderful idea to have more playgrounds for children.

- There is very little green space in the area and it will be used as a place for dogs to go to urinate (even if this is not the intended purpose) so this needs to be planned for
- Objects and fixtures in the parkette should be designed to discourage vandalism.
- Safety is a priority... this neighborhood hasn't been safe since March 2020
- There is no fitness area in Redpath parkette, which makes Broadway Parkette having fitness area a must. Also,
- Be nice if it's made for people first and foremost and doesn't become Dog park
- This area is a huge [REDACTED] with the influx of tower after tower after tower and no infrastructure planning to support this. We have aggressive off-leash dogs with their aggressive owners, people drinking and smoking pot, littering, and dog and human crap in the parks we already have! Reporting does nothing- city comes days later, police ignore! Put our tax money where it is needed! Build safe crossings- lights at every corner with an all-way light for pedestrians and left turn lanes for vehicles!
- Please add an off leash dog area. There is no local dog park with lighting.
- [REDACTED]  
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