

City of Toronto Cricket Reference Group

Meeting 5 – Thursday, February 10, 2022

Meeting Start: 7:00 p.m.



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.



**Thank you for being with us
again!**

Agenda



Welcome Back, Webex Tips and Introductions



Announcements



Presentation:

- 2021 in Review
- Terms Of Reference & Membership
- 2022-2031 Staff Recommended Capital Budget and Plan
- CRG 2022 Work Plan



Next Steps

thank
you!

Adjourn at 8:30 pm



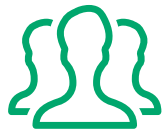
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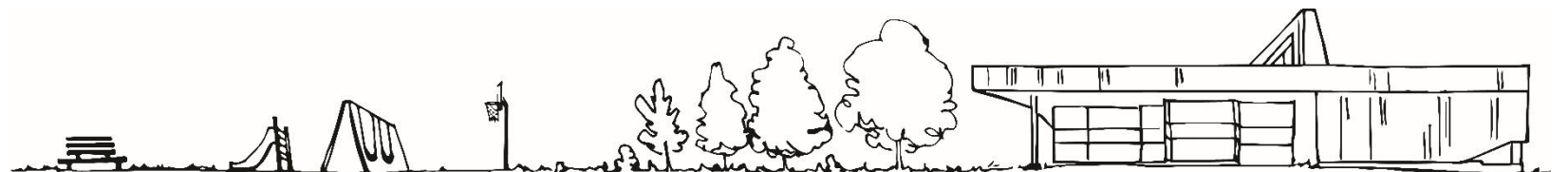
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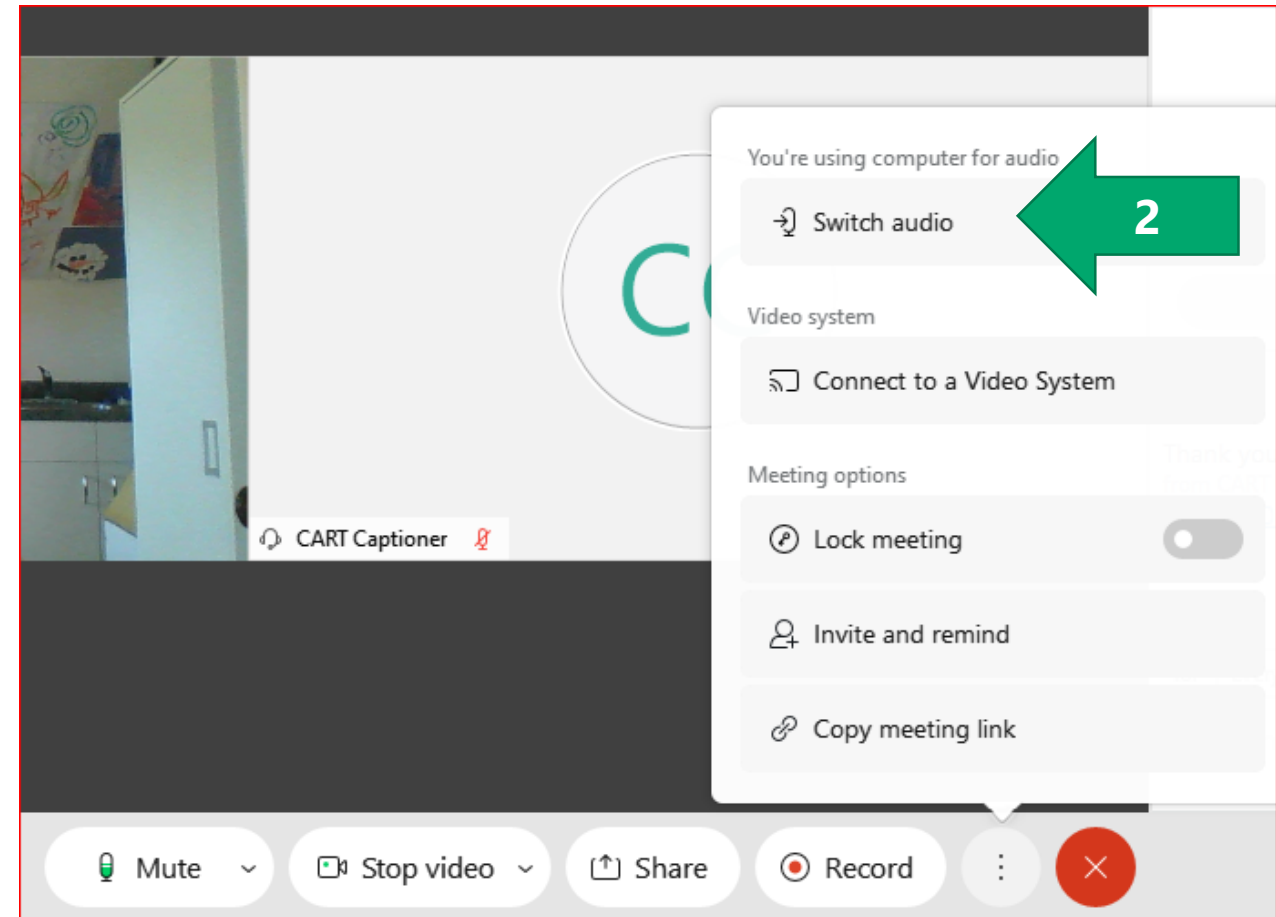


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 - a) Enter your phone number
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Parks Forestry & Recreation Staff

Alex Lavasidis – Sr. Public Consultation Coordinator
Matt Bentley – Project Manager, Facilities Master Plan
Susan Fall – Supervisor, System Planning



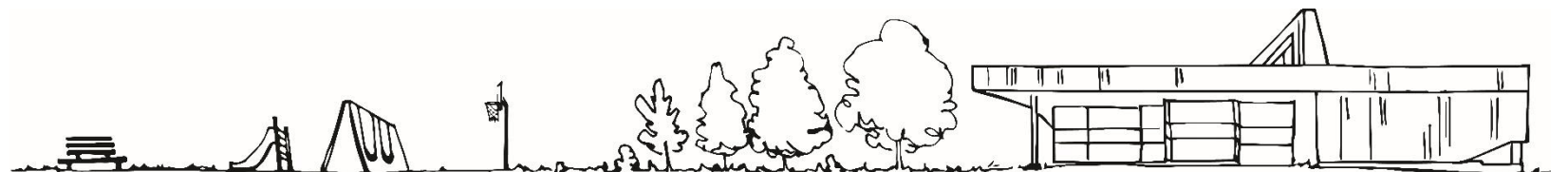
Cricket Organizations

Abdool Mudassar Samad - Superstar Colts Coach
Abu Rubaid Alam - Bangla Warriors Cricket Club
Akshay Pandya - Cricket Canada Masters Council
Amir Butt - Toronto Police Cricket Club
Azeem Khan - Ontario Twilight Softball Cricket League
Dharmwandra Kumar Jaipersaud - Ontario Softball Cricket League
Heather Mitchell - Community Sport Collective (*formerly Toronto Sports Council*)
Kannan Rajagopal – Cricket Player
Keith Deonaraine - Cricket Canada
Melvin John – Community Sports Collective & Canadian Police Cricket Club
Mohammed Shaikh - Toronto & District Cricket Association
Pram Persaud - Brampton-Etobicoke and District Cricket League
Qhinathullah Mohammed - Greater Toronto Cricket Club
Ranil Mendis - CIMA
Shah Saleem Zafar - Cricket Ontario
Shiv Persaud - Scarborough Cricket Association
Wendy Kane - Global T20 Canada

Updates & Announcements

Opportunity for all members to share cricket news

- The Cricket Strategy will be published to the project webpage in 2021 and reported with the Sports Field Strategy in 2023 with the new term of Council.
 - We will share a draft of the Cricket Strategy with you in Q1 and we will have an opportunity to discuss and share ideas





SCARBOROUGH CRICKET ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS

BRNDN

The First Ever

Winter Cricket Season



12 GAMES PER TEAM + PLAYOFFS

BEGINS **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27TH 2021**

POTENTIAL GAME TIMES: 12:30PM - 4:30PM

ALL REGISTRATIONS REQUIRE A \$725 DEPOSIT AND BALANCE PAID IN FULL BY
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 20TH, 2021

ENTRANCE FEE

\$2500

WINNING PRIZE

\$2500

11 PLAYERS PER TEAM WITH 10 ON THE FIELD AT ALL TIMES
UMPIRE FEE \$35 PER TEAM - BALLS \$20 EACH

FEEDBACK FROM TEAMS PARTICIPATING HAVE CLAIMED THE FACILITY TO BE THE LARGEST AND BRIGHTEST

- LOCATION -

PICKERING SOCCER CENTRE

FOR MORE INFO OR IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SPONSORSHIP
PLEASE CONTACT SCARBOROUGHCA.EXEC@GMAIL.COM





The Scarborough Cricket Association hosted a dinner to recognize and celebrate 4 players from the SCA:

Three are **players** at the **ICC U19 Cricket World Cup**:

- Matthew Nandu who is a born Canadian will be representing the West Indies U19 Team
- Arjuna Sukhu and Ethan Gibson will be representing Canada U19.



Surendra Seeraj was appointed as the **Assistant Coach for the Canada U19 Team**.

The World Cup ran January 14th - February 5th



Thunder Bay's first cricket pitch "a big step"

Baseball diamond at Chapples Park converted to serve as city's first official cricket pitch.

about 24 hours ago By: Ian Kaufman



Supporters of Thunder Bay's first cricket pitch say there are now hundreds playing the game locally. (Frank Giorno, Timminstoday.com)

<https://www.tbnewswatch.com/local-news/thunder-bays-first-cricket-pitch-a-big-step-4758260>

Name this park ...



Any additional updates or announcements?



2021 Year in Review

2021 Cricket Reference Group Accomplishments

Wednesday April 21st

Field Typologies

- Agreed on a new **Typology** to describe fields by size
- Introduced **60 x 60 fields** to pursue creating more opportunities for junior and senior play to reduce demand on full size fields

Design

- Lengthen run ups to reduce maintenance and increase player safety
- Dual pitches are not preferred
- Artificial turf is the most practical surface for maintenance and consistency (natural turf is still a priority!)
- Field delineation is important on field by field basis if there is conflict with other park users
- Sight screens are important on a site by site basis
- A lit field is a priority as the City has no lit cricket fields

Wednesday May 12th

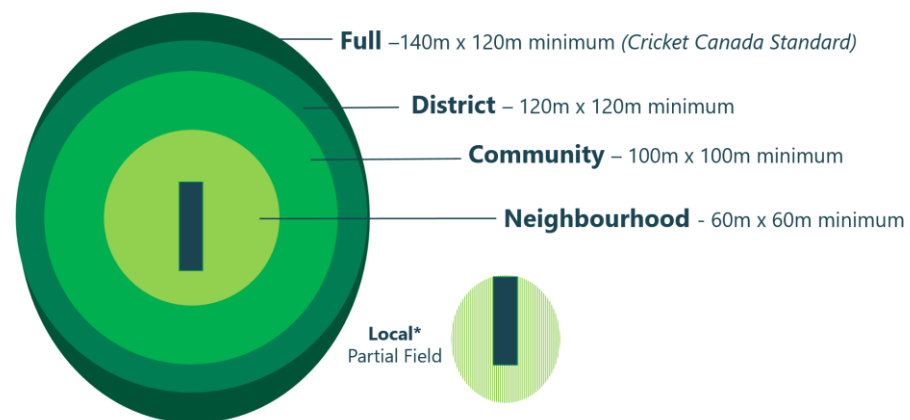
New Field Locations

Discussed pros and cons of finding new field locations:

- Master Planning process
- Shared fields
- Converted fields
- Leased land

Upgrades

- Prioritized amenities by classification
- Discussed grass length, mowing and rolling fields and pitches with Parks staff



Wednesday June 1st

Exploring Ideas for Growing the Sport

- Partner with PSOs is important & improve outreach in general
- Staffing & Coaches
- Programming
- Raising Awareness and promote play
- CRG members offered to work with Community Recreation on building a cricket development plan

Thursday October 21st

Measuring Cricket Growth

- Cricket Ontario team participation or hardball and softball cricket
- Discussed increase in youth and senior cricket teams

Design Standards

- Discussed draft design standards with staff landscape architect

Promoting Cricket Play

- Discussed plan to develop 9 week intro cricket program with Community Recreation staff. CRG members offered to support this initiative with existing programs as template.
- Discussed promoting cricket to diversity of players including youth, seniors and adaptive/inclusive players.

Renewing our Terms of Reference

Review of the CRG Terms of Reference

Cricket Reference Group (CRG) members agree to this Terms of Reference in order to participate in the CRG.

Any amendments to the Terms of Reference (ToR) will be made in consultation with the Project Team and CRG members.



Review of the CRG Terms of Reference

1. CRG Mandate

The Cricket Reference Group (CRG) will aim to provide perspective, guidance and expert advice to the City of Toronto Parks, Forestry & Recreation (PFR) Division on building organizational capacity and increasing access to community cricket programs and facilities across the city.

The CRG is a non-political advisory body that will provide a forum for feedback, guidance and advice to the City of Toronto to inform the development and implementation of the City's new Cricket Strategy.



Review of the CRG Terms of Reference

2. Membership

CRG members represent community organisations or groups within the Toronto Cricket community. The City of Toronto may propose expansion of the CRG to include additional community members as required, to ensure broad community representation.

CRG membership is voluntary and no compensation is provided. By participating as members of the CRG, members are not expected to waive their rights to participate in the democratic process, and may continue to participate through other channels.

A list of CRG member organisations and representatives will be posted to the project webpage and circulated to the community.

Are there representatives missing from the CRG?

Who should we invite to represent voices of:

- Youth in Cricket
- Women in Cricket
- People with Disabilities in Cricket



3. Meetings

The CRG will meet approximately 3 times a calendar year. Each meeting will be approximately 1.5 to 2 hours and will take place virtually.

Meeting dates and times will be shared with CRG members at least one week in advance of each meeting. If additional meetings are necessary as the project unfolds or if the identified dates need to change, the Project Team will work with CRG members to determine appropriate dates and times.



4. Attendance

CRG members are expected to attend each meeting, or send an alternate representative in their place.

The term of the CRG members will be 1 year, at such time City staff will reach out to participating organizations to confirm continued participation in the group.

CRG members and organisations who miss two meetings in a year will be considered inactive and contacted by staff to confirm continued interest in participating.



5. CRG Recommendation-Making

The CRG is an advisory group, not a decision-making body. The CRG is not responsible for the decisions made by the Project Team or City Council.

As an advisory group, the CRG will operate using a consensus-based approach, where members seek general agreement on guidance and advice to the Project Team. A consensus-based approach assumes that participants can openly discuss ideas, perspectives and viewpoints, and are willing to work together to develop common ground and minimize areas of disagreement to the best of their ability.

Differing viewpoints and opinions will be documented in the CRG meeting notes.



6. Reporting

The design team will compile a written summary of each CRG meeting. CRG members will have one week to provide suggested edits to the draft summary, after which the summary will be finalized and published to the project webpage.

The Cricket Reference Group will report annually, via the City of Toronto Cricket website on their accomplishments of the year. Further updates of their work may be included in the capital budget process where applicable.



Review of the CRG Terms of Reference

7. Roles

All CRG members and the Project Team will:

- Review and agree to these Terms of Reference;
- Attend CRG meetings and participate in constructive, respectful, and positive discussion;

CRG members will:

- Attend meetings or send an alternate representative in their place
- Provide advice, feedback and perspectives on meeting topics;
- Review CRG meeting summaries to confirm accuracy;
- Share meeting discussions and outcomes, as well as opportunities for wider community input and engagement with community members, and any organizations or constituencies CRG members belong to.

Project Team members (including City staff and Consultant team) will:

- Identify what is open for community influence and what is not (and why);
- Provide accurate, easy to understand information to CRG members;
- Listen carefully to the advice and perspectives of CRG members and, where feasible, incorporate advice into the project; and where not feasible, provide a clear explanation of how the feedback was considered and why it is not feasible;
- Write and post summary reports of each CRG meeting, and other relevant documents on the project website.
- Organise meetings and develop meeting materials as required.



8. Renewing the CRG

The CRG Terms of Reference will be reviewed annually.



Review of the CRG Terms of Reference

9. Media Contact

Individual CRG members' opinions are not necessarily representative of the views of the entire CRG. In the event that CRG members receive media enquiries about the Cricket Strategy, its process, and feedback shared in CRG meetings, all inquiries should be referred to Daniel Fusca, Manager, Stakeholder Engagement, City of Toronto Parks Forestry and Recreation Division at Daniel.Fusca@toronto.ca. CRG members may speak to the media about their individual/organizational perspectives about this Project.

10. Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy

All information will be used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all information provided through the CRG process will form part of the public record including the names of CRG member organizations and organization representatives.

11. Contact

The points of contact for all CRG correspondence are Matt Bentley and Susan Fall.



Any questions or concerns?



**Please confirm that you agree
to the 2022 Terms of Reference
by raising your hand
*(in real life or digitally)***



2022-2031 Staff Recommended Capital Budget and Plan

2022 Capital Budget – Featuring Cricket Investments



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2022 CAPITAL BUDGET BRIEFING NOTE Indoor and Outdoor Skating and Cricket Investments in the 2022-2031 Staff Recommended Capital Budget and Plan for Parks, Forestry and Recreation

Issue/Background:

- This briefing note responds to a request from Budget Committee, at the January 20, 2022 meeting, to provide a summary of the indoor and outdoor skating and cricket capital investments included in Parks, Forestry and Recreation's (PFR) 2022-2031 Staff Recommended Capital Budget and Plan.

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2022/bu/bgrd/backgroundfile-175542.pdf>



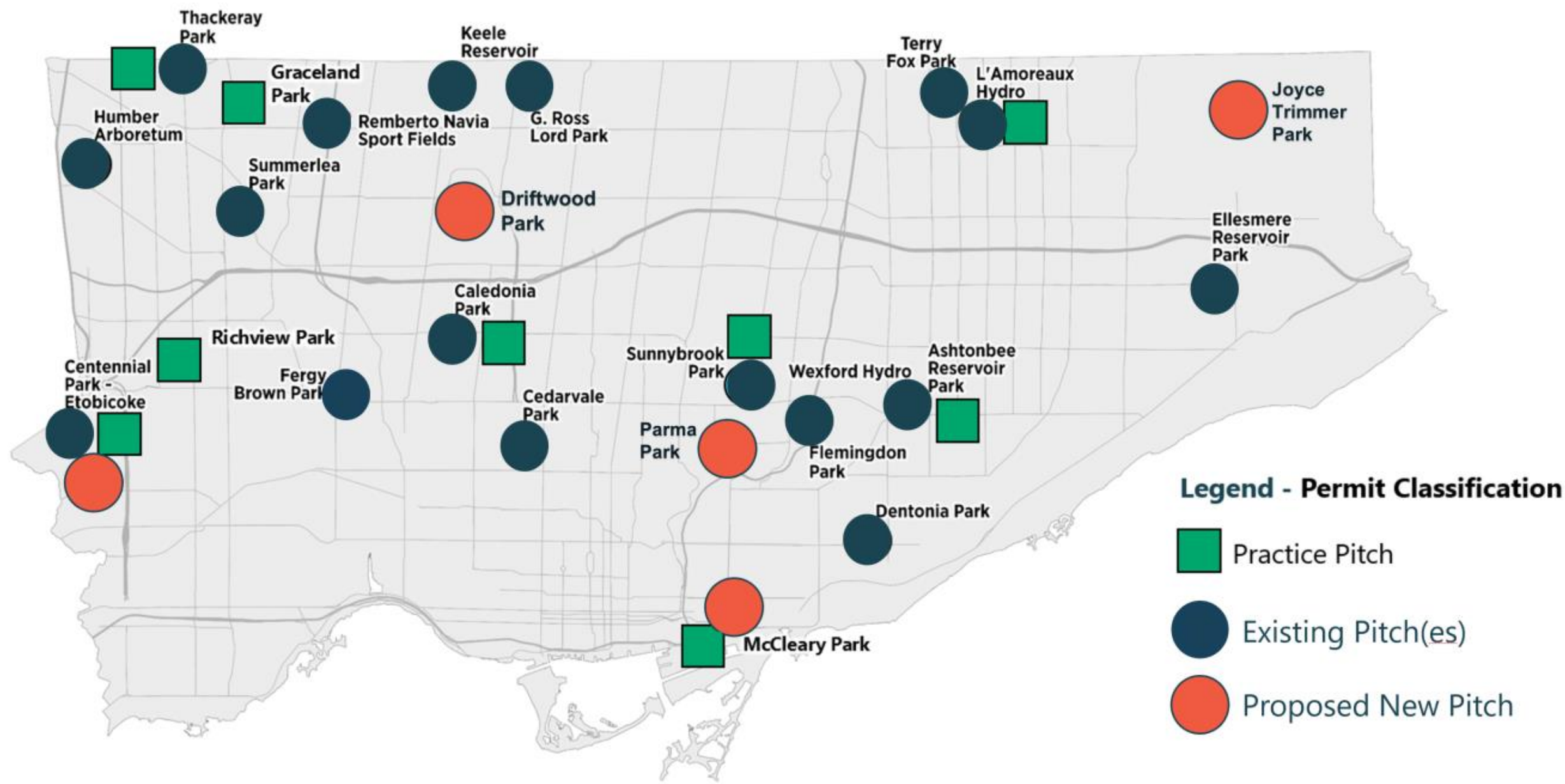
- The 2022-2031 Staff Recommended Capital Budget and Plan includes a total investment of **\$6.4 m for cricket infrastructure (outdoor pitches and indoor facilities)**
- \$2.5M total for the design and construction of **five new outdoor cricket pitches** with construction completion estimated in **2023, 2024, 2026, 2028, 2030**
 - \$0.5M delivered on a 2 year cycle
 - Design and public consultation in year one and implementation in year two
- \$3.9M to accommodate **indoor cricket** within an additional 7000 ft² gym in the North East Scarborough Community Recreation Centre (2024 completion *est*)
- Through the 2022-2031 Staff Recommended Capital Budget and Plan, **two additional cricket pitches were added**, an increase of \$1.0M compared to the 2021 Council Approved Capital Budget and 2022-2030 Capital Plan. Funding has been accelerated in order to deliver the cricket pitches sooner in response to community demand.

New Field Location Preferred Options

Priority locations recommended for new Cricket Fields

- There will be **five new outdoor cricket pitches** with construction completion estimated between 2023-2030
- In **2022-2023** PFR will be looking to advance:
 - **Driftwood Park** – 80 x 80 m Neighbourhood field
 - conversion of a ball diamond
 - **Parma Park** – 60 x 60 m Neighbourhood field
 - conversion of a ball diamond
 - **McCleary Park** - 120 x 120 m Community field
 - re-establish cricket pitch on shared lit field between 2 ball diamonds
- **Beyond 2023:**
 - Centennial Park – 100 x 100 m Community field
 - pending utility corridor construction project completion
 - Joyce Trimmer Park extension potential - 140 x 120 m Full field
 - pending potential lease of school board land

Priority Locations for New Cricket Fields



2022 CRG Work Plan

2022 Cricket Reference Group Agenda

- Today's meeting topics
 - 2021 Review / Terms of Reference / 2022 Planning
- Three additional meetings planned for 2022
 - April
 - September/October
 - November/December
- Proposed 2022 meeting topics:
 - Field Maintenance
 - New field status
 - Draft strategy review & discussion
 - Programming opportunities
 - Promoting and growing the sport

Are we missing any topics of discussion for 2022?



Next Steps

Next Steps

- If you have any additional feedback on tonight's discussion, please email Susan Fall by February 24: susan.fall@toronto.ca
- Staff will provide a draft **meeting summary** within next few weeks for your review.
- Staff will circulate the **2022 Terms of Reference** for your records, and post a version to the project webpage.
- **Next meeting** – HOLD Thursday April 21st



HAVE A NICE DAY

 **TORONTO** Parks & Recreation