# Centennial Park Master Plan Implementation

Public Information Session January 10, 2024

Thank you for attending!







# Implementing the Plan: Updates

Centennial Park Improvement Projects in 2024



Skate Trail, Chalet and Parking Lot Improvements

Playground and Water Play Improvements Sport Hubs and Recreational Facilities

Elmcrest Creek Improvements

Indigenous Placekeeping

Improved Trail
Network

Natural Areas and Watercourses



# **Skate Trail, Chalet, and Parking Lot Improvements**



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#### **Skate Trail Improvements:**

- New artificial ice skating trail including washroom facility in the chalet
- Design: 2023 Construction: 2024

#### Hill Trail Improvements:

- Accessible Pathways/Trails including the lookout nodes
- Design: 2024 Construction: 2024/25



**Conceptual Rendering: Centennial Hill / Enhanced Community Programming Hub (2023-24) Summer** 



# **Skate Trail, Chalet, and Parking Lot Improvements**

#### Parking Lot Improvements

- State of good repair work to parking lots 1-5 including storm water management system
- Design: 2024 Construction: 2024/25
- Bioswales, like these ones are one commonly-used type of low impact development (LID) solution.



# **Site Plan**

**Interpretation of the Control** 



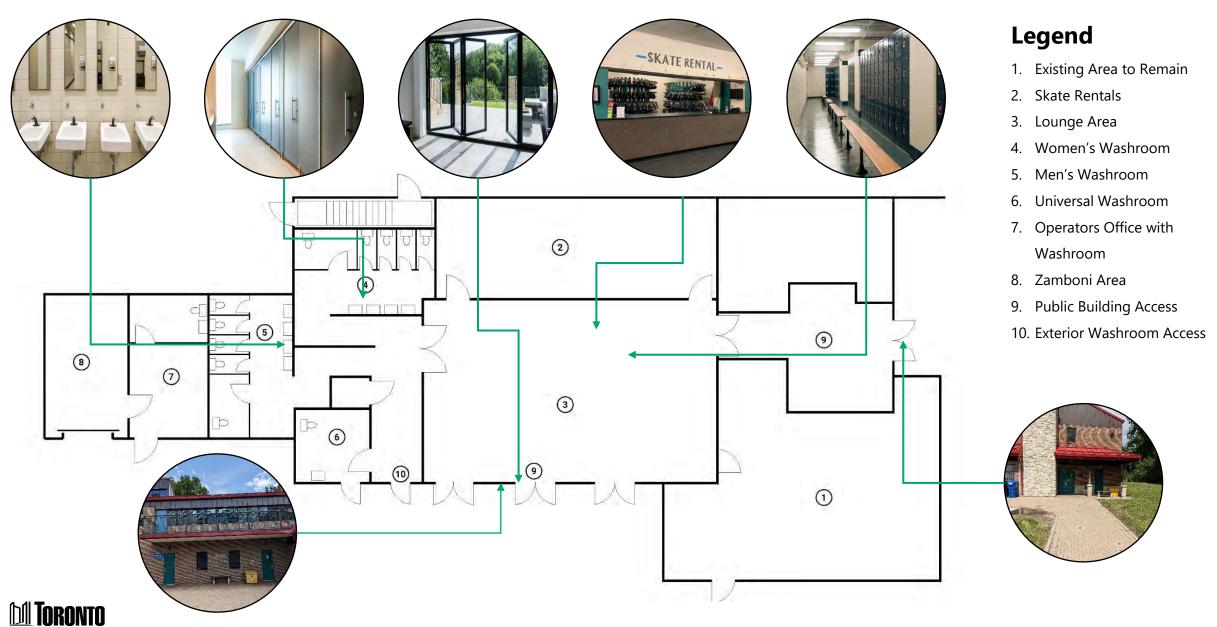
#### Legend

- Exposed Aggregate Concrete in Public Plaza
- Proposed Native Shade Trees with Seating
- 3. Existing Trees to Remain
- 4. Concrete Paved Skating Loop
- 5. Removable Long Benches
- Heavy Duty Concrete Pad for Snow Storage
- Heavy Duty Asphalt Walking and Parks Maintenance
   Vehicular Path
- 8. Proposed Light Standard
- Proposed Zamboni Room,
   Operators Office and
   Washrooms
- 10. Existing Chalet
- 11. Existing Pump House
- 12. Existing Parking Lot
- 13. Existing Sod





# **Skate Facility Floorplan & Washroom**



# **Materials Palette – Removeable Long Bench Seating**











# **Materials Palette – Hardscape Surfacing**





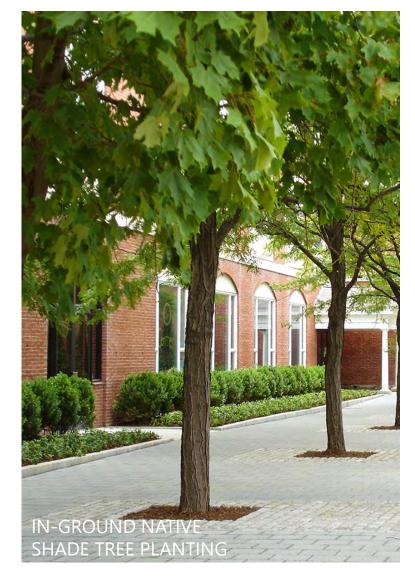








# **Materials Palette – Tree Planters**









# **Materials Palette – Lighting**







# **Playground and Water Play Improvements** Rathburn Road . Elmcrest Road

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# **Existing Playground and Wading Pool**







# **Playground and Water Play Improvements**

A new Destination Playground and Water Play Area, in a unified space celebrating the nearby natural environment.

#### This will include:

- New playground and water play
- Social gathering spaces and picnicking opportunities
- Indigenous Placekeeping
- Accessibility improvements and inclusive play
- Renovated washroom building
- Parking lot and pathway improvements

Design 2023 - Construction 2024





# **Junior Play**

















# **All Ages and Senior Play**



















# **Hillside Play**









# **Water Play**









# **Indigenous Placekeeping**

#### 1. Tree of Peace Garden

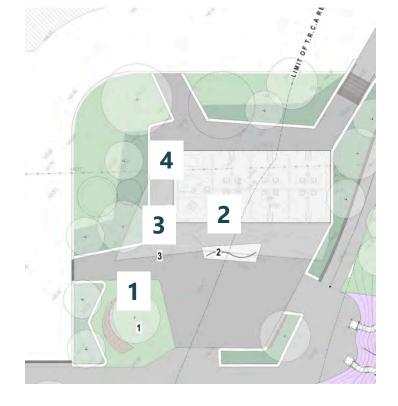


2. Wave Screen

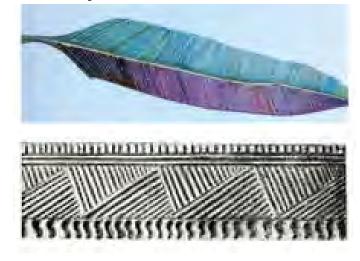


3. Constellation Canopy





4. Iroquois Wall Panel





# **Renovated Washroom Building and Site Furnishings**



















# **Sport Hubs and Recreational Facilities**

#### Three Phases of Sport Improvements

#### **Phase 1 New Baseball Hub**

- Repurpose go-cart track back to public park use
- 4 new baseball / softball diamonds (1)
  - Includes 4 independent batting cages
- 8 beach volleyball courts (2)
- 12 pickleball courts (3)
- New social gathering spaces including a shelter (6,7)
- Includes new lighting and irrigation
- Improvements to parking lots (4)
- New multi-use trails (9)
- (10-14) to be delivered as part of Phase 3
- Design 2023/24 Construction 2024





# **Sport Hubs and Recreational Facilities**

#### **Phase 2 New Soccer Hub**

- Removal of eastern baseball diamonds
- New turf, irrigation, and lighting
- New accessible pathways & viewing areas
- Open plateau design with moveable equipment allowing flexible multi-purpose field use
- Design 2023/24
   — Construction 2024/25

#### **Phase 3 Facilities**

#### (one by the baseball hub, one by the soccer hub)

- Premier natural turf with irrigation and lighting
- Four season fieldhouse
- Design 2024 Construction 2025/26





# **Stadium Bubble**



## **Stadium Bubble**

An air supported structure will be investigated to allow year-round use of the existing artificial turf sport field within the stadium or may be placed as part of one of the adjacent fields.

This will include new supporting infrastructure (e.g. grade beam footing and pressurizing mechanical facility).

Feasibility Review: 2024

Design\*: 2024/2025

Construction\*: 2027/28

\*Requires a positive feasibility review.









# **Elmcrest Creek and Disc Golf Improvements**

# The benefits of stream restoration include:

- Improved water quality
- Stabilized stream banks
- Enhanced natural corridors that aid fish and wildlife movement
- Increased riparian and in-stream habitat
- Improved passive and active recreation opportunities



Channelized stream before restoration.



New channel immediately post-construction.



Restored channel with native plantings.



# Indigenous Placekeeping





# **Indigenous Placekeeping**

Form Indigenous Advisory Circle (IAC) to provide valuable feedback on important project phases throughout 2024 – 2025

Collaborate with Indigenous architects, consultants, and community members to inform design elements & Indigenous Placekeeping opportunities

Identify priority projects highlighting Indigenous design, language, and knowledge

Indigenous Placekeeping will be incorporated into playground design





**Improved Trail Network** 



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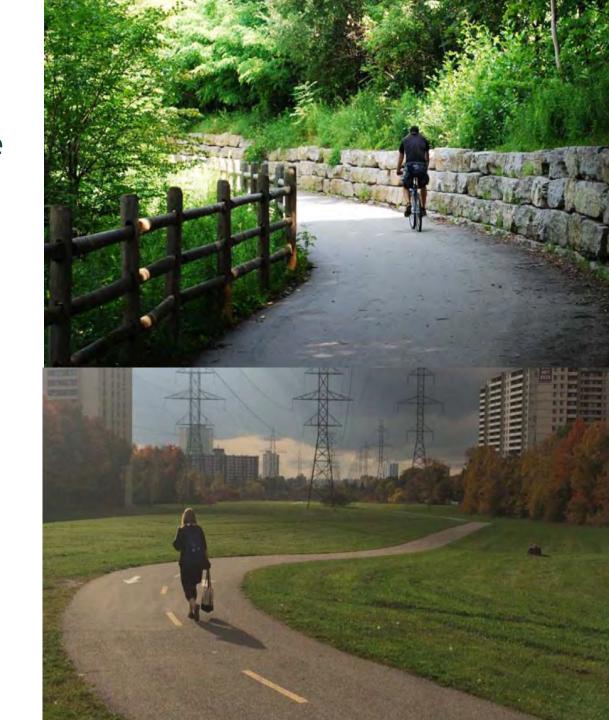
Grade and surface improvements will be made to the interior arterial pathways. These improvements include:

- New multi-use trail along Centennial Park Blvd. from Eglinton Ave to Rathburn Rd.
- New multi-use trail along Rathburn Rd. from Centennial Park Blvd to the Olympium
- New park gateway entrances and wayfinding
- Hard surfacing granular arterial pathways

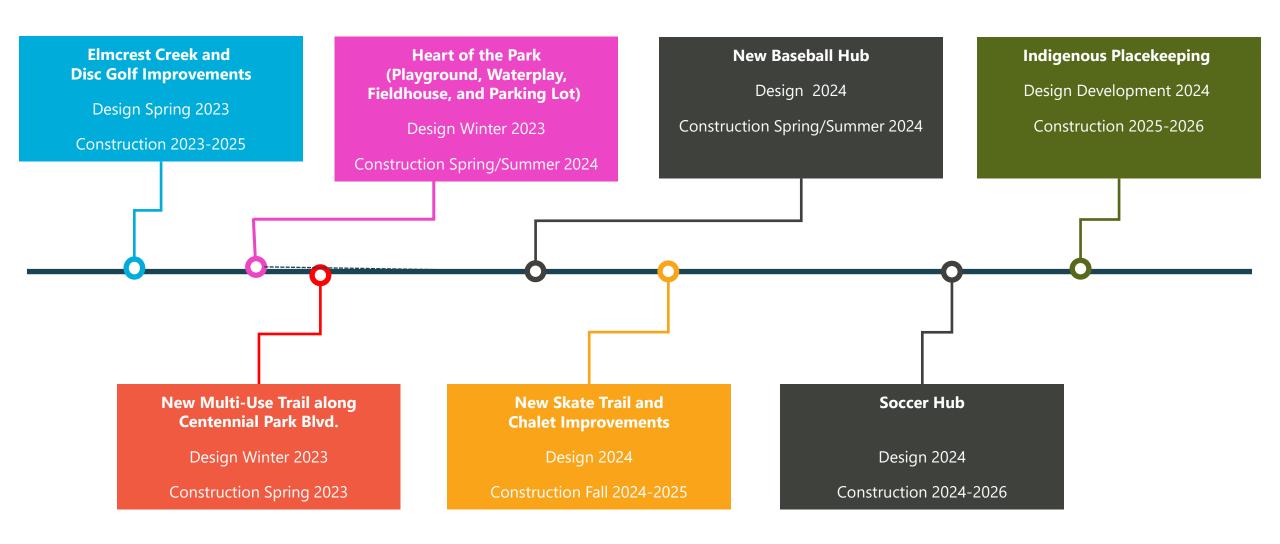
Design: 2023 – Construction\*: 2023-2025

\*Construction to be coordinated with other projects' phasing.





## **Timeline**





# Community Engagement



## **Community Engagement Overview for Winter 2024**

#### **Indigenous Engagement**

- Consultation with Rights Holders
- Indigenous Advisory Circle for the Master Plan Implementation
  - Regular meetings 2-4 times a year (or more as required)
  - Will be formed in 2024
- Indigenous Sharing Circles have informed the design of the playground and water play area next sharing circle is on January 24.

#### **Online surveys**

- Skate Trail and Baseball Hub (including pickleball & volleyball courts): January 10 24
- Playground and Water Play: January 15 29

#### Stakeholder Advisory Committee for the Master Plan Implementation

- Regular meetings 2-4 times a year (or more as required)
- Will begin forming in January 2024
- Made up of representatives from local organizations and park user groups

# **Next Steps**

#### Now:

- Visit the project webpage to participate in the online surveys.
- Indigenous community members can also participate in the upcoming Indigenous Sharing Circle for the playground and water play improvements.

### **Later in January:**

- These presentation slides will be posted on the project webpage.
- Indigenous community members can apply to be part of the Indigenous Advisory Circle.

### **Ongoing:**

 Visit the project webpage to sign up for e-updates and be notified of opportunities for future participation.

