



AGENDA

**Bentley Town Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday August 22, 2023
6:45pm Regular Meeting**

1. Call to Order

2. Indigenous Acknowledgement

“We acknowledge that we are meeting on Treaty 6 Territory and Home of Metis Nation Region 3, on land that is part of a historic agreement involving mutuality and respect. We recognize all the many First Nations, Metis, Inuit, and non-First Nations whose footsteps have marked these lands.”

3. Amendments & Acceptance of Agenda

4. Adoption of Previous Minutes:

a) Regular Meeting of Council July 11, 2023

5. Financial:

a) Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No. 20230495 to 20230614

6. New Business

a) Oxford Park Concept Plan – Report

b) Main Street Banner Designs

c) RCMP Community Letter, Q1 Report and 4-Year Crime Statistics

7. Correspondence

a) Lacombe County Council Highlights July 13, 2023

b) AHS – Dedicated Indigenous Support Line

c) Fall Festival Event – In Recognition of National Good Neighbor Day

8. Other Business

None

9. Council Reports

a) Mayor Rathjen

b) Deputy Mayor Eastman

c) Councillor Grimdsdale

d) Councillor Valiquette

e) Councillor Hansen

10. Adjournment



Minutes of the Regular of the Council of the Town of Bentley

July 11, 2023

- Date and Place** Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Bentley held Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 6:45 p.m., in the Bentley Municipal Office
- In Attendance** Mayor Greg Rathjen
Deputy Mayor Eastman
Councillor Grimsdale
Councillor Valiquette
Councillor Hansen
CAO, Marc Fortais
- Call to Order** Mayor Rathjen called the regular meeting to order at 6:45pm
- Indigenous Acknowledgement** “We acknowledge that we are meeting on Treaty 6 Territory and Home of Metis Nation Region 3, on land that is part of a historic agreement involving mutuality and respect. We recognize all the many First Nations, Metis, Inuit, and non-First Nations whose footsteps have marked these lands.”
Read by Mayor Rathjen
- Agenda**
- Motion 181/2023** Moved by Councillor Valiquette, “THAT the agenda of the July 11, 2023, Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council be accepted.”
Carried
- Previous Minutes**
- Motion 182/2023** Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT the minutes of the July 11, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council be accepted.”
Carried

Financial

a) Prepaid Cheque Listing – Cheques No. 20230469 to 20230494

Motion 183/2023 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT Cheques No. 20230469 to 20230494 be received for information.”

Carried

New Business

a) Medicine Lodge Ski Hill Masterplan

Motion 184/2023 Moved by Councillor Grimsdale, “THAT Mayor and Council accept and approve the final report for the Medicine Lodge Ski Hill Masterplan and Asset Utilization Study.”

Carried

b) Change of Deputy Mayor from Deputy Mayor Hansen to Deputy Mayor Eastman (as of July 12, 2023, and until October 24, 2023, as per the organizational meeting minutes from October 25, 2022.)

Motion 185/2023 Moved by Councillor Hansen, “THAT Councillor Lenore Eastman will serve as Deputy Mayor and be a designated signing authority on behalf of the Town of Bentley, including all Servus Credit Union Accounts – from July 12, 2023, to October 24, 2023, replacing Councillor Pam Hansen who held the prior term.”

Carried

Correspondence

a) Lacombe County Council Highlights June 22, 2023

b) Letters per Council Direction

- Lacombe Foundation – Redevelopment of Lacombe Lodge
- Wolf Creek Public School – Transportation Network Changes
- Central Mayors Collective – Letter of Support (Health Care Issues)
- Jason Nixon congratulatory letter
- Rebecca Schulz congratulatory letter
- Danielle Smith congratulatory letter

Motion 186/2023 Moved by Councillor Eastman, “THAT correspondence items a) to b) be received for information.”

Carried

Other Business

a) Senior's Housing – Lacombe Foundation Update (Councillor Eastman)

- Councillor Eastman provided an overview regarding the requirement to undergo a community assessment for Bentley if the Town wanted to consider lobbying for additional seniors housing.
- The assessment has not been reviewed or opened at this time and therefore it is not known what the requirements would be to undertake such an assessment.
- The intent and purpose of conducting an assessment is to identify if there is a need in the community for additional seniors housing.

Motion 187/2023 Moved by Deputy Mayor Hansen, "THAT the CAO be directed to review and potentially undertake an assessment of the community regarding the need for Senior's Housing. "

Carried

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Rathjen at 8:23pm

Mayor Greg Rathjen

CAO Marc Fortais



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Cheque Listing For Council

Cheque		Vendor Name	Invoice #	Invoice Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
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20230495	2023-07-15	RATHJEN, ARTHUR M				
20230496	2023-07-15	VALIQUETTE, BRENDA C				
20230497	2023-07-15	HANSEN, PAMELA				
20230498	2023-07-15	GRIMSDALE, DALE A				
20230499	2023-07-15	EASTMAN, LENORE M				
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20230505	2023-07-15	GREAVES, LORYANNE				
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20230508	2023-07-15	GERRITS, CADE M				
20230509	2023-07-15	LOOV, CHRISTOPHER D				
20230510	2023-07-15	SMITH, MADISON M				
20230511	2023-07-15	STURGEON, BARRET C				
20230512	2023-07-15	PIKE, JAKE J				
20230513	2023-07-19	BENTLEY ESSO	30JUN2023	PAYMENT VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT GAS/DIES	1,535.04	1,535.04
20230514	2023-07-19	CANOE PROCUREMENT GROUP OF CANADA, D	AB167599 AB169711	PAYMENT FCSS NN PAPER TABLOID FCSS NN PAPER TABLOID	774.11 620.61	1,394.72
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20230516	2023-07-19	EASTMAN, LENORE	06062023 30062023 30jun2023	PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT MILEAGE JUN REIMBURSEMENT MILEAGE MEI REIMBURSEMENT PARKING FEE	14.16 57.82 7.00	78.98
20230517	2023-07-19	FORTAIS, MARC	14062023 29062023	PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT CREAMER FC REIMBURSEMENT FOR BOTTLEI	7.57 27.44	35.01
20230518	2023-07-19	GIBSON, COLE	12072023	PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT PPE BOOTS -	150.00	150.00
20230519	2023-07-19	GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA - LAND TITLES	30062023	PAYMENT PAYMENT FOR LAND TITLES	100.00	100.00
20230520	2023-07-19	GROUPSOURCE	JUNE2023	PAYMENT HEALTH CARE SPENDING	4,495.98	4,495.98
20230521	2023-07-19	HANSEN; , PAMELA DAWN	22062023	PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT MILEAGE MEI	30.68	30.68
20230522	2023-07-19	HHID	367517	PAYMENT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT JUI	787.50	787.50
20230523	2023-07-19	HOMEWOOD HEALTH INC.	H605744	PAYMENT EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY ASSIST/	100.80	100.80
20230524	2023-07-19	MAGNUM FIREWORKS LTD.	2036	PAYMENT BENTLEY DAYS FIREWORKS BA	4,950.00	4,950.00



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20230527	2023-07-19	SERVUS CREDIT UNION	06302023	PAYMENT SERVUS MASTERCARD BILL FOI	4,194.42	4,194.42
20230528	2023-07-19	WOLF'S BOTANICAL	80016136 80016201	PAYMENT ANNUAL PLANT ORDER PARKS & REC HANGING BASKE1	7,819.61 78.75	7,898.36
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20230530	2023-07-19	THE KITE GUYS	6282306	PAYMENT CAMPGROUND BANNERS	1,458.45	1,458.45
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20230548	2023-07-27	327241 ALBERTA LTD.	1193	PAYMENT ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES FC	1,249.50	1,249.50
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20230556	2023-07-27	TRANSALTA ENERGY MARKETING	23-1310167 23-1314232 23-1314257	PAYMENT NATURAL GAS ADJUSTMENTS J STREET LIGHT ELECTRICITY FO ELECTRICITY BILL FOR JUNE 20	(1.00) 6,031.88 5,512.71	11,543.59
20230557	2023-08-01	HOLDEN, KARI	31072023 31072023 31072023 357940	PAYMENT OFFICE JANITORIAL FOR JULY 2 BASEMENT JANITORIAL FOR JUI SENIOR'S DROP IN FOR JULY 20 BENTLEY FIRE DEPT JANITORIA	135.00 30.00 30.00 345.00	540.00
20230558	2023-08-01	JACKSON, BRIAN	31072023	PAYMENT CAMPGROUND CONTRACT PAYM	1,879.96	1,879.96
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20230560	2023-08-02	1704567 ALBERTA LTD.	410	PAYMENT MONTHLY BAIT TRAPS SERVICE	126.00	126.00
20230561	2023-08-02	BLACK PRESS GROUP LTD.	34441674	PAYMENT RIMBEY REVIEW TAX NOTICE AI	147.35	147.35
20230562	2023-08-02	CLEARTECH INDUSTRIES INC.	INV1075006	PAYMENT WATER - CHEMICALS AND CONT	1,147.57	1,147.57
20230563	2023-08-02	EMPRINGHAM DISPOSAL CORP.	49631	PAYMENT RECYCLING FOR JUNE	2,370.91	2,370.91
20230564	2023-08-02	G.L.D.C. GAS CO-OP LTD.	661444	PAYMENT FIRE DEPT NATURAL GAS BILL	68.89	68.89
20230565	2023-08-02	GREGG DISTRIBUTORS LP	059-559876 059-560603	PAYMENT PW SHOP & GARBAGE SUPPLIE PW GENERAL SUPPLIES & GARE	277.45 222.29	499.74
20230566	2023-08-02	INNOV8, DIGITAL SOLUTIONS INC.	IN421519 IN421767	PAYMENT FCSS PHOTOCOPIER OFFICE PHOTOCOPIER & JUNE	19.10 1,467.86	1,486.96
20230567	2023-08-02	KEY AGVENTURES INC.	IR76941 IR76941A	PAYMENT PARKS & REC SEAT SWITCH FR PARKS & REC MOWER SWITCH	11.93 45.84	57.77
20230568	2023-08-02	RIMBEY EXPRESS	2906	PAYMENT WATER SAMPLES AND RETURN	110.00	110.00
20230569	2023-08-02	TAXERVICE	2403974	PAYMENT TAXERVICE MISCELLANEOUS SI	10.50	10.50
20230570	2023-08-02	TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	04072023 04JUL2023 04july2023	PAYMENT ARENA WIFI INTERAC LINE TELUS BILL FOR JULY	78.75 37.55 778.63	894.93
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20230572	2023-08-02	WILD ROSE ASSESSMENT SERVICES	9046	PAYMENT PROGRESS PAYMENT FOR JULY	1,330.88	1,330.88
20230573	2023-08-02	WOLF CREEK BUILDING SUPPLIES	559483	PAYMENT CAMPGROUND BANNERS	12.39	12.39
20230574	2023-08-02	CANOE PROCUREMENT GROUP OF CANADA, D		PAYMENT		6,774.08



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20230577	2023-08-02	KEY AGVENTURES INC.	IR77247	PAYMENT PARKS AND REC - MOWERS PAF	75.68	75.68
20230578	2023-08-02	LACOMBE COUNTY	IVC00043793	PAYMENT COST SHARE FIRE TRAINING & I	2,797.64	2,797.64
20230579	2023-08-02	RECEIVER GENERAL	30072023 30072023	PAYMENT REDUCED EMPLOYMENT INSUR REGULAR EMPLOYMENT INSUR	19,489.41 2,324.28	21,813.69
20230580	2023-08-02	RIMBEY EXPRESS	2964	PAYMENT WATER SAMPLES & RETURNS F	110.00	110.00
20230581	2023-08-02	SHAW CABLE	21082023	PAYMENT FCSS INTERNET	173.25	173.25
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20230584	2023-08-02	OLDS CONCRETE SERVICES (2014) LTD.	2767	PAYMENT PROGRESS INVOICE #1 - 2023 C	74,325.38	74,325.38
20230585	2023-08-03	LACOMBE COUNTY	IVC00043723	PAYMENT FIRE DEPARTMENT COST SHARI	8,508.53	8,508.53
20230586	2023-08-03	RUSSEL METALS INC.	63479322	PAYMENT MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES FOR F	369.19	369.19
20230587	2023-08-04	BUNZL CLEANING & HYGIENE	136637	PAYMENT ARENA - BATHROOM PAPER TOI	2,018.25	2,018.25
20230588	2023-08-04	CANOE PROCUREMENT GROUP OF CANADA, D	AB174410 AB174427 AB175746	PAYMENT TOWN FLAGS ANIMAL TAGS FOR 2023 KALTIRE - PARKS & REC MAINTE	839.01 366.79 67.87	1,273.67
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20230590	2023-08-15	RATHJEN, ARTHUR M				
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20230595	2023-08-09	ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING ALBERTA LTD	3001601 3002010	PAYMENT 50TH STREET - DICK DAMRON C 50TH STREET - DICK DAMRON C	26,597.65 9,656.58	36,254.23
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20230598	2023-08-11	PETTY CASH	11082023	PAYMENT REIMBURSE OFFICE SUPPLIES,	101.40	101.40
20230599	2023-08-11	TELUS COMMUNICATIONS INC.	04082023 4082023 AUG042023	PAYMENT TELUS BILL FOR AUGUST 2023 ARENA WIFI INTERAC LINE	799.39 80.33 38.30	918.02



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			09072023	TELUS MOBILITY JULY 2023	125.90	
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			9084	PROGRESS PAYMENT FOR AUG'	1,330.88	
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Total 436,307.72

*** End of Report ***



Agenda Date: August 22, 2023

Agenda Item: New Business Oxford School Historical Tribute and Oxford Park (Elks Park Re-design) – Report & Recommendations

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Mayor and Council accept this report as information and provide directions for next steps.

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

On September 27, 2022, at a Regular Meeting of Council, the difficult decision was made to undertake the demolition of Oxford School, the building was formally demolished in November of 2022.

The decision to demolish Oxford School was not made lightly and was based on the significant costs to repair the building due to major concerns including deterioration of the roof, load-bearing brick walls and foundations. In addition to the decision to demolish the building, Mayor and Council also directed administration to complete a formalized concept plan and present that plan through an additional public information session in the future to seek further feedback and finalize design and cost estimates of park improvements. Also, once additional feedback was received and incorporated into a finalized design, it would be presented at a future council meeting in 2023.

Since that time, the 2023 budget was approved in December of 2022, with a budget to undertake design work in the second quarter (May to June) of 2023 related to the Elks Park Re-Design.

Administration hired landscape architecture firm EDS (Environmental Design Solutions) based out of Spruce Grove, AB, to undertake the design work and to develop concepts for the park. The firm was hired through a competitive process where quotes were obtained and evaluated to conduct the work. In addition, EDS has substantial experience in environmental planning, urban design, and landscape architecture and has worked on many projects with Municipalities and for the public sector.

The consultant has prepared the attached report and concept plans (**Attachment #1**), which were informed through feedback obtained during the public information session held on June 29, 2022, regarding Oxford School. In addition, the consultant and administration held another engagement on June 14th, 2023, which was well attended by more than 60 residents and undertook a survey which is summarized in (**Attachment #2**). The intention of that meeting was to obtain more detailed feedback regarding the preliminary concepts and options. The attached report and concept plans incorporates that feedback and provides recommendations for next steps.

Overall, there was significant support for the design of Oxford Park. Concepts 1a and 2b are the clear favorites as a result of the engagement. Some modifications should be made to either concept, before proceeding to detailed design. Overall, a combination of these two park designs would prove to be the most supported by the community.

Residents want to see a park that has:

- amenities for all ages
- honors the history of the site.
- balances accessibility with cost
- incorporates a skate park or other amenity for older children and teens
- preserves the existing basketball court and converting it to allow pickle ball or other sport use on the court.
- playground that serves all ages but does not duplicate other offerings in town
- small splash pad with low maintenance and simple features
- public washroom/changeroom building which services the park and features a drinking water fountain
- pavilion that pays tribute to Oxford School and reuses building materials
- ice skating rink of adequate size to allow for winter enjoyment of the park
- inclusive seating and picnic opportunities
- public art mural that pays homage to the unique history of the site and the town
- accessible pathways
- preservation of any healthy vegetation
- appropriate placement of amenities to avoid conflict within the park and with neighboring land uses.

Next steps should include refining the concept plan into a final vision plan with one final round of engagement to ensure that the community vision has been captured. Following buy in from the community the town could look to move forward through detailed design, seek out funding through grants, donations and partnerships and capital budget to proceed with detailed design and once all funding is secured proceed with construction in a phased approach.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL

Concept Plan Creation, Public Engagement and Report \$13,840.00

Additional Refinements to preferred concept plan combining options from 1a and 2b based on feedback from the public, rendering, display boards. \$ 3,500.00

Bentley Town Administration could run an additional engagement session and survey at no additional costs, if we were to utilize the consultant the additional engagement would cost upwards of \$4,000.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Report and Concept Plans – Oxford Park (Elks Park)
2. Survey Summary

Marc Fortais, CAO



OXFORD COMMUNITY PARK CONCEPT PLAN REPORT

July 18, 2023



OXFORD COMMUNITY PARK CONCEPT PLAN REPORT

Prepared By: EDS Group Inc.

Prepared For: Town of Bentley

Submitted On: July 18, 2023





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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Town of Bentley hired EDS Group Inc. to develop a concept plan report for the old Oxford School Park Site. This project involved a sequence of design and engagement activities to develop a future plan for the park site that reflects community values and desires. The project included the following steps:

1. Background Review

Before any design work commenced, a thorough background review took place. This background review included analysis of historical documents and past engagement activities.

2. Concept Design & Phasing Strategy

Following the completion of background review, four concepts were created that reflected the wish list of the community that was highlighted during previous engagement activities. Each concept was accompanied by supporting imagery, a phasing plan and preliminary budget estimate.

3. Public Engagement

The four concept plans and accompanying phasing plans and budget estimates were then shared with the broader public via the Town website, an open house and a survey. Residents had the opportunity to provide their feedback and share which concept was their favourite and why.

4. Alternate Funding Sources

A key component of this concept plan report is identifying alternate funding avenues to support the project. Grants, and other external sources were identified that can aid in bringing this project to fruition.

5. Final Report

Lastly, all findings were summarized into this report. This report outlines the recommended future park development that is a respectful of the site's history, and is reflective of community values.



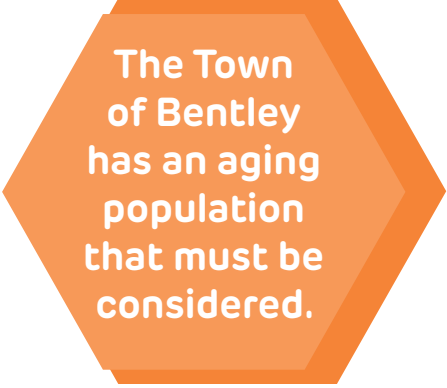
2.0 BACKGROUND REVIEW

Before any design work commenced, a thorough background review took place. This background review included analysis of historical documents and past engagement activities. Below is a summary of the background review:

2.1 Town of Bentley 2022 Community Profile

Part of the background review conducted for this project included a review of the 2022 Community Profile for the Town. A review of this profile, in particular the demographics, allows us to see the whole picture of who calls Bentley home. This information ensures we create a design that best meets the needs of the people who live in the community. A summary of key findings from the Community Profile are listed below:

- 2022 population: 1,082;
- Estimated population growth over next 5 years: 2.8%;
- Median age: 46;
- Aged 0-14: 16%;
- Aged 15-29: 14%;
- Aged 30-44: 19%;
- Aged 45-59: 20%;
- Aged 60-74: 23%;
- Aged 75+: 8%;
- Median employment income: \$45,039, \$6,000 less than the Alberta median;
- Unemployment: 19%, 8% higher than the Alberta average; and
- 79% of residents own their home (rather than renting), 6% higher than the provincial rate.



The Town of Bentley has an aging population that must be considered.

2.2 Oxford School Documentation & History

Oxford School used to stand within this park site, as such an understanding of the history and significance of the school was essential prior to conceptual design. Below is a summary of the findings relevant to this park design:

- Constructed in 1920;
- Over the years, the building has been used for a school, fire station, local jail, legion, Elks, Royal Purple and storage for minor softball;
- In 1999 the Bentley Council designated the school a municipal historic resource;
- In 2002 the Province denied the Town's application to designate the school as a Provincial Historic Resource;
- From 2007- 2011 a number of repairs were made the school building;
- In 2022 a Building Condition Assessment was conducted revealing a cost of approximately \$1.2M to renovate the building so it is safe for the public to use. Recommendation was made to demolish the building; and

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- In fall 2022, the building was demolished and the Town proceeded with engagement to determine a plan for the Municipal Park that incorporates the historic aspects of the Oxford Building and community amenities.

2.3 Previous Engagement

2.3.1 Oxford School Public Information Session:

On June 29, 2022 the Town of Bentley held the Oxford School Public Information Session. The session was 4 hours long and in this time 20-25 residents attended and 23 pieces of individual feedback were provided to the Town.

Specific findings relating to the improvement of the Oxford School Site Park include:

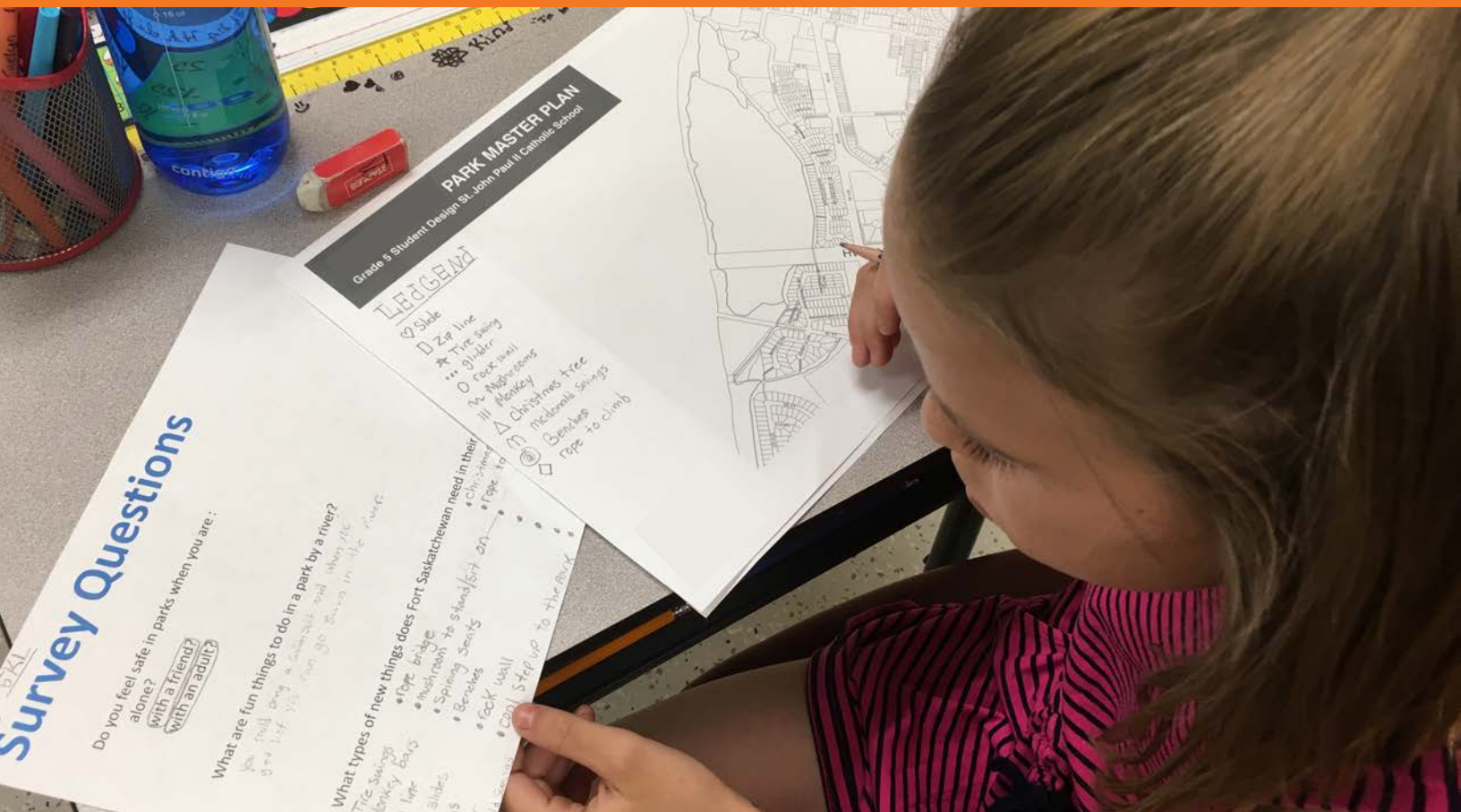
- The salvaged bricks from the school should be used in a fundraiser (sell them for \$100 per brick) to raise money to put towards the park enhancement;
- The old Oxford School sign should be incorporated into the park;
- Re-use some of the salvaged bricks and other materials to create a small historical marker commemorating the school;
- Research grants and other funding avenues that can be explored to improve the park (i.e., government grants through Alberta Historic Resources, CFEP and community fundraising); and
- Residents should have a say on what amenities this park will include.

Desired amenities noted included:

- Splash park;
- Kid-friendly "school-fort" miniature playground;
- Covered shelter (gazebo) / open stage theatre with electricity for bands and other events that uses salvaged materials from the school;
- Historical interpretive signs with information and pictures of the site's historic uses;
- Visitor's Centre;
- Washrooms;
- Basketball court;
- Volleyball court;
- Skate park;
- Historical art murals;
- Activities for teenagers;
- Picnic area; and
- Sand pit.

By far the most supported amenity captured through resident feedback was a splash park.

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2.3.2 Bentley School Student Survey:

During the 2022 school year, a survey was released to the Bentley School Community asking what students would like to see in place of the Oxford School. Responses are as follows:

- Gr. 1: Water spray park;
- Gr. 2/3: Water spray park, outdoor fitness equipment, skate park, community garden;
- Gr. 5: Water spray park, outdoor pool, skate park;
- Gr. 6: Water spray park, skate park, full-sized basketball court / ice rink combo, mini-golf, outdoor fitness equipment;
- Gr. 7: Water spray park, outdoor fitness equipment, bathrooms;
- Gr. 8: Water spray park, new playground equipment;
- Gr. 9: Water spray park, bathrooms, green space with more picnic tables, outdoor fitness equipment;
- Gr. 10/11: Water spray park, bathrooms; and
- Gr. 12: Water spray park.

Similarly to the Public Information Session, the most popular amenity among students was also a splash pad / water spray park.

3.0 CONCEPT DESIGN & PHASING STRATEGY

Following the review of existing background information, four concept plans were developed. Each concept plan was accompanied by a preliminary budget estimate and proposed phasing strategy to ensure implementation can be broken into realistic and attainable pieces.

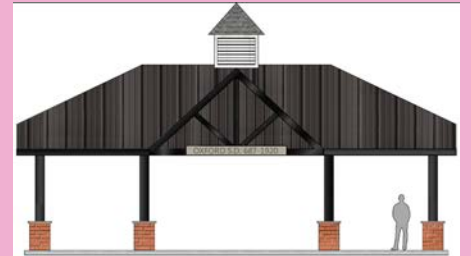
Below are character images that exemplify the style and scale of amenities proposed within the four concepts. The concepts and phasing plans are found and described in detail on the following pages.



WASHROOM / CHANGEROOM



SPLASH PAD



COVERED PAVILION / ICE RINK



SITE FURNITURE



PUBLIC ART MURAL

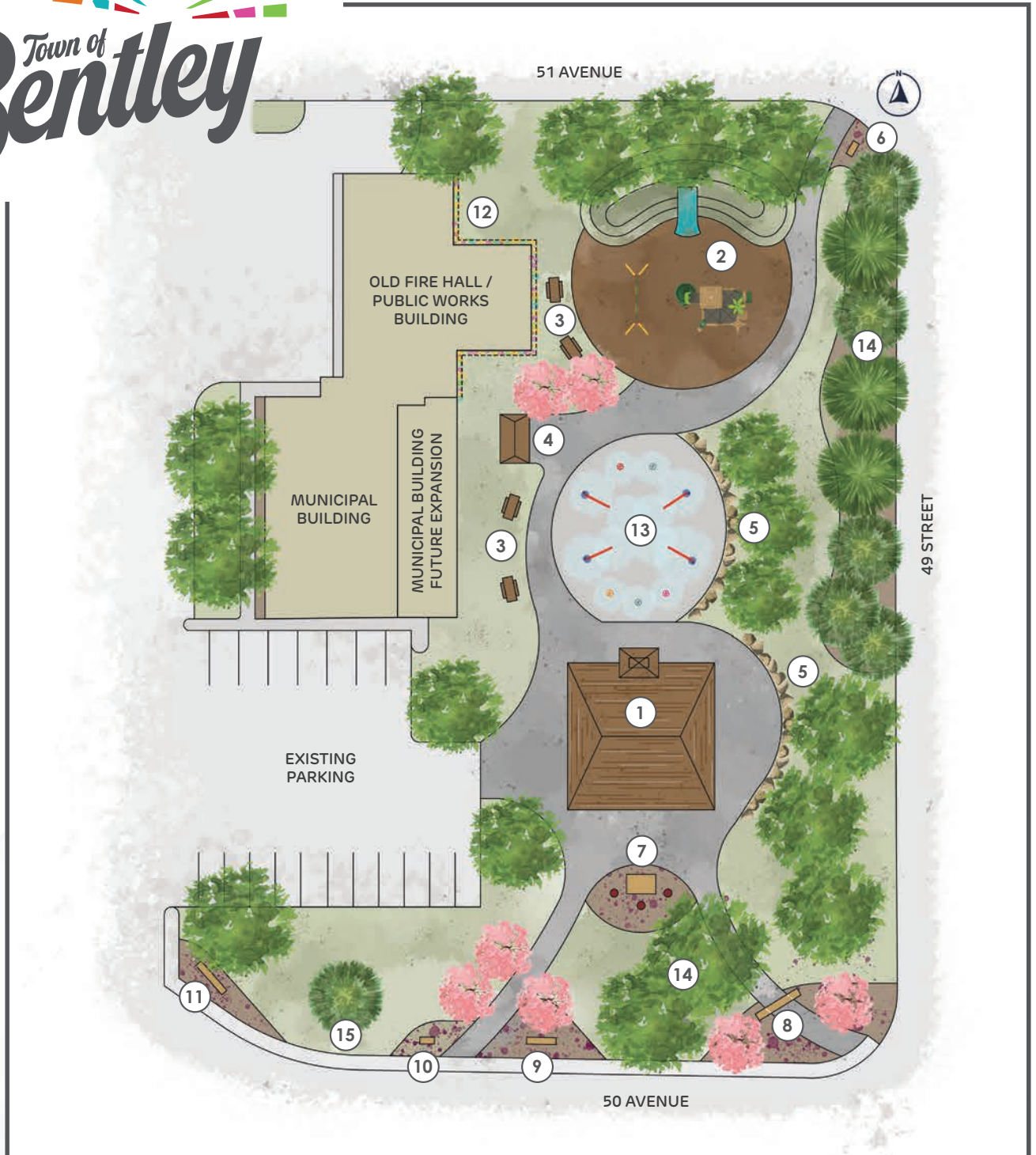


TODDLER-FOCUSED PLAYGROUND WITH HILL SLIDE



SKATE PARK

3.1 CONCEPT 1a: OVERALL DESIGN

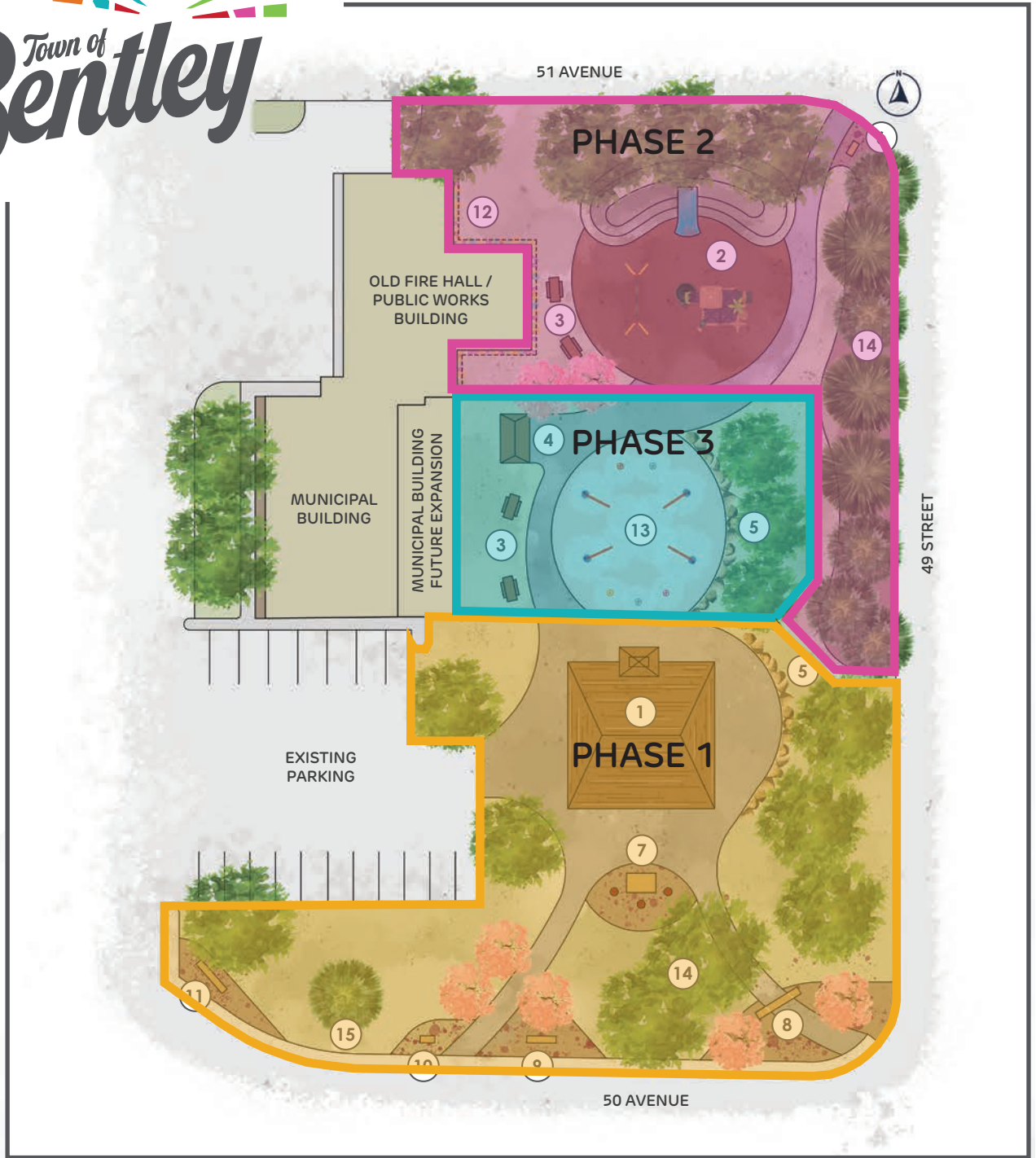


3.1 CONCEPT 1a: DESCRIPTION

LEGEND

- 1. pavilion**
overhead open air structure acting as central gathering space for festivals and community events. structure paying tribute to oxford school house through incorporation of mimicking roof line and re-use of original school house bricks
- 2. playground**
toddler focused playground and swing set with hill slide utilizing grade change of site
- 3. day use picnic**
seating and waste receptacles situated near park amenities
- 4. washroom and change room**
centrally located, full serviced building to accommodate park users
- 5. boulder seating wall**
utilizing grade change of the site to create boulder seating wall
- 6. adopt-a-tree plaque**
relocated existing adopt-a-tree plaque with annual flower bed
- 7. epitaph and flag poles**
relocated existing epitaph plaque with 3 flag poles in annual flower bed
- 8. arch entry**
existing arch to remain in its current location with annual flower bed
- 9. park entrance**
park entry sign with annual flower bed
- 10. historical sign**
relocated historical sign in annual flower bed
- 11. municipal sign**
municipal building sign in annual flower bed
- 12. public art mural**
youthful art mural inspired by community's history and town re-branding colour palette
- 13. splash pad**
jet bubblers on concrete surfacing. to be converted into ice rink for winter season
- 14. existing planting**
established evergreens along 49 street and shade trees in good health to remain
- 15. holiday tree**
established evergreen to be planted along 50th avenue for holiday light up celebration

3.1 CONCEPT 1a: PHASING



3.1 CONCEPT 1a: PHASING

PHASE 1: \$295,000

- Pavilion structure
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$155,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Public art mural
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$345,000

- Splash pad / ice rink combo
- Washroom / change room building
- Boulder seating wall
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$795,000

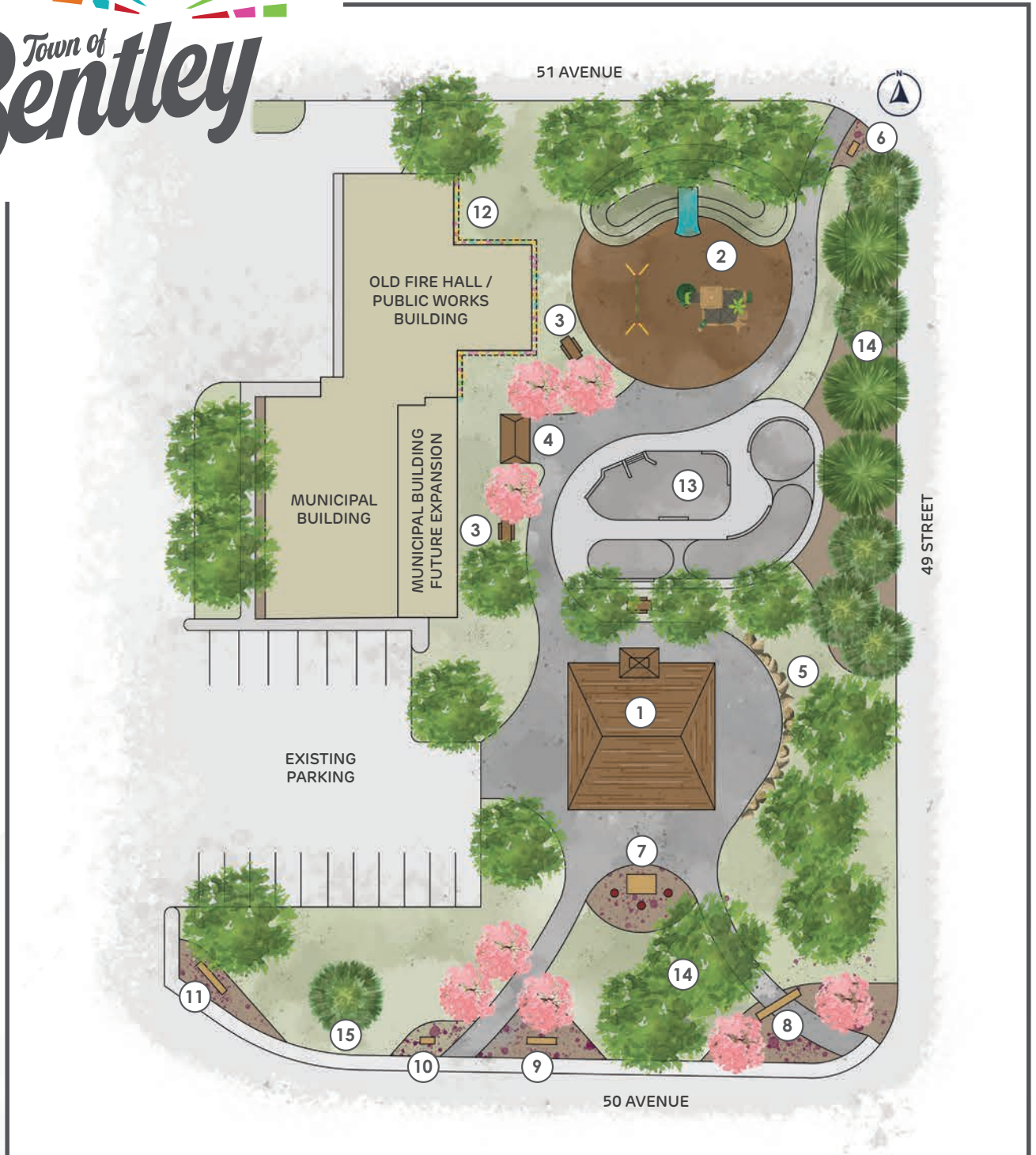
Contingency (20%): \$159,000

Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$95,400

TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 1A: \$1,049,400

ESTIMATE IN 2023 DOLLARS

3.2 CONCEPT 1b: OVERALL DESIGN

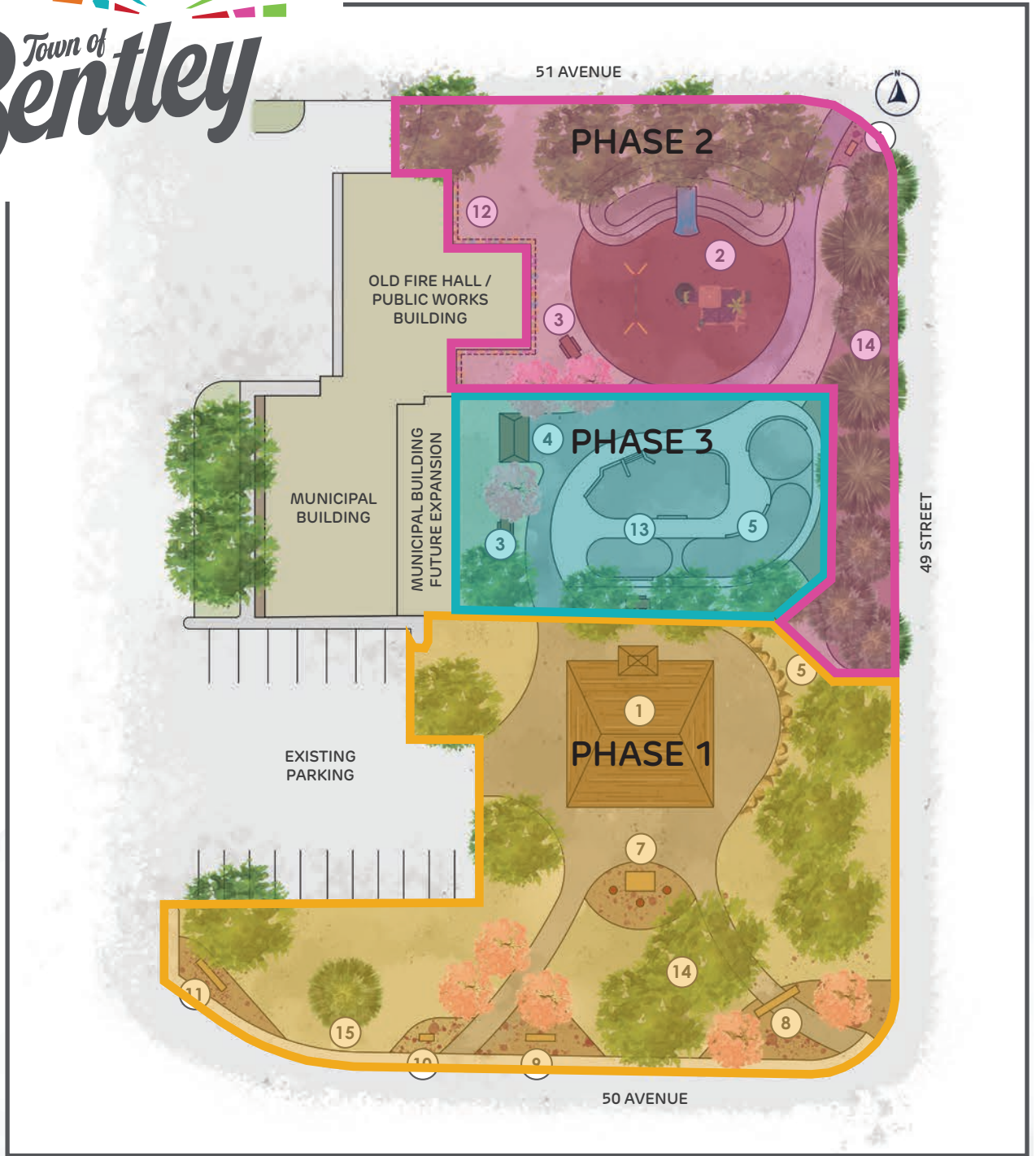


3.2 CONCEPT 1b: DESCRIPTION

LEGEND

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toddler focused playground and swing set with hill slide utilizing grade change of site
- 3. day use picnic**
seating and waste receptacles situated near park amenities
- 4. washroom and change room**
centrally located, full serviced building to accommodate park users
- 5. boulder seating wall**
utilizing grade change of the site to create boulder seating wall
- 6. adopt-a-tree plaque**
relocated existing adopt-a-tree plaque with annual flower bed
- 7. epitaph and flag poles**
relocated existing epitaph plaque with 3 flag poles in annual flower bed
- 8. arch entry**
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- 9. park entrance**
park entry sign with annual flower bed
- 10. historical sign**
relocated historical sign in annual flower bed
- 11. municipal sign**
municipal building sign in annual flower bed
- 12. public art mural**
youthful art mural inspired by community's history and town re-branding colour palette
- 13. skateboard park**
paved concrete skateboard park with built in sunken bowl and rail features. design to include features suitable for all skill levels
- 14. existing planting**
established evergreens along 49 street and shade trees in good health to remain
- 15. holiday tree**
established evergreen to be planted along 50th avenue for holiday light up celebration

3.2 CONCEPT 1b: PHASING



3.2 CONCEPT 1b: PHASING

PHASE 1: \$295,000

- Pavilion structure
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal building sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$155,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (1)
- Public art mural
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$345,000

- Skate park
- Washroom building
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$795,000

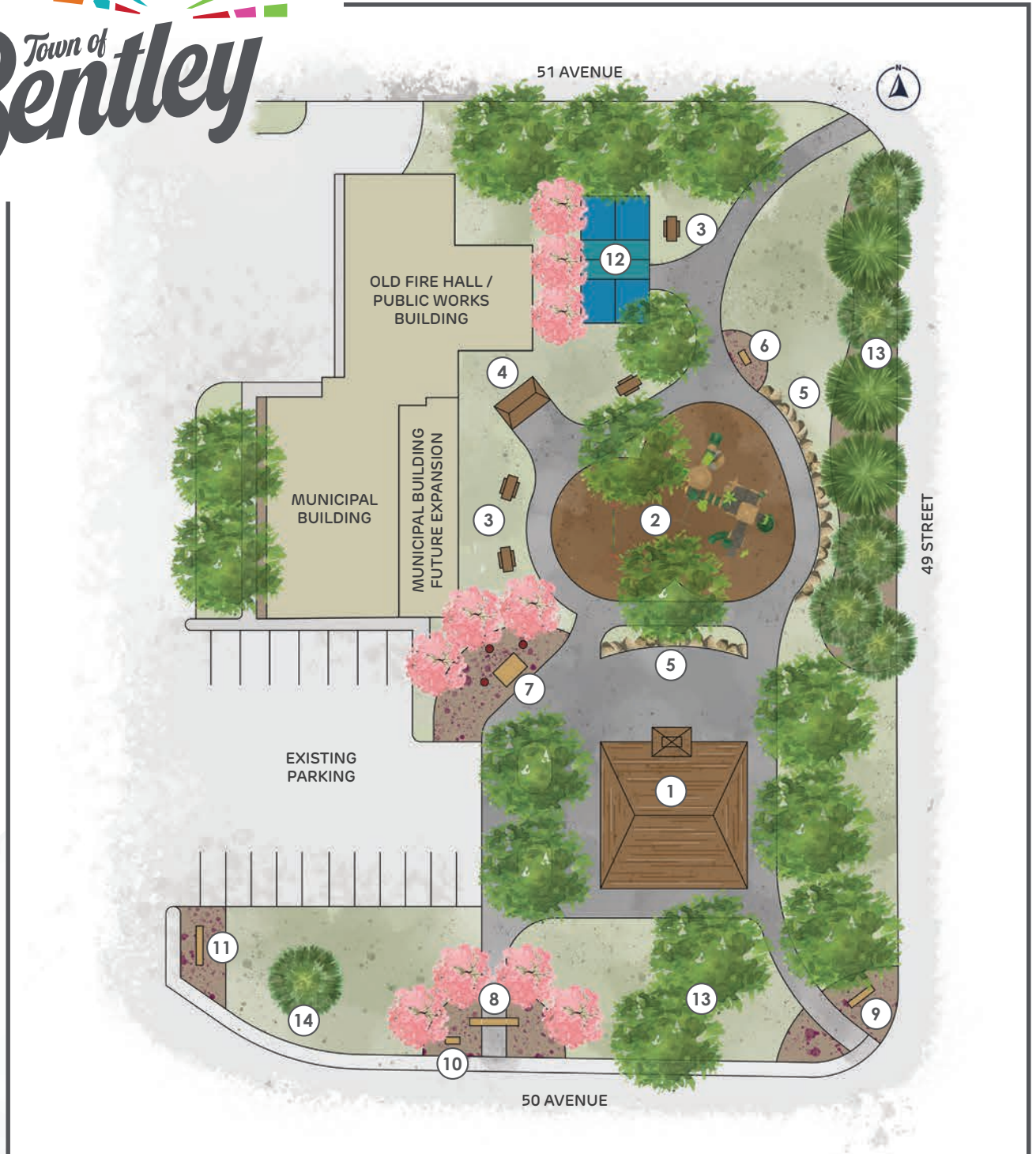
Contingency (20%): \$159,000

Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$95,400

TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 1B: \$1,049,400

ESTIMATE IN 2023 DOLLARS

3.3 CONCEPT 2a: OVERALL DESIGN

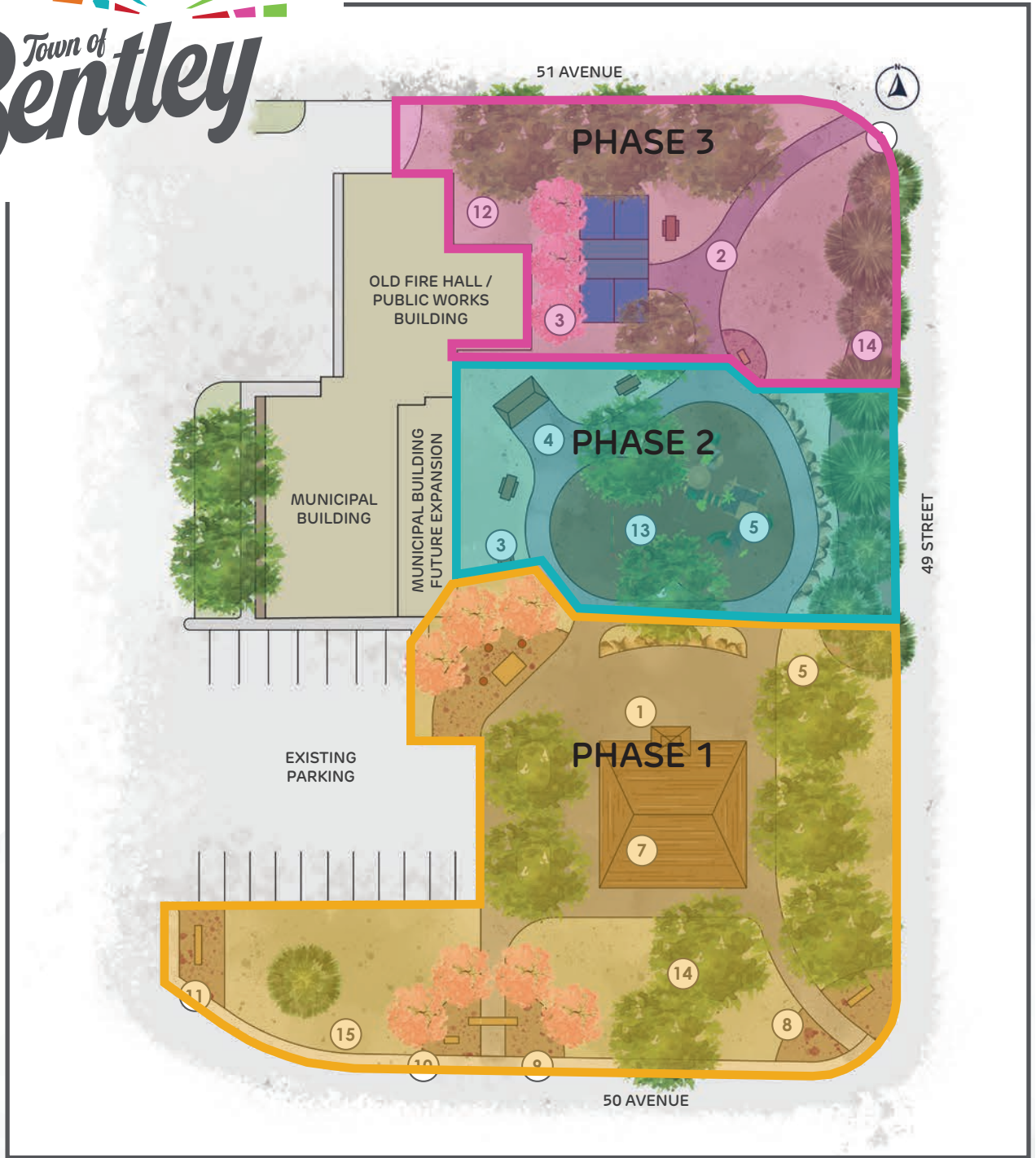


3.3 CONCEPT 2a: DESCRIPTION

LEGEND

- 1. pavilion**
overhead open air structure acting as central gathering space for festivals and community events. space to be converted into ice rink for winter season. structure paying tribute to oxford school house through incorporation of mimicking roof line and re-use of original school house bricks
- 2. playground**
toddler focused playground and swing set with wood mulch surfacing
- 3. day use picnic**
seating and waste receptacles situated near park amenities
- 4. washroom**
centrally located vault washroom to accommodate park users
- 5. boulder seating wall**
utilizing grade change of the site to create boulder seating wall
- 6. adopt-a-tree plaque**
relocated existing adopt-a-tree plaque with annual flower bed
- 7. epitaph and flag poles**
relocated existing epitaph plaque with 3 flag poles in annual flower bed
- 8. arch entry sign**
existing arch to be relocated with annual flower bed
- 9. park entrance**
park entry sign with annual flower bed
- 10. historical sign**
relocated historical sign in annual flower bed
- 11. municipal sign**
municipal building sign in annual flower bed
- 12. pickle ball court**
existing basketball court to be expanded to accommodate pickle ball court dimensions. court to receive rubber surfacing, line work and fencing
- 13. existing planting**
established evergreens along 49 street and shade trees in good health to remain
- 14. holiday tree**
established evergreen to be planted along 50th avenue for holiday light up celebration

3.3 CONCEPT 2a: PHASING



3.3 CONCEPT 2a: PHASING

PHASE 1: \$320,000

- Pavilion structure / ice rink combo
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal building sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$210,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Boulder seating wall
- Washroom
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$85,000

- Pickle ball court
- Day use picnic sites (1)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$615,000

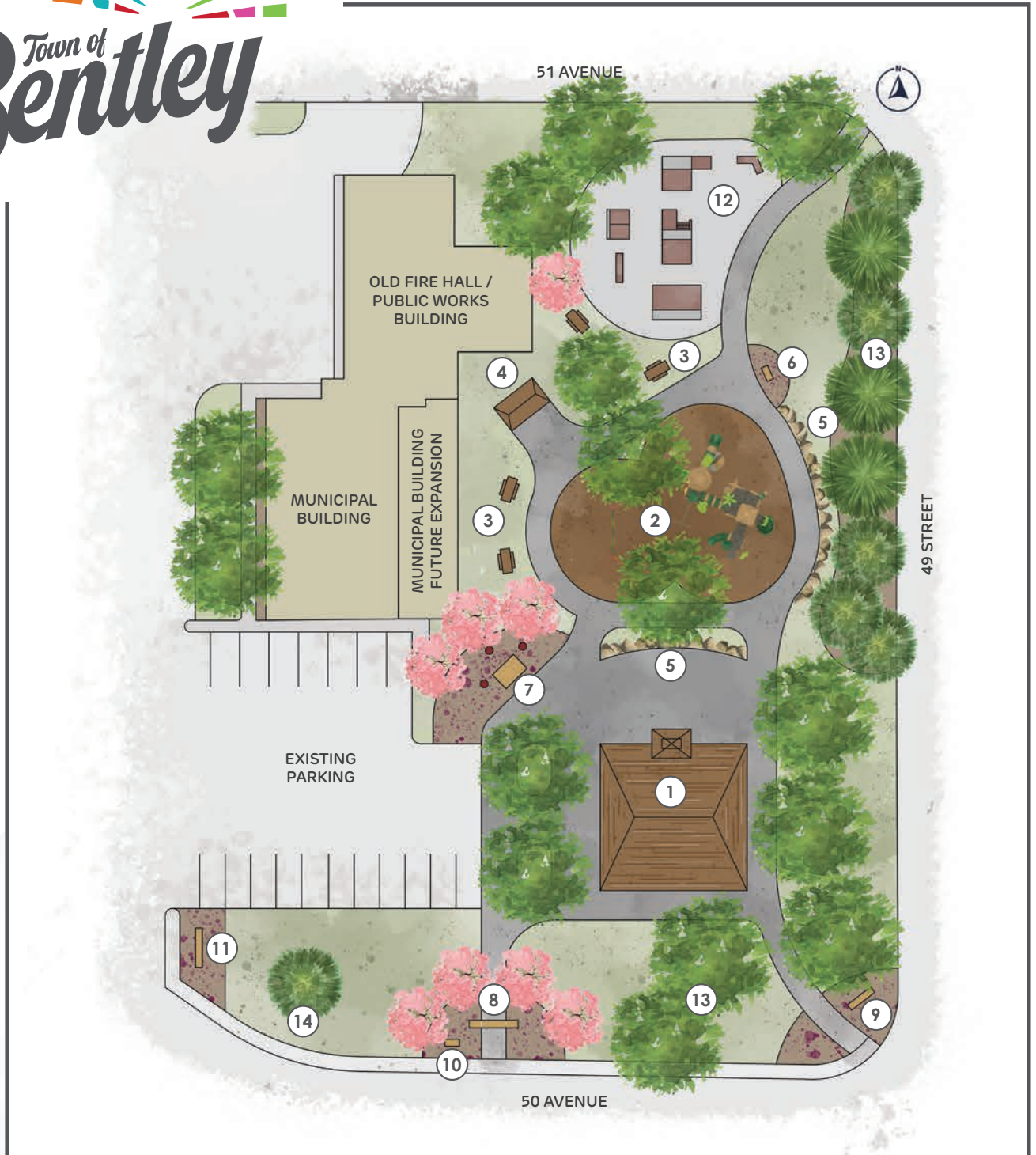
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Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$73,800

TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 2A: \$811,800

ESTIMATE IN 2023 DOLLARS

3.4 CONCEPT 2b: OVERALL DESIGN

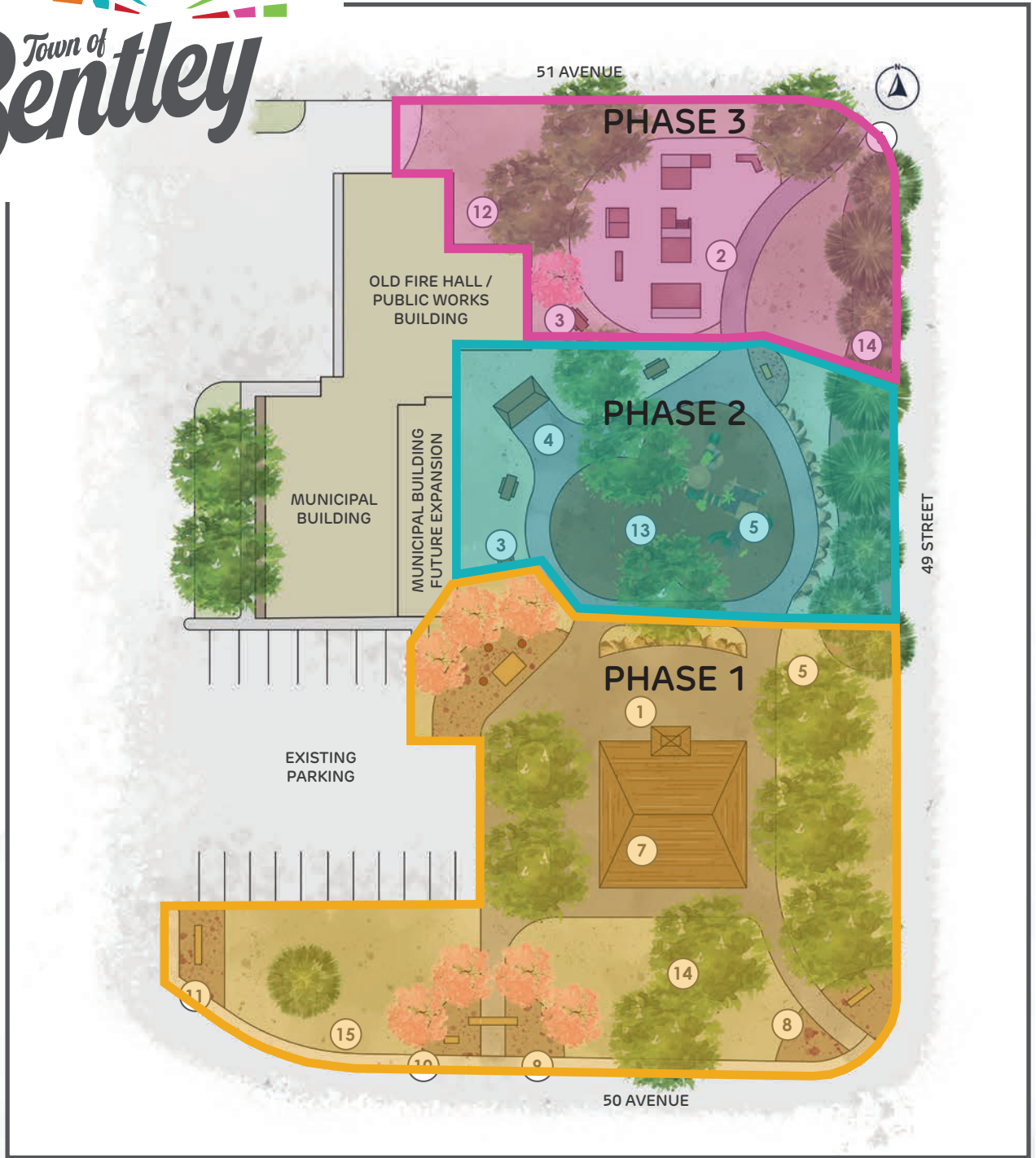


3.4 CONCEPT 2b: DESCRIPTION

LEGEND

- 1. pavilion**
overhead open air structure acting as central gathering space for festivals and community events. space to be converted into ice rink for winter season. structure paying tribute to oxford school house through incorporation of mimicking roof line and re-use of original school house bricks
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- 8. arch entry sign**
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- 9. park entrance**
park entry sign with annual flower bed
- 10. historical sign**
relocated historical sign in annual flower bed
- 11. municipal sign**
municipal building sign in annual flower bed
- 12. skateboard park**
paved asphalt skateboard park with portable ramp and rail features. design to include features suitable for all skill levels
- 13. existing planting**
established evergreens along 49 street and shade trees in good health to remain
- 14. holiday tree**
established evergreen to be planted along 50th avenue for holiday light up celebration

3.4 CONCEPT 2b: PHASING



3.4 CONCEPT 2b: PHASING

PHASE 1: \$320,000

- Pavilion structure / ice rink combo
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal building sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$210,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (3)
- Boulder seating wall
- Washroom
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$145,000

- Skate park
- Day use picnic sites (1)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$675,000

Contingency (20%): \$135,000

Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$81,000

TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 2B: \$891,000

ESTIMATE IN 2023 DOLLARS

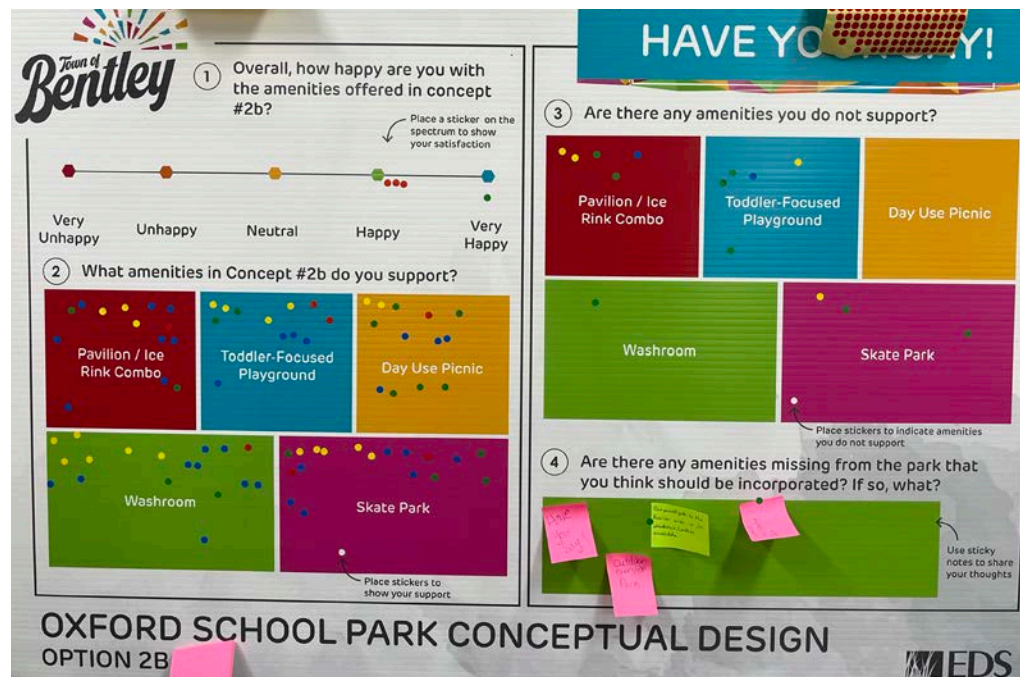
4.0 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Following the preparation of the four concept plans, accompanying phasing plans and budget estimates they were shared with the broader public via the Town website, an open house and a survey. Residents had the opportunity to provide their feedback and share which concept was their favourite and why.

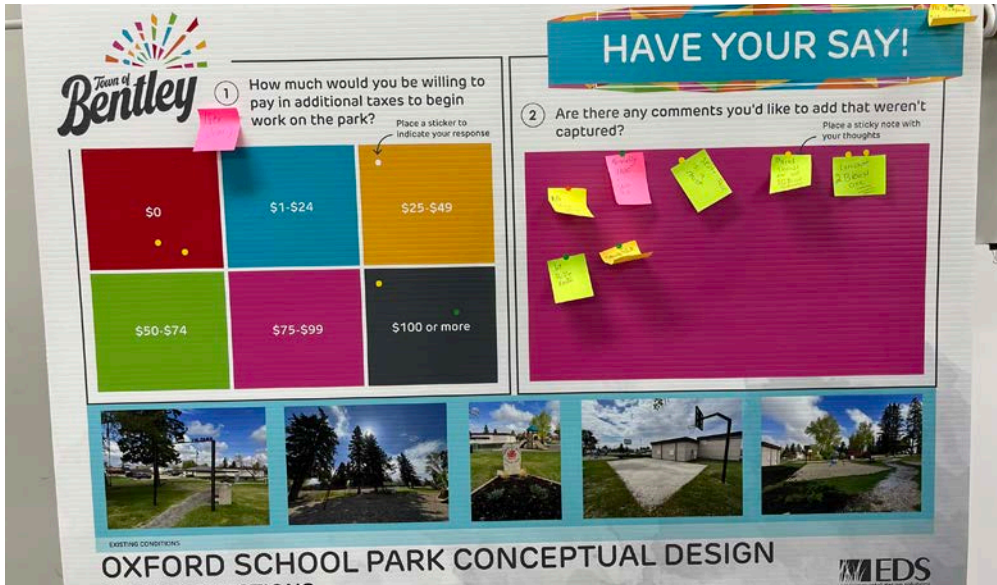
4.1 Public Open House

From 6:00pm-8:30pm on Wednesday June 14th 2023, the project team hosted a public open house at the Senior's Drop-In Centre to gather feedback on the proposed concept options and kick-off the public survey. The evening was a success with a great turnout of approximately 60 residents in attendance. A copy of the open house panels can be found in Appendix A.

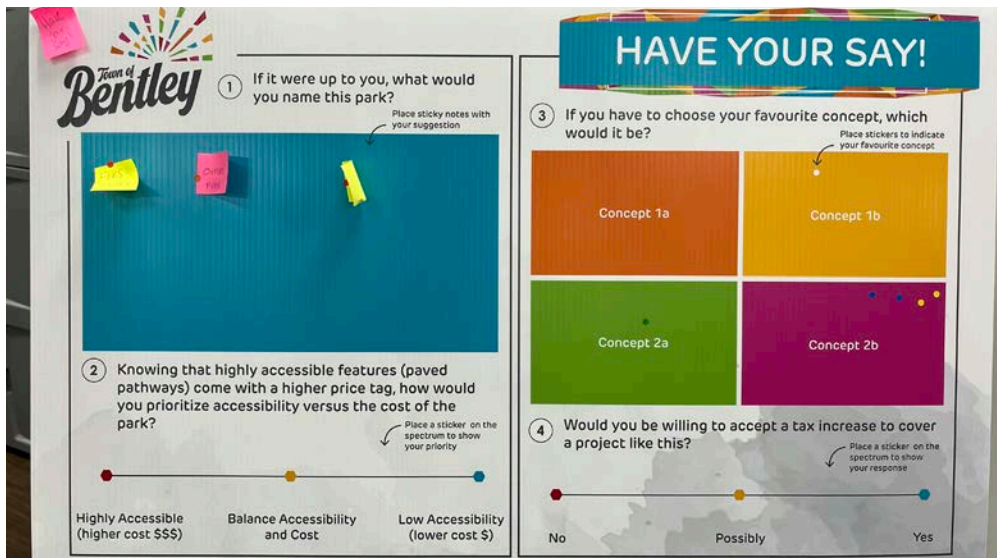
Residents were asked to share feedback for each concept plan and express what amenities they supported, what amenities they did not support, any amenities that were missing and their overall satisfaction with each concept. Overall, resident sentiment clearly expressed concept 2b as the favourite. Each of the amenities received support, while the skate park was the most controversial. Most residents love the idea of a skate park as an amenity for teens and older children, while some worry about the noise and potential conflict with younger children and seniors.



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Beyond feedback on the concepts, residents were asked what they would like to name the park. The majority of attendees like the idea of paying tribute to the old Oxford School by naming the site **Oxford Park**. The second most common suggestion was Elks Park, another name that would honour the history of the site.



Attendees were also asked how much they would be willing to pay in additional taxes per year to begin work on the park. Through the survey board and conversations it was clear that most residents would not be willing to pay any additional money in taxes to fund the park. In fact, residents would like to see the project funded by grants, donations and other alternate sources.



Lastly, general comments shared included ensuring the skate park is vandal-proof, that pickle ball should not be included, that the basketball court should not be eliminated and that the public art mural should include Oxford School in some way.

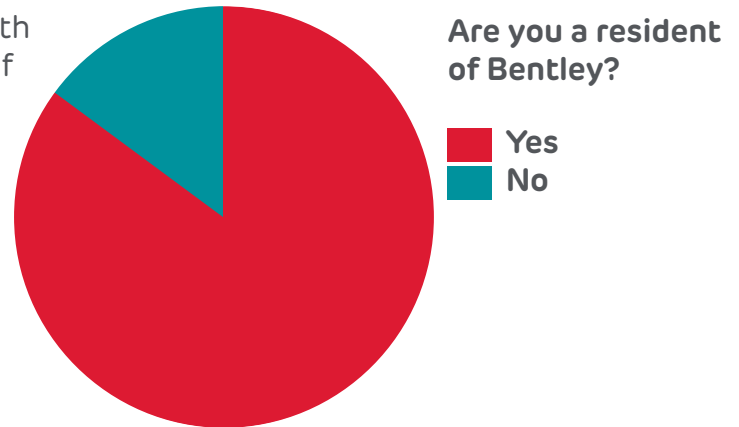
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4.2 Public Survey

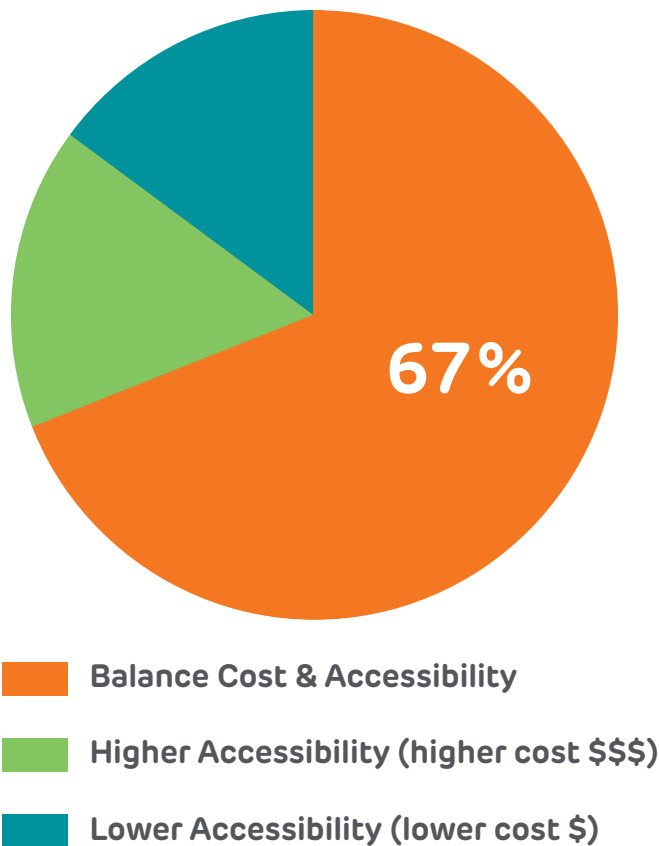
Following the open house, a survey was released to the broader public to gather additional feedback and opinions on the project. The survey was open from June 14th to June 29th, 2023. A total of 129 responses were collected. A summary of the findings are below. The raw survey results are available upon request.

85% of respondents are residents of Bentley, with nearly half (48%) being aged 35-54 years. Age of respondents was broken down as follows:

- Under 18 years: 7%
- 18 to 34 years: 22%
- 35 to 54 years: 48%
- 55 to 74 years: 17%
- 75 years or older: 5%
- Prefer not to say: 1%



Accessibility in the Park



When asked what theme the park name should follow, **majority of respondents (51%) said the name should honour the history of the Oxford School**. Other themes that received support included Community (26%) and Nature (10%). When residents were asked in general what they would name the park if it were up to them, the same theme continued and **48% of respondents suggested a name that paid homage to Oxford School**. Other notable suggestions include:

- Bentley Community Park (17%);
- Jason Hazlett Memorial Park (13%); and
- Elks Park (1%).

Accessibility is always an important consideration when designing any public space, however it tends to come with an increased price tag. Residents were asked how the park design should prioritize accessibility, majority (67%) agree the design should find a balance between accessibility and cost.

4.0 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

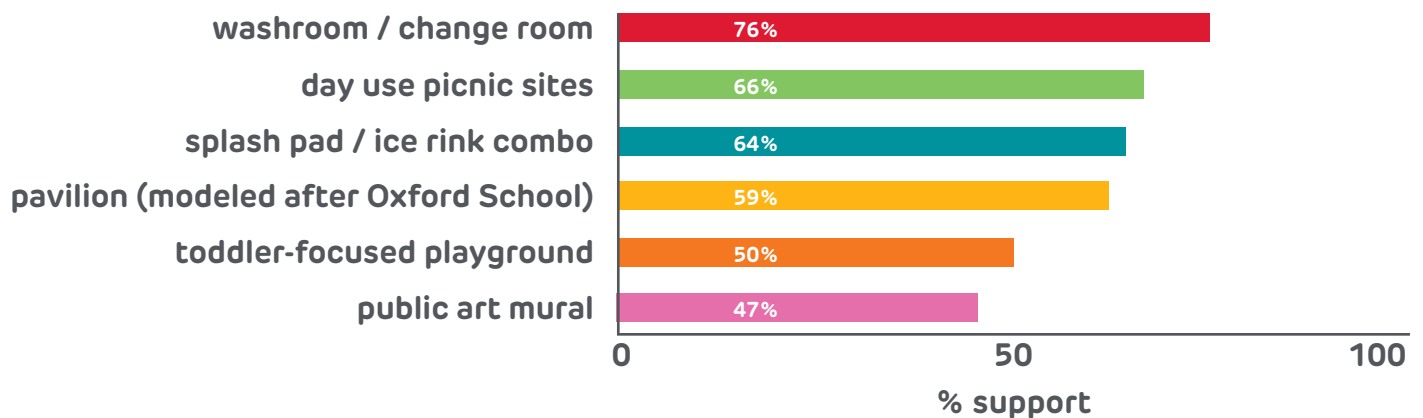
4.2.1 Concept 1a

Residents were asked, overall how happy they are with the amenities offered in concept 1a. 46% were either happy or very happy, 16% were either unhappy or very unhappy and 38% were neutral or did not respond.

46% of survey respondents are either happy or very happy with the amenities offered in concept 1a.

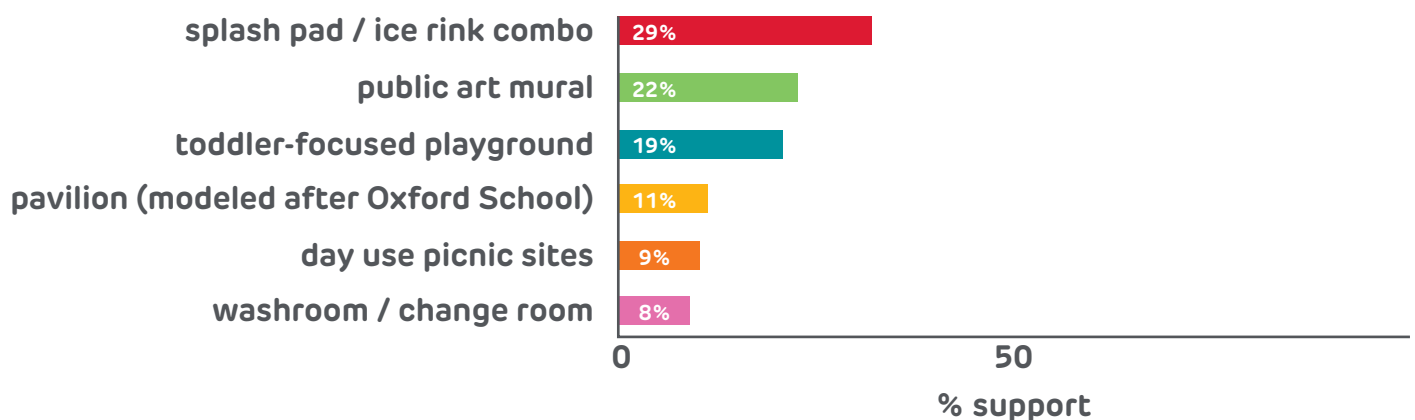
The most widely supported amenity from concept 1a is the washroom/change room (76%), followed closely by day use picnic site (66%) and the splash pad / ice rink combo (64%).

What amenities do you support from concept 1a?



The least supported amenities from concept 1a are the splash pad / ice rink combo (29%), public art mural (22%) and toddler-focused playground (19%).

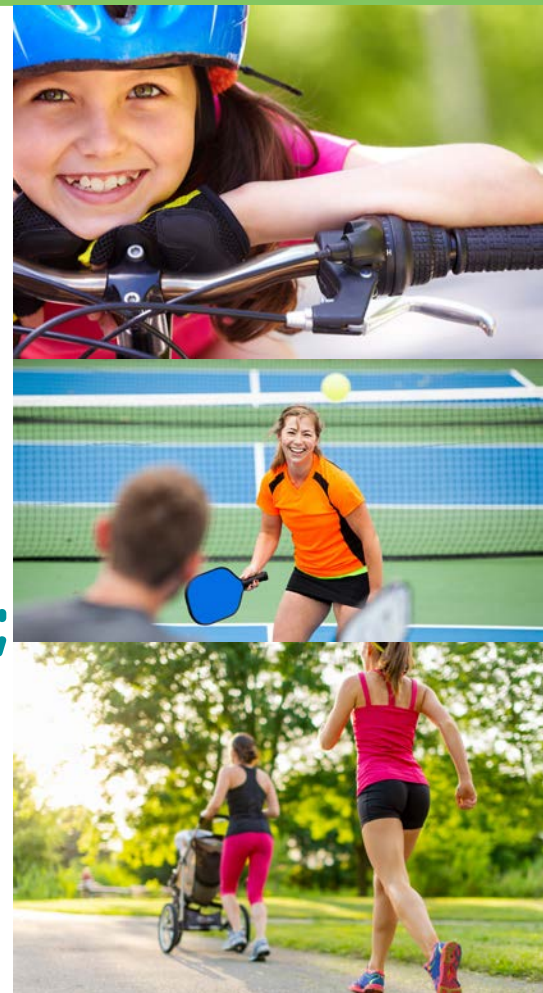
What amenities do you NOT support from concept 1a?



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Lastly, residents were asked what amenities they believed were missing from concept 1a. Top responses included:

- activities for teens;
- skate park;
- all-ages playground;
- water filling station;
- basketball court;
- activities for adults / seniors;
- mini golf course;
- racket ball court; and
- paved pathways.

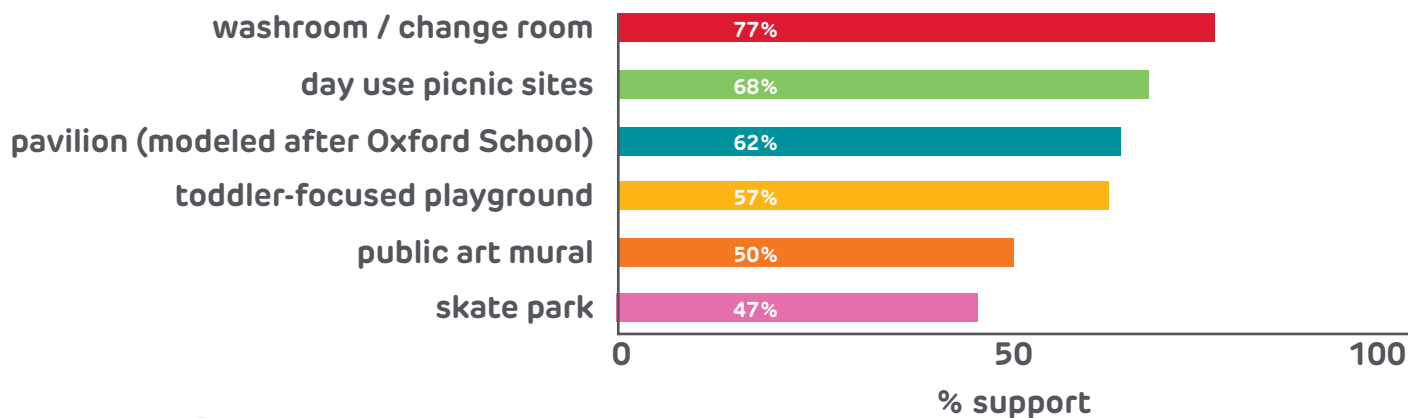


4.2.2 Concept 1b

Residents were asked, overall how happy they are with the amenities offered in concept 1b. 36% were either happy or very happy, 18% were either unhappy or very unhappy and 46% were neutral or did not respond.

The most widely supported amenity from concept 1b is the washroom/change room (77%), followed closely by day use picnic site (68%) and the pavilion modeled after Oxford Park (62%).

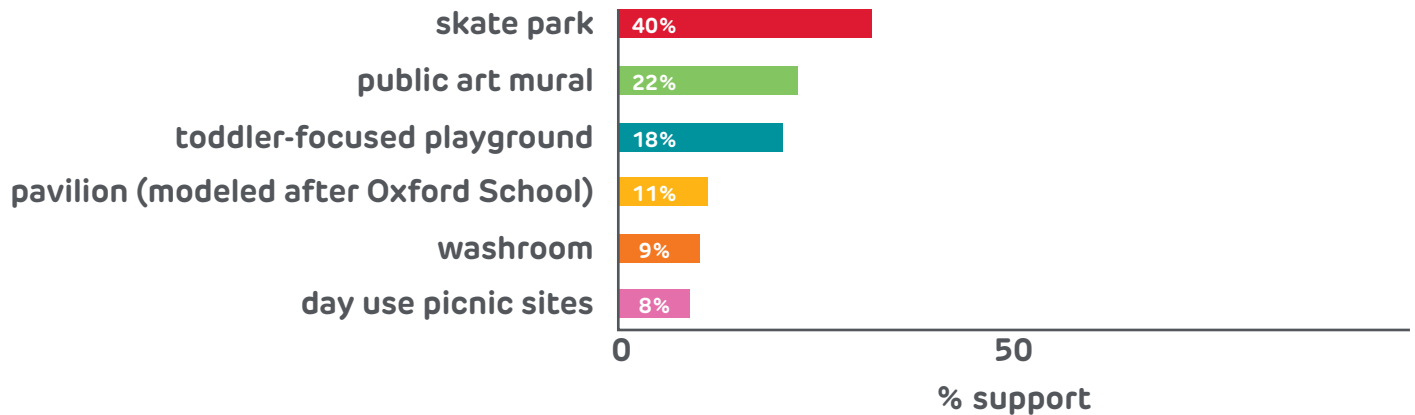
What amenities do you support from concept 1b?



4.0 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

The least supported amenities from concept 1b are the skate park (40%), public art mural (22%), and toddler-focused playground (18%).

What amenities do you NOT support from concept 1b?



Lastly, residents were asked what amenities they believed were missing from concept 1b. Top responses included:

- splash pad;
- water filling station;
- larger skate park;
- mini golf course;
- all-ages playground;
- pickle ball; and
- basketball court.

4.2.3 Concept 2a

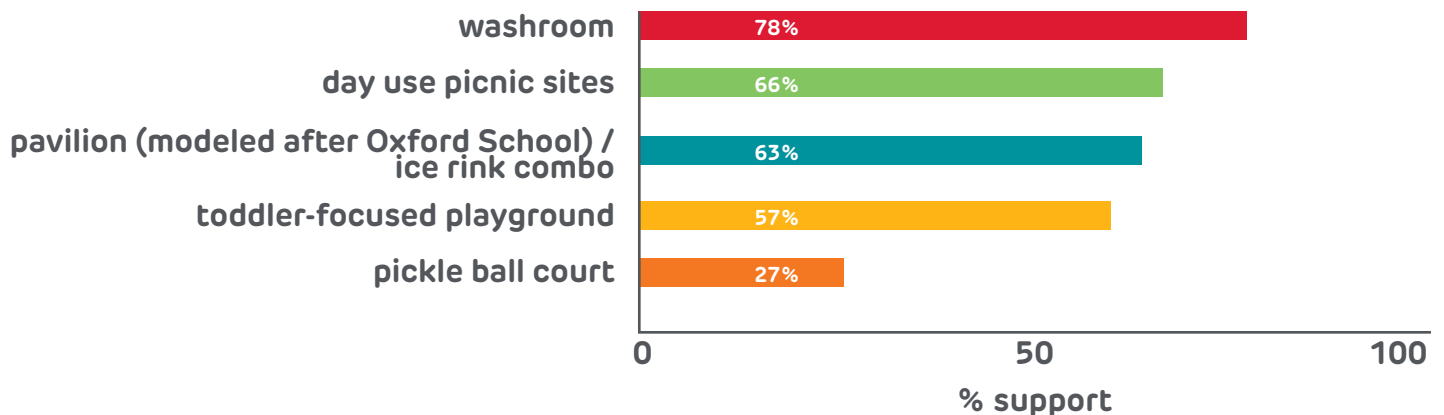
Residents were asked, overall how happy they are with the amenities offered in concept 2a. 25% were either happy or very happy, 25% were either unhappy or very unhappy and 50% were neutral or did not respond.



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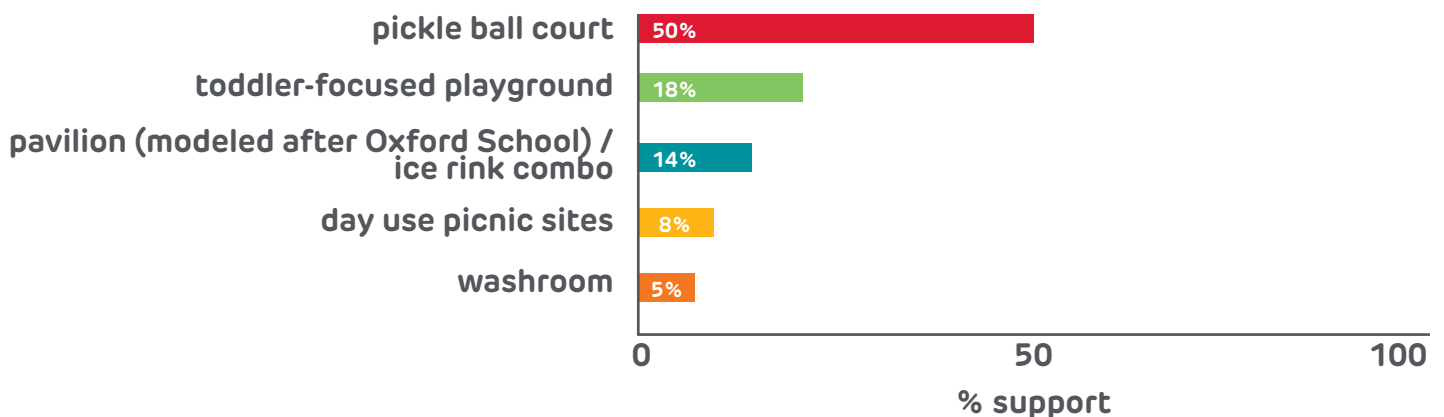
The most widely supported amenity from concept 2a is the washroom (78%), followed closely by day use picnic site (66%) and the pavilion modeled after Oxford Park / ice rink combo (63%).

What amenities do you support from concept 2a?



The least supported amenities from concept 2a are the pickle ball court (50%), toddler-focused playground (18%), and pavilion modeled after Oxford School / ice rink combo (14%).

What amenities do you NOT support from concept 2a?



Lastly, residents were asked what amenities they believed were missing from concept 2a. Top responses included:

- skate park;
- basketball;
- water filling station;
- all-ages playground;
- splash pad; and
- activities for older children (5-10 years).

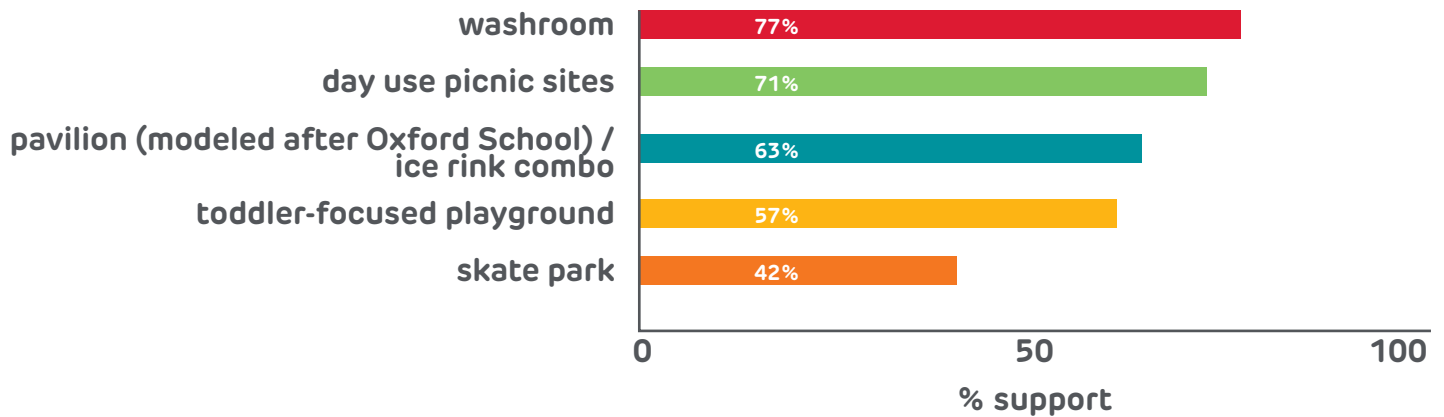
4.0 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

4.2.4 Concept 2b

Residents were asked, overall how happy they are with the amenities offered in concept 2b. 36% were either happy or very happy, 19% were either unhappy or very unhappy and 45% were neutral or did not respond.

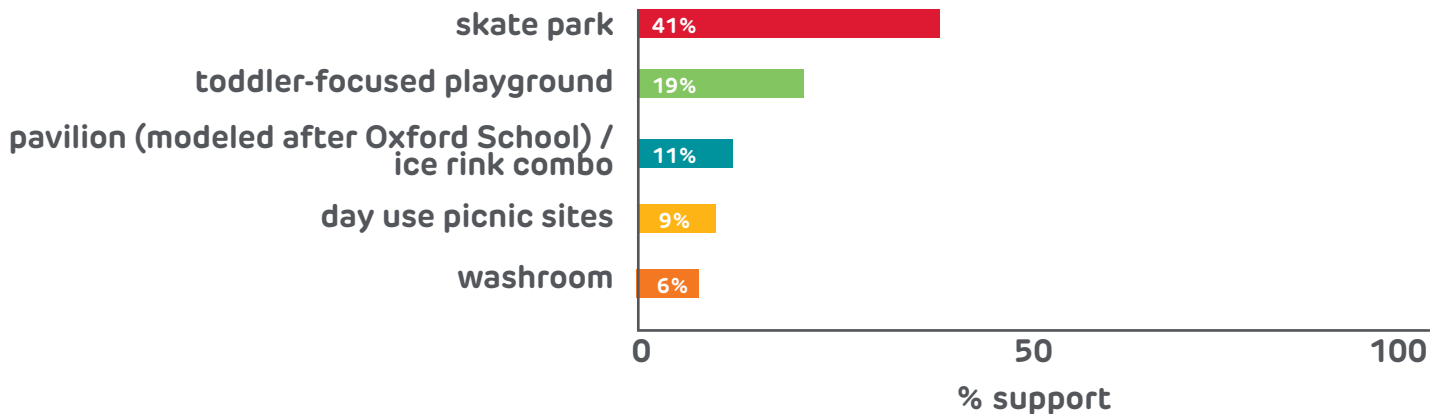
The most widely supported amenity from concept 2b is the washroom (77%), followed closely by day use picnic sites (71%) and the pavilion modeled after Oxford Park / ice rink combo (63%).

What amenities do you support from concept 2b?



The least supported amenities from concept 2b are the skate park (41%), toddler-focused playground (19%), and pavilion modeled after Oxford School / ice rink combo (11%).

What amenities do you NOT support from concept 2a?



4.0 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Lastly, residents were asked what amenities they believed were missing from concept 2b. Top responses included:

- splash pad;
- activities for older children (5-10 years);
- water filling station;
- permanent skate park features on concrete;
- all-ages playground; and
- basketball court.

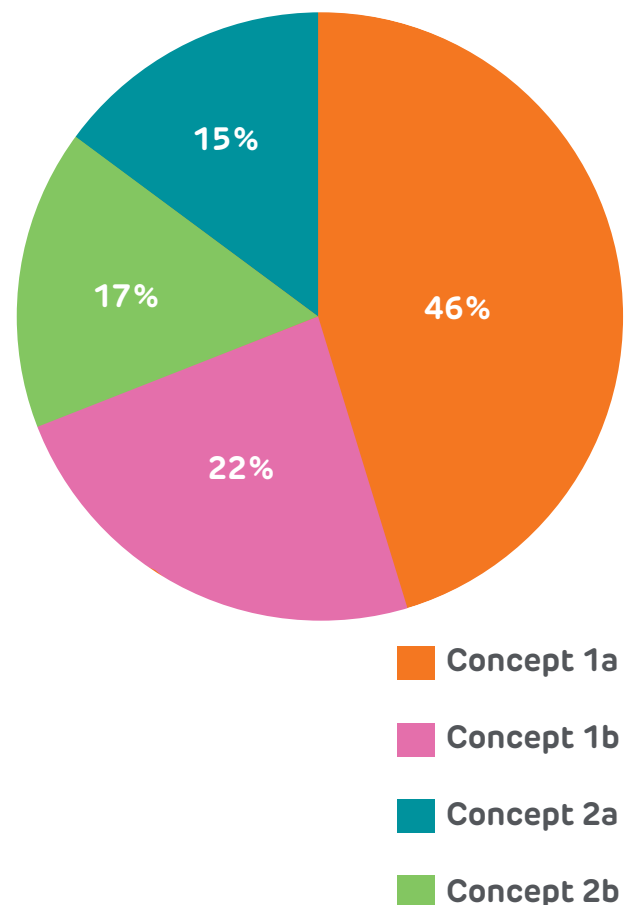
4.2.5 General Questions

Next, residents were asked which concept was their favourite overall, the concept with the most support was concept 1a (46%).

When asked if they would be willing to accept a tax increase to fund a project like this, majority (53%) said possibly, 36% said no and 11% said yes.

53% of residents would possibly consider a tax increase to fund this project.

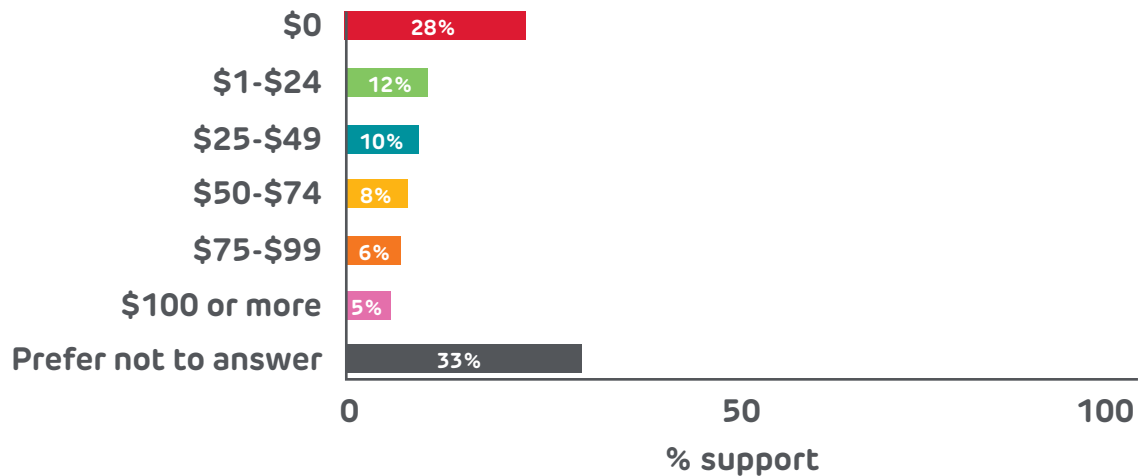
Preferred Concept



4.0 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

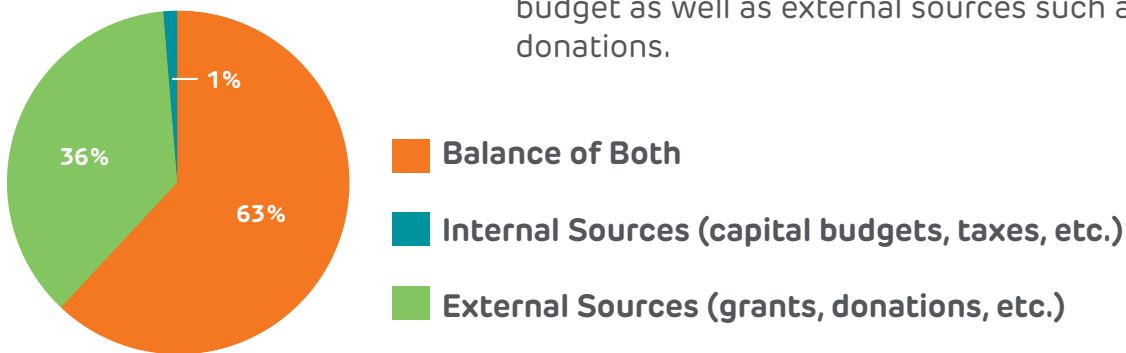
When asked how much in additional taxes residents would be willing to pay to begin work on the park, 28% said \$0, and 33% preferred not to answer.

How much in additional taxes would you be willing to pay (yearly) to begin work on the park?



How should this project be funded?

It is clear that residents would like to see this project funded in part by internal sources such as taxes and the capital budget as well as external sources such as grants and donations.



Lastly, respondents left general comments on the project. These are summarized below:

- Keep the basketball court;
- We need activities focusing on amenities that serve all ages;
- Let's look at fundraising and grants to fund the project;
- Make sure the park is low maintenance;
- Very well thought out - what an exciting project;
- Skate parks can be used more of the year than splash pads;
- Do not increase taxes;
- Consider rearrangement of amenities to not disturb neighbouring residents; and
- Public washrooms would be great.

5.0 ALTERNATE FUNDING SOURCES

A key component of this concept plan report is identifying alternate funding avenues to support the project. Grants, and other external sources have been identified that can aid in bringing this project to fruition.

5.1 Grants

5.1.1 Alberta Blue Cross Built Together Grant Program

Every year, this grant awards five \$50,000 grants for healthy living infrastructure projects across Alberta. Appropriate project types include playgrounds, adult gyms, walking paths, outdoor rinks, skate parks and much more. One of each of the five grants are allocated to each of the following areas:

- Edmonton;
- Calgary;
- A secondary city;
- A rural community; and
- An Indigenous community.

Community leagues, school councils, municipalities and other non-profits across Alberta are eligible to apply for this grant. To learn more and apply visit: ab.bluecross.ca/built-together.

5.1.2 Canada Community Revitalization Fund

This is a two-year, \$500 million national infrastructure program to revitalize communities across Canada. Projects funded could receive up to \$750,000 or \$1 million (depending on project location), with the funding covering up to 75% of the overall project cost. Appropriate project types include farmers markets, community and cultural centres, parks or community gardens, recreational trails and public outdoor sports facilities and multi-purpose centres.

Not-for-profit organizations, municipalities and other public institutions, and Indigenous communities are eligible to apply. To learn more and apply visit: <https://ised-isde.canada.ca/site/ised/en/about-us/our-organization/canadas-regional-development-agencies/regional-relief-and-recovery-fund-rrrf/canada-community-revitalization-fund>.

5.1.3 Alberta Community Facility Enhancement Program

This program aims to foster healthy, vibrant communities across Alberta. There are two funding streams for this grant. The small funding stream offers up to \$125,000 while the large funding stream offers between \$125,001 and \$1 million in funding. Eligible projects include a permanent or semi-permanent built public structure (pavilion); parks including splash parks, fitness spaces,

5.0 ALTERNATE FUNDING SOURCES

dog parks; playgrounds; natural areas including picnic areas, green spaces, wetlands, botanical gardens, trails; and, outdoor spaces such as campsites, sports fields, outdoor pools, outdoor rinks, baseball diamonds.

Only not-for-profit organizations are eligible to apply for this funding. To learn more or apply, visit: <https://www.alberta.ca/community-facility-enhancement-program.aspx#jumplinks-0>.

5.2 Donations and Other Funding Sources

5.2.1 Fundraising

The Town of Bentley has shown time and time again that fundraising can lead to exceptional results when the community supports a project. This park could be no exception, so long as there is full support for the vision. That is why public engagement was such an essential component of this project. Once the design is finalized, ready to proceed with implementation, and has community backing, fundraising should begin. Numerous individuals provided their contact information through the survey and expressed interest in helping to fundraise for this project.

5.2.2 Partnerships

Another avenue to explore both when it comes to implementing and maintaining the park is partnerships. Whether it be a local community group, not-for-profit or local business, partnerships are a fantastic way to offset the costs of both building and maintaining a community park. It is recommended that the Town of Bentley put out a call for proposals from local organizations to see who would be interested in partnering to make this park vision become a reality.



6.0 CLOSING

6.1 The Park Vision

The vision for Oxford Community Park is one that features amenities for all ages, honours the history of the site and balances accessibility with cost. While concept 1a and 2b are the clear favourites as a result of engagement, some minor modifications should be made to either before proceeding with the detailed design. Overall, a combination of these two park designs would prove to be the most supported by the community. Features, amenities and ideas to consider include:

- A skate park or other amenity for older children and teens;
- Preserving the existing basketball court and converting it to allow pickle ball or other sports to also use the court;
- A playground that serves all ages but doesn't duplicate existing offerings in Town;
- A small splash pad with low maintenance, simple features;
- A public washroom / change room building that services the park and features a drinking water fountain;
- A pavilion that pays tribute to Oxford School and reuses building materials;
- An ice skating rink of adequate size to allow for winter enjoyment of the park;
- Inclusive seating and picnic opportunities;
- A public art mural that pays homage to the unique history of the site and the Town as a whole;
- Accessible pathways;
- Preservation of healthy existing vegetation; and
- Appropriate placement of amenities as to avoid conflicts within the park and with neighbouring land uses.

In summary, this park should be a space that the residents of Bentley take pride in. Everyone should be able to come to the park and enjoy it's offerings. After all, a park that only serves a portion of the community can't be called a "community" park.

6.2 Next Steps

Following completion of this Concept Plan Report, the Town should proceed with refining the concept option into the final vision plan as outlined in Section 6.1, above. The Town should then proceed with one final round of engagement to ensure the community's vision is captured. Following buy-in from the community, the Town should proceed with detailed design and begin seeking out funding for the project through grants, donations, fundraising, partnerships and more. Once funding has been secured for the park, the construction shall be completed in phases.



APPENDIX A: OPEN HOUSE PANELS





The Town of Bentley has partnered with EDS Group Inc. to develop a concept plan for the old Oxford School Park Site.

The goal is to create a plan that is reflective of resident input, offers unique recreation and culture offerings to the Town and serves to honour the unique history of the site while paying tribute to Oxford School that once stood there.

Four (4) concepts have been created based on feedback from community engagement that took place last year. This open house and the survey that is being released today are your opportunity to tell us which is your preferred option.

What did we get right?

What are we missing?

We want to hear what you have to say!

HAVE YOUR SAY!

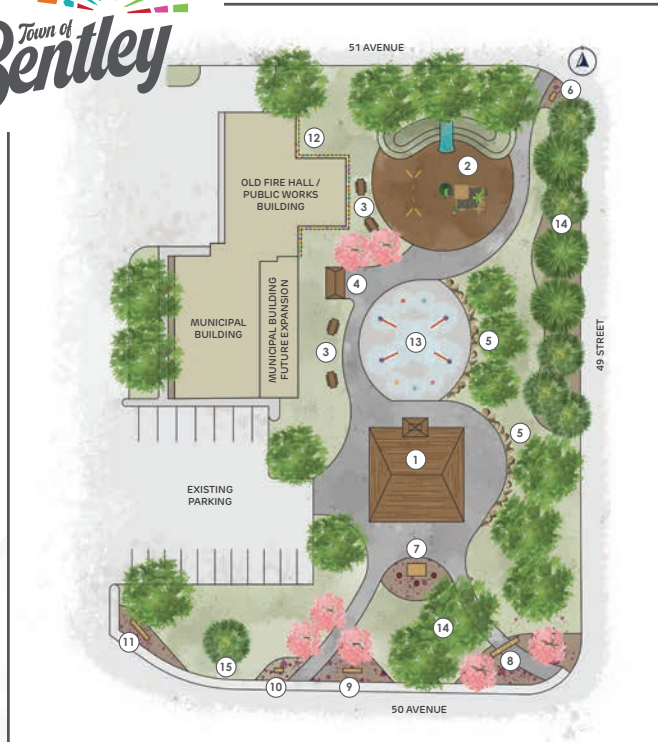


SCAN ME!

Scan the QR Code or visit <https://arcg.is/1yHKO40> to take the survey

The survey will remain open until June 28th.

OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

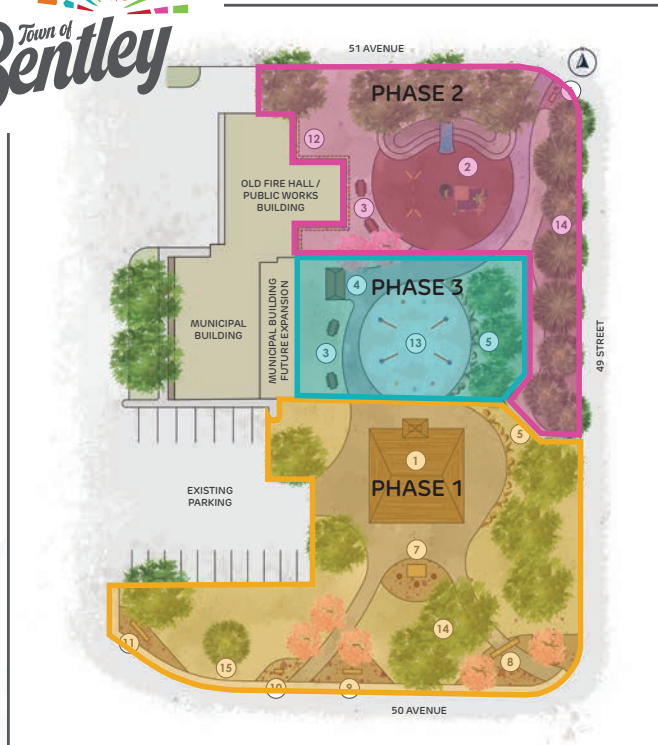


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OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTION 1A



PHASE 1: \$295,000

- Pavilion structure
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$155,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Public art mural
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$345,000

- Splash pad / ice rink combo
- Washroom / change room building
- Boulder seating wall
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$795,000

Contingency (20%): \$159,000

Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$95,400

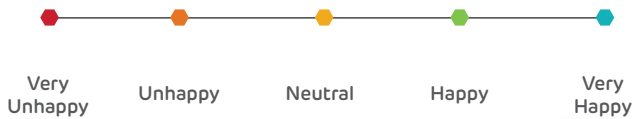
TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 1A: \$1,049,400

**OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
OPTION 1A: PHASING AND BUDGET**



1 Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #1a?

Place a sticker on the spectrum to show your satisfaction



2 What amenities in Concept #1a do you support?

Pavilion	Toddler-Focused Playground	Day Use Picnic
Washroom / Change Room	Public Art Mural	Splash Pad / Ice Rink Combo

Place stickers to show your support

HAVE YOUR SAY!

3 Are there any amenities you do not support?

Pavilion	Toddler-Focused Playground	Day Use Picnic
Washroom / Change Room	Public Art Mural	Splash Pad / Ice Rink Combo

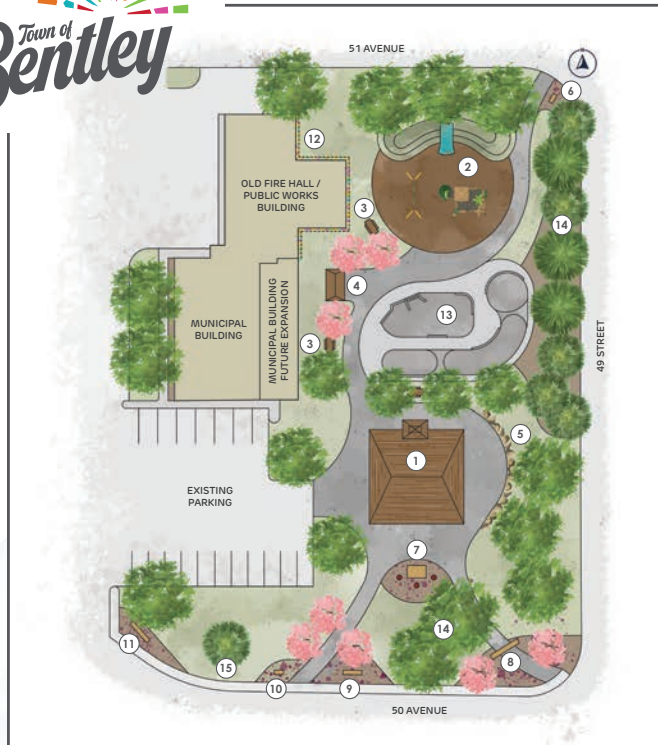
Place stickers to indicate amenities you do not support

4 Are there any amenities missing from the park that you think should be incorporated? If so, what?

Use sticky notes to share your thoughts

**OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
OPTION 1A**



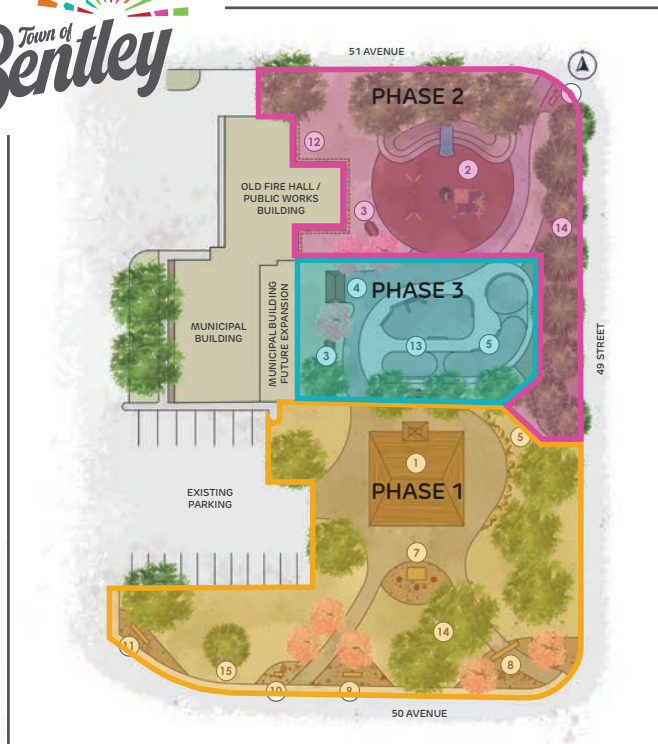


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**OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
OPTION 1B**



PHASE 1: \$295,000

- Pavilion structure
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal building sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$155,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (1)
- Public art mural
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$345,000

- Skate park
- Washroom building
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$795,000

Contingency (20%): \$159,000

Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$95,400

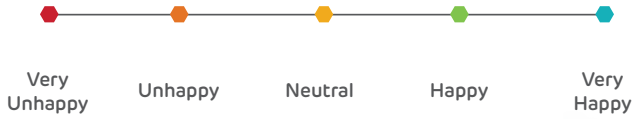
TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 1B: \$1,049,400

**OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
OPTION 1B: PHASING AND BUDGET**





1 Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #1b?
Place a sticker on the spectrum to show your satisfaction



2 What amenities in Concept #1b do you support?

Pavilion	Toddler-Focused Playground	Day Use Picnic
Washroom / Change Room	Public Art Mural	Skate Park

Place stickers to show your support

HAVE YOUR SAY!

3 Are there any amenities you do not support?

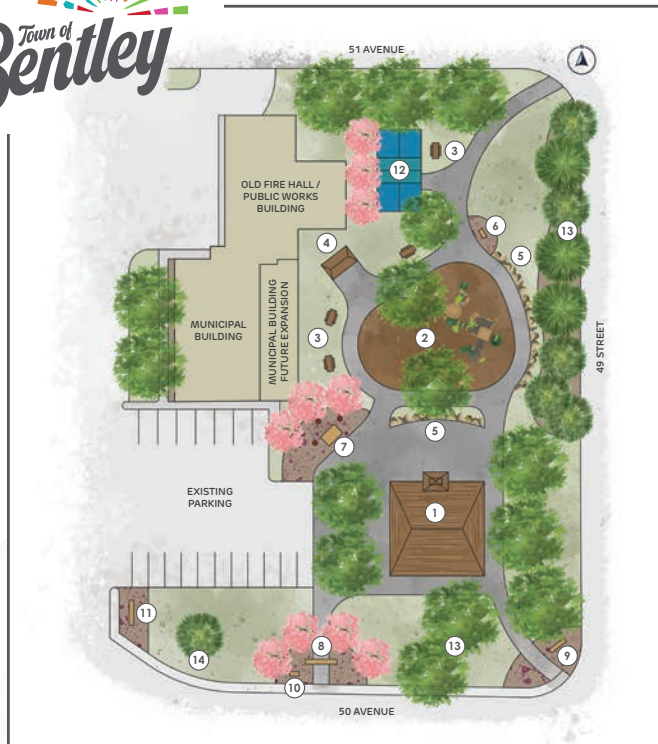
Pavilion	Toddler-Focused Playground	Day Use Picnic
Washroom / Change Room	Public Art Mural	Skate Park

Place stickers to indicate amenities you do not support

4 Are there any amenities missing from the park that you think should be incorporated? If so, what?

Use sticky notes to share your thoughts

OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTION 1B

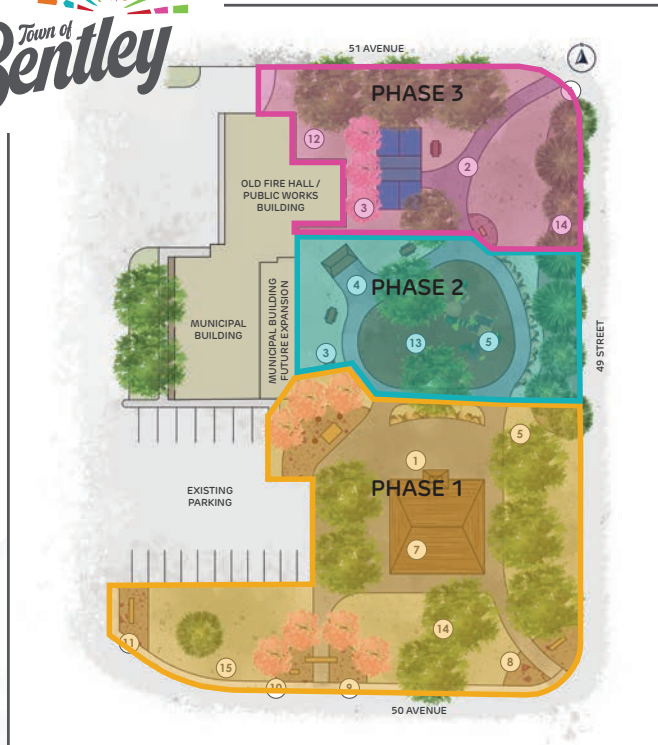


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| 2. playground
toddler focused playground and swing set with wood mulch surfacing | 9. park entrance
park entry sign with annual flower bed |
| 3. day use picnic
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relocated historical sign in annual flower bed |
| 4. washroom
centrally located vault washroom to accommodate park users | 11. municipal sign
municipal building sign in annual flower bed |
| 5. boulder seating wall
utilizing grade change of the site to create boulder seating wall | 12. pickle ball court
existing basketball court to be expanded to accommodate pickle ball court dimensions. court to receive rubber surfacing, line work and fencing |
| 6. adopt-a-tree plaque
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OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTION 2A



PHASE 1: \$320,000

- Pavilion structure / ice rink combo
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal building sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$210,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (2)
- Boulder seating wall
- Washroom
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$85,000

- Pickle ball court
- Day use picnic sites (1)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$615,000

Contingency (20%): \$123,000

Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$73,800

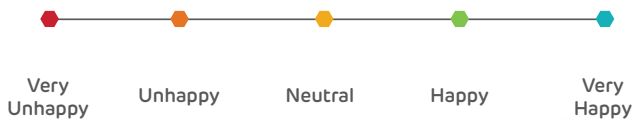
TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 2A: \$811,800

**OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
OPTION 2A: PHASING AND BUDGET**



1 Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #2a?

Place a sticker on the spectrum to show your satisfaction



2 What amenities in Concept #2a do you support?

Support amenities: Pavilion / Ice Rink Combo, Toddler-Focused Playground, Day Use Picnic, Washroom, Pickle Ball Court

Place stickers to show your support

HAVE YOUR SAY!

3 Are there any amenities you do not support?

Do not support amenities: Pavilion / Ice Rink Combo, Toddler-Focused Playground, Day Use Picnic, Washroom, Pickle Ball Court

Place stickers to indicate amenities you do not support

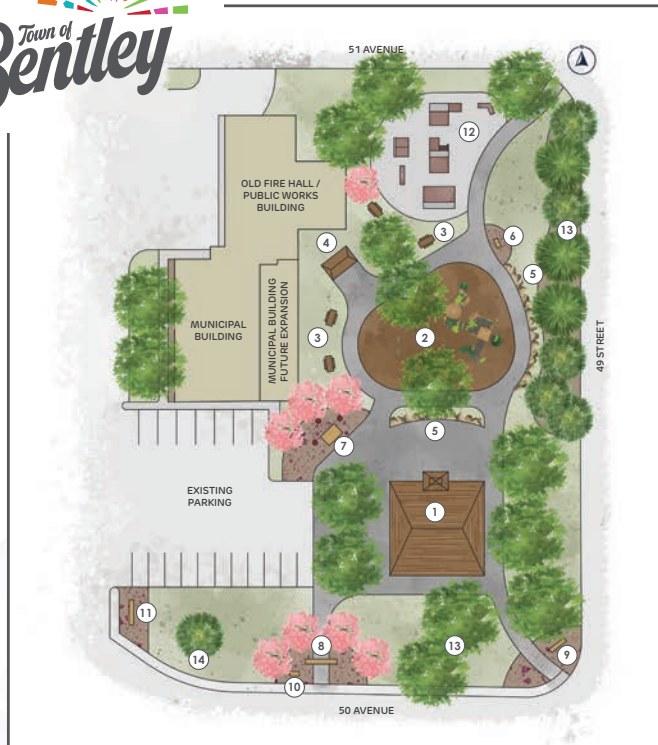
4 Are there any amenities missing from the park that you think should be incorporated? If so, what?

Area for sticky notes to share thoughts

Use sticky notes to share your thoughts

**OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN
OPTION 2A**



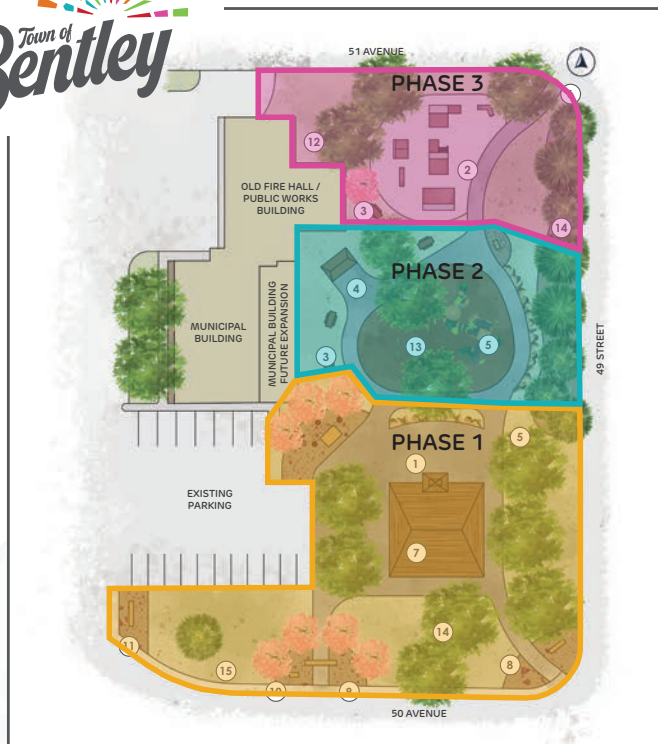


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OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTION 2B



PHASE 1: \$320,000

- Pavilion structure / ice rink combo
- Epitaph and flagpoles
- Municipal building sign & park entry sign
- Gravel pathways & planting
- Boulder seating wall

PHASE 2: \$210,000

- Toddler-focused playground
- Day use picnic sites (3)
- Boulder seating wall
- Washroom
- Gravel pathways & planting

PHASE 3: \$145,000

- Skate park
- Day use picnic sites (1)
- Gravel pathways & planting

TOTAL BUDGET ESTIMATE: \$675,000

Contingency (20%): \$135,000

Testing, Survey & Engineering (12%): \$81,000

TOTAL COST OF CONCEPT 2B: \$891,000

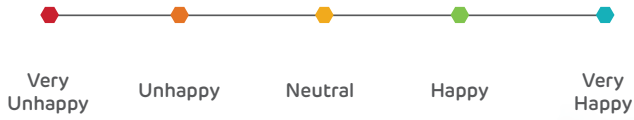
OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTION 2B: PHASING AND BUDGET





1 Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #2b?

Place a sticker on the spectrum to show your satisfaction



2 What amenities in Concept #2b do you support?

Place stickers to show your support

- Pavilion / Ice Rink Combo
- Toddler-Focused Playground
- Day Use Picnic
- Washroom
- Skate Park

HAVE YOUR SAY!

3 Are there any amenities you do not support?

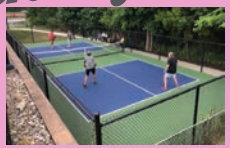
Place stickers to indicate amenities you do not support

- Pavilion / Ice Rink Combo
- Toddler-Focused Playground
- Day Use Picnic
- Washroom
- Skate Park

4 Are there any amenities missing from the park that you think should be incorporated? If so, what?

Use sticky notes to share your thoughts

OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN OPTION 2B



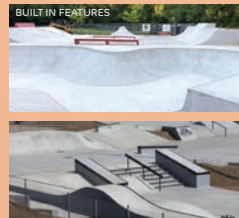
PICKLE BALL COURT



SPLASH PAD WITH LOW FLOW JET BUBBLERS



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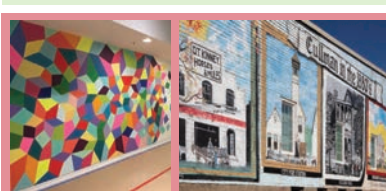
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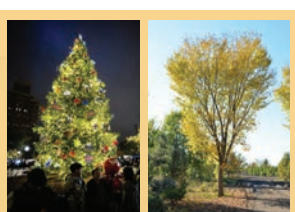


WASHROOM / CHANGE ROOM



PUBLIC ART MURAL

SKATEBOARD PARK



PLANT MATERIAL



TODDLER FOCUSED PLAYGROUND AND SWINGS



SITE FURNITURE

OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN PRECEDENT IMAGERY





1 If it were up to you, what would you name this park?

Place sticky notes with your suggestion

2 Knowing that highly accessible features (paved pathways) come with a higher price tag, how would you prioritize accessibility versus the cost of the park?

Place a sticker on the spectrum to show your priority



Highly Accessible (higher cost \$\$\$)

Balance Accessibility and Cost

Low Accessibility (lower cost \$)

HAVE YOUR SAY!

3 If you have to choose your favourite concept, which would it be?

Place stickers to indicate your favourite concept



4 Would you be willing to accept a tax increase to cover a project like this?

Place a sticker on the spectrum to show your response



No

Possibly

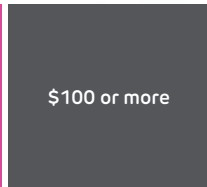
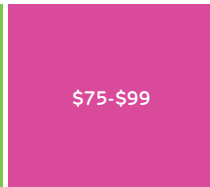
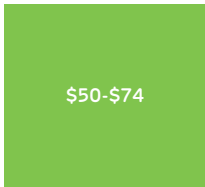
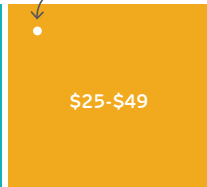
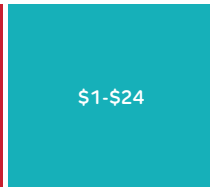
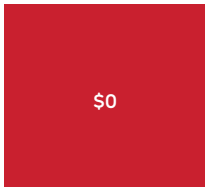
Yes

OXFORD SCHOOL PARK CONCEPTUAL DESIGN SURVEY QUESTIONS



1 How much would you be willing to pay in additional taxes to begin work on the park?

Place a sticker to indicate your response



HAVE YOUR SAY!

2 Are there any comments you'd like to add that weren't captured?

Place a sticky note with your thoughts



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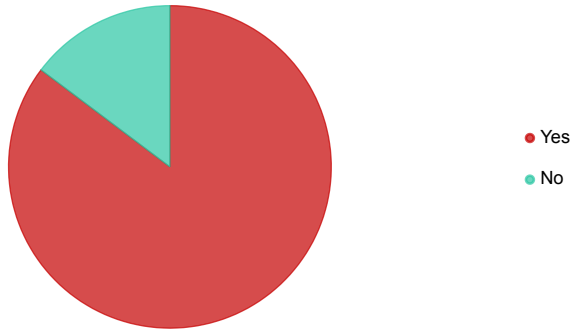
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Town of Bentley - Oxford School Site Park

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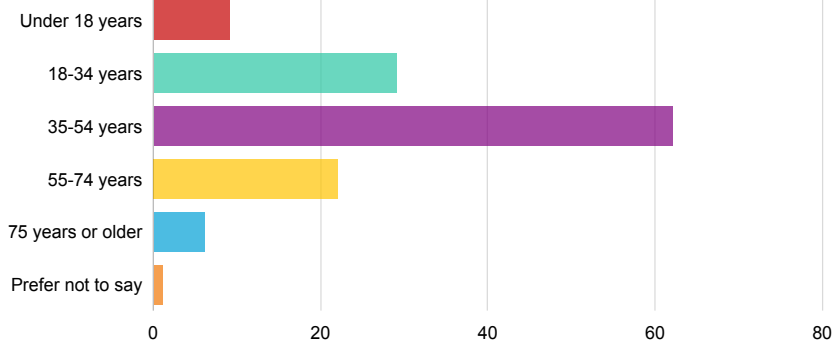
● Are you a resident of Bentley? *



Answers	Count	Percentage
Yes	110	85.27%
No	19	14.73%

Answered: 129 Skipped: 0

● What age are you?



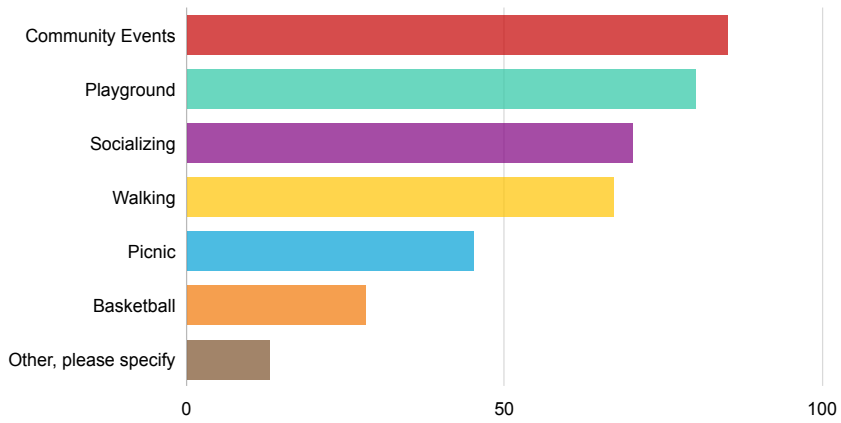
Answers	Count	Percentage
Under 18 years	9	6.98%
18-34 years	29	22.48%
35-54 years	62	48.06%
55-74 years	22	17.05%
75 years or older	6	4.65%
Prefer not to say	1	0.78%

Answered: 129 Skipped: 0

Sasquatch point	1
Oxford 'Sprinkle (or Splash) ' Park	1
Oxford School Play Park	1
Oxford School Community Park	1
Oxford Pavilion & Elks Playground	1
Oxford	1
Old Oxford park	1
No	1
N/A	1
Maple Park	1
Jason Hazzlet Memorial	1
Jason Hazlett Memorial Mini Golf	1
Jason Hazlet Memorial Park	1
dukie memorial park	1
Downtown Park	1
Dick Damron park	1
Central Park	1
Bentley-Oxford Park	1
Bentley skate park	1
Bentley Main Street Park	1
Bentley Elks Legacy Playground	1
Bentley downtown park	1
Bentley Community Play Ground	1
Bentley Community Park	1
Bentley Community Central	1
Bentley Base	1

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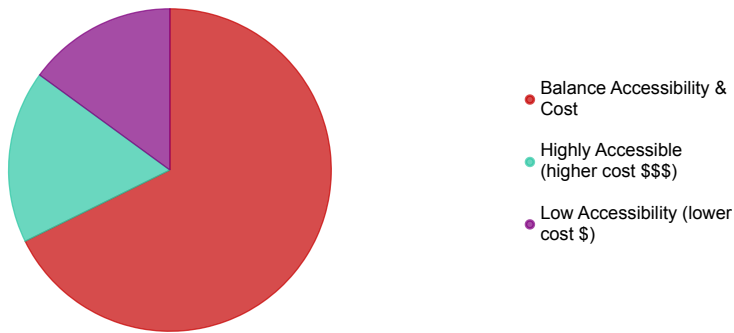
● What activities/programs do you currently participate in at the park?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Community Events	85	65.89%
Playground	80	62.02%
Socializing	70	54.26%
Walking	67	51.94%
Picnics	45	34.88%
Basketball	28	21.71%
Other, please specify	13	10.08%

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● Knowing that highly accessible features (paved pathways) come with a higher...

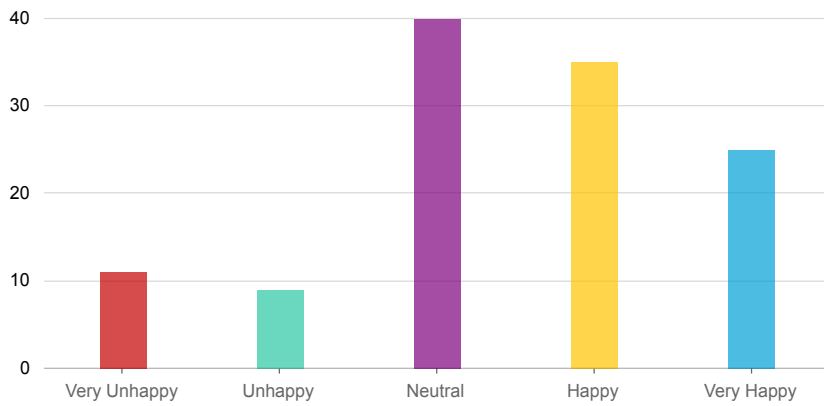


Answers	Count	Percentage
Balance Accessibility & Cost	86	66.67%
Highly Accessible (higher cost \$\$\$)	22	17.05%
Low Accessibility (lower cost \$)	19	14.73%

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Concept #1a

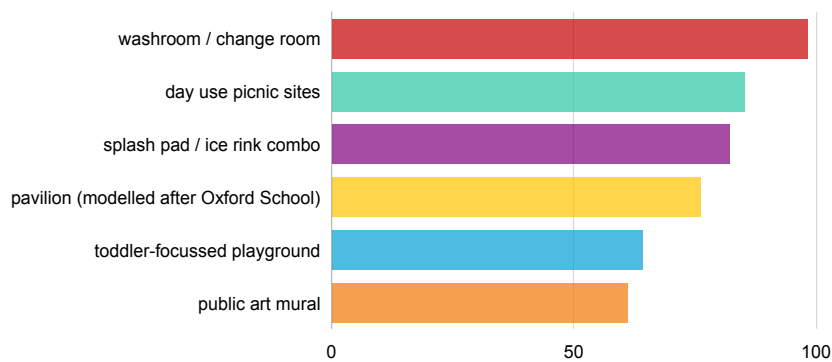
● Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #1a?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Very Unhappy	11	8.53%
Unhappy	9	6.98%
Neutral	40	31.01%
Happy	35	27.13%
Very Happy	25	19.38%

Answered: 120 Skipped: 9

● What amenities shown do you support?



Answers	Count	Percentage
washroom / change room	98	75.97%
day use picnic sites	85	65.89%
splash pad / ice rink combo	82	63.57%
pavilion (modelled after Oxford School)	76	58.91%
toddler-focussed playground	64	49.61%
public art mural	61	47.29%

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● Are there any amenities you do not support?

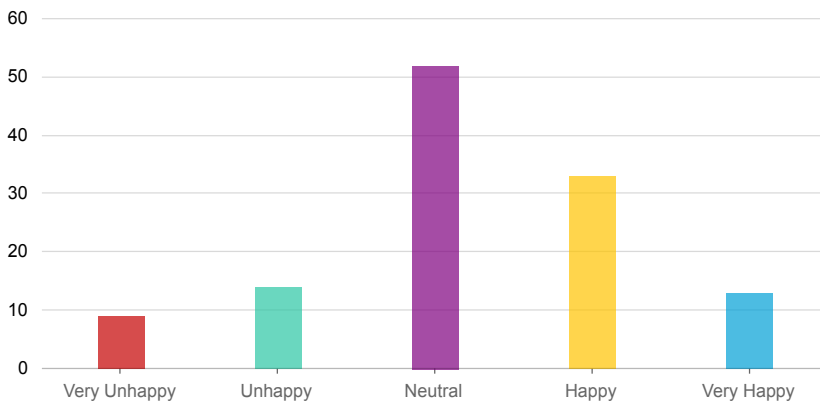
The basketball court was nice to have, that's the only thing I'd miss. Also concerned if the existing trees will be taken down, and the black metal Bentley sign in the corner?	1
Taxes are too high already, no expensive splash park	1
Something for our older kids. This concept is very toddler focused	1
something for adults and teens such as exercise machines like at Summer Village of Gull Lake	1
Skatepark would be great	1
Skatepark	1
Skate park	1
Should keep the basketball courts , seeing as the only other one is located on school property	1
Senior-friendly benches in the shade, I'm not sure what a boulder seating wall would look like, or how senior-friendly it would be.	1
Remove Pavillion and incorporate a skateboard park	1
Possibly a stage for public speakers, music by local performers.	1
Portable toilets instead of a permanent washroom due to vandalism as the kids in town have nothing to do t his town is as high as Blackfalds for taxes with NOTHING to keep all of the kids busy or entertained.	1
Playground shouldn't just be for toddlers. Do not remove the basketball court! It is being used.	1
Pickle ball court from concept 2	1
Phase 1 costs \$290,000 and there isn't a single thing that would draw our family. There is already an epitaph, flagpoles, paths and seating at this park. This phase is a huge waste of tax payers dollars. More focus needs to be put on things that our community members will use and not more frivolous signs, murals, etc. That park already contains a toddler playground, as do numerous others around town. A splash pad would be nice for a short period of time each year; however, they are very expensive to run and maintain. It is not worth a rise in our already outrageous taxes. Our family would love an upgrade to the existing outdoor rink (nets, boards) rather than using tax dollars to create another one. The one at the downtown park this year was too small for our family to even use.	1
No	1
Mini golf or skate park	1
Mini golf course,	1
Mini Golf	1
Maybe add a little more to the splash pad to make it like a splash park like other places.	1
make a miny golf course	1
Lower Taxes	1
I would prefer that there be a splash park, rather than a splash pad.	1
I would live to see the playground switched out for a skatepark so it's more inclusive to all ages in the community	1
I think the play structure can be geared toward toddlers but should include a variety of structures to accommodate families	1
I love ve directly east of the park. The current basketball is very well utilized most of the year by our local youth as well as visitors. I think they would be very unhappy to lose their basketball court.	1
I feel it would be important to have one wide paved path for wheelchair accessibility to the pavilion (at least).	1

Ensure the pavilion is not huge. It will/should never replace the tent that is used for the pancake breakfasts as it is not enclosed which was/is the main reason for its use. The yearly cost is minimal to what a huge pavilion would cost. Keep the basketball court - no need to rip it up. Paint pickleball lines on it and make it dual purpose (there is also a pickleball court at the high school). For the cost and maintenance of a splash park and the amount of funds to build, this should be eliminated. There are so many within a 15 minute drive from Bentley that are accessible.	1
Do two things, and do them well. The basketball court is heavily used by our youth. Leave it there. The playground is already geared towards toddlers - and that is enough for now.	1
Bigger splash park	1
basketball court, mini golf, better playground, Jason Hazlett statue	1
A skate/bmx/scooter park	1
A playground needs to be accessible for all ages and abilities of children	1
A playground for older kids, slide, swings, etc...	1
A playground for all ages A splash park like Rimbeys .	1
A basketball court	1

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Concept #1b

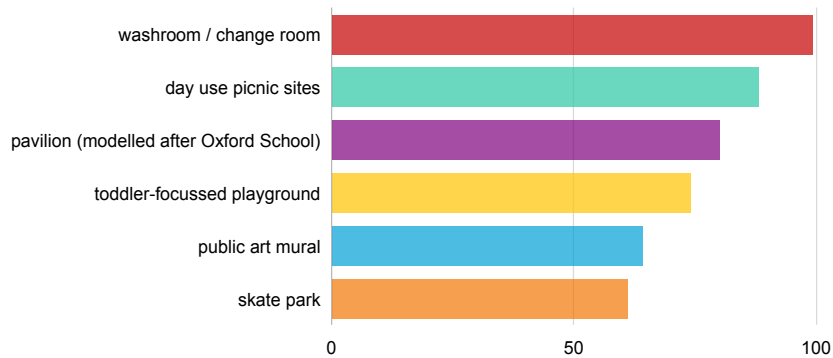
● Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #1b?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Very Unhappy	9	6.98%
Unhappy	14	10.85%
Neutral	52	40.31%
Happy	33	25.58%
Very Happy	13	10.08%

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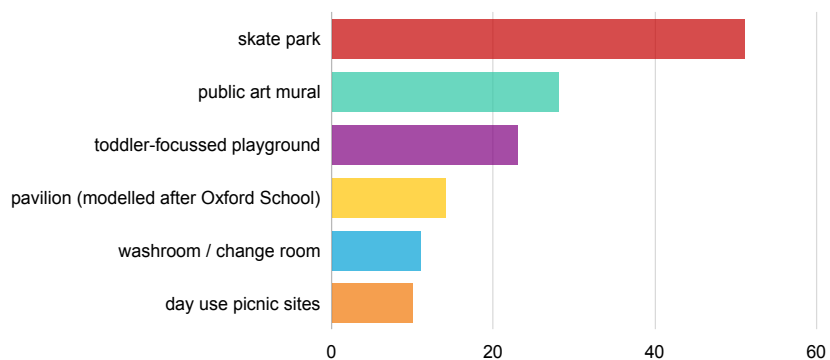
● What amenities shown do you support?



Answers	Count	Percentage
washroom / change room	99	76.74%
day use picnic sites	88	68.22%
pavilion (modelled after Oxford School)	80	62.02%
toddler-focussed playground	74	57.36%
public art mural	64	49.61%
skate park	61	47.29%

Answered: 123 Skipped: 6

● Are there any amenities you do not support?



Answers	Count	Percentage
skate park	51	39.53%
public art mural	28	21.71%
toddler-focussed playground	23	17.83%
pavilion (modelled after Oxford School)	14	10.85%
washroom / change room	11	8.53%
day use picnic sites	10	7.75%

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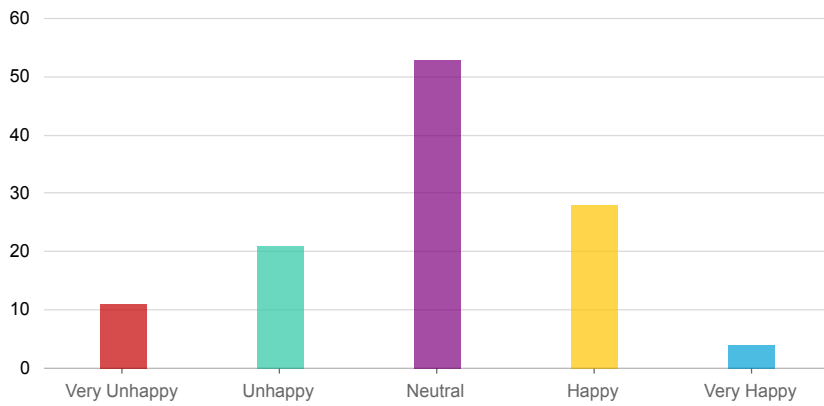
● Are there any amenities missing from the park that you think should be incorporated? If s...

mini golf	1
Lower Taxes	1
Keep the basketball courts.	1
If the toddler playground could be switched to splash pad	1
I'm not opposed to the skatepark but would not like to see it in the middle of the Park. I think it would be best to have the toddler playground closer to the pavilion. That way families that are using the pavilion could keep an eye on smaller children in the playground area. Also the older kids using the skatepark may be a little rowdy, disturbing conversation at the pavilion &/or making it harder for parents to hear their little ones in the playground.	1
I think we need a skate park just not at this location.	1
I support the idea of Bentley finding space for a skate park but do not feel it fits with a park space for families, especially toddlers and events.	1
I feel that there are other parks that could be upgraded instead of trying to place all the amenities into one park or area.	1
I don't believe that the skatepark will be utilized. And if it is it will be a deterrent for the families with young children.	1
I believe a spray park would be the best use of funding.	1
exercise equipment	1
Better playground bigger area.	1
basketball court, mini golf, better park, jason hazlett statue	1
Another great model, we've missed having a skatepark for many years. I used to skate at our old one.	1
Amphitheatre area, seating	1
All ages playground	1
Again, basketball court is used often & should be kept. Skateboard park should be placed close to Main Street. The skateboard park will be noisy and may well disturb residents to the north & east of the park. The basketball court is noisy enough and used during the summer till or past 11 pm. Anyone wanting the skate park close to the residential houses should try spending a night in my bedroom trying to sleep!	1
Again your design is missing amenities for the 6 - 9 year old age group. And as nice as the concept of a skate park is, in other communities it seems to be a place for older kids to gather who bully younger ones away from using it. Skate parks are great if they are supervised and everyone can enjoy them, unfortunately that has proven to not be the case in Sylvan, Lacombe and Blackfalds.	1
A skate park is a great idea - just not in this location!	1
A Basketball court	1

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Concept #2a

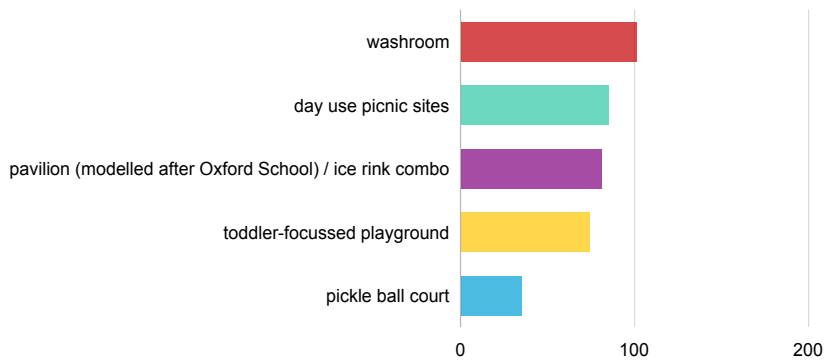
- Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #2a?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Very Unhappy	11	8.53%
Unhappy	21	16.28%
Neutral	53	41.09%
Happy	28	21.71%
Very Happy	4	3.1%

Answered: 117 Skipped: 12

● What amenities shown do you support?



Answers	Count	Percentage
washroom	101	78.29%
day use picnic sites	85	65.89%
pavilion (modelled after Oxford School) / ice rink combo	81	62.79%
toddler-focussed playground	74	57.36%
pickle ball court	35	27.13%

Answered: 118 Skipped: 11

● Are there any amenities you do not support?

The actual re-use of the basketball court to be made dual purpose is an excellent idea!! Do not make the pavilion large - perhaps large enough to hold a small band and two or three picnic benches. Build the pillars out of the bricks that were saved, use the bell tower on top and put cedar shakes on the roof. Simple but attractive. The need to accommodate 250-300 people is not necessary when it happens only once a year. The cost of the tent and tables and chairs is a viable municipal expense for the community - don't take that away!! Maintaining the cenotaph is definitely needed as well as the Elks Park sign. The fountain could be maintained and made useable once again. Ensure green space is available - no need to "fill it up with stuff" and add trees that can be decorated at Christmas and provide shade but keep those that were planted by the Elks as memorials.	1
Still having the basketball court and upgrading it is a nice idea. I don't like that the metal archway is removed in this model. We've lost enough of our old buildings lately, would be nice to keep the sign.	1
Spraypark and Pickleball are a winning combination!	1
Spray park	1
Splash park	1
Skate park	1
Playground needs to be all ages.	1
Playground for all ages	1
Pickle ball court should be indoors. The current basketball court is heavily used and should not be replaced with pickle ball court.	1
Pavilion is fine. No ice rink combo	1
Needs to not just be toddler focused playground.	1
miny golf	1
mini golf	1
Lower Taxes	1
Leave the basketball court, it is heavily used	1
Keep the basketball courts	1
I like the pickle ball court as it is fast growing activity but I think the court should include a couple basketball nets so it could be multi-purpose. I see kids shooting hoops on the town court in the evenings.	1
I just don't think this design is inclusive for families of school aged kids.	1
I feel like a pickleball court would not be utilized by many and wonder about having a "green space". Possibly in the green space, a few garden boxes (Community garden concept) might make the area more intergenerational. If not garden boxes, the maybe a memorial tree/shrub type area that could have more benches, picnic tables. Again I feel it would be important to have one wider paved path for wheelchair/walker accessibility.	1
exercise machines pickle ball court would be ok if not too costly to put in the court foundation.	1
Could the pickle ball court still have access to play basketball? It seems a shame to place the new pickle ball at the expense of the old basketball court. If both could be played in the same place I could get behind it.	1
Bubble pad/skate rink and skateboard park	1
basketball court, mini golf, better playground for older ages, jason hazlett statue	1
Again, still need to keep the basketball court. Any sports areas should be kept close to Main Street in consideration of local residents (SW corner). Boulder wall may be a possible safety concern??	1
Again you are completely missing out on a playground for the 5 - 9 or 10 year olds. Not every child is going to be allowed to go to the other playgrounds in town without supervision and there needs to be something at this location that addresses this age group. How a town council can so completely miss the mark and an age group in every single conceptual design is astonishing. DO BETTER	1

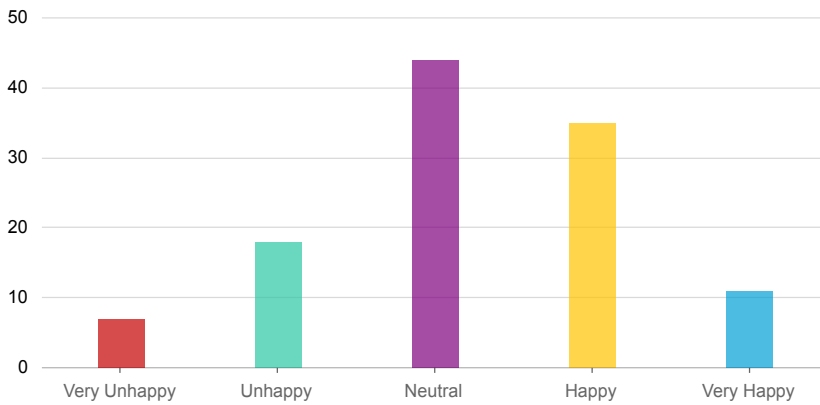
A Basketball court

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Concept #2b

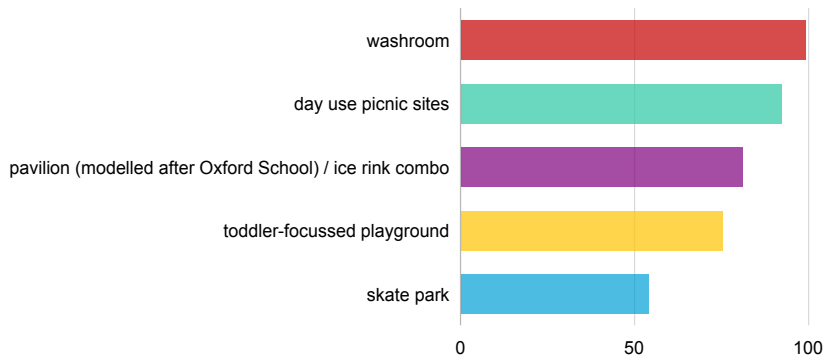
● Overall, how happy are you with the amenities offered in concept #2b?



Answers	Count	Percentage
Very Unhappy	7	5.43%
Unhappy	18	13.95%
Neutral	44	34.11%
Happy	35	27.13%
Very Happy	11	8.53%

Answered: 115 Skipped: 14

● What amenities shown do you support?



Answers	Count	Percentage
washroom	99	76.74%
day use picnic sites	92	71.32%
pavilion (modelled after Oxford School) / ice rink combo	81	62.79%
toddler-focussed playground	75	58.14%
skate park	54	41.86%

The semi permanent type of skate park looks bad in no time, needs constant upkeep	1
The playground can't focus on just toddlers , if families have more children they older kids would wants to play on structures as well ; also keep the basketball court , it's used often	1
The only concern is the dimension of the ice rink. Last year's mini ice rink was awful. It was only good for small children and a couple families. It needs to be a decent size for people to skate or play hockey safely on.	1
Spray park	1
Skatepark should be in SW corner. The skateparks in Lacombe, Sylvan Lake & Red Deer are not set up close to residential homes. PLEASE MOVE IT!	1
Skatepark is awesome, but spraypark and pickleball would be a great pairing!	1
Skate park further back is better.	1
Skate park bigger.	1
Skate board park but not in this park. Somewhere else in town off of main street for safety reasons when skateboarders hang out.	1
Seriously, this town is becoming unaffordable.	1
Senior-friendly benches in shade.	1
Remove Pavillion. Incorporate a bubble pad/skate rink	1
Playground shouldn't be just toddler focused	1
Playground needs to be all ages	1
Playground for all ages .	1
Paved asphalt won't last. Concrete would be better.	1
Non permanent (often wooden) skate park ramps do not last and are often wrecked by people who do not skate. The cement, permanent structure is a much better option.	1
Mural	1
Like this plan much better than 2 A with the skateboard park being farther away from the pavilion. Really like the concept of having an ice surface in the pavilion in winter.	1
Keep the basketball court	1
It should be a permanent skate park to reduce the opportunities for vandalism/destruction of property.	1
I just feel a skate park, sports courts etc should be in another area. I think this park should be kept as a family, community gathering place for events.	1
exercise machine	1
Enough already with the ice rinks! There is the arena, and the outdoor rink near to it. Skate park is a great idea - just not there! Conflict with existing toddler playground, (which is perfectly fine for now), and people wanting to just sit and relax and chat.	1
basketball court, mini golf, better playground for older ages, jason hazlett statue	1
Again - do not make the pavilion a "giant structure" - something small enough to hold two or three picnic tables and/or a small band. Be cognizant of the cost of the pavilion - something "classy" to enhance the park. The green space needs to be maintained as much as possible. Don't "clutter it up". This is perhaps the "closest" to what I would like to see in the park.	1
A park for all ages.	1
A mini golf course would get the people in the town working summer jobs and have the public come together as a community.	1

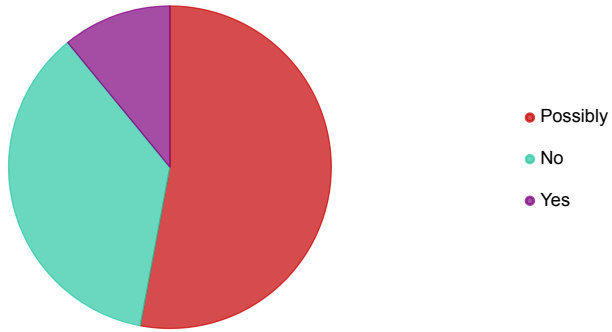
Would be nice to have washrooms down there as well as a splash /water area for the kids , where u don't to load the kids and drive	1
Why can't there be a splash pad and a skate park?	1
Which ever cost less	1
We need something like a splash park for our kids. It will attract kids of all ages. Not having a pool, and having to drive to Rimbey, Lacombe or Blackfalds to access these amenities. I also support the pickle ball court. Absolutely NOT support a skatepark of ANY kind. It will attract a negative patrons. And it Will be graffitied in no time	1
We need a splash park. We pay enough taxes and we have no amenities	1
We have young children and friends with young kids so the spray park and playground would be such a great addition! We play on the park every week and would love to see a new one put in! We need an upgrade in the town to keep things lively for families.	1
Use year round. Give a place for most families to be able to use without leaving town always	1
Unhappy with some ideas in all of the concepts. Do not move the epitaph. How will the stone structure be moved and if moving destroys all of the rockwork, what would be used in place of stonework. I believe the stonework memorial to our fallen military people is a more appropriate memorial than just 3 flags and a plaque.	1
Try again!!!	1
The town will get the most use year round when it is completed.	1
The splash pad. So many families are coming to Bentley and so many have to travel to near by towns for this.	1
The splash pad I feel would get alot of use!	1
The splash pad	1
The skate park would be a great addition to our downtown. If we could incorporate a splash pad somewhere also, that would be perfect.	1
The skate park is back off Main Street more. It more geared for lots a kids ages.	1
The playground is very "hot " in the summer. We need a place to "cool" off. Bentley lacks summer recreation . Let's build a park to be proud of for all ages of children.	1
The permanent skate park will last longer with use and gives older kids something to do at the park. My family would prefer this to a splash pad because it would be better to build a splash park with more water features to enjoy.	1
Spray park	1
Splash would be an excellent benefit to families in town and visitors. Skatepark is a nice idea but shouldn't be in the park next to town office.	1
Splash pad	1
Splash pac	1
Some great concepts in all cases. Choose a couple of ideas to start, and add as Town can afford it.	1
Skatepark, can make a basketball court easily	1
Skatepark	1
Skateboard park is a good idea - especially for teenagers.	1
Skate park	1
Quieter safer place to relax and seems more inviting	1
Pickleball court and most family friendly setup.	1

pickeball would be great for bentley	1
Park allows use for all ages. Toddler to senior. Bentley doesn't have enough facility for the teenage years in town. Skate park is exactly what is missing. We travel out of town to find skateparks.	1
Over all great design incorporates great flow through out	1
Not really a fan of any of them.	1
None.	1
None, big price tag	1
Need to have something for kids of all ages to enjoy. This would help keep and bring in more families to Bentley. Currently we have to take our kids to another town to use a sake park. Not great when everything is so expensive.	1
Most use for most ages and season. Something new and fun for our town	1
Love the idea of the splash park, my niece really enjoys going to those. Also like that the signage is staying in this model.	1
Looks like it would make our downtown look beautiful	1
Like it.	1
Least offensive of the bunch. But, NO pickle ball, NO splashpark, NO skating surface, No skateboard park.	1
Least controversial. Any concept is fine but "sports" areas in designs should be relocated.	1
Its meets the current need - splash park. Also like it's multipurpose. Able to use both in summer and winter season.	1
its closes to a mini golf course we can get	1
It's a nice concept, wouldn't cost tax payers of this community too much.	1
It would be great to see a skate park in Bentley. The space can look amazing.	1
It would be great to have something for kids and family to do in the summer that doesn't involve leaving town.	1
It will be very useful for community events	1
It had a concrete skateboard park, however I do not want the Pavillion and wish for a splash park or bubble pad instead.	1
I would combine 1a and 2	1
I want a skate park really bad and/or public washroom	1
I think it's the best of the options	1
I think it supports the whole community. I think a skate park should NOT be on Main Street.	1
I think a splash park will bring lots of families to the community. I wonder if we could do one with a splash park and pickle ball. I don't live in Bentley but I do own a business in town. I am also the president of the Lacombe County tourism board.	1
I think a splash park is exactly what Bentley needs and could be enjoyed by all ages	1
I think a splash pad would be well utilized by more people than a skate park.	1
I think a splash pad would be a great addition for all of the young families to enjoy in the summer months!	1

I really like to pavilion/ice surface concept. The only thing that I feel would make this "better" would be to have power outlet at one corner, so that families/groups "renting" the space would be able to plug in a coffee maker. Maybe, if needed, the power could be shut off except for those "booked" functions. I feel it would be important to have the toddler playground in the middle, closer to the pavilion, making supervision easier. Ideally, a wider paved path from the centre of the Park on the south end, to the NE corner on the north end, would make the entire park wheelchair/walker/mobility impaired accessible.	1
I really like the option of the spray park but there are a lot of playgrounds in town for kids under 10 years old, there isn't much to offer older kids here unfortunately so the skate park is the most beneficial.	1
I really like the idea of a skating rink for the winter, the skate park appeals more to the 6-35 year Olds while the toddler park is safe for children and parents will be able to enjoy watching their kids.	1
I really like that the facility can be used all year especially if the ice rink is made a good size. If the rink is going to be tiny (like last years) then it's a waste of time as barely anyone used it.	1
I prefer a x2 seasons approach to the park that a splash park/ice rink offers. I prefer the focus is on younger families rather than adults (pickleball).	1
I love the idea of there being something for the kids to have in the summer and winter in the park such as the spray park and rink.	1
I like the splash park. I think it fits in the main concept	1
I like the skate park, playground, pavilion idea. Not a huge fan of the huge pavilion but there is no other choice on anyone them. That seems to be a decision already made. And the mural should be of the old Oxford school.	1
I like the playground and pickle ball courts as well as the pavilion/outdoor ice surface.	1
I like the layout of this plan best. It has all the amenities I would wish to see in the park.	1
I like the idea that the Spray Park offers Summer Fun and the Skating Rink offers Winter Fun	1
I like the idea that it has the playground and the splash pad use as well. As a mom with two kids, it would be great to have both especially in summer time the splash pad would be great! :)	1
I have young kids, a splash park would be great in the summer! We also enjoy skateboarding, but I would be concerned of hoodlums ruining it like they did the old skate park.	1
I felt this concept looked like it would be a good use of space for community as whole	1
I feel the park should appeal to all age groups. Please don't remove basketball court. Where are the older kids supposed to hangout / play if this park is aimed at toddlers and adults?	1
I don't support or like any of the concepts because they have missed the mark and are not inclusive of every age group.	1
I didn't pick one. Not happy with any of them.	1
I did not choose a specific concept, as I think there are too many items in each.	1
I did not choose a concept. As a tax payer and someone who lives in town I am not pleased with any of these concepts. The people of this town just went through a huge fundraising effort and a lot of people donated money to have the new parks at the school built. What we really need is a proper outdoor rink with boards and nets, skate park and pickle ball courts. We need activities for kids and adults of all ages to get out in the community and participate in. This community needs to make it more appealing to live here and not more appealing for the weekenders who are here 3 months of the year. Bentley is one of the very few if not one of the only towns that does not have a proper outdoor rink. I have witnessed the cleanliness of the bathrooms in the arena (town owned building) every week for multiple years, it is atrocious. If these facilities can't be maintained how are we going to maintain other public washrooms?	1
I choose a concept with phase 3 at the back but believe a simple green garden space would be enjoyable for people of all ages.	1

Honestly, I feel it is the least likely concept to be vandalized like so many other projects that have been given to our youth by the taxes of seniors. They have no appreciation for what is so easily given to them. Hopefully it would be the least expensive to operate and develop with the least amount of increases to taxes. The cost of living is getting crippling for everyone and spending good money to create something that is going to be destroyed by a whim of someone thinking it is funny.	1
Having a spray park for the kids and can skate in the winter. Bentley really needs this the town is falling behind other towns close to it.	1
Having a splash park would be a big draw to utilize the playground. As it stands community residents need to travel 15-20 minutes for splash/spray parks and pools.	1
Has a skatepark, ice rink and playground, but if the skatepark is asphalt it will be trash	1
Family friendly, beautiful and very welcoming to all visitors to Bentley!! Also important to tie the past, present and future into the plans. Shows a level of pride in how our community welcomes residents and visitors alike! A skate park, while there could be a need for such an area, does not lend to a beautiful and inviting park for residents or visitors to Bentley - especially on Main Street. If there is a need for a skate park, please not on Main Street!	1
Concept 1a minus the splash pad. I am very happy to see the site being put to use as a community gathering area. It should be child centric. Having said that I don't believe there is enough space there for a skateboard park. Not sure if a splash pad and skating rink would get sufficient use to cover the cost of maintenance. Has there been a request for Pickle Ball courts. Again not sure it would be used enough.	1
Best space utilization	1
Because of the skatepark being concrete. A skatepark would be better than a pickle ball court as more kids would use it compared to max 4 ppl on a court. Perhaps Bentley can start a skateboard club in the future for the kids. My niece is part of a skateboard club started by Canadian veterans with PTSD and it's great for their mental health.	1
Because it has a Ice Rink and A skate Park	1
Because it doesn't include a financially draining splash park and does include pickle ball AND an ice rink AND a skate park.. more amenities for the use of precious tax payer dollars	1
Because I would play pickle all but wouldn't skateboard...same as my kids...they don't skateboard but the do play pickle ball. More people would play pickle ball than skateboard.	1
Because I know that there are many of my friends that scooter and it would be really nice because many kids would use it and keep kids out of trouble from getting in front of business and wrecking stuff	1
Anyone supporting a skate park	1
An outdoor rink would be essential in the winter.	1
Activities for children young and old	1
A splash park or skatepark would be great benefits to keeping families in the community especially in the summer, in turn they would be more likely to buy more local when staying in town.	1
A pavilion with space to house two or three picnic tables and a small band, definitely no skateboard park or splash pool, with trees to produce a space in our community that welcomes sitting and relaxing I would support this. Though Lacombe has a "larger space" the idea of the smaller pavilion actually makes it an attractive green space in the middle of the downtown area - I would hope that is what we end up with. I would encourage the idea of eliminating the tent during rodeo time be dropped. The idea of the tent was to provide a space out of the elements for the pancake breakfasts. The tent allows for comfortable seating and visiting for those attending - perhaps survey those people attending during the breakfasts and see what they would prefer. I am quite certain they would take comfort!! I don't know how many times I can emphasize - small pavilion but classy. The washroom design could also be similar to the pavilion. DON'T CLUTTER THE SPACE!!!	1
7 11	1

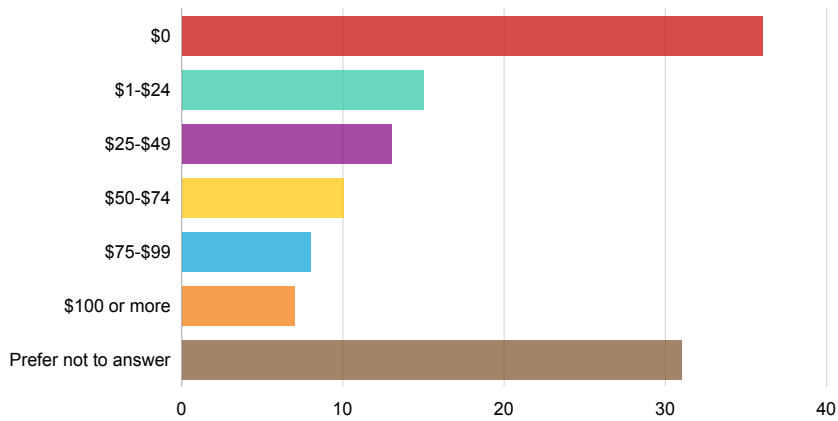
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Answers	Count	Percentage
Possibly	63	48.84%
No	43	33.33%
Yes	13	10.08%

Answered: 119 Skipped: 10

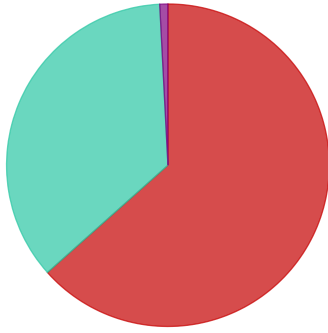
● How much would you be willing to pay in additional taxes to begin work on the...



Answers	Count	Percentage
\$0	36	27.91%
\$1-\$24	15	11.63%
\$25-\$49	13	10.08%
\$50-\$74	10	7.75%
\$75-\$99	8	6.2%
\$100 or more	7	5.43%
Prefer not to answer	31	24.03%

Answered: 120 Skipped: 9

● How do you think a project like this should be funded?



- Balance of Both
- External Sources (grants, donations, etc.)
- Internal Sources (taxes, capital budget, etc.)

Answers	Count	Percentage
Balance of Both	78	60.47%
External Sources (grants, donations, etc.)	44	34.11%
Internal Sources (taxes, capital budget, etc.)	1	0.78%

Answered: 123 Skipped: 6

● Are you interested in helping to fundraise for this project, or do you know of any grants w...



Response	Count
You should get a grant writer. We did when we fundraised for the Joslyn Snow Memorial Playground. Their wage is a percentage of grants received. Some of the grants are extensive to complete and it's all about using the right words. We raised a lot of money for the playground by using a grant writer. We used - KJ Street Consulting	1
Yes Shea gilmar 4035065851	1
yes will help fundraise	1
yes	1
Would help to fund raise if proper platform is chosen.	1
What ever is needed	1
Trisha Flug 403-358-8572 community invested, willing to fundraise.	1
Provincial government	1
Jessica Mulder 403-741-9775	1

I'm a local welder with a shop in Lacombe. I think it would be neat to leave my mark on this town by helping do some of the metal work for a greatly reduced price. We can chat about that. Incase this firm is anonymou s, my name is Mark Vander Laan 5878771904	1
If you're can, yes	1
If it does move forward I will become involved.	1
I'd help fundraise.	1
I would volunteer to fundraise (casino nights).	1
I would totally help	1
I would help fundraiser for a skatepark for our town. I think a splash pad would be a great addition also. Pick le ball is a terrible option.	1
I would be interested in possibly help fundraise	1
I may be interested in helping with fundraising. jendiamond@gmx.com	1
Help with fundraising. Donna Park 403-396-9188	1
Government Of Alberta should help you out with the Grain tower burning down	1
Donations, memorial plaques or trees income, sponsored flower beds or large flower containers income.	1
Byron & Terry Reban 4037484838 aponi@shaw.ca	1
"Selling" original bricks could be a fundraiser Sponsorship/donors invited Sell spots on the mural and have it redone every 3 years or so with changing themes like history, indigenous art, graffiti art, floral, agriculture, student art, generational art, etc each done by local artists or groups of artists. Could be different on each of the walls or one common theme at a time. Events held once a month or so May to Novemner with donations collected. Clubs invited to do them. Pancake breakfast during fair week July 1 event with games and donations	1

Answered: 23 Skipped: 106

● Are there any comments you'd like to add that weren't captured in the survey?



Response	Count
Would there be a possibility to put a skate park over by the arena where they put the outdoor drink?	1
Why are we getting rid of the basketball court. It's the only thing our teens have. I don't think a skate park is an acceptable substitute.	1
We really need a grocery store.	1
We pay too much in taxes already, with very few amenities. I cannot imagine how much they would go up with these expenses. A grocery store should be the only priority in town right now	1

We need activities for our children. I believe the need for splash parks and skateboard parks are greater than the Pavilion. It is important to have these activity areas front and center to keep mischievous actions under full display.	1
we need a new store or somewhere to eat JASON hazlet memorial	1
We need a Basketball court	1
We lived in town for the past 21 yrs but now we live in the country so don't want to comment on taxes since it doesn't affect us but if we did still live in town, we would pay more in taxes in combination with fundraising/grants to have this amenity exist in our community.	1
We are only a population of 1000 so how much more can we afford to keep paying for extra staffing, more equipment for public works and subcontracting costs. Upgrades to everything for infrastructure (fire hydrants x 3) and probably so much more. We have less services now than we did when I first moved here 40 years ago.	1
Very well thought out, wish you all the very best and keep up the good work.	1
This park area needs to accommodate all ages in the community as well as attract visitors. Splash pads are high maintenance and limited use due to weather. Skatepark is a better investment that can be utilized more with weather changes. Washrooms are a must with so many visitors to the area. They shouldn't be open year around due to vandalism and weather which drives up cost to maintain.	1
There are other playgrounds/park spaces in Bentley that could also use an upgrade.	1
The playground should be wheelchair accessible	1
The park name should be after Jason Hazlett and have a statue for his contribution to the town of Bentley and their students.	1
Thank you for your work on this exciting and excellent project!	1
Taxpayers already paid enough to get the old school removed. Spend money on roads and sidewalks throughout the town. Plant a tree in place of Oxford school, put up a plaque and call it a day.	1
Tax payers should not have to pay for things like this. We already have the Joslyn Snow park that very few use. If the town wants this then they should fund raise, apply for grants and get donations. My tax \$\$ should be used to improve services and bring down debit.	1
survey is inaccessible from mobile device. Idea 2A is fine. NO pickle ball, NO splashpark, NO skating surface, No skateboard park	1
Something fun for all kids so we as parents don't have to leave town for this	1
Skate park with noise and swearing, toddlers and seniors/picnic are not a good mix. I agree with skate park idea, but not here. Leave the stone epitaph alone. It's bad enough to lose the historical school, but let's not disrespect veterans. Make a proper washroom that is wheelchair accessible also. Please have another meeting once surveys have been tallied and evaluated. Thank you for all of your hard work on this!	1
Remove alot of the arena tax dollars and put them toward this. I don't understand why the people of Bentley have most of our taxes go towards an arena that is mostly used by people from other counties. The arena could do way more fundraising and cover alot of their upkeep costs themselves.	1
put pickleball, spraypark, picnic, washrooms together, and this will be a great attractions!	1
PLEASE look at the placing in your concepts. We have resided in our home for 45 years. There was no consultation, discussions or surveys done when the playground was moved from the south to the north end of the park. It made a substantial difference in noise pollution. I'm in favour of a skatepark (& a basketball court) but would like to see the residents living in close proximity to the park being taken into consideration re the anticipated increase in noise. I'm not sure a pickle ball court should be considered.	1
Our taxes are high enough	1

NO skatepark. There will be graffiti in no time. The youth of this community do not appreciate anything in town. Just look at how many buildings, including the school multiple times. Just not worth other people or my money, through tax increases, to be pissed away through the youth. I have a teenager and a tween in my house. Although I know that they don't participate in negative things in town, they have come home having witnessed destruction of property.	1
No extra taxes please. We already pay high enough taxes with lack of conveniences ie. No grocery store, sidewalks need to be fixed, recycling pick up.	1
My taxes should not be increasing I can barely afford the increases that have happened since moving to Bentley 11 years ago.	1
My taxes are already out the roof!!!	1
Make the playground wheelchair (disability) accessible. Maybe a wheel chair swing	1
Love the pavilion, picnic areas, washroom, the seating, etc. I wonder if some of the amenities could be placed elsewhere in Town at other parks or green spaces. Thank you for giving us the chance to give our opinions. Keep up the good work!	1
Love that you are finally moving this concept forward. It has been talked about for many years but nothing done. Our taxes are already too high. I would hope that we could fund it through grants and fund raising. Doing it together as a community so we can all take pride in it and raise community spirit.	1
Let's talk to surrounding neighborhood towns for advice. Let's look at an eco friendly park. Recycled goods etc. Let's build something to be proud of. A well drawn up plan and budget	1
It should be accessible to everyone but vandalism or drinking or use of drugs should not be allowed and maybe a quiet time posted. Needs to be policed especially during the night	1
It might have been helpful for those that were not in attendance at the open house to see the estimated budget figures.	1
If you increase our taxes any further you will bankrupt this community. Cut the fat at the top level before you start taxing residents and businesses. Property taxes in Sylvan Lake are cheaper, the tax amounts are getting out of hand.	1
I'd like to see more tax dollars put towards projects like this instead of so much towards the arena. Our town needs to broaden its focus to include more activities and opportunities for families and kids who aren't interested in hockey. I really feel like this town is lacking there.	1
I'd like to see a mixture of a lot of the ideas together. Arch, trees, splash pad, skate park, playground and day use	1
I understand the thought process behind a central park but this town needs other amenities put in place first. The people of Bentley cannot continue to foot the bill for the amenities that are enjoyed more by non residents than residence at residence expense.	1
I personally along with many others in this fantastic town have decided that incorporating a mini golf course would be an amazing thing to do. Mini golf is a fun thing to do in the summer with family and friends. This would be awesome	1
I feel that as a long standing tax payer of this town (and others) our taxes are HIGH enough already and we are behind the eight ball of offering amenities like this to our growing population. That said, I realize this is a tremendous undertaking and will have significant financial impact. I think a combination of fundraising, reallocation of certain budget points and provincial grants should be exhausted first before another tax hike.	1
Choose only one or two items and do them well. The existing playground is sufficient for toddlers, if kept in good repair. Decent public washrooms would be welcomed - both for visitors, and for townspeople who walk down for the mail, or walk for exercise and are a distance from home. The pavilion would provide a nice spot out of the sun for seniors, (and others), who like to walk. The name should be Oxford Park, to pay homage to the original historical building - do we even have an Elks group here?	1
A skateboard park and toddler playground are not compatible - toddlers getting hurt. Skateboard park and picnic area are incompatible - noise factor of skaters and curbside factor of skaters. Washrooms need to be fully serviced, cleaned and maintained - who will be doing this? Can we please have another meeting after the surveys are tabulated? Thanks to all for their hard work.	1

a mini golf course would be awesome

1

Answered: 43 Skipped: 86



Agenda Date: August 22, 2023

Agenda Item: Community Marketing – Branding and Main Street Banners

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

In May of 2022 the Town of Bentley engaged the services of Unfussy through a competitive process, to develop a new brand and website for the Town of Bentley. Unfussy is from Fort Saskatchewan and is a full-service marketing firm, focusing on Strategy, Brand and Community Building, Traditional and Digital Marketing and Creative solutions including visual identity, graphic design and production, marketing, and advertising campaigns.

The town of Bentley also undertook substantial engagement with the local community to develop Bentley's New Brand including surveys, focused engagement as well as consultation with a local working group made up of residents, seniors, youth, business owners etc. The result is an amazing new brand for Bentley that can be incorporated into messaging, marketing materials and key tools such as the Town's new website. The brand development includes brand standards guidelines that can be used consistently when marketing the community long term.

Since that time, Town administration has been working with Unfussy to develop additional marketing collateral including the design of campground banners, which were also printed and produced locally by the Kite Guys. In addition, we have developed the following three concepts (Attachment #1, #2 & #3) for main street Banners with the help of unfussy brands. The intention is again you source the banners through the Kite Guys, which is a local Bentley Business.

CURRENT STATUS

Administration is seeking Mayor and Council's guidance regarding the preferred design, prior to formal costing and production of the banners for main street. It will be the intention to use existing brackets, which public works has fabricated that meet safety standards and have proper mounting hardware and will be bolted on the poles. There are 7 poles on main street, each will require two double sided banners for a total of 14 banners that will be produced. It is the intent to incorporate branding messaging and the new town logo with website information on the banners as per the attached designs.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Design of Main Street Banners	\$2,500.00
Production	To be determined once design is selected.

There is sufficient budget in current year to cover the costs of design and production through marketing budget in Economic Development. We had budgeted \$25,000 and to date we have spent \$9,689 to date from this budget for Video Production & Ad creation, Campground Banners, and Design of Main Street Banners. This leaves \$15,311 available for marketing initiative for the remainder of the year.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Mayor and Council accept provide a recommendation for the design of main street banners that align with the Town of Bentley Brand, based on the attached design options.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Bentley Banners Option #1
- 2) Bentley Banners Option #2
- 3) Bentley Banners Option #3

Marc Fortais, CAO



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ideas

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The background features a teal color with a white grid of thin lines. At the top, there are several colorful, elongated geometric shapes in shades of yellow, red, pink, and light blue, some pointing towards the center. The main text is a large, stylized logo for 'Bentley'. The word 'Bentley' is written in a light blue, cursive font, with the 'i' having a dot. Below it, the word 'Bentley' is repeated in a white, bold, cursive font.

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The background is a vibrant orange color with a subtle geometric pattern of thin white lines forming a grid of triangles. At the top, there is a decorative border consisting of various colorful triangles in shades of cyan, purple, red, green, and yellow, pointing downwards.

Recon

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The background features a light green grid pattern. At the top, there are several colorful geometric shapes, including triangles and trapezoids in shades of blue, orange, red, and pink, arranged in a fan-like pattern. The main text is a large, stylized, cursive font that reads "Bentley". The letters are white with a slight shadow effect, giving them a three-dimensional appearance. The word "Bentley" is positioned vertically in the center of the image.

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Be *where you are*

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Be *different*

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August 14, 2023

S/Sgt Jay Peden

Detachment Commander

Sylvan Lake, Alberta

Dear Mr. Fortais,

Please find the quarterly Community Policing Report attached that covers the April 1st to June 30th, 2023 reporting period. The attached report outlines a quarterly snapshot of the human resources, financial data and crime statistics for the Sylvan Lake Detachment

As part of the Alberta RCMP's ongoing priority to ensure public safety, encouraging citizens to report all crimes plays a vital role in building community well-being. We recognize that non-urgent crimes such as minor thefts and property crime may go unreported due to various reasons such as perceived insignificance or fear of inconvenience. Thus, the Alberta RCMP continues to engage citizens on the importance of reporting non-urgent crimes to help us optimize our crime prevention efforts.

To help facilitate this, we have made reporting of non-urgent crime easier through the Alberta RCMP APP (available as a free download on the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play](#)). Online crime reporting offers a convenient way for citizens to report non-emergent crime to Alberta RCMP from their computer or smartphone without having to phone or visit the police detachment.

An informed community is a safer community. Here are some reasons why online reporting of non-urgent crimes matters:

- Alberta RCMP police officers in the Call Back Unit are responsible for investigating online crime reports, thus reducing the need for frontline police officers to respond. Encouraging the public to use online crime reporting gives the Detachment frontline officers an opportunity to spend more of their time for proactive policing activities in the community.
- Non-urgent online crime reporting also has the potential to reduce those same non-urgent phone calls to our 911 Operators (OCCS) and Detachment Staff.



- The Alberta RCMP encourages citizens to report every crime to allow us to leverage reliable data to identify patterns and trends in criminal activities in our communities. We also use this intelligence to distribute our resources strategically and ensure that our police officers are deployed where they are most needed.

Thank you for your ongoing support and continued guidance in ensuring that we are consistently meeting your community's evolving policing needs. As the Chief of Police for your community, I invite you to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

A stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large loop followed by a horizontal line.

S/Sgt Jay Peden
Detachment Commander
Sylvan Lake, Alberta



RCMP Provincial Policing Report

Detachment	Sylvan Lake
Detachment Commander	S/Sgt Jay Peden
Quarter	Q1
Date of Report	August 14, 2023

Community Consultations

Date	2023-04-20
Meeting Type	Meeting with Stakeholder(s)
Topics Discussed	Education Session
Notes/Comments	Attended rural crime watch meeting in Eckville. Conducted a short informal sessions and answered questions.



Community Priorities

<p>Priority 1</p>	<p>Prolific Offenders</p>
<p>Current Status & Results</p>	<p>Detachment currently has 9 identified prolific offenders identified. In this quarter, there has been no prolific offender packages utilized. This is likely due to a large number of the offenders being under charges resulting in them leaving the area.</p> <p>Clearance rate for this quarter for Fraud over \$5,000 is 9% cleared by charge, 63% open and under investigation, for Fraud under \$5,000 is 7% and 63% open under investigation.</p> <p>Sylvan Lake General Investigative Services currently has a number of CDSA investigation where numerous authorizations have been granted. These investigations are expected to result in search warrants in the next quarter.</p>
<p>Priority 2</p>	<p>Enhance Road Safety</p>
<p>Current Status & Results</p>	<p>Impaired Driving for the quarter is at 31 files with charges laid. Of note, one of the files was Impaired Causing Death/Causing bodily harm. This is up from the same time period in 2022 of 22 Impaired charges.</p> <p>The detachment has laid 56 speeding tickets, 29 tickets outside of the town of Sylvan lake and 27 within the town limits of Sylvan Lake. This is up from the same time period in 2022 of 33 tickets being written. Of note, the detachment recently purchased a new Laser which will be highly useful for speeding operations throughout both the RM and the Municipality.</p> <p>Pedestrian Related Enforcement for the quarter is 3 with intersection-related charges being laid. Traffic operations for the summer period with the significant increase in foot traffic along Lakeshore are being planned, along with stressing to the enhanced patrol shift members for enforcement.</p> <p>Other traffic related success; 7 suspended drivers, 14 cell phone tickets, and total 150 provincial tickets wrote.</p>
<p>Priority 3</p>	<p>Community Engagement</p>
<p>Current Status & Results</p>	<p>Sylvan Lake RCMP participated in community events such as Walk a Mile in Her Shoes, Walk the Talk, Garden Box Building, Senior Center security, seniors week ice cream social, Gulls opening night, 9 school tours, HUB community set up meeting, monthly high risk collaboration, 5 YJC panels and 1 YCJ meeting. Members also participated in parades and attend community functions both on duty and off.</p>

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Crime Statistics¹

The following table provides policing statistics on actual offences within the periods listed. Please see Appendix for additional information and a five-year comparison.

Category	April - June			January - December		
	2022	2023	% Change Year-over-Year	2021	2022	% Change Year-over-Year
Total Criminal Code	124	86	-31%	389	457	17%
<i>Persons Crime</i>	24	13	-46%	66	71	8%
<i>Property Crime</i>	82	56	-32%	278	323	16%
<i>Other Criminal Code</i>	18	17	-6%	45	63	40%
Traffic Offences						
<i>Criminal Code Traffic</i>	11	23	109%	31	52	68%
<i>Provincial Code Traffic</i>	187	187	0%	1,056	658	-38%
<i>Other Traffic</i>	1	3	200%	5	4	-20%
CDSA Offences	2	1	-50%	1	9	800%
Other Federal Acts	2	1	-50%	1	11	1000%
Other Provincial Acts	39	42	8%	194	147	-24%
Municipal By-Laws	12	3	-75%	37	31	-16%
Motor Vehicle Collisions	59	43	-27%	286	299	5%

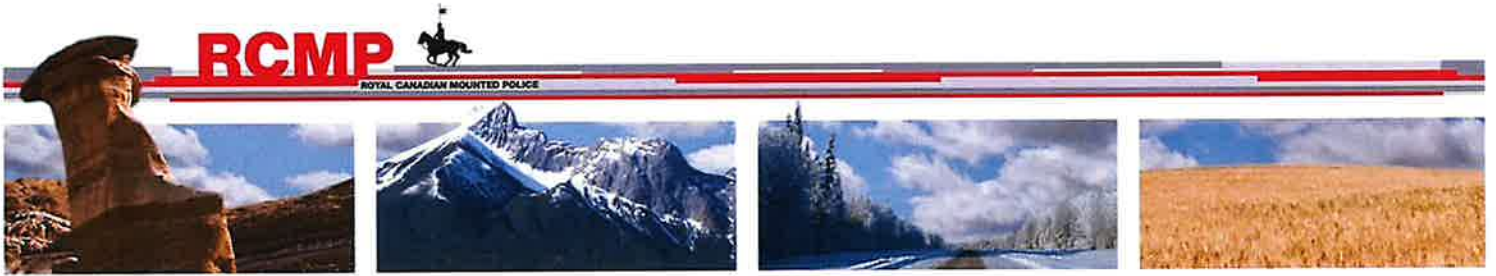
¹ Data extracted from a live database (PROS) and is subject to change over time.

Trends/Points of Interest

Overall Q1 has seen a decrease in crime which has been noted at the detachment. The members of the detachment have remained proactive in patrolling the rural areas.

Crime reduction continues to remain a top priority. The members are conducting regular checks on individuals who have enforceable conditions including, but not limited to, curfew requirements.

Enforcement on rural highways and in the communities served continues. Impaired driving and speeding remain the top offenses for enforcement.



Provincial Police Service Composition Table²

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Soft Vacancies ³	Hard Vacancies ⁴
Police Officers	7	7	0	0
Detachment Support	3	3	0	0

² Data extracted on June 30, 2023 and is subject to change.

³ Soft Vacancies are positions that are filled but vacant due to maternity/paternity leave, medical leave, etc. and are still included in the overall FTE count.

⁴ Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.

Comments

Police Officers: Of the seven established positions, seven officers are working with none on special leave. There is no vacancy detected at this time.

Detachment Support: Of the three established positions, three resources are working. There is no hard vacancy detected at this time.

Quarterly Financial Drivers

Currently there has been no sudden financial expenditures.

The price of fuel remains high which has an impact the overall budget.



Sylvan Lake Provincial Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual) Q1: April to June 2019 - 2023

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

July 4, 2023

CATEGORY	Trend	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change 2019 - 2023	% Change 2022 - 2023	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	1	2	N/A	100%	0.5
Robbery		2	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
Sexual Assaults		1	1	1	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.2
Other Sexual Offences		0	2	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Assault		9	10	5	12	7	-22%	-42%	-0.2
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Extortion		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Criminal Harassment		2	2	3	1	3	50%	200%	0.1
Uttering Threats		5	7	4	7	1	-80%	-86%	-0.8
TOTAL PERSONS		19	22	14	24	13	-32%	-46%	-1.0
Break & Enter		34	26	10	9	5	-85%	-44%	-7.5
Theft of Motor Vehicle		10	9	6	13	12	20%	-8%	0.8
Theft Over \$5,000		4	3	5	5	2	-50%	-60%	-0.2
Theft Under \$5,000		20	27	17	16	11	-45%	-31%	-2.9
Possn Stn Goods		13	10	3	12	5	-62%	-58%	-1.4
Fraud		12	11	8	5	5	-58%	0%	-2.0
Arson		2	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
Mischief - Damage To Property		0	14	12	18	9	N/A	-50%	2.2
Mischief - Other		24	2	2	4	7	-71%	75%	-3.2
TOTAL PROPERTY		119	102	63	82	56	-53%	-32%	-14.6
Offensive Weapons		8	6	0	3	3	-63%	0%	-1.3
Disturbing the peace		1	1	0	4	6	500%	50%	1.3
Fail to Comply & Breaches		8	13	0	9	5	-38%	-44%	-1.0
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		2	2	2	2	3	50%	50%	0.2
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		19	22	2	18	17	-11%	-6%	-0.8
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		157	146	79	124	86	-45%	-31%	-16.4



Sylvan Lake Provincial Detachment

Crime Statistics (Actual)

Q1: April to June 2019 - 2023

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

July 4, 2023

CATEGORY	Trend	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change 2019 - 2023	% Change 2022 - 2023	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		4	3	0	2	1	-75%	-50%	-0.7
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		1	3	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.5
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		5	6	0	2	1	-80%	-50%	-1.2
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
TOTAL FEDERAL		5	7	0	2	1	-80%	-50%	-1.3
Liquor Act		0	0	2	3	2	N/A	-33%	0.7
Cannabis Act		1	0	0	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.1
Mental Health Act		12	14	18	13	16	33%	23%	0.7
Other Provincial Stats		18	35	31	22	24	33%	9%	-0.1
Total Provincial Stats		31	49	51	39	42	35%	8%	1.2
Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	3	5	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.3
Municipal By-laws		5	9	7	12	3	-40%	-75%	-0.1
Total Municipal		5	12	12	12	3	-40%	-75%	-0.4
Fatals		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Injury MVC		8	2	3	5	2	-75%	-60%	-0.9
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		44	37	28	48	37	-16%	-23%	-0.3
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		9	6	4	5	4	-56%	-20%	-1.1
TOTAL MVC		61	45	35	59	43	-30%	-27%	-2.2
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Provincial Traffic		799	291	422	187	187	-77%	0%	-132.8
Other Traffic		0	1	3	1	3	N/A	200%	0.6
Criminal Code Traffic		14	16	6	11	23	64%	109%	1.3
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		19	15	7	11	12	-37%	9%	-1.8
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		11	11	13	10	22	100%	120%	2.1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		107	80	50	40	27	-75%	-33%	-20.0
Persons Reported Missing		3	2	2	1	4	33%	300%	0.1
Search Warrants		0	1	0	2	1	N/A	-50%	0.3
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		10	35	12	17	12	20%	-29%	-1.4
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		0	2	2	3	2	N/A	-33%	0.5



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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 13, 2023

REIMAGINING RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

Lacombe County Council will decline attendance at the Reimagining Rural Economic Development Conference due to the date conflict with the October 26, 2023 Council Meeting.

POLICY RC(1) FUNDING APPLICATION – CITY OF LACOMBE, LACOMBE MEMORIAL CENTRE

As per Policy RC(1), Lacombe County will provide financial support in the amount of \$7,170 to the City of Lacombe for improvements to the Lacombe Memorial Centre Facility. This contribution will be funded from the Recreation Capital Assistance Reserve.

POLICY RC(1) FUNDING APPLICATION – GULL LAKE COMMUNITY LEAGUE

As per Policy RC(1), Lacombe County will provide funding to the Gull Lake Community League Centennial Park improvements in the amount of \$2,000. This contribution will be funded from the Recreation Capital Assistance Reserve.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB (BGC)/BENTLEY SCHOOL – AFTER-SCHOOL CARE FUNDING REQUEST

Lacombe County will provide financial support in the amount of \$1,000 for start-up funding for the Bentley School/BGC of Wolf Creek After School and School Out Day Programs.

2021-2022 LACOMBE COUNTY MUNICIPAL INDICATORS

Council was provided with an overview of the 2021 and 2022 Municipal Indicators results. In the 2021 and 2022 reporting years, Lacombe County met or exceeded all indicators, with the exception of Investment and Infrastructure and Infrastructure Age. The County is deemed “not at risk” according to the new performance measures as set out by Alberta Municipal Affairs.

DISCUSSION TOPICS FOR MEETING WITH RCMP

Council will meet with the RCMP Detachment Commanders of Bashaw, Blackfalds, Ponoka, Rimbey, and Sylvan Lake, on October 3, 2023. Council identified a list of topics for discussion.

TOWN OF BLACKFALDS/LACOMBE COUNTY REVISED JOINT ECONOMIC AREA AGREEMENT

During recent Town of Blackfalds and Lacombe County IDP/ICF Committee meetings, the Town of Blackfalds has expressed support for Joint Economic Area (JEA) cost sharing. The JEA agreement, amended to include cost-sharing services, was approved by Council.

CENTRAL RMA ZONE MEETING – LOCALLY SOLD PRODUCTS FOR GIVEAWAY ITEMS

The Central Alberta RMA Zone Meeting, hosted by Lacombe County, will be held on October 6, 2023 at the Track On 2. Attendee giveaways as well as door prizes will consist of County swag items as well as products that are grown or produced in Lacombe County. Council identified a list of local businesses to be considered when purchasing products for the giveaway and door prize items.

LACOMBE COUNTY/TOWN OF BLACKFALDS JOINT ECONOMIC AREA SERVICING UPGRADE

The County Manager was authorized to enter into an agreement with the Town of Blackfalds for the construction of a wastewater trunk line to service developments in Lacombe County and the Town of Blackfalds. The County's share of the project, estimated at \$1,272,000, will be funded from the Water/Wastewater Reserve.

LACOMBE LAKE WATER LEVEL

The management of Lacombe Lake will remain consistent with current practice and Council's 2018 resolution whereby it was resolved that Lacombe County would 1) retain the diversion license for Lacombe Lake; 2) operate the diversion structure in a manner to mitigate spring run-off from Whelp Creek entering the lake, and monitor creek flows downstream to identify any negative impacts; and 3) work with stakeholders to establish the optimal level for the lake within the 2810 foot to 2812 foot licensed levels.



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BURNS NATURE PARK GRAND OPENING

The Burns Lake Natural Area Grand Opening will be held on Friday, September 8, 2023 with a barbeque at 12:00 p.m. and the ceremony at 1:00 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO LACOMBE REGIONAL AIRPORT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

By resolution of Council, the Lacombe Regional Airport Committee Terms of Reference were amended to require meetings on a biannual basis, to be scheduled on the third Friday of January and the third Friday of June each year.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION 76/23 – SANDY POINT MARINA GAS STATION RENEWAL

Council approved Development Permit Renewal Application No. 76/23 submitted by Delta Land Co. Inc. for the marina gas station at Sandy Point RV Resort on Lot 8 Block 2 Plan 142 2146, Pt. S ½ 12-41-01-W5M, subject to a number of conditions.

RURAL MUNICIPALITIES OF ALBERTA – MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT CAPACITY BUILDING MICROGRANT

As part of the Economic Development in Rural Alberta Plan, the Government of Alberta has provided the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) with funds to offer microgrants to rural municipalities to help build their economic development capacity. By resolution of Council, Lacombe County will apply for the RMA Municipal Economic Development Capacity-Building Microgrant, in the amount of \$10,000, in accordance with the program application guidelines.

NEW PAVEMENT MASTER PLAN

The County Manager was directed to secure a Request for Pricing for a New Pavement Master Plan and award the project to the successful consulting firm. The necessary funds to complete the New Pavement Master Plan, with an upset limit of \$100,000.00, will be funded from the New Pavement Reserve.

SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNBREAKER COVE – LACOMBE COUNTY ICF COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

The draft terms of reference for the Summer Village of Sunbreaker Cove – Lacombe County ICF Committee were approved by Council.

LACOMBE REGIONAL WASTE SERVICES COMMISSION - SANDY POINT CAMPGROUND TIPPING FEES

Commencing January 1, 2024, due to the significant volume of waste being generated, the Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission (LRWSC) will charge tipping fees for solid waste delivered to their waste transfer stations from the Sandy Point Campgrounds (RV Park and Seasonal RV Park). Council discussed options regarding how the tipping fees should be addressed. The County Manager was directed to gather additional information for the preparation of a report and recommendation to be considered at a future Council meeting.

PROPERTY TAX CANCELLATION REQUEST – TAX ROLL NO. 3903041002

A motion that Lacombe County cancel the \$125,583.03 late payment penalty and defers the 2023 tax penalties to be levied on tax account #3903041002 did not receive Council approval.

BYLAW NO. 1396/23 REDESIGNATION OF LAND AND BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

Bylaw No. 1396/23, a bylaw of Lacombe County to change the zoning of 0.218 hectares (0.539 acres) of Pt. SE-1-39-02-W5M received first reading. A public hearing for Bylaw No. 1396/23 will be held on on September 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENTATION BY JIM LEBO REGARDING ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT

Council was provided with a verbal presentation by Jim Lebo, a property owner at Kuusamo Krest, regarding matters related to the unauthorized use and occupation of Reserve Lands as well as his request for approval of an encroachment agreement on Lot 6, Block 1, Plan 567 TR. The presentation was received for information by Council. The County Manager was directed to provide a report and recommendation regarding the encroachment matters at Kuusamo Krest for consideration at a future Council meeting.



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PRESENTATION BY RYAN METZGER REGARDING ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT

Ryan Metzger, a property owner at Kuusamo Krest, provided a verbal presentation to Council regarding his request to amend the current encroachment agreement for the property at Lot R1, Block 1, Plan 567TR. The presentation was received for information by Council. The County Manager was directed to provide a report and recommendation regarding the encroachment matters at Kuusamo Krest for consideration at a future Council meeting.

Next Regular Council Meeting is

August 24, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

Next Committee of the Whole Meeting is

October 3, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

Lacombe County Administration Building

****For more details from Lacombe County Council meetings, please refer to the meeting minutes. All meeting minutes are posted on the website (www.lacombecounty.com) after approval.**



Date: August 9, 2023

To: MLAs
Reeves
Mayors

From: AHS Indigenous Wellness Core

RE: Indigenous Support Line launch in the Central Zone

Indigenous peoples in the Central Zone can now access a dedicated support line to help them better navigate the health system through Alberta Health Services (AHS).

The toll-free Indigenous Support Line can be reached by calling **1-844-944-4744** or by dialing 811, #7. The support line is staffed by Indigenous Health Link staff and is available weekdays from noon to 8 p.m.

Staff will answer callers' questions, help them access culturally appropriate care and assist them with navigating the healthcare system. Clients can call at any time during their healthcare journey with questions or concerns.

This is the next phase in the rollout of the AHS Indigenous Support Line across the province. The line launched in the North Zone in June 2022, and in South Zone in May 2023 and has seen access to culturally appropriate healthcare improve for hundreds of Indigenous patients and families. For more information, please visit the [Indigenous Support Line webpage](#) or you can watch [this video featuring staff from the Indigenous Support Line](#).

All Albertans are asked to call 911 if they have a medical emergency. Health Link (811) also remains available 24/7 for non-emergency health-related questions. To be redirected to the Indigenous Support Line from 811, please press 7.

AHS values Indigenous culture and the unique needs of individuals, patients and families and is incorporating traditional culture into the healthcare system.

Dedicated AHS [Indigenous Wellness Core](#) staff is available throughout the province and take into consideration culturally appropriate health services for First Nations, Métis and Inuit people.

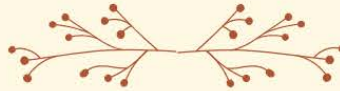
Thank you for your ongoing support to help improve access to culturally safe healthcare for Indigenous peoples in Alberta.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US

FREE

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FALL FESTIVAL



SEPTEMBER 27 FROM 3:30 TO 8 PM

BENTLEY AG CENTRE

Picking up your kids from school? Stop on the way home for a snack & some fun!

FOOD - MUSIC - KIDS ACTIVITIES
VISIT WITH NEIGHBORS - MEET NEW ONES
LEARN ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

Fiddlers

Games

Bart's Carving
4-7pm

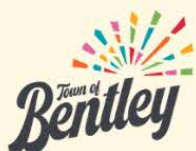
Face Painting

Hot Dogs

Fire Department/Public Works
Touch a Truck

Meet Council/Staff

See you there!



TOGETHER WE ARE BETTER!

BENTLEY AG CENTRE



Lacombe
REGIONAL TOURISM

Fall Festival is in recognition of September 28th, National Good Neighbor Day



Greg Rathjen

REPORT FOR July 2023

- June 30, 2023, was not mentioned on June Report – Attended the Ponoka Rodeo
 - Connect with area and government leaders.
 - Participated in parade representing Bentley.
 - Luncheon with Rodeo Leaders, Mayors, Alberta RCMP Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, 10 MLA's, Cabinet members

- July 11, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting
 - Oversized garage building 4821 52nd Ave
 - Oversize garage building 4829 52nd Ave

- July 11, 2023, Regular Council Meeting
 - Medicine Lodge Ski Hill Masterplan

- Attended 3 Farmers Markets throughout July Representing Bentley
 - Meet and greet and promote Bentley.
 - Welcoming new people to the community
 - Shared information about the lots for sale with many inquiries
 - Answered questions about the grocery store.
 - Gave out community newsletters and rodeo information



Lenore Eastman

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Dale Grimsdale

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Brenda Valiquette

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Pam Hansen

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