

Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program

Community, Culture and Recreation Grant Program

Grant Details

- Aimed at creating long-term economic growth, building inclusive and sustainable communities, and supporting a low carbon green economy
- Federal and Provincial governments have committed up to \$134 million towards an initial intake
- Combined maximum contribution - up to 73.33% of project cost
- Stacking rules apply

Grant Details

- Project Eligibility:
 - Eligible projects will support public infrastructure, defined as a tangible capital assets primarily for public use and benefit. To be eligible, projects must meet the following outcome.
 - Improved access to and/or increased quality of cultural, recreational and/or community infrastructure for Canadians, including Indigenous peoples and vulnerable populations.
- Can be completed in 5 to 6 years following approval
- Application Deadline: January 23, 2019



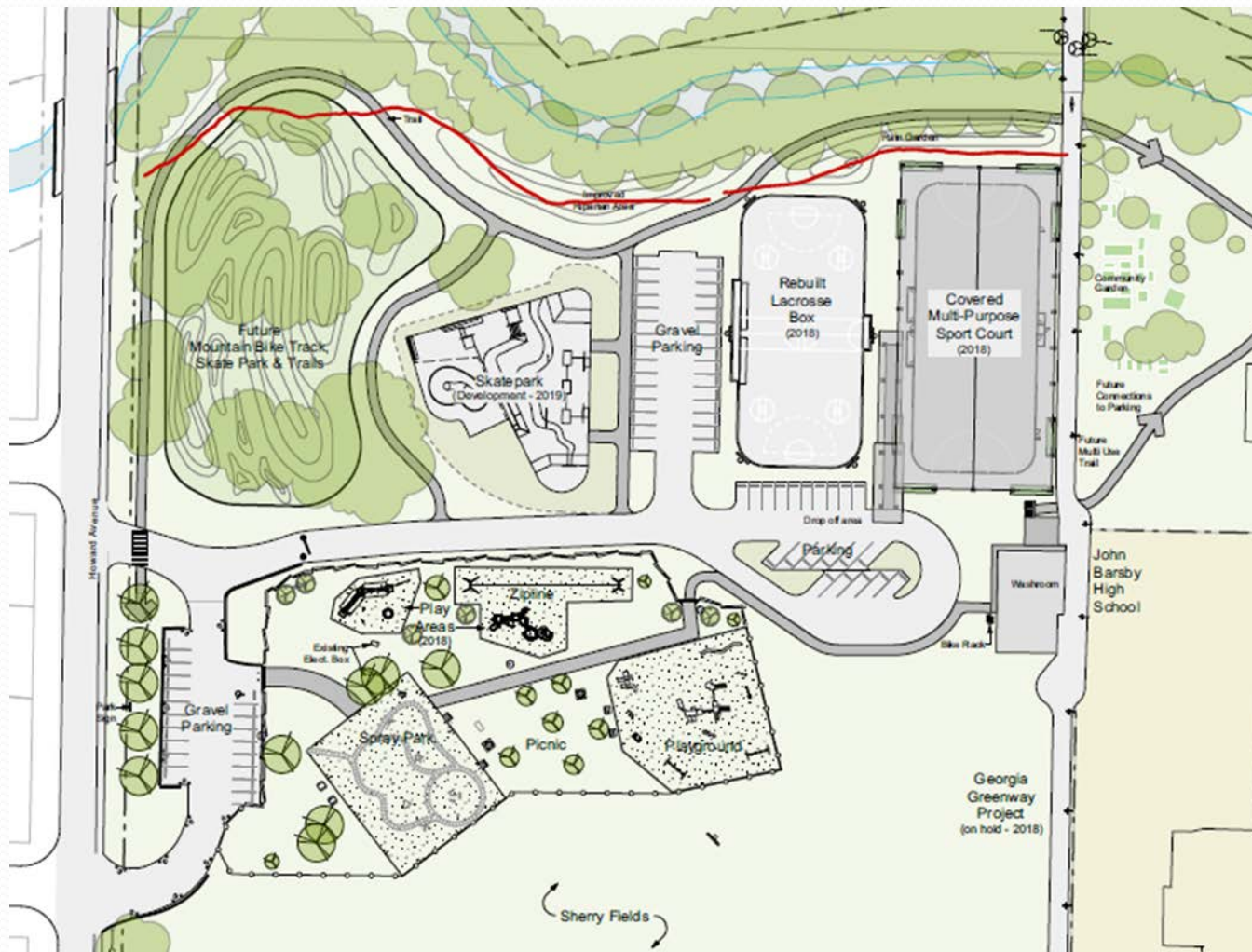
Projects for Council Consideration

- Harewood Youth Park
- Maffeo-Sutton Playground
- Port Theatre Expansion

Harewood Youth Park Overview

- August 2013 - Council received the Harewood Centennial Park Improvement Plan
- Six phases to the improvements:
 - Phase 1 – Playground, Sports Fields, Trail
 - Phase 2 – Skatepark
 - Phase 3 – Road Work, Entrance Fence, Outdoor Exercise Area
 - Phase 4 – Plaza, Site Furnishing, Planting Area, Lacrosse Box, Site Irrigation
 - Phase 5 – Covered Multi-Use Facility
 - Phase 6 – Mountain Bike Course
- Community Partners – Harewood Neighbourhood Association, Nanaimo Skateboard Association
- Linked to Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan 2005

Harewood Centennial Park Improvement Plan - Concept Plan



Harewood Youth Park Budget

- Currently in Draft 2019 – 2023 Financial Plan
 - 2019 Phase 1 Street Style Plaza - \$614,675
 - 2021 Phase 2 Kidney-Shaped Bowl and Slappy Wall - \$164,565
 - Total cost - \$779,240
 - Project funding includes \$151,369 in confirmed developer and private contributions





Harewood Youth Park Benefits

- Provides a space for young people who are not necessarily able to participate in organized sport due to cost barriers, and a place to enjoy outdoor activities
- Grant will allow phase 2 to be accelerated and completed with phase 1
- If grant application is successful, the City could reallocate a portion of existing funding to another priority project

Maffeo-Sutton Playground Overview

- Current playground has reached end of life and is not inclusive or universally accessible
- Will be Nanaimo's first fully inclusive playground
- Three phased redevelopment of park
 - Phase 1 – Inclusive play for 5 – 12 year olds
 - Phase 2 – Equipment for 2 – 5 year olds
 - Phase 3 – Water play zone and connections to Swy-a-lana Lagoon
- November 2017 - Council motion to work with Nanaimo Child Development Centre, Rotary Club of Nanaimo and Community Partners to develop an all-inclusive playground

Maffeo-Sutton Playground – Concept Plan



Maffeo-Sutton Playground Details

- Invite inclusion and sensory appeal to people of all ages and abilities
- In addition to traditional play elements will include:

- Significant seating areas
- Planting
- Public art
- Public circulation routes
- Interpretive materials



- Themed and artistic layers to link the playground to traditional territories and Saysutshun (Newcastle) Island

Maffeo-Sutton Playground Budget

- Projected cost of phases:
 - Phase 1 - \$600,000
 - Phase 2 - \$400,000
 - Phase 3 - \$400,000
- Currently in the 2018 – 2022 Financial Plan \$400,000 for Phase 1
- Additional \$100,000 in 2019 of 2019 – 2023 Draft Financial Plan for Phase 1
 - Private contribution from Children's Health Foundation

Maffeo-Sutton Playground Benefits

- Inclusive play is a best practice to create a meaningful play environment for people of all ages and abilities
- Grant will allow the City to proceed with both Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the project estimated at \$1 million
- If grant application is successful for maximum funding, the City could reallocate a portion of existing funding for expediting Phase 3 or another priority project



Port Theatre Expansion Overview

- Need for studio theatre and rehearsal spaces identified in the original 1986 – 88 feasibility study and reconfirmed during the 2017 Cultural Gathering hosted by the City's Community Vitality Committee
- In 2014 Council allocated a financial contribution of \$4.6M and co-signed a \$2M line of credit for the Port Theatre Society to assist with funding design and engineering
- Supported in the City's 2014-2020 Cultural Plan and referenced in the 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Update which supports Cultural Vitality as a pillar of Sustainability

Port Theatre Expansion Details

- 50 – 240 seat flexible performance space
- Two separate rehearsal spaces
- Additional washrooms on south side of existing Port Theatre
- Extra loading space for main stage events
- Additional lobby space



Port Theatre Expansion Budget

- Recommended project budget- \$21.2 million, including risk based contingency
- Funding:
 - \$4.6 million City of Nanaimo Short-Term Borrowing
 - Up to \$2.0 Line of Credit Port Theatre Society (secured by City)
 - \$15.5 million grant application
- If selected and the grant application is successful the project will be added to 2019/2020/2021 in the 2019 – 2023 Financial Plan through a budget bylaw amendment
 - Design work in 2019
 - Construction 2020/2021
- First three readings of borrowing bylaw would be required prior to grant application
- Increased annual operating costs may result in a request to increase the annual operating grant



Port Theatre Expansion Benefits

- Provide affordable, suitable, accessible performance and rehearsal spaces for a diversity of community users
- Provide suitable space for local and touring professional artists



Next Steps

- Staff report for decision December 17th Council Meeting