

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**SUNVIEW PARK PARTNERS IN PARKS PROPOSAL**

**Sunview Road Community Playground**

***For Submission to City of Nanaimo Council – March 18, 2026***

***Nanaimo Parks, Recreation and Culture***

***500 Bowen Road***

***Nanaimo, BC***

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**1) Background Information**

The Sunview Park Committee proposes a neighbourhood playground at 166 Sunview Road to serve ~50 nearby homes, predominantly younger families with children, all located within safe walking distance. This project will be delivered in partnership with the City of Nanaimo's Partners in Parks (PIP) program, combining community fundraising, in-kind contributions, and volunteer engagement with City oversight on standards and safety.

There is currently no playground within safe walking distance for the cluster of approximately 50 households around Sunview Road, where many younger families live. Sidewalk gaps pose safety concerns for children walking to distant parks. A local playground directly addresses a clear recreational and safety need while supporting child development, active play, and community well-being.

**3) Project Description**

**Playground Features**

- **One large multi-age play structure:**
  - Includes for ages 2–5: low-rise climbers, small slides, tactile and imaginative play features
  - Includes for ages 5–12: larger climbers, slides, upper-body challenges, creative/social play elements
- **Four-seat swing set:**
  - 2 seats for older children
  - 2 bucket-style seats for younger children
- **Perimeter bike/ride track:**
  - Paved track surrounding the play area for bikes, scooters, and run-bikes
- **Supporting elements:**
  - Benches (2–3)
  - Picnic Tables (2)
  - Waste/recycling bins
  - Donor recognition sign at park entry
- Please see the attached draft site plan produced by Payton Carter (City of Nanaimo Parks and Open Spaces Planner) of our vision. This is not a final design and is a representation of the proposed location of playground structures. It can be adjusted as we finalize specific structures and dimensions.

**4) Outcomes**

- Safe, age-inclusive outdoor play for toddlers through pre-teens

- A place for neighbours to meet and socialize, fostering stronger relationships
- Mental-health benefits from outdoor activity, community connection, and opportunities for children to build confidence and independence
- Supports long-term community resilience, informal parent networks, and family well-being
- Encourages regular outdoor recreation without requiring vehicle travel

### 5) Budget & Funding Plan (Class D Estimate)

Category	Estimated Cost
Site preparation, grading, and edging	<b>\$25,000 – \$35,000</b>
Two play structures (2–5 & 5–12)	<b>\$100,000</b>
Four-seat swing set	<b>\$6,000</b>
Safety surfacing (EW)	<b>\$30,000</b>
Perimeter bike/ride track (paved)	<b>\$15,000 – \$25,000</b>
Benches, Tables, signage, bins, planting	<b>\$7,500 – \$12,500</b>

#### Estimated Total Project Cost:

**\$180,000 – \$210,000**

#### Funding Strategy

- **Community fundraising & service-club contributions:** \$70,000–\$90,000
- **Corporate donations / in-kind contributions:** \$25,000–\$40,000
- **City Partners in Parks (PIP) contribution request:** \$75,000

#### Funding secured

Organization	Amount promised	Cheque issued
Mount Benson Developments	\$1000	N
J & K Oliver Enterprises	\$2500–\$5000	N
MJP construction	\$20,000	Y
Milestone Equipment Contracting	Drainage and Site Prep	N
VIREB	unknown	
Rotary of Nanaimo	unknown	
Gyro Nanaimo	unknown	
Finning	\$5000	N
Anonymous Donation	\$1000	N
Nanaimo Foundation	Request made	N
Andrew Miller	unknown	N
Jake Laberge	unknown	N

Total secured: \$26,000

## 7) Project Schedule (2026)

- **March 18, 2026** — Proposal presentation to Council
- **Early Q2 2026** — Planning finalization & equipment ordering
- **Late Q2–Q3 2026** — Construction & playground build
- **End of Q3 2026** — Grand Opening Ceremony & donor recognition

## 8) Request to Council

The Sunview Park Committee respectfully requests that Council:

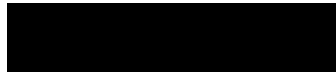
1. Approve the Sunview Road Community Playground as an official PIP project
2. Allocate \$75,000 in PIP funding
3. Support donor recognition via:
  - A permanent park-entry sign
  - Acknowledgment in local media and on social media

### Conclusion:

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the Partners in Parks program and for the consideration of our proposal. Please contact us if you have further questions about the Sunview Park proposal.

Sincerely,

Rory Peffers, Chair  
Sunview Park Committee



Scott Rintala, Fundraising Coordinator  
Sunview Park Committee

