

## RECOMMENDATIONS WORKING PAPER

The Lions Bay Beach Park Advisory Committee (LBBPAC), after several meetings, public consultation, and investigation, recommends the following changes be made to the beach park over the next 2 years.

### PHASE ONE

Budget: \$30,000

(includes \$1,000 from “Horns” movie filmed at Ruth Simons’ house)

Estimated costs reviewed and confirmed by staff

Timeline: Some pieces sooner but all items by the end of 2018

### DESIGN AND COMMUNICATION (\$5,500)

- We recommend that a landscape architect or professional designer develop a conceptual plan and that a rendering of this basic design be placed upon a billboard within the park for the public to view and comment upon.

### STAND-UP SHOWER/FOOT RINSE/DRINKING WATER & BOAT WASH STATION (\$2,500)

- We recommend the installation of a concrete pad at the top of the south steps for the placement of a fixture that will include a stand-up shower, a foot rinse, a water refill station, and/or drinking tap, and a hose bib for washing down kayaks, canoes, and paddleboards.
- The LBBPAC requests that Public Works labour costs come from their operating budget with only the materials provided through the LBBPAC budget.

### PAVERS AND HANDRAILS AT SOUTH STEPS (\$1,500)

- We recommend the installation of a metal handrail at the south steps and a level paving stone area where the existing slope is showing signs of erosion.
- The LBBPAC requests that Public Works labour costs come from their operating budget with only the materials provided through the LBBPAC budget.

*Staff looking into whether this can come from the restricted water access fund.*

### NEW KAYAK RACK (\$20,000)

- We recommend the construction and installation of a new kayak/canoe/paddle board facility along the south fence of the lower parcel (adjacent to the Marina parking lot). Paddleboards would be stored in the upright position. The new unit is estimated to hold up to 100 vessels.

- The configuration of this new unit should be stepped and paved for easier access. The unit should be angled with vessels loaded and unloaded loaded from the uphill side.
- Existing users of the current facility should be provided with adequate time to relocate their vessels upon completion of the new unit. Upon completion of this move the old unit would be deleted and preparation of the space for the future relocation of the tot's playground could begin.
- The LBBPAC requests that Public Works labour costs come from their operating budget with only the materials provided through the LBBPAC budget.

*Staff looking into whether this can come from the restricted water access fund, but doubtful.*

#### LITTLE FREE BOOK HUT (\$500)

- We recommend the design and installation of a small book hut with a door to keep the books dry. A sign reading, "Take a book or leave a book or both" would accompany this unit.
- The LBBPAC requests that Public Works labour costs come from their operating budget with only the materials provided through the LBBPAC budget.

#### REMOVAL OF MIDDLE CEDAR/FIR TREE (\$6,000)

- We recognize that the middle cedar and fir trees have been reviewed by a certified arborist and deemed unhealthy and unsafe.
- We recommend that the estimated cost of removal be drawn from the Public Works dangerous tree removal budget.

#### REPLACE OR REPAIR WOOD STEPS

- We recognize that the existing steps down from the play structure area to the lower grassed area is deteriorating. We recommend replacement of these steps as part of a comprehensive plan to be completed as part of the Phase 2 process.
- We recommend that Public Works provide a temporary repair to make the steps safe for the interim.
- The LBBPAC requests that Public Works labour costs come from their operating budget with only the materials provided through the LBBPAC budget.

#### PICNIC TABLES

- We recommend the purchase and installation of picnic tables as part of the Phase 2 process.

DEMOLISH ENTRANCE ARCH

- We recommend Public Works attend to the deteriorating arch and that this work be performed as part of their operating budget.

OPENING HOURS

- We recommend that Council consider implementing a summer park closure time of 11:00 PM from May through September.

MAINTENANCE (ONGOING COSTS)

- We recommend that Public Works monitor the *cleaning* frequency over this summer and work with the contractors employed by the Village to improve/correct any deficiencies.
- We recommend that Public Works monitor the enhanced *waste collection* frequency over the summer and work with the contractors employed by the Village to improve/correct any deficiencies.

PHASE TWO

Budget: \$630,000

Estimated costs reviewed by staff

Timeline: If funds available, operational by summer 2019,  
we recommend that the staff maintain up to date estimated costs.

TENDER READY, DESIGN AND PLANS (\$50,000)

- Tender ready design to include electrical, mechanical, and structural drawings for a new washroom facility.
- Tender ready design for the landscaping to include drawings containing details of soft and hard landscaping features including a new gazebo, steps, retaining walls, etc.

REPLACE OR REPAIR WOOD STEPS (FIRM ESTIMATE IN 2017 - \$30,000)

- Replacement of the steps from the play structure area to the lower grass area is estimated to cost \$30,000.

*Staff looking into whether the capital costs of replacement can come from the restricted water access fund.*

TOTS' PLAYGROUND (\$25,000- \$40,000 DEPENDING ON SELECTION)

- The existing tot's play structure is deteriorating and replacement parts are difficult to source. We

recommend the installation of a new tot playground at the current location of the kayak rack and Lori Beck Pavilion.

- Pricing is dependent upon the manufacturer and the components of the structure. We recommend a simple, small structure that works aesthetically with nature and that it include a side-by-side double slide to encourage and engage tots in playing together.
- We recommend that the Lori Beck pavilion be deconstructed as part of this Phase 2 work and that salvageable material from the existing pavilion be repurposed for benches or to form part of the new pavilion.

#### TOTS' SLIDE (\$11,000)

- We recommend the installation of a hill slide with the location to be determined but with the option of having it lead from the new location of the tot's playground to the beach providing it is safe and meets playground safety regulations.

#### LARGER SHADED AREA, GAZEBO OR BANDSTAND, AND TERRACING (\$150,000)

- We recommend the design consider the inclusion of a new gazebo or bandstand in the approximate location of the middle cedar/fir tree. We suggest that the roof be sloped to accommodate the view and sun with benches strategically placed.

#### WASHROOM REPLACEMENT (\$300,000)

- We recommend that a new washroom facility be designed and constructed and that this new facility have a larger footprint than the existing facility.
- We recommend that the facility be designed such that it does not require winterizing and can be kept open in the winter – at the very least for the weekends.
- We recommend that the LBBPAC be involved in the design and provide the background and comparatives to assist with the new design.

#### JETTY UPGRADE & SAND BEACH ENHANCEMENT (\$50,000)

- We recommend that the jetty located adjacent to the existing kayak racks be restored and enhanced to be a park feature.
- We recommend that the rocks strewn about the beach near the northern steps be removed and used in the restoration of the jetty.

#### EXTRAS REQUIRING MORE DISCUSSION AS PHASE II IS GIVEN A GO AHEAD

- Ping-pong tables. Install one or two permanent outdoor ping-pong tables that can double as regular tables (food buffet, silent auction, etc.) for events. (These cost approx. \$2,500 each, installed.)

- Sport Court including equipment (\$15,000)
- Garbage Pits. Highly desired alternative to garbage pile up but logistical issues need to be worked out if this is to proceed. Also addressed under Maintenance heading in Phase One. If garbage pits are not feasible and greater capacity is required, then we recommend additional Bear Smart cans (\$2,000 each).
- Fundraising by the residents for specific features considered but tabled until Phase II plan is approved.