



Harvie Passage Task Force – Final Report

Community Development Committee – 2023 June 28

Recommendations

That the Community Development Committee recommend that Council:

1. Direct that the Harvie Passage Facility Enhancement Plan form part of the future Bend in the Bow Update project and development plan and associated public engagement processes; and
2. Formally thank the Harvie Passage Task Force for their work on this project and direct that the Task Force be disbanded.

Previous Council Direction

Briefing Note CD2022-0938:

- Provided status update on the Task Force work.

Terms of Reference CD2021-1533:

- Approved the Terms of Reference for the Task Force and directed Administration to begin work on a Harvie Passage Facility Enhancement Plan.

Notice of Motion PFC2021-1344:

- Formation of the Harvie Passage Task Force
- Prepare a plan that addresses safety, access, environmental considerations and outlines short medium- and long-term actions that would improve the experience for all visitors of Harvie Passage.

Highlights

Project Vision

Mandate:

- As per Notice of Motion (PFC2021-1344)
- As per Harvie Passage Task Force Terms of Reference (CD2021-1533)

Core Values & Objectives

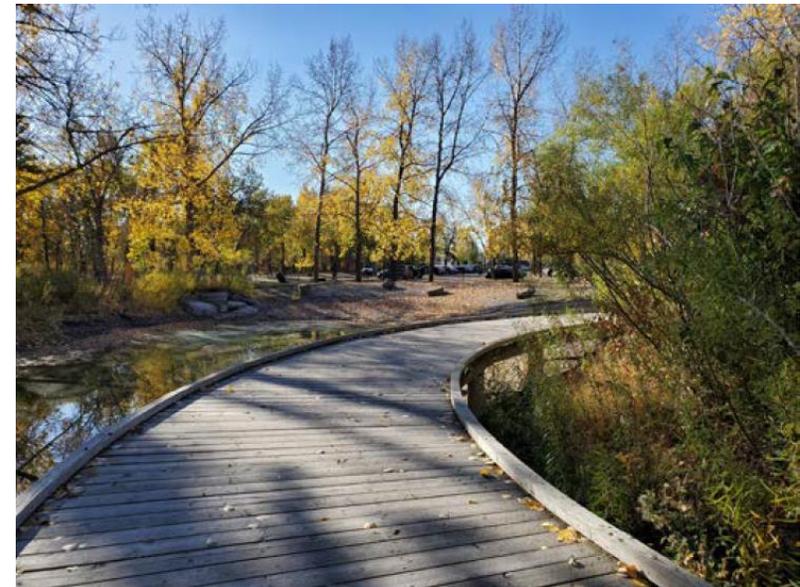
Taken from the Bend in the Bow Redevelopment Plan (BITB) plus additional values:

BITB Values

- Nature
- Culture
- Education

Additional Values

- Safety
- Recreation



Key Observations

Parking Challenges



In Need of Facility Upgrades



Conflicting Pedestrian Speeds



Active & Passive Uses



Public Safety



Park Uses & Amenities



Vehicle Circulation



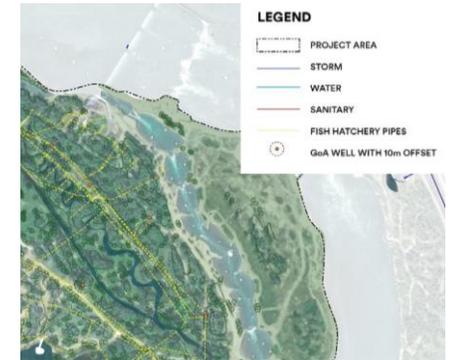
Pedestrian & Cyclist Circulation



Technical Assessments



Utility Review



Environmental & Additional Considerations

Continued Wetland
Protections



Update and
Consolidate Park-
wide Signage
Systems



Ongoing Fish
Habitat Education
Opportunities



Improve Garbage
and Recycling
Operations





Land Ownership & Management



- LEGEND**
- CITY PARKS MAINTENANCE ZONE
 - PROVINCIALLY MANAGED ZONES
 - NATURAL AREA
 - LEASED BOUNDARY



- LEGEND**
- CITY OF CALGARY, CALGARY PARKS
 - CROWN
 - CROWN (NO TITLE)
 - CROWN LEASE
 - LEASE FOR PUBLIC ART

Facility Enhancement Plan (FEP) Improvements

The purpose of the FEP is to develop a set of recommendations to guide the conceptual design and implementation strategy of park improvements.

Strategy & Recommendations

1. Safety Programming

- Digital strategy and website content
- Coordinate education with enforcement
- Consider park ambassadors and lifeguards
- Emergency locator code signage

2. Vehicular Access & Parking Improvements

- Expand parking lot & enhance layout for trailers, loading, staging
- Improved access for transit, shuttle buses and food trucks
- Circulation signs and digital parking lot capacity signal

3. Pedestrian & Cyclist Circulation Improvements

- Pathway upgrades to separate walking and wheels
- Safer crossings and intersection design

4. Park Amenities

- Wayfinding, interpretive signage design unification
- Added seating, water fountains and other supporting day use amenities
- Playground upgrades for accessible standards

5. Park Facilities

- Temporary universal change stalls
- Existing washroom upgrades
- Scenarios for a boathouse facility
- An engineered wave for river surfing



Quick-Wins/Short Term Priority Items with Class 5 Cost Estimates

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| • Sea-Can Storage & PFD Lending Station, public education & access pilot | \$10k |
| • Temporary Universal Change Stalls (2) parking lot & riverside | \$20k |
| • Pathway Upgrades, safe crossings, signage, emergency locator code signage on riverbank both sides | \$200k |
| • Parking Lot Improvements, capacity signal & expansion | \$250k |
| • Boathouse Finalize Scenarios & concept design | \$60k |
| • Existing Washroom Upgrades | \$375k |
| Quick-wins Approximate Investment Total: | \$915,000k |

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