

Verbatim comments

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What do you like about Concept 1 and why?

Better than Option 2. Gives more space on the west side of the area to allow for a community feel.
Love the oval and the fact the the synthetic turf field is pushed more to the east end of the site. I also like how both concepts include a synthetic turf field - I think that this is a premium amenity that not a lot of communities have. I chatted with a City rep. at the pop-up event and the reasoning for including a synthetic turf field makes a lot of good sense (higher quality, longer season for use, higher quality of play, etc.)
I think this is a wonderful use of the space. Having three children in various stages of development, I feel like the whole family can use this space both as a family and the children with their friends. I love the idea of bringing in people to use the space for example for Soccer Games Etc well still having lots of opportunities for the local community to use the space of the same time
Shape of walking path and open area Location of hard court Opportunities for planting areas
Really like the circulation and path layout. This is a much more optimized layout than option 2.
Like seating (chairs and benches please). Yes to picnic shelter and open space. Love the artificial turf. Yes to park entries. Yes to games.
Like the peripheral items, like the circular walking path. Keep it natural looking. Like that the pathway will connect to Macleod Trail amenities.
Love the loop.
Fantastic improvement in comparison to what is here.
Like the curved winding paths. Trees, trees, trees - the more the better. Yes basketball court and play structure with monkey bars so parents can do some pull-ups. The more organic the better. Leave a space for a community garden for when people in the park to next block get themselves organized.

Overall I like concept 1. More organic look and feel.
I LOVE concept 1 for the hill, circle path - organic aesthetic - break from industrial grid feel of Calgary. So enthusiastic to see The City providing public washrooms!! Makes the park feel like an inclusive, safe community -comforting! Would love the park / hill area to include a firepit or grill pit (like Sandy Beach Park). For the greenery / trees please use native / indig. AB species / fauna (with plaques species ID - like Prince's Island Park). Nature kids education too.
Feels more organic.
The crosswalk at 12 makes a lot of sense. It would be nice to have pathways on all sides? I know there's sidewalk along the south side... I guess that kinda works but unless it's widened it's not very nice.
I think this is a lovely concept that can be built on further by adding additional trees and landscaping to add more of a nature feel to this inner city park.
The hill adds some visual interest to the park. The toddler area being in a quieter and removed spot. Having the teen area in the west side near the basketball court and 5 St gives more line of sight to activities. Winding pathways provide more of a natural feel. I am excited to see the space be repurposed for field sports with seating areas and washroom facilities - it will be a desirable area for local sports teams to use, which in turn will become a valued amenity for the community and local neighbourhoods. Follow up question would be how the washroom will be maintained and how the washroom will be secured overnight/when not in use.
Love #1 the Artificial turf field with bleachers and lighting. I think it is a great asset for a community park that provides the community with a high end amenity that is not typically found in inner-city established area communities.
Love the oval and mix of hard and soft elements (courts and paved area vs. sod and synthetic turf)
Corridor up eastern edge of park should be primarily focused on pathway connection and adjacent uses should not provide potential conflicts.
Everything. provides great amenities for residents
Zero things. It's no longer a green space for the community. There is less green space than before. The city did not listen to the community. What a shame.
The west loop is more accessible to community users and keeps those uses in one area.
It seems odd the toddler area would be placed so far away from the shelter/washroom. It is hard to understand from a 1 dimension map. Trying to provide feedback was challenging due to AI trying to spell for me. Perhaps this is typical city, not wanting feedback like the building zoning and the electoral map.
I like the trees and that there is a prominent feature hill
Lots of mix uses, outdoor turf options for more recreation spaces, built in seating
- Lots of space for picnic and gathering - visually interesting - like that there are lots of trees

Open space for picnic area and hill close to washroom. Like the concept of bleachers and turf.
I like the multiple new entry points, particularly the one on the northeast - having that section blocked with a fence never made sense to me, it just cut off that whole part of the neighbourhood. I also like adding many more trees for canopy shade, and the hill idea in the circle ring is nice (maybe allow little kids to toboggan), as are the more contemplative paths along the north and east side of the soccer field.
I like the mix of ages and activities in theory, but in practice - the most frequent users of this park are dog walkers and soccer players. Occasionally families. I'm not seeing dog owners represented here. The parking lot seems like a waste of space.
I love the circular track around the field. It is an important but often missing element in parks. It's great for young kids on bikes and people walking their dogs. We visit the park in Tuxedo and having a track that loops encourages bike and scooter use in kids.
I like that there is only a single driveway into the parkinglot, especially because there will be children using the facilities maximizing walkability and separation from cars is vital. Also main public uses are near street access and give into the community of Kingsland which is better than concept 2 which has most of its amenities border a fenced off condo block and is close to MacLeod trail side which is very anti urban.
I like concept one the best. i like the oval walking path...it allows you to walk a long ways, but not have to go far. I also think the oval shape adds interest and adds to a more organic, natural feeling to the park. I like the meandering pathways. I like the open space beside the feature hill. I think the parking is in a good location. 75th Avenue is a major route through the community, so I like that the natural part of the park is near it, and the physical structures are on the North side.
Much prefer this layout to choice 2, just wish there was more on the east. Like there is a much needed washroom. Nice to see a shelter that would provide much needed shade during strong sun months, although I wish it was larger (the covered area). Like the pathway around, but would prefer to see a more connected path around that is more trail-like in nature. Hopefully there will be some points of interest along the path, statues, herb garden, etc. The walkway, I hope will be raised, although not noticeably, as the grass collects a lot of rain and snow melt that is very muddy. I like the lined trees along that imposing apartment building. I hope they will grow to be tall evergreens to provide privacy. I also like the mixed basketball court.
This is preferred aside from the artificial turf field with lights, fencing and stands - remove that and put in a field that is a bit enhanced from what we have now. I like the walking track and the central parks and sitting/play areas. Move the playground 10 from the east to the west so the toddler area is with the rest of the playgrounds - the toddler area across the field from the other playgrounds doesn't make sense. The community is already deficient in green space and we need this space for people to rest and relax, especially with the multi-residential units recently built in the community. We are the densest community in this area we need passive areas for people to rest and walk. Remove the artificial turf, lights, stands, fencing.
I like Concept 1 better because all the facilities and most of the playgrounds are in the same area. I love the walking ring around the park and that the park 8/9 is somewhat enclosed from the main road and traffic (75th Street). Bike/walking paths are very nice. Esthetically the park is much nicer with the rounded and curved paths and parks.
Feature Hill I like the idea as it would get a lot of use during the winter.

More creative use of space. Feels more natural and less like you are stacking things all together.
The designation of space flows very nicely. I love that there is something for everybody and the whole park is not revolving around the turf field. There are more trees and allow for a more diverse use of the space.
I like the services and features close together
I like the flow of this concept, it is more natural and organic rather than Concept 2 which is more boxy and hard edges. Using the site as a walking route, the groups of trees and zones would be more appealing.
Love that it's not been sold to a developer. Love the multi use Love that there will be parking and trees added
The hard surface mixed court is the only thing to like. Kingsland needs amenities that that will be available to and serve teens, adults and seniors. The rest is not what the community needs or asked for. The engagement was bogus.
Not a fan
1) Washrooms are provided (Hopefully cleaned & well maintained). If by 'shelter' you mean washroom building, great. If a separate shelter, I don't think we want to provide indoor place for general public to "hang around" in? 2)"Hard surface" courts are great (expand for 2 of each tennis, pickleball). 3) Areas 4 & 5 are same 'type'. 4) What is the 'Oval' shape encircling items 6-9? 2) I assume "seating areas" (13's) are a picnic table or park bench. Add more. [There's lots of seniors, I'm sure who would be happy to sponsor a table or a bench (I would)]. 3) Add crosswalk (12) at SW corner of park where the bulk of people cross now! 4) Add outdoor exercise equipment. The equipment at the community hall is regularly used...year round.
The closeness of the playground to the parking lot The consolidation of activities in specific areas (play vs sports) Inclusive playground for kids with disabilities Teen zone
I support Concept 1 because the activity areas are thoughtfully grouped rather than spread out. Keeping activities close together allows families with children of different ages to stay in one area, making supervision easier and improving the overall family experience. I also appreciate that the activities are consolidated near the washroom facilities. This is very practical and user-friendly, especially for families with young children, and enhances convenience during longer visits to the park.
I like that the City is focusing on recreation and promoting active play and physical activity. I love the pathways.
I like the overall aesthetic. The curved paths are very nice. Seating on the paths at the north of the park is a good feature.
I like this concept best of the two. I am not sure about having public washrooms in this community. I believe that once they are there they will be a constant cause for safety and ongoing repair costs.

I like the curviness that's included in the design, with a pathway running through it. I like that there is a washroom and shelter. I like the inclusion of a picnic area. What I would like to see is less space designated for the soccer field. I would like a concept that moves the toddler park to the same area as the natural and inclusive areas designated for ages 5-12. Possibly the teen zone could be moved to spot #10. I have been told that zone 7 the hard surface mixed court is a basket ball court. I am also told by members of my community that we already have many basketball courts in our community. Instead I would like a pickleball/tennis court; and a beach volley ball area would also be well used in our community.
Although this is not my preferred choice, I like the mix of activities and including a variety of ages.
I like the layout of Concept 1. I like the large open space for picnics and gathering.
I like the bigger picnic space and trees
Artificial turf with bleachers and lighting - we need more surfaces like this for field sports Full parking lot replacement - saves from street parking Basic permanent seasonal washroom facilities - always a good idea Accessible playground - there isn't one in that neighborhood Accessible pathway connections - good idea Basketball and multi-court surfacing - we need more surfaces like this in the city Site furnishing - nice to have Increased tree canopy - as our canopy ages it's great to have younger trees in the city Shrub planting - same as above
Play spaces for all ages and a turf field. Every time I drive past this site I see dog owners with off leash dogs. I hope enforcement of your bylaws starts happening around the city so we don't have another great park overrun by dangerous dogs and their ignorant owners.
This seems to incorporate all the elements better than Concept 2. I like that the turf is not the center of the space. I like that there are less parking stalls and the green space with park entries to the far right.
Dedicated play space for each major age group. Trees! Dedicated off-street parking for sports and inclusive play area to limit traffic impacts on 5th street which is already narrow.
I like 4&5 together. I like the bathrooms are away from street. Less likelihood of loitering?
I like how most of the play and leisure areas are away from my community that is located on the east side (right on the other side of the fence). So noise wouldn't be as much of a issue.
- That there's parking to keep cars off the street - The washrooms are a good idea and that they're seasonal - The accessible parks and toddler area. Most parks in the area are not toddler friendly nor accessible - Would create a space that encourages community and movement
I like that the parking is more hidden and there's a large open field with the hill, which I think is nice because the space is flat and 75th avenue is a busy road. I like the play areas and the quiet area on the east edge, useful for connectivity. I like that it has more trees. I like that it has an inclusive play area. I like the gathering spaces and the courts. Overall, great!
I like an interesting shape of the open space for picnic, looks unusual

more natural flow of elements within the design, not squared off and linear like option 2.
This concept has a more "living" or natural layout compared to the overly square one of the second concept. The ring is a nice addition that adds another usable part. Overall, the space seems to be more efficiently used.
The toddler play area is separate from the other play areas. The walking loop shape is nice and creates an opportunity for parents to do something while children are on the field. This concentrates the busiest part of the park by the parking area. The free use green space with hill is larger than concept 2 which I like. The cross walk is a must even if the park doesn't go ahead. The picnic area is close to the parking so you don't have to carry your stuff far.
This concept is better laid out compared to the other option.
1. Parking lot can be cancelled because it is not necessary for all residents living around the community, mostly are within walking distance, and the surrounding roads can also be used for parking. Also, it will be easily occupied by apartment residents, so it cannot really be used by the people who need it. 2. Expand two or three more basketball courts and add more tennis courts for daily activities. This is the most function parts for a park. 3. Add a running path within the park for jogging. 4. Add a sparkling water area for little kids. 5. Add a play ground for kids.
No need for washroom and shelter, but need a playground for kids and basketball court.
Teen town area is further away from town homes.
The flow feels better than concept 2, just feels more natural and inviting. I like the larger open space for picnic and gathering, and it just feels like a better use of space overall. The winding pathways make it feel more organic too.
There doesn't appear to be any suggestion that pickleball courts will be installed. Pickleball is a noisy and very annoying source of aggravation for anyone residing in the area, or even walking by a court.
its a more enjoyable layout
The concept is very similar to what already exists. The teen area is out in the open compared to 2. Love the trees, the feature hill and smaller parking lot. Concept 2's aesthetic looks more manufactured and utilitarian.
Walking trails, foliage
Would love to have a dementia friendly park space as there is a retirement community right by it as well as another being built and as an older community there are lots of seniors around but a dementia friendly space is good for all ages - includes way finding walking paths, a lot of nature, rest stops etc ...
Turf field. General green space. Mixed use areas. Washroom is a good idea
It feels more organic, with the pathways going between everything it has great flow. The amount of usable spaces are great! By having most of the playground spaces closer to the parking lots it will be more accessible. As someone who lives in the area but does not play organized sports, I would use this area for walking or spending time outside. I really like the circle.
- The addition of the trees, green spaces, picnic areas and feature hill - The meandering structure of the pathway is more pleasing - The park amenities and play areas are all on the same side

All of the different areas to cater to all the age groups that live in the area. Creation of active sports areas and quiet natural areas.
I like the layout better than concept 2. I prefer to have the turf on one side and the facilities on the other. Don't really need seating for court.
1. Mixed use spaces targeted across various ages 2. keeping the park frequently used with improved soccer facilities 3. Hopefully a removal of the existing fence 4. the entrances to the park being formalized and cleaned up 5. Lots of new trees and plantings 6. formalized walking paths
My preference is concept 1 because of the more naturalized, organic circular path and the walking path on the east side providing some privacy for the townhouses who back on to the field as well as a quieter area. I also like the majority of activity and play for families being on the west which is already used for that and which is the safest part of the park. Lots of trees and plantings soften the area to make it as much park as it is sports field. I prefer the smaller parking lot. Hope there will be bike racks within the fence. Love the consideration of teens and a basketball court as well as ping pong and a smaller, safer toboggan hill.
Much more greenery and versatility. The concept shines in its approach to address as much variety in needs from multiple people.
i like how symmetrical it looks and how the parks and interaction spaces are together. I feel it will flow better.
I prefer Kingsland Park Concept 1 because * more trees than concept 2!! * it supports a wide range of park experiences * a more park-like setting * it feels more like a true community park—somewhere that can meet a wide range of needs and offer something for everyone. * reflects a balanced, inclusive park design that supports recreational and community experiences. * I prefer the walking paths design in this concept * I like that there are trees on 5th Street, so that the parking lot is less visible. More nature than concrete. * there is room for a bicycle rack. Could be near the washrooms and parking lot. *there is room for a community garden. Could be on 75th ave, south side of the trees at the base of the "feature hill" (9).
It looks like an amazing addition to the community.
Neither Concept 1 or 2 include a place for a free run dog park. As many households in the community have dogs, it would be nice to have a place designated for dogs to run freely.
It is a good start but it would be nice to have multi court large enough to have lines for pickleball and other racket sports so that kids and adults can join in on the fun.
West and north edges seem well planted and inviting for walking. People will walk the oval too.
I like concept 1 over concept 2. I love how the space is divided, I like that the turf field is off to the side and not the middle of the whole green space. I also love the open space being in the shape of an oval, this feels like it will contribute to the space feeling more natural and organic. I think it is great there are play areas for all different age groups and also places that will simply contribute to the tree canopy.

I like the large space for picnics.
I love how expansive this concept is with green space. Love how big the natural playground is and how many seating options there are. I also love the pathways not being just straight lines. Feels more organic.
I like the layout of the playground area feeling more connected across the spaces while separated from the soccer fields
I like the toboggan hill
A: Less area taken up by parking B: More walking area around the venue for people to utilize - strollers / children on bicycles. C: I like that "Teen Zone" is more on the 5th Street side so more eyes on the street - rather than on the far right where there are town houses. D: More areas for kids - that are also close to the washrooms. E: I like the asymmetrical design. F: Noise barrier between the Artificial field with areas 13 / 10.
I like that it's not more high density housing.
It really sucks ! It's not inclusive for everyone . Will seniors be booking that artificial turf ? And I don't like the fact that with the washrooms , homeless will hang out there to use them . Parking lot will attract drug dealers . We've got enough of that over by Henry Wisewood . This design is a BIG NO !!!
I love the Picnic and open grass area as well as the hill, I like that the washrooms are close by to the three play areas. The walk ways are nice and it seems like an okay flow
i like that the multi use field has been set to one side. if this is to be used by soccer clubs & the like it's nice that it is separate from the rest of the park to minimize the potential conflict between those uses (& people likely traveling from outside the community) & others including younger children. major concerns for me as a resident stem from vehicle use on 75th ave. i would like to see lights controls instead of a four way stop of fifth street & further traffic calming measures including speed humps all along 75th. this would further encourage local travel to & from the park by foot & bike. 75th is often seen as pediment to accessing this park due the high number of speeding vehicles that use this road as a cut through.
I like the concept and keeping the areas for different age groups away from the field and the hill for sliding on, it's a good use of space. will there be good play grounds for kids?
There is something for everyone to Do there
I like that it has features for all ages. I like the accessibility and I like all the sports courts/fields
Maintains green spaces. Pathways connecting to businesses and residences in East side of Kingsland.
The winding pathways and circular area provide a more natural flow to the area. I like the variety of children's areas and the teen area, more useful use of all spaces rather than large open areas that might not always be used. Washrooms and small parking is also great.

What do you dislike about Concept 1 and why?

1. The space between 2, 4, and 5 is wasted.
2. The space in the east is too narrow, and most of it are for trees. So, its utilization rate is not high.
3. Parking lot is too big. And it is easy to be used as daily parking lot. So, please reduce the area of parking lot. 15-20 stalls are suitable.
4. There is no water park or splash park.
5. There is no an area for off-leash dogs.

Concerns about the washrooms given the numbers of underhoused moving through the locale and graffiti consideration should be given to the historic problems with Tomkins Park and East Village automated self-cleaning indestructible washrooms.

Experience proved otherwise.

For more information search (Google):

- East Village washroom problems
- Tomkins Park washroom problems

Please seek guidance from the City's experience with Tomkins Park & East Village washroom issues and apply these learnings when considering washrooms.

A main reason for the recent renovations to back entrance (closing secluded space) of the KCA hall was due to similar issues.

Would like low intensity lighting, particularly along the pathway on the east side of the park.

The location of the toddler play area needs to be closer to the other amenities on the west side of the park.

Nothing

I would rather see an enclosed dog park than three types of playground zones, or a feature hill. There are MANY new apartments and multi-dwelling townhomes now and this people have nowhere to go. The dog park at the dry pond along the tracks is not fenced in and dogs can possibly run onto the road. Please address this pressing problem in our neighbourhood- it will be a true gathering place and draw for the community.

Will there be water filling stations at the washrooms?

Is there a landscaping plan with gardens to beautify the sitting areas?

Thank you for listening!

Is it possible to add more trees to the layout to give more nature feel, including along 75 avenue to help with potential noise management?

Is it possible in conjunction with this project, to install noise barriers along Macleod trail near 75 ave to reduce sound from Macleod trail to improve resident and park user experience.

It would be good to have an outdoor workout area integrated into the design of the park.

It would be nice to have a community garden included.

Include a mini golf course for the kids area.

Not a dislike, but a general suggestion for inclusion in both concepts. Electrical outlets to charge electronics in the teen zone would be great.

Please make sure the playgrounds have multiple swing sets that are very colorful. Playgrounds should be inclusive for people with disabilities. Could there be a pump track included in the design?
Need signs in the park to say this is NOT an off-leash dog park.
Incorporate space for a community garden.
Suggest having different types of fruit trees / bushes in the park (haskap, saskatoon berry, raspberries, apple trees, plum trees). Community association gardening volunteers!
Book-ability of the field cannot be for 100% of the time. Lighting concerns in proximity to surrounding residents (i.e. compared to other sites).
Book-ability of the turf field is a concern. As well as lighting and bleachers.
Suggest The City to book out a portion of time for the community to use the turf field.
Would like there to be an off-leash dog area included in the park space.
No turf please! Leave soccer green. No lights, no speakers, no bleachers. Leave soccer where it is, just improve it. Washrooms will attract social disorder. Parking doesn't serve us.
Concerns about operations of washrooms and bad activities happening in them.
Neither plan serves the needs of this high needs community. Start over with listening to the community's needs. This plan serves other communities.
Dislike location of the seating area (#13) due to the potential of homeless people gathering.
There may be shortcutting issues through the park. The path on the east side seems inefficient. Keep the younger kids play areas together. Makes it easier for parents with multiple young children to keep an eye on their kids playing.
The younger kids play areas and the toddler play area are too far from each other. Dislike #13 (seating area) as it could be loud at night.
The teen zone might become a magnet for homeless people.
Washroom is a good idea, but what about homeless people congregating inside/around the washroom? How will the washroom be monitored to ensure there are no undesirable activities happening? Also need to make sure there is adequate space for EMS to access the park as well to help people.
Switch toddler area and teen zone.
Only concern is that the current Kingsland dog park (near c-train line / Rose Kohn) is not totally fenced and if it doesn't get repaired, people will bring their dogs off leash here... (they do now!)
Can the hill be larger and cater to more than just small kids in the winter months?
It would be better if the kids play areas were all in one area. This would make it easier for parents with more than one child to supervise their kids playing.

The Toddler play area is separated from the 5+ play area... since both age groups require supervision it's crazy to have them separated for families that straddle both age groups.

I don't see how bathroom facilities can work here. We are too close to the Macleod Tr and LRT corridor. Look up what happens around Heritage Station. Same issues here. They would need constant monitoring. Big nope. You build it and within a year it'll be a scary blight.

Unfortunately serviceable playgrounds were torn down when the school was removed for no purpose?!

I don't see the need for artificial turf. The green space would be a great amenity for kids even with a regular natural field.

Is it possible to consider some noise barriers along Macleod trail near Kingsland park to reduce noise in the neighbourhood and make the park space more peaceful?

Less parking than concept 2, no games area

Toddler play area should maybe be switched with teen zone; teens often want to be away from everything else. Maybe bring teen zone closer to pathway intersection at #11 closer to 75th.

nothing

Don't separate the toddler play area from older kids. As parents with children of different ages, this makes it complicated and unsafe.

A community pool would be great. We have no city pools close

Initially, there was a request by a lot of residents to have one strip for a dog park. wwe were told by the city that we couldn't because the water was turned off and it couldn't be turned on, but now there's a washroom going in. So the water CAN be turned on. Lies. This is not building community. This is ridiculous. Everybody who lives in this area hates it. Actually most people are moving right now because there's no community involvement. This will be random teams coming in using the space then leaving. Washrooms in this neighbourhood between 2 LT stations? That's a bad idea but that's OK. There's not gonna be any dogs there.

ARtificial turf melts with fire but logical as it should technically no maintenance. The city could have provided 3 D drawings like the proposed high rises pictures of Glenmore Landing that got partially approved. Without dimensions, it's challenging to understand the size of things. I could not see if it is all fenced but the guide shows entrances so I guess it is fenced in. An umbrella cannot be used for picnics to protect food and people from being fried in the sun. The turf has gravel under it making it uncomfortable to walk on the covered gravel never mind sitting on it. I don't see anything appealing for a family to go there. The hill seems useless.

Is it possible to add more trees and landscaping to increase the nature space / park feel?

- would like to see a paved walking path all the way around the property like there is at Kingsland Community Centre
- concerned that the hill will be a hiding spot for less desirable behaviour at off hours

The toddler play area may be too close to 75th and better suited closer to 5th street due to less traffic in 5th street.

Teen area too close to small kids area.

As I'm sure you'll hear from a lot of neighbours, it doesn't make sense to have the toddler area off by itself, cut off by the sports field from the other play areas. A lot of young families like mine have toddlers and 5-12 year olds, so they need to be together so you can watch over both kids. Having that area to the east be a cool teen hangout area would make more sense, and keep the family areas together. I'm not sure that an oval track is totally necessary, given that we have the big oval at the Kingsland dry pond/sports fields that is nearby.

I am not seeing any amenities for dog owners and walkers who are frequent users of the park and who submitted feedback in earlier stages about the importance of the park to them. There are no other dog parks in walking distance save a sliver of land next to the train tracks near Heritage station, which seems like an obvious safety issue. In addition, the city just removed ALL the shade-providing trees from the area. There are lots of dogs and responsible dog owners in Kingsland. Our use isn't speculative, seasonal or occasional. We walk our dogs every day multiple times a day - but the municipal amenities do not reflect this.

It looks nice however all the bushes on the east side contribute to places that the homeless will set up camp and it will be dangerous to walk that path in the evening. Also the people that live on that border do not want to listen to screaming kids or teenagers as shown in diagram 2. There is a lack of pool facilities when the weather is hot outside and I would like to see a pool, snack bar, parking, for an example. We already have basketball courts, ice rink, etc at the community hall. The community hall offers these services with a membership. This current idea would take funds away from them.

Why is the toddler area completely separate from everyone else? What do you do if you have a group of child of different ages? Like the toddlers are the ones that actually need to be closest to the bathrooms. I would swap the toddler area (4) and the natural play area (10).

There are no ping pong tables in this plan.

It is overcomplicated at some parts simple straight paths would make it simple for people with disabilities such as poor vision.

I think the toddler park should be neat the other parks. If I have an 8 year old and a 3 year old, their parks are on opposite ends of the park. Then you could push the field to the East a bit to make more space on the West side. I would like to see more trees along the South end of the park too.

There is still too much concrete. Given there are 2 playgrounds within a 5 minute walk (one 2 blocks away,) I am not partial to having so many playgrounds here. I hope they differ. There is not enough greenery, especially year round greenery from the looks of it. There is a bit too much grass, perhaps more mulch. The grass for most part of the year is sandy yellow, not the green depicted. Not enough flowers seen, perhaps a bee garden would be nice. Very disappointed to see no water features or fountain. In such a dry climate it would be a welcome feature that would provide a cool breeze in summer. The ping pong table looks to be removed, I would like to see it returned. I am not a fan of the fence surrounding the park. Gives a prison feel.

The artificial turf, bleachers, lighting and fencing is totally inappropriate in a predominately residential area. Don't make the hill too high - the park should be visible from the road. Kingsland already has an athletic field by and we don't need another regional field in our community. The lighting that will extend the hours of the field. The fencing will not make this feel like a community play area. Having said that - a field similar to what is there now would work - just don't have it booked all summer - weekends and evenings. Leave some time for informal community time - that doesn't need to be booked by the community - as that is not equitable and the requirement to 'book' a public space prohibits people from using this space

I think that the toddler park (10) should be moved to be with the other parks (4/5/6). I think that it would be nice to have an adult area away from children with maybe the Games area as seen in Concept 2 (11) instead of the toddler park. Keep the seating (13), but put a games area in there instead in that secluded quiet area, with tables to sit at.
I do not like the idea of artificial turf and think that the fields should remain natural. Much better for the environment and would be MUCH cheaper than turf!!
Not so much a dislike but maybe over design. The artificial turf area could be scaled back unless you have a significant soccer club that is willing to lease it for the summer. The lights and bleachers aren't very functional from a community basis. If you're looking for somewhere to cut costs this would be it for me.
Nothing
I don't really have any dislikes
What's the plan to integrate transit? Do we need another car dominant location for recreation?
Would love to see a baseball diamond in the mix too and pickleball courts
The turf field does not serve the community and not what we asked for, we asked that the grass field be improved such as filling out potholes and leveling. The money for an astroturf field should be directed to community wants and needs. The speakers and bleachers and lights are far too close to homes and will ruin the lives of immediate neighbours and the noise pollution will echo around the entire community. Again we did not ask for this, what a terrible shame to even consider this.
Not a fan
1) Astro-turfing this huge area takes over half the park & eliminates this area from other activities (It WILL become a protected under-used soccer ONLY area)...this does not serve Kingsland! UNLESS some soccer club moves in to organize a full schedule of activity...then there are opportunities for Kingsland youth and entertainment for other residents during the summer ONLY though! It's dead space during the winter. Usually a soccer club wants year-round facilities. We have under-used soccer fields in Dry Pond. Don't do it just to fill the space! 2) This park allows space for a Disc golf course. We looked at building a disc golf course in the Dry Pond earlier (Calgary Disc Golf Club involved). Here and now is the opportunity to build one!
Could have more trees
The toddler play area is segregated. The City promotes these as community spaces, yet the current field is almost entirely booked by Villains FC, leaving little access for residents. The new field will likely be dominated by groups with historical booking priority, limiting opportunities for local kids and teens—especially in a neighbourhood with significant low-income housing where club sports aren't accessible. A non-bookable or limited-booking beach volleyball court would better serve the community. These courts are in high demand and popular among girls, who already face lower sport-participation rates. A beach volleyball court aligns with GamePlan and Sport for Life by reducing barriers and creating more inclusive spaces.
The placement of the areas is unfortunate. I don't like how the natural play and inclusive play areas are right up against the parking lot. The teen zone seems kind of squished in between that area and the court. It also seems impractical to have the toddler area so far away from the school-aged children area. Many families have children in multiple age groups and need to supervise toddlers and school-age children at the same time.
I understand that areas are removing artificial turf because of health issues.

:If the mixed court is only for basketball - because we have many in our community. I would like a mixed court that could be used for tennis, pickleball, badminton. Less area for the soccer field. The toddler park off to the outside of soccer field and away from the 5-12 year old play areas makes no sense, as parents will not be able to supervise their kids.
The toddler area is too far away from the parking and washrooms. When I had younger children, I would not have used the toddler park - I would have found a way to stay closer to the facilities. Little legs can't walk that far....
I do not have any dislikes.
There's no space for pups in this growing community, we need intentional spaces to take dogs with garbages and bags available too
The washroom is scary because it may attract drug users to the neighbourhood and creates a private space for drug use
A splash park would be a nice addition. Toddler play park is far from the parking lot encouraging parents and kids to cut across the field.
The turf, bleachers and lightening. This is not what the majority of Kingsland residents want especially when you re-read the engagement done previously. Kingsland residents wanted an off leash dog park incorporated. This was declined and now a turf is mandatory to fulfill the needs of the City, not of the community.
No art installations. Also, walking loop. We already have one at the dry pond, so feels a bit redundant. I would love to see something more experiential than just a circle..
I would want 10 with 4 and 5. Families often have both age groups. No entry from west side except thru parking lot.
Just want to make sure that there are enough shaded seating areas for picnics and benches throughout the space.
Probably the bleachers and lights and how that might impact the community and immediate surrounding homes.
If you have kids of different ages, difficult to access both playgrounds (natural play and toddler).
I don't like that picnic space is not used to the full capacity. It'd be nice to build a wall or a stage so people can have some movie nights via projector or so. I also want to point out that the place needs to be useable for different means. Ex: be attractive for festivals, competitions, movie nights, adult activities like walking, running
concerned that we have lost 2 playgrounds and hard to tell how much play space we are getting. need as much utilization / amenities for folks that aren't kids or parents. ie tables for out door chess, picnic tables, fire pits, covered areas for family bbq's and events, a small stage, connections and ability to do farmers markets / movie nights.
Toddler play area seems isolated from the rest of the park. This has both pros and cons, however. More nature elements should be included in the grass areas bordering the road.
The natural play and inclusive play should be next to each other. I don't think a teen zone is really needed also what is it? If inclusive play is playground then it should be over by the natural play area. I think that zone 5 should be swapped to zone 4 location, zone 4 moved to zone 6 and zone 6 moved to zone 5. Maybe take out a few of the trees at the end of the parking lot to make room for zone 6
Lack of trees and garden space

no need for feature hill, just not functional at all;
1. Parking lot can be cancelled because it is not necessary for all residents living around the community, mostly are within walking distance, and the surrounding roads can also be used for parking. Also, it will be easily occupied by apartment residents, so it cannot really be used by the people who need it. 2. Expand two or three more basketball courts and add more tennis courts for daily activities. This is the most function parts for a park. 3. Add a running path within the park for jogging. 4. Add a sparkling water area for little kids. 5. Add a play ground for kids.
No need for washroom and shelter, it is easy to be occupied by homeless people and make it very mess. Not good for kids.
More hard surface courts would be ideal - basketball/paddel ball/tennis/picket ball all very popular sports. Either concept should include an enclosed dog park - as the open field area has been unofficially used as a dog park for the past 25 years - maybe longer. Make it official.
Toddler area being far away from the 5-12 areas might be inconvenient.
Area 10 (toddler play) is a long way from the other children's play area and the parking. Families who have toddlers AND kids that are 5-12 won't be able to watch both at the same time, and the toddlers will have to walk further from the parking than any other age group. And I can't tell if there's any proposal for pickleball. I strongly object to any use of courts / hard surfaces in the future for pickleball courts. The noise coming from these courts is continuous and very annoying.
Toddler zone too far from parking lot
Is 45 stalls enough for the size of the space/ expected use during summer months?
Concern that the washroom won't be maintained or will be used inappropriately by non-park users.
there is nothing I dislike.
- The separation of #4 and #5 - play areas for ages 5-12. These should be close together to better accommodate families - The Toddler play area (#10) should be on the West side of the park with the other play areas to better accommodate families with children in various age groups. This spot could be changed to another picninc area or Games area - No games area
That the toddler play area is across the field from the other play areas. Many families will have children that span ages 2- 12 and will want to access all the play grounds and this will make it difficult that manage due to the large separation. A parent will able to supervise all of their children as they would be playing in different areas.
1. Awkward to have the toddler play area so far from the other play areas 2. Washroom seems a little bit too tucked away for it to not become an issue. I like that it exists though, and that its near the soccer bleachers. 3. People seemed to really love the muskoka chairs that are currently in the park - how can we capture comfortable sitting that the muskoka chairs provided
Separate toddler and kid playgrounds. When going with multiple kids it's nice to have eyes on both areas. Zig zag pathways seem odd

Children's play areas are too far apart for parents to be able to supervise. They need to be closer. I prefer the soccer pitch to the east side of the park. Less chance of stray balls hitting small children.
We have too many families for the toddler area to be so far away from the teens and kids. This would mean I would have to choose which of my kids to supervise. I predict the toddler area being underutilized except for encampment. I am unclear if "inclusive play" means a playground structure, but one is needed—something more than logs to jump on, but also not just games areas that require special equipment to use them. None of these plans address our need for a safe, fenced off-leash dog park and so I am certain area 8, the open space, will be used for that if our off-leash park is not repaired. Please save some budget towards upgrading our off-leash park too!
Nothing!
I don't like how the toddlers space is on the other side of the field.
I would have liked to see a bicycle rack. Could be near the washrooms and parking lot. Concept 2 has too much parking and less trees I would also like to see a place for future Community Garden. Could be on 75th ave, south side of the trees at the base of the "feature hill" (9). Check out Mission Community Garden 214 - 24th Avenue SW Calgary. They have it fenced (locked), a shed for garden supplies, and running water. We could have a water tank that I heard the city would fill water tanks when empty.
I see that there are multiple areas for all ages of children, which is great. It would be nice to add tennis and pickleball courts to the plan or expand the multi court surfacing area if it's not big enough to include tennis and pickleball capabilities. This is an area that can be enjoyed by all ages. Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports and the city lacks outdoor facilities. I do not see any area that includes pets so I would also like to see a designated dog park/pet area as well.
No place for dogs to run freely and no place for racket sports
I think the teen zone shouldn't be so close to the younger kids zone. I don't like where the parking is located. I wish the city offered more drop in swimming activities. More than half the park is dedicated to an artificial turf area for soccer which we don't play and is only usable during warmer months- might as well make it indoors and underground and give us a real park with trees on the surface. Does it double as stormwater holding? Lack of trees on the sunny south side where the focus should be on getting nice entryways to encourage walking from the community. Sport court needs to not be in the oval.
I think it could be nice to have the toddler play section closer to the 5-12 age play area, then have the teen area off on its own.
I don't like how far the toddler area is from the other playgrounds they would use. I feel like the toddler area needs to be by the parking lot since most families would probably drive to the park, no? If you could swap the teen zone with the toddler zone, this would be perfect. I do think this place would benefit from a spray/splash park zone, though. It would get so much use in the summer and lessen the rush to go to Glenmore Park.
The toddler area may be better suited closer to the parking lot as those families will be the ones more relying on their vehicles
I prefer 2

A: I don't like that seating areas near the kids zones are not under a tree canopy. Are there picnic tables?
B: I would like for toddler area (10) near the washrooms and inclusive play areas - so parents with young children can have more space together.
No dog area. This green space is used for dog walking more than anything else (I'm not a dog owner, just something I notice).
Also, we need a school more then we need a park. So much new housing but no school in Kingsland.
Toddler play area is too far from parking lot and washrooms
See my comments above . Totally has series components that will create long term issues !
I am not a fan that the toddler area is so far from the parking lot as well as the washrooms. Parents tend to take more things with them, example being diaper bag, stroller/wagon, snacks. Although the toddler area is in a "quieter" area, I would prefer it to be closer to the parking lot and washrooms. If you have ever had to get a toddler to leave a park, you will understand!
would have liked to have seen a wall of some kind that can be used to bounce balls off of. why is it so hard to find a good wall these days. they get mad at you if you use the walls at tennis courts. or at schools. why can't we have a public wall.
why is the toddler area away from the other areas, it will be hard to watch kids on both areas
I like the community fire pits and chairs
I don't like that the toddler area is so far away from the other play areas
No provision for off leash dog park. What are the lighting provisions for the field? Only used during events or on all of the time? Losing even a small part of dark sky would be disappointing.

What do you like about Concept 2 and why?

The areas in the west and east are balanced, and more spaces are properly used.
Soccer field breaks up the Community use area too much.
Another great multi-use concept where there is something for everyone
I don't love this one!
While both options will be wonderful additions to the neighbourhood, I prefer option 1.
I like the more linear design of concept 2.
Love that we have paths through to shopping area. Yes, to keeping the younger children's play area(s) together.
I like that there is a game area (#11) and I like that all the little kids (toddlers and smaller children) are on one side of the field, while there is space for teens and adults on the other side.
Again, the crosswalk at 14 makes a lot of sense. There's a fair bit of foot traffic crossing up to the north east exit/entrance.
Co-locating the play areas for younger age groups makes a lot more sense.

More parking spaces than concept 1. I like the inclusion of a games area. I am excited to see the space be repurposed for field sports with seating areas and washroom facilities - it will be a desirable area for local sports teams to use, which in turn will become a valued amenity for the community and local neighbourhoods. Follow up question would be how the washroom will be maintained and how the washroom will be secured overnight/when not in use.
Games area with horseshoe and corn hole would be great. I'd love to see that incorporated into concept 1. I really like the concept of the games and teen area on the east but am also concerned about it becoming a hub for vagrants that are often seen in this park presently. I love the artificial turf field with lighting and bleachers.
Love how the AT field is included. Excellent opportunity for community to get a premium amenity.
Teens are separated from younger kids. More parking
See comments from concept 1. Zero likability.
This second one makes more sense. The young children are closer to the washroom. The entrances are better marked but who is going to manage these spectator sports areas? Again, from a map it is hard to visualize. Who is going to manage the washrooms to ensure they don't turn onto drug sales and usage areas? Teens area is more removed from the other play areas, not sure people will follow the guidelines. I remember when it used to be safe to take the trains downtown but no way I would get on one today. Suggest solar lighting for safety. More covered areas for protection from Calgary's weather. This one seems better than the first.
I prefer Concept 2.
Better pathways through the park. Parking lot closer to most activities, especially those of younger children.
Teens well separated from the younger children.
I like the idea of a games area.
- like that the field is centered - nice design
larger parking straight line pathways at east side and around the property. Games area with table tennis or bocci Centralized turf field More walk in access points (item 12) love the activity areas are distributed throughout with the centralized field for team sports
The games area for bocce etc.. Gives people something to do and connect.

As a resident, I've noticed a large population of teenagers in our community. I strongly recommend expanding the sports areas:

High demand: There are many elementary, junior and high school students living nearby.

Facility suggestions: Please include more basketball courts, ping pong tables, tennis courts, a small skatepark etc. Considering Calgary's long winters, a multi-purpose courts that can be converted into an outdoor skating rink in winter.

Health & Wellness: More active spaces will help teenagers reduce screen time on phones and tablets and enjoy the outdoors.

Others: A public fire pit seating to provide warmth for social gatherings. Stronger LED lighting since it gets dark early, ensuring youth can stay active safely after school.

I like the eastern section as it looks like a nice quiet place to sit or have a picnic with lots of trees and the hill - however I'm not sure if the teens want to be that close to that family picnic area. The western section feels a little too compressed - there is less to like there.

I also want to say thank you for taking the time to plan this right, and for having the foresight to redevelop this central green space thoughtfully. It will be much appreciated by the growing number of young families on our street (4A St SW). And I totally agree with the additional crosswalks, having advocated for the southeast one before.

See notes on Concept 1.

The kids area is larger and separated from the teen zone. They just play differently and teens can be quite rough with playground equipment.

This ok design

Like the area for bocce and ping pong. Would love ping pong tables like they have at Stanley Park. We play there during the summer months. It's what would draw us to Kingsland park.

I prefer concept #2 however this plan has more parking, a games area and 7 park entries.

Simplicity of the sidewalks and access to facilities for physically impaired users.

- I like that there is a games area. The ping pong table has been really popular at the pop up park.
- I like that the two arms of the parking area extend much closer to the sports field (but this is made useless by the bleachers being placed on the far side of the field)

I like the hard surface mixed court. Would be nice to have pickleball lines on it.

Very little. Like that there is a washroom and a covered area.

I do like the Games area (11) and seating area idea (13).

I prefer Concept1 more than 2 but only slightly. I like the hill.

Nothing

I like that the toddler (2-5) and inclusive play (5-12) are close.

Inclusion of picnic shelter area on the East side (would prefer this with toddler play moved to the West in concept 1). Removal of 'drop off' part of parking lot.

Toddler play area and area 5-12 are closer together and closer to washrooms, which is a good plan.

It's great the city is keeping green space and making the area useful to all ages.
Games areas are great.

This is a forced question, forced consent to "like" 1 of 2 horrible concepts. That is not engagement. We are being told and not engaged nor asked, zero flexibility on this coming from parks department. You haven't listened to us at all. The mixed court is the only thing to like, this is the first and only thing that should be funded and prioritized.
Including a games area in a good feature. Also, this design groups the play areas for children together and puts the teen zone off by itself. The picnic shelter is a good feature as well.
1) Officially provides more 'entrances' to the park. 2) I assume "seating areas" (13's) are a picnic table or park bench. Add more. [There's lots of seniors, I'm sure who would be happy to sponsor a table or a bench (I would)]. 3) Add another crosswalk (12) at SW corner of park where the bulk of people cross now! 4) Add some outdoor exercise equipment. The outside exercise equipment over at the community hall is regularly used. People use it year round.
Natural & Inclusive play (ages 5 - 12) #4 Toddler play area farther away from parking lot. #5 Games area #11
More other use of space
That there are some trees. Grass and trees are what make an attractive park. Not Astro turf and blaring lights.
I like that the City is focusing on recreation and promoting active play and physical activity. I love the pathways.
I like how the toddler and school-aged child area is together and set back from the parking lot. I also appreciate all the seating areas across the whole park. The teen and games area set away from the playgrounds makes sense.
In this concept I like that the 2-12 year old parks are in the same area. I am concerned that the mixed court is for basketball only, and I would like a court that could be used for tennis, pickleball, etc. I like the location of the teen zone. The feature hill and the picnic area and games area is also a nice addition. Could we also add a beach volley ball area? And why is the soccer field area so big?
The design is good and will put kingsland on the map. However, the fact that a soccer field is going in that already has been historically booked by the Villains club (which Gian Carlo Carra son plays for) brings up many concerns of how much will the actual community use the space when they have all the bookings on weekends and after work hours. Something is fishy here. It would have been nice to have another alternative concept besides a turf soccer field for the community to choose from. With that said, I support recreation using the space as long as there are more aspects, actual members of the community can use.
I don't like it.
Worst than 1st. Private soccer field takes over entire space and is fenced to keep locals out. Your lack of engagement and dishonestly with the engagements you have had are obvious with the 2 planned concepts. I am against the privatization of public spaces. Separating play spaces for kids of different ages doesn't make sense.
This is my preferred layout. I like that all the younger play areas are together, near the washrooms and parking. When my kiddos were little, these were things I looked for.

Love the trees!
The smaller parking lot. We have so much street parking. Keep the lot on the smaller side so there is more park space.
Play zones are close to the washroom. Adult play zone.
love that it has inclusive play
Multiple entry points to access the space
Also ok
Visual geometry of the layout is appealing
I like the games area as this works for all ages not just kids.
Games area is great and games were well used at the pop up park.
I like 4 and 5 so close together. I like that 4 and 5 are close to the playing field. Often one child is playing while others in the family are 'dragged' along and need something interesting to do. I like that the bathrooms are away from McL. Less likelihood of loitering??
more amenities
better layout
I like that the toddler and younger kid areas are closer to the parking lot and separate from the older kid areas. Also they're closer to the washroom which is a must for kids.
Not much
Like the variety of games and options
I like the game variety, like having two courts is kinda cool
I like the central field location with other areas set up along the perimeter. I also like the idea of a possible official crosswalk at the SE corner.
The ping pong table was well received on the pop up park. The rest of the games areas are a bit of a waste as they can be done in any open space.
1. Parking lot can be cancelled because it is not necessary for all residents living around the community, mostly are within walking distance, and the surrounding roads can also be used for parking. Also, it will be easily occupied by apartment residents, so it cannot really be used by the people who need it. 2. Expand two or three more basketball courts and add more tennis courts for daily activities. This is the most fun parts for a park. 3. Add a running path within the park for jogging. 4. Add a sparkling water area for little kids. 5. Add a play ground for kids.
Concept 2 separates more of the rec activities from the parking facilities etc., and includes more utility overall from the various games, children's, teen, sports areas.
I like that there are a few more parking stalls. The picnic area being away from the road and parking area.
Someone put time and effort into this design and I applaud the effort.
Toddler area being next to the 5-12 area is nice

There doesn't appear to be any suggestion that pickleball courts will be installed. Pickleball is a noisy and very annoying source of aggravation for anyone residing in the area, or even walking by a court. The children's play areas (toddlers and 5-12) are all in one spot and close to parking. I'm not sure what the feature hill is but a small break in topography might be attractive.
as a family we like the cross walk and exit placements. we like the games area as we've enjoyed the temporary games area from the city. the picnic shelter could be great for gatherings in the summer.
Separation of teen and toddler play areas. Toddler area near parking lot.
Larger parking lot compared to 1.
nothing. it's a square. this feels like would benefit others coming to the neighbourhood playing organized sports only.
- The addition of the trees, green spaces, picnic areas and feature hill - The play areas for ages 2 to 5 and 5 to 12 are located adjacent to each other
I like this concept because the natural and inclusive play area and the toddler play area are both close to the washrooms and shelter.
Larger parking lot North walk way that is close to property line and the trees north of the soccer field Soccer field with turf and lighting Teen zone Picnic shelter Many entrances. Hard surface mixed court
The combination of active and natural areas. I like that all of the play areas are located together. I also really like the addition of the games area as these are games our family likes to play together and people of all ages and abilities can participate in these games.
1. Mixed use spaces targeted across various ages 2. keeping the park frequently used with improved soccer facilities 3. Hopefully a removal of the existing fence 4. the entrances to the park being formalized and cleaned up 5. Lots of new trees and plantings 6. formalized walking paths 7. Number 11. Just seems a bit too close to people's houses on the eastern edge.
With both concepts, I love the fact that the plan is to keep this space as community space. The playing field is very well used as it is and making these modern improvements will only make that better.
I like that there is lots of parking but, as with Concept 1, wondering how it will be monitored to prevent residents in the new condo building from using it.
I like how it is divided with older activities in one side and younger spaces in the other.
Pretty much everything
I like that the teens have a separate hangout spot from the littler kids, sport court also feels like it's in a better spot.
I like concept 1 much more. Concept 2 has considerably less tree space and feels much more focused on sports rather than having open green space/picnic areas. This feels much more of a rigid design and less versatile.

It seems like better use of the space and includes games area. Happy to hear more trees are being planted.
I really like that there's picnic and shelter area along with a spot for games.
I just like that all the younger playgrounds are close to each other and the parking lot.
I like the playgrounds away from the houses to the north. It feels like there is less chances of noise disturbances.
I like the teen area being separate
I don't much like this concept as compared to Concept 1.
I like that the secondary space is dedicated to older kids. Parents of young kids need to be close to the car and washrooms. This concept achieves that.
I like that the kids areas are closer to the washrooms and the teens section is on the other side. I like the idea of a picnic area. I like that it has a few more parking spaces.
Nothing
Indifferent.
not too different form option one. honestly it's super awesome that this is being done at all. so i'm quite happy with anything that even approaches this level of development.
I like this one the best , it has a lot more to do
I do like all the features
Maintains green spaces. Pathways connecting to businesses and residences in East side of Kingsland.

What do you dislike about Concept 2 and why?

1. The parking lot is too big. And it is easy to be used as a daily parking lot. So, please reduce the area of the parking lot. 15-20 stalls are suitable. 2. There is no water park or splash park. 3. There is no area for off-leash dogs. I don't have any dog, but I heard lots of people have, and they can't drive. So, I think the park should be friendly towards them. 4. I suggest building an area for off-leash dogs in the parking lot located to the west of the current 4 and 5. 5. Also, building a water park or splash park in the parking lot located to the north of the current 4 and 5.
Concerns about the washrooms given the numbers of underhoused moving through the locale and graffiti consideration should be given to the historic problems with Tomkins Park and East Village automated self-cleaning indestructible washrooms. Experience proved otherwise. For more information search (Google) for: - East Village washroom problems - Tomkins Park washroom problems Please seek guidance from the City's experience with Tomkins Park & East Village washroom issues and apply these learnings when considering washrooms. A main reason for the recent renovations to back entrance (closing secluded space) of the KCA hall was due to similar issues. Would like low intensity lighting, particularly along the pathway on the east side of the park.

Push all amenities to one side of the field. prefer the field on the east side of the site. I prefer concept 1. I like how the amenities are clustered together better.
I don't like the field being in the middle of everything as I feel like getting around it might feel cumbersome in certain circumstances
Shape - also you'd have to walk through the big pitch to get to the other areas if you wanted to try a different hangout spot. Also both sides of the park would be looking at the back of bleachers and lots of shade. Less space for a larger gathering whereas the bigger meadow in concept 1 would allow for that.
I would rather see an enclosed dog park than three types of playground zones, or a feature hill. There are MANY new apartments and multi-dwelling townhomes now and this people have nowhere to go. The dog park at the dry pond along the tracks is not fenced in and dogs can run onto the road. Please address this pressing problem in our neighbourhood- it will be a true gathering place for the community.
It would be good to have an outdoor workout area integrated into the design of the park.
It would be nice to have a community garden included.
Include a mini golf course for the kids area.
Not a dislike, but a general suggestion for inclusion in both concepts. Electrical outlets to charge electronics in the teen zone would be great.
Please make sure the playgrounds have multiple swing sets that are very colorful. Playgrounds should be inclusive for people with disabilities. Could there be a pump track included in the design?
Need signs in the park to say this is NOT an off-leash dog park.
Incorporate space for a community garden.
Suggest having different types of fruit trees / bushes in the park (haskap, saskatoon berry, raspberries, apple trees, plum trees). Community association gardening volunteers!
Book-ability of the field cannot be for 100% of the time. Lighting concerns in proximity to surrounding residents (i.e. compared to other sites).
Book-ability of the turf field is a concern. As well as lighting and bleachers.
Suggest The City to book out a portion of time for the community to use the turf field.
No turf please! Leave soccer green. No lights, no speakers, no bleachers. Leave soccer where it is, just improve it. Washrooms will attract social disorder. Parking doesn't serve us.
Concerns about operations of washrooms and bad activities happening in them.
Neither plan serves the needs of this high needs community. Start over with listening to the community's needs. This plan serves other communities.
Amenity # 9 (the feature hill) might draw homeless people to congregate near it.
I have a big problem w/ artificial turf field and lighting. Artificial turf is only justified if the field is fully booked and that would primarily be by players from other communities. By all means play soccer but play on grass, so the field is usable by the rest of us when not used for soccer. This concept has too many straight lines / paths.
Consider noise when locating specific amenities along the east side of the site (i.e. the seating area)
I like this one best!

7 looks like a waste of green space, why create a hill here? could be extra picnic space?
2 again -- public washrooms are a really bad idea in this area unless you've got constant patrolling going on. I don't feel they're feasible at all frankly.
This design feels like a lot of the green spaces are chopped up.
Again, I question the artificial turf here at all. It doesn't really benefit the community. Our kids are happy with the grass field.
Is it possible to consider some noise barriers along Macleod trail near Kingsland park to reduce noise in the neighbourhood and make the park space more peaceful?
Prefer the teen area closer to 5 St west side, better line of sight to activities. Picnic area backs on to condo homes, may not be desirable for those that live there (noise concerns)
I am concerned about everything east of the big field becoming a hub for vagrants that are often seen in this park presently. Keeping all of the non-field areas together would ensure park is busier and better attended by citizens and less encouraging to people looking to camp out or do drugs. Picnic shelter and seating is not a feature I would prioritize. The feature hill seems out of place and would make the zones north of it less visible to public and more encouraging for problem behaviours.
Concept 1 is better spatially. the side parks around the artificial turf field feel to cramped. Too much space on East side of Artificial turf field
See comments from concept 1. Zero likability.
Non-sports field activities too chopped up.
I prefer the feature hill in concept 1. Would appreciate for either concept if there is an opportunity to add more trees and landscaping to increase the nature feel of the park.
Bleachers in the turf field are on the east side. Most games are played in the evening so the sun would be in the eyes of the spectators. Could the bleachers be located on the west side?
More trees needed to shade the seating areas, especially those to the west side.
More chopped up spaces and doesn't seem to flow as well. Parking lot arrangement seems to cause more congestion.
- would like to see a paved walking path all the way around the property like there is at Kingsland Community Centre - concerned that the hill will be a hiding spot for less desirable behaviour at off hours - sure hope there will be signs to make sure people have their dogs on leash
I prefer this one due to the above reasons
Nothing. I like this concept.
I initially thought I liked this plan better than concept 1, but now I'm not so sure. Having the sports field in the middle really divides the two areas, creating two mini parks that both feel kind of compressed. I also liked the organic curves of the paths in concept 1 better than these straight ones. Concept 1 feels more functional than this one, and more pleasant - just make sure to move the toddler area over with the other kids' area (this was my neighbour's advice, and the more I think about it, the more it makes sense.
See notes on Concept 1.

No circular track for bike riding/walking, somehow it looks like it has fewer shade opportunities so basically the playgrounds can't be used half the time in the summer.
Overall, I do not understand need to artificial turf field in community based park as min \$3.5million investment, why this not place near existing recreation facilities where it can monitored
Wondering if having the ping pong tables up near the mixed use court might be better layout?
The plan looks rather square without character
The parking lot has too many driveways and the park's amenities on the right side borders a dark fenced off condo complex rather than the community of kingsland.
- the picnic area and bleachers are way too far from the parking area. People will park on 75th to avoid walking all the way from the parking area. - the bleachers are on the wrong side of the field. They should be on the side closest to the parking and washroom - the feature hill is placed in the lowest part of the park where all the snow melt drains to every spring - the open multi-use space is all broken up and much smaller as a result
I think this plan is very rectangular, and just feels like a collection of uses with a utilitarian feeling, rather than a 'designed' park. I think this design misses the opportunity to design something unique and more natural feeling. Not a fan of the straight sidewalks either...kind of boring.
I would put the bleachers on the West side, because its closer to the parking lot, and they would get used in the summer the most, and you would be looking directly into the sun while you watch the game.
Dislike the very boxy, roman layout. Concrete heavy, needs much more greenery but not grass, which is yellow most of the year and muddy very often during snow melt. I very much dislike that dead triangle space at the south-west corner. Very much dislike that there is no water feature in such an arid climate. Teen zone area is too large, comparatively. there are 2 parks within walking distance; there is no info on how these kids zones would be better or different. The parking lot looks huge. This is for locals, not for people to come and drive to, presumably. There is no walkway that goes completely around the park--it is disjointed. Dislike the south fence, too prison-like. I do not see any garbage cans, there should be a sufficient amount.
The park is too square, the layout is not esthetically pleasing. The park area for children should all be in the same place. The Teen area (8) should be moved with the other play area (4,5)-to keep an eye out on those teenagers. Ha ha. I like the idea of an adult area with the Games area (11) but it should be kind of secluded and away from children.
I do not like the idea of artificial turf and think that the fields should remain natural. Much better for the environment and would be MUCH cheaper than turf!!
The spreading of court amenities reduces any meaningful large patches of green space in the park which will hurt the enjoyment of people moving through with their dogs or simply using the park as a third place to hangout. This design seems more destination focused for the amenities the park offers and is less focused on being an enjoyable space for those who live in the neighbourhood.
The sports field in the middle of the field as it seems like everything is pushed to the sides to highlight it. The artificial turf.
Too blocky. Don't want toddler play area near all the parking. Ugly.

I dislike that it seems to be a turf field with things added around. Does not feel as welcoming or inclusive for a wide range of activities.
Field in the middle feels disjointed. Feels like there is a lot less grass in concept 2 - need to prioritize grass/greenspace over anything paved. Don't like how everything feels so square/straight. Again, bathroom way too close to kid play areas. Little triangle of grass in SW corner feels like a waste of space - not big enough to be used for much. Would like to see an upgrade to the KCA sign at 75/5th (maybe electric) but still managed by community. Would like to see public AED station (like at Genesis) next to field. Would like to see traffic calming measures along 75.
I think that the turf area is too much in the centre of the park. To the east like concept 1 is better. The teen zone needs seating but it should not be in the middle of family picnic areas. Teens need their own space. Not all teens but many of a certain age have a tendency to use swear words. This would not be appreciated in a family environment. A hard surface court is a must for basketball. Perhaps another hard surface for pickleball users. Otherwise there could be conflict in usage. The same applies for concept 1. Empty spaces are good ideas in both concepts. What would be happening in the park during winter?
I don't like how the centre field cuts the park in half. What are my transit options and consideration for shelters/stations?
One playing field seem a waste when there is ample space for at least three soccer fields. Soccer is one of the cities fastest growing sports. Games area in your concepts look great for both. I just don't know how it will be able to be maintained. Dogs running around are my biggest peeve. There is always that one or two who think it's ok for feces to be left behind.
Again, the mixed court is the only thing to like, this is the first and only thing that should be funded and prioritized. The rest can go in the bin. Nothing else here serves our community, total sham.
This design lacks a continuous walking path within park. People will have to use the sidewalks to walk continuously around the park.
1) Astro-turfing this huge area takes over half the park & eliminates this area from other activities (It WILL become a protected under-used soccer ONLY area)...this does not serve Kingsland! UNLESS some soccer club moves in to organize a full schedule of activity...then there is opportunities for Kgsld youth and entertainment for other residents during the summer ONLY though! It's dead space during the winter. Usually a soccer club wants year round facilities. We have under-used soccer fields in Dry Pond. Don't do it just to fill the space! 2) This park allows space for Disc golf course. We looked at building a disc golf course in the Dry Pond earlier(Calgary Disc Golf Club involved). Here and now is the opportunity to build one!
Not enough seating areas. Too large of park lot.
I don't like how the soccer field is in the middle and separates the zones. Makes one are a far walk from the parking lot and the area seems very disjointed
Put in a paved pump track where 9 is

The straight paths make it too “boxy”. With the “required” artificial turf and it’s “required” (by whom?) lighting there is so little space left for just walking and sitting that the “explore” opportunities must be maximized. Twists and turns do that. Also see my comments in Concept 1 about two thirds of the space being covered in concrete and artificial turf. That is so disappointing. Who came up with that brilliant idea that soccer can’t be played on grass? How are you going to maintain it? Weekly vacuuming? And the inevitable dog poop?
I do not support Option 2. The proposed placement of activity areas (7–13) is too close to the Kingsland Villas residential community. This proximity is likely to create ongoing noise, congestion, and reduced privacy for nearby residents, which may negatively impact their quality of life.
The City promotes these as community spaces, yet the current field is almost entirely booked by Villains FC, leaving little access for residents. The new field will likely be dominated by groups with historical booking priority, limiting opportunities for local kids and teens—especially in a neighbourhood with significant low-income housing where club sports aren’t accessible. A non-bookable or limited-booking beach volleyball court would better serve the community. These courts are in high demand and popular among girls, who already face lower sport-participation rates. A beach volleyball court aligns with GamePlan and Sport for Life by reducing barriers and creating more inclusive spaces.
There's no seating along the paths and there is no true walking path contained within the park. This option feels boxy and man-made.
Very little of this is for the local community. The bathroom, the inclusive playground, the huge +50 stall parking lot, the artificial field are all to support people outside our community and private clubs. Kingsland is under the recommended amount for green space as is. I think it has been dishonest how the city has engaged with the community. The current field is a D class field and is already booked from 9am-9pm every weekend for the entire summer as well as every evening during the week day, making it unavailable for local families. No one from the community association has been consulted with about the field bookings and if there should be time allocated for local families.
There is no pickleball court, no beach volleyball, no community garden
I strongly suggest putting a beach volleyball court(s) in due to the following: No courts in the south beyond marda loop. Volleyball is expensive to play indoors (equity), intergenerational game, Volleyball is 3rd popular sport with boys and girls and I see kids playing on the front yards of the low income condos in the area. Beach courts are low maintaince and long daylight hours mean no lights needed. Sand can be used by little kids when not in use. Courts will create great social hub as seen in "Tuxedo courts". Lots of basketball courts already in community. Henry Wisewood can use it for gym class. In conclusion, this is not a niche request as it is filling a gap in South Calgary and provides a high vale, low-cost asset for the comunity.
I don't like that the field is the Center focus with everything situated surrounding it. I feel it would be better to have the sport field off to the side.
This option is worst than the 1st. Private soccer field takes over the entire space with fencing around it to keep residents out. Please justify the size of the parking lot for a centrally located green space. The artificial field will be booked the majority of the time and not available to local families to use for unstructured play at reasonable times. Having to pay to play is not fair The design are more to fill a city quota and support the upgraded soccer field than to fill the needs of the local community. I don't agree with the privatization of green spaces for the benefit of private clubs. Separating play spaces for kids of different ages doesn't make sense.

I wonder if the teen area is too close to the town houses - noise might become a problem?
What about moving the hill to the NE corner (where the picnic area is #7) allowing better visability to passerbys.....
There's no space for pups in this growing community, we need intentional spaces to take dogs with garbages and bags available too
Push the field as far east as possible and don't split up the play spaces. I don't like how the playground spaces are so broken up
Seems busier and kind of crowded with less quiet and natural/treed area.
Needs a community garden. Needs more pollinator areas with native plants. Prefer grass over astroturf. Little free library, little free craft box - sidewalk chalk.
questions for both designs: will accessibility be designed into the whole park not just the one area? what consideration is being given to long term maintenance, intergenerational use and the older adult/senior population in this area? traffic calming is needed on the street as most kids currently walk to the other sledding hill in the community. can you put in a perimeter walking/jogging path as this is the most used feature in the existing community association park? can it be something that can be turned into a cross country trail in the winter? do we need bleachers when parents/guardians already bring chairs?
Too many items in one space. The design feels overwhelming without focus/purpose.
Areas are split around the field. Like the paths around concept 1 plan better
Field in the middle means longer walks between spaces and parking.
I really do not like the overall flow of Concept 2. Do not like the additional parking stalls or the fact that the turf is the central focus of what should be a community park.
Don't love the washrooms so close to the toddler/younger ages area - simply due to concerns about folks possibly camping out in the covered shaded areas it provides. I get it is nice for potty training and good to be close to parking lot for sports, but a little concerning as a parent of little people that I'd need to check it every time we go to play. And the under 12s that might go play close by themselves without an adult, I'd have the same concern about them possibly running into someone they aren't prepared to run into. Otherwise, feels a bit more disjointed with the field so central.
10 should be close to 4 and 5. Families may have both age groups.
I'm a resident of Kingsland Villas (the property located on the east side) and having the leisure spaces such as the teen area and games area close to our property would potentially bring more noise to our community since it's just on the other side of the fence with this concept. Having a buffer zone with the open field next to us instead helps solve this problem.
Also, Just want to make sure that there are enough shaded seating areas for picnics and benches throughout the space.
It seems more awkward with the field in the middle instead of off to the side. I don't think it should be the whole focus of the park.

This option is not as well considered as option 1. Position of the field is doesn't help and there is far to much programming proposed. There is less buffer between the field and the surrounding programs. The proposed shelter and land forming on the east side could be a safety concern as there is less passive surveillance along this edge away from the streets. Connection to the parking is weird, people will walk through the trees and this will be difficult if they are carrying things.
Don't like that there's not much buffer between the east rec areas and the busy 75th avenue
Looks too small in comparison with the first one, little space left beside the tennis court. Space doesn't look as multi functional as the first one
I would like to see zone 8 and 9 swapped.
Overall this is a bad design. The parking is very far away from the place that most people are trying to get to and use. The bleachers are on the wrong side of the field. The picnic area is a very long way from the parking area. Toddler play area is grouped with the bigger kids area. Feels like it is built only for the sports field not for the community. The hill is small and doesn't have enough open area at the base to be useful for anything other than looking at it. Lots of dead green space that is not really big enough for people to want to spend time in. This design also encourages people to continue to park along 75th ave which is working very poorly at the moment whenever the soccer field is in use....
1. Parking lot can be cancelled because it is not necessary for all residents living around the community, mostly are within walking distance, and the surrounding roads can also be used for parking. Also, it will be easily occupied by apartment residents, so it cannot really be used by the people who need it. 2. Expand two or three more basketball courts and add more tennis courts for daily activities. This is the most fun parts for a park. 3. Add a running path within the park for jogging. 4. Add a sparkling water area for little kids. 5. Add a play ground for kids.
It does not include any area for arts or events. A small amphitheater for public use could be great for local arts expression.
Not the biggest fan of having to go around or through the turf field to access the mixed court. If the teen space and mixed court could switch places that would be great. Added natural curve to the paths would be nice. As well as keeping the picnic space a green non pavement covered area.
It is blocky and ugly.
Almost has a "commercial" feel compared to concept 1. Feels like the focus is the turf field and everything else is secondary. The straight pathways and lines of trees make it feel less inviting. Feels like more concrete.
Does having a hill blocking the view of the teen area from 75th Avenue introduce potential problems for vandalism or other undesirable activities? (That's a question - not a suggestion for removal of the hill if it's generally regarded as a very positive feature of the proposal.)
its very square and blocky overall but especially the pathways. i would love to see garden beds with native wildflowers. the parking area seems excessive when its larger than play areas. what is to be done about the safety of this area concerning the drug use and transient issues if we provide shelters and bathrooms?
Too angular & cutting up the public space too much. Not welcoming. Parking space too long. Basketball court not needed. See previous comment.
I hope there are playgrounds in either of these designs.

utilitarian
Play area too far from parking lot
The field cuts the park in half, access to the general use zones is cut off by the turf field in the middle.
Smaller greenspace for picnics/ other games or gathering.
It feels too rigid, with less versatile multi-use areas.
- Make the pathway like in concept 1 - more meandering - Eliminate the north seating area by the hard surface mixed court and bump the path down to create more space for #4 - combined natural and inclusive play area - The turf area divides the park up the middle which impedes access to the amenities on the east side and would diminish the positive energy and flow of the park
I don't like the fact that the picnic shelter and the games area are further away from the washrooms
I am concerned about the homeless hanging out in the shelter and the washrooms. I wonder what can be done to prevent this.
Would rather the feature hill be a public gathering zone. Would like an oval or similar walking path with benches. Would like more benches, maybe ones that you can buy from the city with memorial plaques. Add garbage cans
I don't have any dislikes. This is my preferred design.
1. Missing a nice walking loop. 2. Washroom seems a little bit too tucked away for it to not become an issue. I like that it exists though, and that its near the soccer bleachers. 3. People seemed to really love the muskoka chairs that are currently in the park - how can we capture comfortable sitting that the muskoka chairs provided 4. The feature hill feels weird. I dont get the point.
My concern with Concept 2 is that the open space is tucked away in the back corner between the older existing condos and the new condo building and would be obscured by the feature hill so could become a gathering place for the homeless/displaced individuals who frequent the community.
Being someone with mobility issues, I would like to have play parks & picnic areas closer to the Parking lot.
This feels too square and grid like. Not as welcoming and natural as the circular path. I also am disappointed by more parking stalls and losing the quiet area on the east side. We need to balance the intimate experience of the pop-up park with the new stadium-like field. Concept 2 seems very commercial with too many hard surfaces and I don't think suits being centered within a family neighbourhood. The east side is close to the liquor store and motel and sees a lot of crime, vandalism and littering. It makes sense to push the field more to the East, to curb some of the loitering and crime from McLeod. Please don't put children/teens' play areas on the east side. How will you keep parking for park use? Kingsland already lacks street parking
Bad idea placing a picnic meeting area right next to townhouse backyard spaces. Any noise will be an irritant to townhouse owners.
Nothing
There's less green space for more casual activities as the oval space provides in sketch 1.

Too segmented, lacks consolidated green space, games area (11) is not necessary and will be difficult, costly to maintain
Straight paths are boring to walk. Similar comments to #1 still apply, I can't believe how much prime park space is being dedicated to artificial turf. Paved what could be paradise and put in a toxic soccer field.
Concept 2 does not have the same sort of effortless flow that Concept 1 has. It seems a bit more one note and focused on sports/games. I wish it had more open green space, more trees and a larger picnic area.
Thank you for considering all the feedback from the community :)
I don't like how straight-edged this concept is. No curves. I also don't think there is a good use of green space in this concept.
I don't like the straight sidewalks as much. If there is a way to add some movement to the sidewalk with seating benches that would be awesome
A: Valuable space is used up with more parking - it doesn't make for a "walk to the park" experience. It's too car centric. B: I don't think people in the east side townhouses want the extra activities on their side.
Strongly favours the usage of the turf Teen and games area isolated. May lead to camping. Feels choppy.
Less passive green space
I don't like how small the grassy space is and it's away from the hill. I much prefer concept 1. Concept 2 seems to be more scattered and things just placed randomly, where concept 1 has a flow to it.
Same as concept one . It will attract homeless and drug dealers . Not good enough . We've got that here already
The parking area is too far from the bleachers on the field. Seems very sectioned off.
don't like the turf field in the middle of the park. prefer it off to the side as in option one. also feel like the tree cover & shrubbery is better oriented on option one. as is option one lack of a wall to bounce a ball off of is disappointing. maybe im the weird one that wants a wall. who knows.
I miss the community fire pits with chairs
I don't feel like it's a good use of space. The layout seems odd to me
No provision for off leash dog park. What are the lighting provisions for the field? Only used during events or on all of the time? Losing even a small part of dark sky would be disappointing. Also a bit too blocky / utilitarian. Separates the play areas too much - ie games not close to washrooms, etc.