South East Markham Community Centre, Library and Park

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION AND DESIGN PROCESS

Presentation to General Committee May 30th, 2011



Agenda

- Integrated Leisure Plan Recommendations
- Location/Site Description
- Consultation Process Integrated Process for Park and Community Centre/Library
- Design Process
- Proposed Schedule for Project



ILMP Recommendation

The Integrated Leisure Master Plan approved by Council in April 2010 recommended:

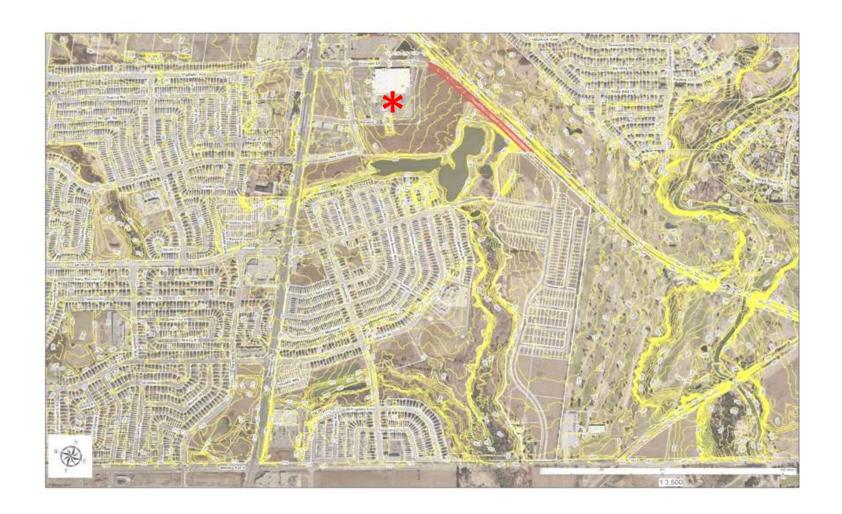
"Develop a 'major' community centre and library to serve Southeast Markham by 2014, with planning commencing in 2011. An evaluation process should be initiated to confirm the most appropriate site and development strategy for this facility; this process may result in a need for Markham to acquire land at an alternate site."



Site Evaluation Completed

- Staff team undertook evaluation of existing site, 14th Avenue, and explored other options within the South East community (no other sites available to meet needs)
- Evaluation determined that the existing site offered the following advantages:
 - Within the desired geographic location
 - Financially responsible currently own site
 - Potential to use the natural features as architectural and community advantages – pedestrians bridges, pathways
 - Close proximity to residents
 - Accessible by public transit





South East Site





Approximate Size and Distribution of Land



THE SITE

The South East Markham site consists of three main components (numbers are approximate):

- 1.15 ha north of Kirkham Drive
- 5.45 ha at the core of the site
- 2.7 ha south of Karachi Drive
- Total size of site: 9.3 ha (23 acres)



Components

A. Outdoor Recreational Space

Approximately 5 - 7 ha

B. Indoor Recreational Space

Approximately 95,000 sq. ft. (Net area – functional space)

C. Library Space

Approximately 20,000 sq. ft. (Net area – functional space)



Community Engagement Process

Staff team assembled to outreach to all members of community:

Recreation Library

Park Design & Development Urban Design

Operations Finance

Asset Management Sustainability

- Project Sponsor: Commissioner Librecz
- Project Lead (consultation): Mary Creighton
- Project Lead (construction): Gary Adamkowski
- Chair, Land, Buildings & Parks: Councillor Kanapathi



Integrated Approach

- The Park and Community Centre/Library will be viewed as one continuous site
- Staff will work together to reach out and receive input on both elements
- Phase One of the Park will proceed prior to the construction of the Community Centre and Library
- Consultation concerning park features and functions will occur as first step in the community engagement process.



Community Consultation Process Phase One – June 2011 thru Sept 2011

Purpose: to review and validate the facility components

recommended by the ILMP

Method(s) of Engagement: Community Agency Forum

Focus Groups

Public Information Sessions

Use of Social Media

Stakeholders: Council

Parent/School Councils

Youth and Senior Groups

Rate Payer and Community Associations

Cultural and Faith Based Groups

Professional Organizations

Objectives:

- 1. Indoor Space: Priority spaces will be identified by the community to inform the development of schematic design.
- Park: Master Plan for park will be finalized.

Community Consultation Process

Phase Two – October 2011 to April 2012

Purpose: To develop schematic design based on input from the community.

Method(s) of Engagement: Public Design Charettes lead

by the Design Consultant

Stakeholders: Council

South East Markham Community

Objectives:

- 1. Indoor Space: Upon completion have a finalized schematic design developed for approval by Council.
- 2. Park: Finalized park Design for Council approval.



Community Consultation Process

Phase Three - May 2012 to July 2012

Purpose: To finalize design.

Method(s) of Engagement: Public Open House facilitated

by the Design Consultant

Stakeholders: Council

South East Markham Community

Objectives:

- 1. Indoor Space: Upon completion we will have a final design for Council approval.
- 2. Park construction (phase 1) to begin Spring 2012 for completion in 2013.



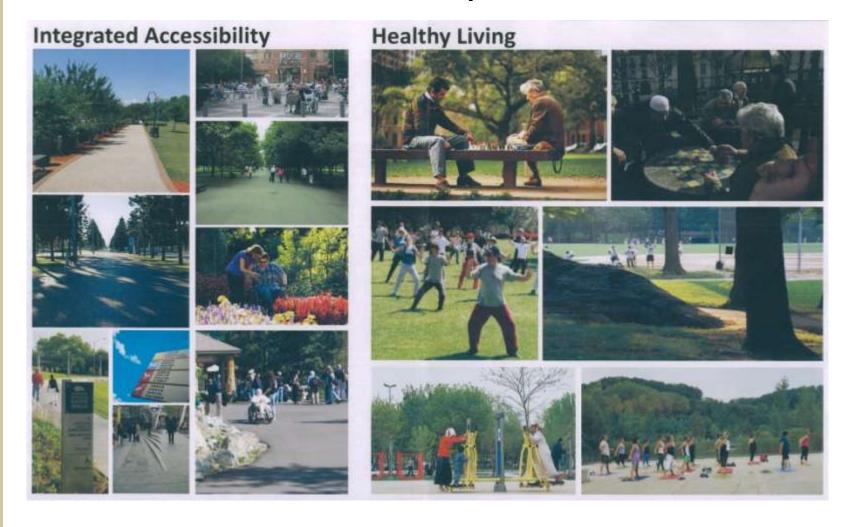
Park Development

The following milestones are currently anticipated for the progress of the design and implementation of the SE CC Park Master Plan:

- Landscape architect hired. Preliminary work underway.
- Public consultation Summer 2011
- Master plan with a phase 1 of Park program correspondent to available budget – September 2011
- Detailed design and working drawings September 2011 –
 December 2011
- Award of construction contract for phase 1 of Park March
 2012
- Construction completion of phase 1 of park December 2013
- Anticipated date of completion of Karachi Drive construction (contract with Town Engineering) – October 2011



Park Concepts





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Community Centre and Library Development Process

- Presently initiating the RFPQ for the Prime Consultant
 - Based on design-bid-build project delivery strategy
 - Requires timely program definition
 - Assumes top tier prime consultant
 - Assumes top tier construction firm
- Design: Functional Program Development, Schematic Design, Design Development and Detail Design - 15 to 17 months (concurrent with consultation process)
- **Tender and Construction**: 24 26 months



Proposed Milestone Schedule

Issue RFPQ for Prime Consultant May 13th, 2011

Issue RFP for Prime Consultant July 15th, 2011

Award Prime Consultant
 October 4th, 2011

Schematic Design Approval April 3rd, 2012

Design Development Approval July 24th, 2012

Issue Construction Tender

Award Construction Contract

Substantial Performance

Beneficial Use

February 19th, 2013

May 14th, 2013

February 3rd , 2015

April 6th, 2015



Communications

- Outreach using various forms of media and direct approaches with schools, ratepayer groups, community organizations
- Regular updates to General Committee
- Council Steering Committee to be established during Schematic Design stage until final design approved.
- Work closely with Local Councillor, Chair, Land, Buildings & Parks, Mayor's Office and Council on outreach strategies and results.



THANK YOU

