

**UpCountry Estates Park Development
Assessment of Additional Amenities - Meeting Notes from November 19th 2015**

Number of Comment Sheets : 15 Concept 1: 10 Concept 2: 2 Both: 2 None: 1

*** Concept 1 is the preferred concept.**

No.	Requested Item	Action Taken	Analysis Completed	Results
1	Off leash dog park	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	The amenities in this park are based on Outdoor Recreational Study and comments provided by Recreation staff. A Dog Park has many other requirements that do not fit the amenities in this park. Planning and implementing of dog parks is a different process. Information on dog parks can be accessed on: https://www.hamilton.ca/animals-pets/dogs/dog-parks	Removed from Program Evaluation
2	Park Benches and Picnic Benches	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	This request will be considered during detail design phase pending design and budget considerations.	Move to Detail Design For Consideration
3	Pathways closer to backyards	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	The pathways are located such there is a proper set-back between the neighbours' yards and the park to maintain privacy.	Removed from Program Evaluation
4	Lighting	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	Lighting is not recommended as it provides perceived safety to the park users. We can consider a ceiling light in the sun-shelter so any activity under the shelter is obvious from outside of the park.	Move to Detail Design For Consideration
5	Play Structure: Natural or Traditional	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	Different options can be evaluated during detail design based on available budget and various design considerations. We will evaluate different designs that will be suitable for this park.	Move to Detail Design For Consideration
6	Gardens	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	Gardens are considered elements that require a high maintenance level for City parks and typically only are in City wide parks and not at neighbourhood parks. We want to ensure that our parks are always well maintained.	Removed from Program Evaluation
7	Splash Pad	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	Splash pads require additional amenities such as washrooms and parking. This park is a neighbourhood park and is meant to service the residents in the 2km radius. Splash pads require water and electricity which increase the development cost of a park and therefore are installed in parks that service a larger population. This park is not providing parking to the street.	Removed from Program Evaluation
8	More Pathways	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	Pathways are provided in areas that a park users and pedestrians will need to access. While we try to accommodate users and ensure our parks are accessible, we have to be conscious of the amount of asphalt that goes into a park to ensure it is sustainable both environmentally and economically.	Removed from Program Evaluation
9	Speed Reduction methods around the park/Traffic Control	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	This is outside of park development. These requests have been communicated to our Traffic Operation group who will investigate the need in this area and will advise on and implement the most suitable options.	Passed on to Traffic Operation for Investigation

10	Cocerns About Children Running onto Street and Car Speed	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	We do not install fences at park entrances as fencing creates an enclosed space that adds to additional security concerns and next to fences can be waste hot spots. In lieu of fences, we can design small mounds, provide additional planting, and stone blocks to create barriers that will slow park users down as they get close to the sidewalk and then the road. This can be done in addition to the treatments being investigated by Traffic Operation staff.	Move to Detail Design For Consideration
11	Less Fencing around basketball court	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	The fencing around the basketball court has been recognized as a saftey requirement and for separation of different level and age of play at the park. The fencing is our standard park design.	Removed from Program Evaluation
12	Scooter Park	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	A skatepark study is underway for the City of Hamilton which will direct future skate park planning. At this park, there are not enough funding for an additional park amenity such as a skating.	Removed from Program Evaluation
13	Tennis Courts	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	The basketball court design for this park is a multi-purpose court which allows tennis play. This is a neighbourhood park and cannot accommodate Tennis Courts. The basketball court design for this park is a multi-purpose court which allows tennis play. This is a neighbourhood park and cannot accommodate Tennis Courts.	Removed from Program Evaluation
14	More than 1 swing set in playground/sandpit	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	The funding available for this park, allows one set of swing set. This is standard for the development of a neighbourhood park.	Removed from Program Evaluation
15	Mini Coffee Shop	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	This item is not a recreational park amenity in City of Hamilton.	Removed from Program Evaluation
16	Parking Area	Move to Preliminary Program for Evaluation	This park is a neighbourhood park and is supposed to service the residents within the 2km area of the park. People are meant to walk here. Parking areas are only provided for City wide parks and often Community Parks that include amenities that people would drive to.	Removed from Program Evaluation