

# McLoughlin Amenity Funds



**SHARE YOUR IDEAS**  
FOR COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

## ROUND 1 ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

### Introduction

This document summarizes the community input heard through Round 1 of the community engagement process. The intent of the Round 1 engagement activities and questions (presented on the following pages, see ‘What we did’) intended to gather initial ideas for the use of the \$17M McLoughlin Amenity Funds.

### Project Overview

In January 2017, the CRD and the Township of Esquimalt agreed on an amenity funding package associated with locating the wastewater treatment plant at McLoughlin Point. A one-time CRD contribution of \$17 million—the McLoughlin Point Amenity Reserve Funds – will be used for capital projects in waterfront parks, recreation facilities, and a public safety facility. Please see funding details in Appendix A.

## PROJECT PROCESS

### Engagement: Round 1



#### Ideas Fair

February 22, 3-8pm / Public

An interactive public event captures ideas for community projects related to the three areas of funding.



#### Questionnaire / Idea Walls

February 22 to March 15 / Public

Interactive posters (at the Township Office, Library, and Recreation Centre) and an online tool gather input from those unable to attend the Ideas Fair.

The input gathered will be released publicly and themed for consideration in the Round 2 engagement

### Engagement: Round 2



#### Engagement Booth @ Community Events

May-Sep / Public

A mobile ‘Ideas Gallery’ booth at large community events gathers feedback on emerging themes.



#### Online Survey

May-Sep / Public

An online survey gathers feedback on the emerging themes and ideas from Round 1.

Input gathered through Round 2 engagement activities will be compiled for public release and presentation to Council.



### COUNCIL PRESENTATION

Early 2019 / Council

Using input from the community and established selection criteria, Council determines which projects will receive funding according to the funding parameters.

# What we did

## Overview

Round 1 engagement focused on gathering initial project ideas from the community and stakeholders. It began February 22 with the Ideas Fair, and went to March 17, ending with the close of the online survey. The engagement activities, which are listed in the table below and described in detail on the following pages, gathered just under 5000 pieces of input<sup>1</sup>.

Engagement Activity	Participation (#)	Input Submitted (#)
Ideas Fair	110	432
Ideas Walls	not measurable	266
Online survey	480	4025
Social media	115	160
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>4883</b>

Demographic data was collected for the online survey respondents only and this information is presented in Appendix B.

The engagement activities consistently posed the following questions to Esquimalt residents:

**Q1: What capital improvements would you recommend for the waterfront parks below?**

- a) Macaulay Point
- b) Saxe Point
- c) Esquimalt Gorge Park
- d) Other waterfront parkland

**Q2: What other areas of the Township would be enhanced by new waterfront parkland?**

**Q3: What capital improvements would you recommend for the recreation facilities below?**

- a) Archie Browning Sports Centre
- b) Esquimalt Recreation Centre
- c) Bullen Park

**Q4: In addition to essential emergency and public safety uses, what other uses could be included in the new, expanded or enhanced facilities to achieve greater community benefit? (Some examples of other uses include: commercial or residential space, public meeting rooms, shared office space)**

<sup>1</sup> The number of inputs includes individual ideas and the likes/agreements reflected by dots and repeated ideas by others.



## Ideas Fair

This event included a number of opportunities to learn about the project as well as to provide input. Bright, easy to use poster boards were used to gather input using dotmocracy voting and space for comments. A brief presentation oriented participants to the project and the event. They were drop-in style events with a festive atmosphere, where participants were able to join for 15 minutes or stay for 150.

### 9. Recreation Facilities

**Downtown Recreation Facility Improvements = \$5 million**

The McLoughlin Amenity Funds include \$5M to be invested in additions or capital improvements to community recreation facilities. Please, review the project parameters below, as these will help you generate ideas for the next three boards.

**Funding Parameters**  
To be invested in additions or capital improvements to community recreation facilities.

Where?	What's in?	What's out?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Archie Browning Sports Centre</li> <li>Esquimalt Recreation Centre</li> <li>Bullen Park</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New, expanded, or enhanced...                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amenities</li> <li>Infrastructure</li> <li>Buildings (e.g., sports fields, pool, gym, rink)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operations</li> <li>Programming</li> <li>Equipment</li> <li>Maintenance</li> <li>Events</li> </ul>

### 10. Archie Browning Sports Centre

Thinking about the project parameters and projects that will meet the diverse needs of the community... What capital improvements would you recommend for Archie Browning Sports Centre?

Write your ideas on a sticky note and add them in the space below. Feel free to add a check mark or sticky dot to show support for ideas already present.

Suggest it  Support it

YOUR IDEAS HERE

## Idea Walls

Focused questions (e.g., what waterfront park improvements would you recommend?) were developed and placed in three community locations (Library, Recreation Centre and the Township Office). Residents used sticky notes to add their ideas.

### Help Build the Future of OUR COMMUNITY



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**No Time Now?**  
Provide your ideas online at <http://bit.ly/esquimalt-ideas>



**WATERFRONT PARKS**  
\$7 million

- Where? Macaulay Point, Saxe Point, Esquimalt Gorge Park, or other approved waterfront parks
- What's in? New, expanded or enhanced amenities (e.g., playgrounds), infrastructure (e.g., pathways), buildings/structures (e.g., pavilions, bathhouses), and other capital improvements, including waterfront park acquisition
- What's out? Operations, programming, maintenance, events

Thinking about the project parameters above and projects that will meet the diverse needs of the community... What capital improvements would you recommend for waterfront parks in Esquimalt?

**DOWNTOWN RECREATION FACILITIES**  
\$5 million

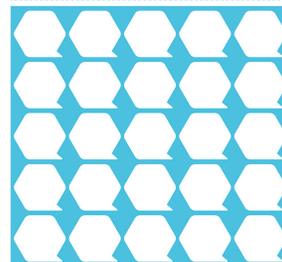
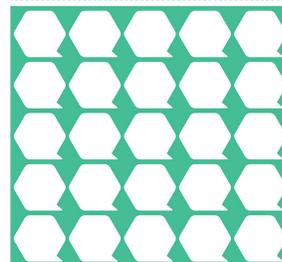
- Where? Archie Browning Sports Centre, Esquimalt Recreation Centre, Bullen Park
- What's in? New, expanded or enhanced amenities, infrastructure, and/or buildings (e.g., sports fields, pool, gym, rink)
- What's out? Operations, programming, equipment, maintenance, events

Thinking about the project parameters above and projects that will meet the diverse needs of the community... What capital improvements would you recommend for the recreation facilities listed above?

**DOWNTOWN EMERGENCY & PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES**  
\$5 million

- Where? Esquimalt town square area
- What's in? New, expanded or enhanced public safety facilities with the potential to integrate other uses (e.g., apartments, offices, cafe, restaurant, retail spaces)
- What's out? Operations, programming, equipment, maintenance, events

Thinking about the project parameters above and projects that will meet the diverse needs of the community... In addition to essential emergency and public safety uses, what other uses could be included in the new, expanded or enhanced facilities to achieve greater community benefits? (e.g., commercial or residential space, public meeting rooms)



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## Online Survey

An online survey tool was used to solicit ideas using the five questions above.

## Social media campaign

Facebook posts were used to generate ideas online and to direct people to the online survey. Each engagement question was posted on a separate day and then the comments were captured and tabulated along with the other sources of input. Facebook paid advertising was used to boost the posts to reach as many Esquimalt Facebook users as possible.

Sample question: Share your ideas! What capital improvements would you recommend for Saxe Point Park? Comment below, or take the full survey for a chance to win a \$100 prize package! <http://bit.ly/esquimalt-ideas>

## Communications channels

- Website homepage: rotating banner, program “circle”, web news item
- Project webpages
- News releases
- Stakeholder email list to invite to February 22 Ideas Fair and other engagement
- Social media
- Small posters around town
- Digital display board
- Garbage truck signs
- Mailer – project overview document into all resident mailboxes
- Mayor – monthly column in Vic News – Jan 26, 2018 “Esquimalt amenity funds focused on parks, recreation, public safety”
- Feb 28, 2018 In and Around Esquimalt – “Esquimalt Ideas Fair draws a full house”

## What we heard

The following tables list the input received from all engagement activities according to the number of times they were recorded/repeated/supported (i.e., the numbers also reflect the number of times a participant agreed with an idea (placed dots to support the idea) and when an idea was listed multiple times by one person in a survey). Therefore, the numbers should be used as approximation of priorities. The lists of ‘other’ recommendations are listed in Appendix C.

In the Round 2 of the community engagement process, the general themes/categories of recommendations and the specific ideas/recommendations will be presented and tested in more detail with the public to better understand levels of support.



### Waterfront Parks

The McLoughlin Amenity Funds include \$7M to be invested in capital improvements to waterfront parks. The below table represents a rough synthesis of public feedback, organized by “theme” area with examples of specific ideas heard.

#### Macaulay Point Park: What capital improvements would you recommend?

Tally	General theme/category of recommendation	Specific ideas/recommendations
151	Beach/waterfront improvements	Path/stairs for beach access, beach boardwalk, wharf/dock for improved water access, boathouse for storage and rental, beach size and cleanliness improvements
91	Trail improvements	Create trail connections to other parks and beaches, improve existing trails/paths, add/improve interpretive signs
73	Washrooms	More or upgraded washrooms
73	Recreation amenities	Playground, climbing infrastructure, viewpoint telescopes
55	Basic infrastructure improvements	Lighting, drainage, water fountain, fence at the cliff
48	Dog-related improvements	Fenced-off dog park, dog waste improvements, dog-free park rules
44	Arts and culture amenities	Historical improvements, performance shelter/gazebo, public art <sup>2</sup> , First Nations presence
41	Leave it as it is	No changes please
39	Rest and picnic amenities	Benches, picnic tables, BBQ facilities
34	Landscaping	Invasive species control, garden and plantings

32	Transportation infrastructure	Parking improvements, bike racks
18	Food and beverage	Café or concession
31	Other	

Yellow text = Likely not permitted | Green Text = Confirmation by CRD recommended before expenditure made.

### Saxe Point Park: What capital improvements would you recommend?

Tally	Theme/Category	Detailed ideas/recommendations
90	Beach/waterfront improvements	Waterfront walkway, stairs/access to beach, boat storage/locker facilities, dock/wharf
84	Rest and picnic amenities	Picnic tables, benches, covered picnic area, BBQ facilities
70	Recreation amenities	Playground, natural play area, viewing telescopes
62	Washrooms	More and upgraded washrooms
45	Arts and culture amenities	Amphitheatre/stage, public art <sup>2</sup> , First Nations art <sup>2</sup>
40	Trail improvements	General improvements, connections, paved surfaces, interpretive and other signage
38	Landscaping	Invasive species control, garden expansion, more trees and protection of existing
38	Leave the park as it is	No changes please
35	Basic infrastructure improvements	Water fountains, drainage, waste/recycling bins
35	Food and beverage <sup>1</sup>	Café <sup>1</sup> , concession stand <sup>1</sup> , pub/restaurant <sup>1</sup>
33	Dog-related improvements	Fenced dog area, make it dog-free, dog waste amenities, signage
16	Transportation infrastructure	Parking entrance and capacity improvements, EV stations, bike access
13	Building additions or improvements	Covered pavilion, nature centre learning space
11	Other	

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## Esquimalt Gorge Park: What capital improvements would you recommend?

Tally	Theme/Category	Specific ideas/recommendations
149	Building improvements or additions	Japanese teahouse <sup>1</sup> , café/concession <sup>1</sup> , gazebo/pavilion
96	Beach/waterfront improvements	Dock for boats/kayak/fishing, swimming improvements, park access, clean up
82	Recreation amenities	Playground, water park, disc golf, soccer turf, ping pong, pool
42	Landscaping	Expand Japanese garden, more trees/flowers, community garden
34	Basic infrastructure improvements	Lighting, recycling/waste bins, water fountains, EV charging station
34	Trail improvements	Trail connections beyond the park, more trails, interpretive and other signage
30	Rest and picnic amenities	Picnic area and tables, benches, BBQ area, pavilion
23	Washrooms	More or upgraded washrooms
18	Arts and culture amenities	Amphitheatre, public art <sup>2</sup> , First Nations art <sup>2</sup>
14	Dog-related improvements	Fenced dog park
13	Leave it as it is	No changes please
20	Other	

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## Other waterfront parkland: What capital improvements would you recommend?

Tally	Theme/Category	Specific ideas/recommendations
149	Beach/waterfront improvements	More beach walkways/boardwalks, more and better beach access, docks, create access but keep natural
74	Recreation amenities	Bike park/pump track, bike trails, playground, skate park, pool
54	Trail improvements	Trail connections between parks and areas of the community, interpretive and other signage
36	Rest and picnic amenities	Benches, picnic, BBQ
33	Arts and culture amenities	Amphitheatre/stage, public art <sup>2</sup>

31	Washrooms	More and upgraded washrooms
19	Basic infrastructure improvements	Lighting, recycling/waste bins
18	Leave it as it is	No changes please
17	Dog-related improvements	Fenced dog areas
14	Landscaping	More trees, native plants
12	Deer control	
10	Acquire more parkland	
8	Community garden	
7	Improve access to parks	Gorge waterway access, Dennison Park
6	Food and beverage <sup>1</sup>	Tea house <sup>1</sup> , pub <sup>1</sup>
37	Other	

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### What other areas of the Township would be enhanced by new waterfront parkland?

The responses received to this question that were broadly supported and that are also eligible for funding have been marked in bold and placed above the bold line in the table below. All other ideas are included below the bold line for reference and transparency – they are either not eligible for acquisition by the Township (i.e., they are owned privately or by DND) or were only identified by a single respondent.

Tally	Ideas/recommendations
21	<b>Connections - Waterfront parkland connections for Esquimalt Gorge Park</b>
	<b>Connections - Waterfront parkland connections for Saxe Point Park</b>
	<b>Connections - Waterfront parkland connections for Macaulay Point Park</b>
	<b>Connections - Waterfront parkland connections for West Bay Park</b>
17	<b>All public waterfront areas should be protected as parkland</b>
10	<b>West Bay</b>



7	Gorge (more access points to the water)
4	Sewage Treatment Plant
3	Macaulay Point (expand)
1	6 mile
1	Barnard park
1	Captain Jacobsen Park
1	Dockyard
1	Fleming Beach
1	Foster Street
1	Head Street - end
1	Mcloughlin Point
1	Nelson Street - end
1	Old Esquimalt road
1	Past Admirals Rd
1	Pointe Hope
1	Sturdee Street beach
1	Swallows landing
1	Behind Thrifty Foods
1	Bullen park

**Green Text** = Confirmation by CRD recommended before expenditure made.

<sup>1</sup> **Food And Beverage**, including concessions:

- For Waterfront Parks: Building ownership must be with Township but can likely be leased or licensed to commercial operators at fair market value (and therefore not assistance to business) on condition that must be open to the public (clientele cannot be restricted).

<sup>2</sup> **Public Art**: Consider through consultation with CRD further to Zoning Amenity #7:

(7) Public Art on public open space of a value no less than \$100,000, if on-site then visible and oriented both to passing boats and floatplanes, respecting and exploiting the subject property's prominent position as entrance to the Victoria Harbour; or off-site, both options in accordance with the Township's public art policy.



## Recreation Facilities

The McLoughlin Amenity Funds include \$5M to be invested in capital improvements to recreation facilities. The below table represents a rough synthesis of public feedback, organized by “theme” area with examples of specific ideas heard.

### Archie Browning Sports Centre: Capital improvement recommendations

Tally	Theme/Category	Specific ideas/recommendations
71	Additional recreation amenities	Climbing wall, dry floor roller rink, <b>turf field, courts, curling, kids play area, wave pool, fitness expansion</b>
57	General facility improvements	General upgrades/ <b>facelift</b> , washroom improvements, <b>energy retrofits</b> , overall expansion
39	<b>Food services additions and improvements<sup>1</sup></b>	
32	<b>Parking lot and pedestrian improvements</b>	
30	Arena improvements	Seating, change rooms, second ice surface
12	Community space for meetings, events	
9	Combined facilities	Combine Esquimalt’s sport and recreation amenities within one complete facility
57	Other	

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### Esquimalt Recreation Centre: Capital improvement recommendations

Tally	Theme/Category	Specific ideas/recommendations
146	Aquatic Centre additions and improvements	Waterslides, bigger pool, <b>outdoor pool, lap pool</b> , general upgrades
123	Additional recreation amenities	<b>Turf field, squash/racquet ball/pickle ball court, other rec, climbing wall, tennis/basketball court, running track</b>
121	Change room expansion and improvements	



105	Fitness facility expansion and improvements	Expanded gym, weight room, wellness studio
73	Parking lot improvements	More parking, EV charging stations
64	Arts, culture, leisure, learning space	Arts/culture studio and gallery space, multi-purpose space, childcare and youth centre space
22	Programs	Not eligible through the McLoughlin Amenities Fund
40	Food services <sup>1</sup>	Café <sup>1</sup> , restaurant <sup>1</sup> , snack bar/concession <sup>1</sup>
33	Arts and craft facilities	Studio/maker space, gallery, art class space
12	Running track	Outdoor or indoor
11	Outdoor area improvements	Seating, tables, landscaping/shade, sport/rec equipment improvements
56	Other	

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## Bullen Park: Capital improvement recommendations

Tally	Theme/Category	Specific ideas/recommendations
170	Turf field	
149	Existing amenity improvements	Drainage, lighting, benches and picnic table, washrooms, food services, baseball area improvements
79	Additional amenities (other than turf field)	Courts (tennis, basketball, pickle ball, volleyball), performance/event facilities, kids play areas, skate/bike park, outdoor pool, outdoor track, field/club house, community garden
53	Other	

*Green Text = Confirmation by CRD recommended before expenditure made.*

*Food And Beverage, including concessions:*

*• For Recreational Facilities: Only permitted if no commercial component; must be operated by Township staff*



## Public Safety

The McLoughlin Amenity Funds include \$5M to be invested in capital improvements to public safety facilities. The below table represents a rough synthesis of public feedback, organized by “theme” area with examples of specific ideas heard.

### Other uses\* that could be included in the new, expanded or enhanced facilities to achieve greater community benefit

*\*Other uses are in addition to essential emergency and public safety uses. (Some examples of other uses include: commercial or residential space, public meeting rooms, shared office space.)*

The ideas submitted in response to this question weren’t always focused on ‘other uses’ that could be included in a new, expanded or enhanced emergency/public safety facility to achieve greater community benefit. In many cases, ideas focused on general community safety improvements, such as roads, sidewalks, etc. In some cases, responses focused on community improvements beyond those that are emergency/safety related (e.g., recreation amenities, arts and culture amenities); these have been placed at the bottom of the table and marked in italics.

Tally	Theme/Category	Specific ideas/recommendations
183	Commercial additions	Co-working space, Food services/café
125	Community amenity additions	Public meeting rooms, community garden, childcare space, library space
82	Emergency/public safety improvements and additions	Improved facility, emergency coordination centre, disaster sirens/supplies, needle exchange, safe injection sites
79	Housing additions*	Affordable housing, mixed residential/commercial
76	Other	
65	Transportation infrastructure	Parking, bike lanes, bike parking, fix roads, EV charging stations, speed control
57	Arts and culture	Art gallery/centre, performance event space, public art
27	Recreation additions	Turf field, bowling, tennis, indoor play space
19	Pedestrian infrastructure	Crosswalks, sidewalks, lighting

*Yellow text = Likely not permitted | \* Any housing component would require additional funding sources.*

# Appendix A: Funds Details

## The Opportunity: A \$17M Community Contribution

Esquimalt will receive a one-time contribution of \$17M from the Capital Regional District (CRD) as part of the McLoughlin Point Amenity Reserve Funds. All funds must be invested within roughly five years. The negotiated agreement clearly establishes how the Township must use these funds.

### \$7M = Waterfront Park Improvements

To be invested in capital improvements to waterfront parks.

- Where? Macaulay Point, Saxe Point, Esquimalt Gorge Park, or other approved waterfront parks
- What's in? New, expanded or enhanced amenities (e.g., playgrounds), infrastructure (e.g., pathways), buildings/structures (e.g., pavilions, bathrooms), and other capital improvements, including waterfront park acquisition
- What's out? Operations, programming, maintenance, events.

### \$5M = Downtown Recreation Facility Improvements

To be invested in additions or capital improvements to community recreation facilities.

- Where? Archie Browning Centre, Esquimalt Recreation Centre, Bullen Park
- What's in? New, expanded or enhanced amenities (e.g., sports fields, pool, courts, rink), infrastructure, and/or buildings
- What's out? Operations, programming, equipment, maintenance, events.

### \$5M = Facilities for Emergency Services and Public Safety

To be invested in new, expanded or enhanced emergency services facilities.

- **Where?** Esquimalt town square area
- **What's in?** New, expanded or enhanced emergency services facilities with the potential to integrate other uses (e.g., apartments or offices) on the upper floors.
- **What's out?** Operations, programming, equipment, maintenance, events.

## Appendix B: Online Survey Demographics

### Where do you live?

Number of respondents : 433

	Total	%
Township of Esquimalt	259	60
City of Victoria	57	13
City of Colwood	3	1
Town of View Royal	17	4
District of Oak Bay	7	2
District of Saanich	63	15
District of Metchosin	3	1
District of Sooke	2	0
City of Langford	9	2
District of Highlands	1	0
Other Capital Regional District municipality/city/area	23	5

### What is your age?

Number of respondents : 436

	Total	%
19 years old or under	3	1
20 - 39 years old	138	32
40 - 59 years old	196	45
60 - 79 years old	93	21
80 - 99 years old	6	1
100+ years old	1	0

### Do you work in Esquimalt?

Number of respondents : 435

	Total	%
Yes	125	29
No	310	71

# Appendix C: 'Other' Recommendations

The lists below are the verbatim responses for the 'Other' theme/category – i.e., they are the lists of ideas/recommendations that didn't fall into one of the 'General themes/categories of recommendations' in each of the sections within the body of this document.

## Macaulay Point

- Acquisition of land
- Promote citizen involvement
- Clean up the dead seals instead of letting them rot
- Deer control
- deer tracking and sterilization
- Educate the visitors about the natural environment
- Buy land from feds to connect Macaulay with West Bay Walkway
- No expenditure on land leased from DND
- An ocean stewardship learning centre
- make park more people friendly,
- BC's newest Dark Sky park (Victoria's 2nd)
- security to ensure no tent cities
- Park
- Better monitoring / police enforcement of kids partying after dark here, as well as people squatting. We pick up litter here daily & it's pretty bad. Regular beach cleanups would be fantastic.
- Keep as natural as possible - this is a federal migratory bird sanctuary and should be respected
- Save the Salish Sea Orcas permanent placard. Oil tanker free zone.
- Fix sewage odours at Rock wall
- Better side walk access on Munro St
- Pedestrian sidewalks complete with mobility impaired ramps to the Munro Boulevard at the entrance to Fleming Beach Parking lot
- Sidewalks on both sides of Munro St
- Sidewalks on both sides of Munro St
- More waterfront parkland
- Waterfront parkland acquisition
- waterfront parkland acquisition
- Waterfront parkland acquisition to protect more surrounding natural areas
- Wi-Fi equipment to cover whole park.
- WIFI in Macaulay Point Park
- Wildlife viewing
- Look out over the water
- Easy access to the water for all
- Making more areas accessible for people with mobility issues - smoother walkways, etc.
- Assessment of raging ocean levels on WRIPWRAP at Macaulay Park & Remedial work if required

## Saxe Point Park

- Oceanfront yoga enclosure
- Deer control
- deer tracking and sterilization funding for capital acquisitions
- Fruit trees and berry bushes
- No Fixed retail, no fixed infrastructure - temporary
- ok e.g. Kayak
- security
- Complete sidewalk on South side of Fraser/Munro between Saxe Point and Macaulay to improve connectivity and safety between parks.
- A sundial
- Improved walking access along road entrance
- Expand water taxi service from downtown to Saxe Point Park
- Eagle Cam! Connect to Esq website so we can keep tabs on our bird friends

## Gorge Park

- Fix cross contamination
- Better crossways across the bridge
- Stop all cross connections, especially from Gosper Cres.
- More public access
- Beehives
- Buy land (and construct) to connect water edge trails to Saanich side
- Deer control
- deer tracking and sterilization funding for capital acquisitions
- Replace the bridge to Sioux Place with an aesthetically pleasing replacement to failing wood bridge
- Keep it safe
- safer, a lot of weird stuff in that park
- security
- Fix sewage leaking into Gorge Creek
- Help people replace sewer pipes so sewage doesn't go into Gorge
- Help the people on the Gorge with the sewer pipes
- Pedestrian bridge under Tillicum Road bridge

## Other Waterfront Parkland Improvements

- Enhance pocket parks at the bottoms of Constance, Nelson etc.
- Kinsman Park
- Ensure public access hasn't been removed by private landowners.
- Gorge access points: signage for access point awareness
- chose one or two major projects rather than a bunch of small ones for greater impact to the community
- Regular beach cleanups would be fantastic.
- Removal of bldgs. at Fleming Beach
- remove private docks from waterfront parkland
- Barnard Park - Electric vehicle charging stations
- EV Charging stations in parks
- Safety fencing
- Geese control mgmt. equipment.
- Expand the Library
- the park beside Rec Center.... complaint in Esquimalt Connection on FB that teenagers being obnoxious and swearing
- More car parking
- Park safety tools
- Permanent safe needle disposal containers along West Song Walkway
- Security
- Fix sewage leaking into the Gorge Waterway
- Upgrade Sidewalks. Sidewalks are in appalling state with so many seniors and walkers and in wheelchairs a trip to the store is like punishment shake rattle and roll
- Free Shaw WiFi
- Free WiFi
- New purple martin nest boxes on pilings near West Bay Marine
- West bay
- No public land appropriation by private landowners!! Legislate
- No public land appropriation by private landowners!! Legislate
- No public land appropriation by private landowners!! Legislate
- Innovative solutions, and sustainable infrastructure.
- Not just more stuff. Sorry for the vagueness. But this is the vague stage.
- More water taxis spots and longer season and seasons pass - reduce car traffic downtown
- The top priority for capital expenditure is replacement of Please face reality...Be BRAVE COUNCIL...don.t handle this by buying treats for the masses.
- Identify private use of existing public right of ways
- Daylight more buried/pipes creeks in Esquimalt increase habitat and ecosystems
- Repairs are needed for rotting boards etc. on Constance Street Park.
- Replace and repair gorge waterway retaining walls
- stop private homeowners from taking over waterfront parkland
- Sturdee Street Beach - Restore, clear beach for use.
- Don't build any more in the parks = loss of green space

## Archie

- A band shell or pergola in Memorial park
- Open up lounge for a live music venue
- More posters or artwork featuring local artist
- Outdoor festival/stage area
- Venue for indoor & outdoor music festivals & indoor / outdoor fairs? Esquimalt Market permanent venue in fall / winter?
- Is there potential for a music venue/cafe that is open all the time? Oak Bay Rec does this, and it would be interesting if we had a venue for this in Esquimalt.
- Larger players benches
- Covered Bike rack (there is currently no cover)
- Covered bike rack at the entrance
- Access to the Club room (food drink) lounge more accessible
- Add a bowling alley!!! Please
- Bowling lanes
- Courses offered in French - opportunities for immersion students to use their second language
- Courses or classes like sewing etc.
- Replacement of the Curling Rocks
- Dog friendly
- Dog park
- Move Emergency Response to HIGHER grounds, repurpose area for Volunteer Counselling
- add emergency AED if it is not there already
- Fold up tables could use a sanding and new coat of paint.
- More craft fairs
- More events
- Events
- Large gym for non-ice related activities: basketball, etc.
- The type of matting that is at the main door to be placed at the curling entrance door
- Green roof/rooftop patio/ observation deck
- Increase green space of Southeast corner of parking lot, to become a well-loved space. A swing, flower gardens and path
- additional children's skating aids
- picnic tables
- Put picnic tables in small park in Archie Back lot
- More public skate time in evenings
- Sound proof the Crow's Nest so you can hear during meetings.
- Soundproofing of windows to skating rink from meeting area.
- security
- Security cameras for public safety
- Designated shooting area
- Road-side signage - with the 'e' logo and pole lights, the building looks great. The information sign on Esquimalt Road is dated! Upgrade to an electric/ computer screen style of sign. It could have rotating messages about Township Events and possibly improve community involvement. No ladder required ;)
- Improve where you put your skates on and off: more seating and easier traffic flow
- At the hockey rink update the sound system
- Additional Storage
- Indoor track in parking lot
- Eliminate
- public awareness
- Add building to replace the sea containers
- An exterior wall dedicated to legal graffiti art and mural paintings to encourage art in the community and deter unwanted vandalism
- More greenery trees
- Plant more trees
- Enhance the little park in the parking lot east corner.
- Archery range either indoor or outdoor.
- indoor running track
- Outdoor ball hockey court , similar to the lacrosse box at the rec center
- Outdoor water park/skating rink
- Skating pond (similar to one at Oceanside rec in Parksville)

## Recreation Centre – Other recommendations

- additional wing
- Air conditioning
- Cover in the lacrosse box
- so the noise doesn't bother all the neighbours
- Install bike path on Lampson St for better access to sporting facilities
- Kid bike park
- Create more rooms for classes
- Clean up the store fronts

- More community lounge space
- Better Recycling
- Harry Potter days
- A permanent spot for farmers market
- Hand Sanitizers on walls of Rec centre
- Provide high chair like seats for safe place to put baby while parents are changing after swimming
- Rec centre is getting busier: extend facilities
- Annual pay lockers
- Music, it's quite as a church in there.
- Move Staff offices - out of the basement, somewhere with natural light and accessible
- Utilize the Lion's Building at Lacrosse Box
- More summertime community events outside at the park.
- More wintertime community events inside.
- Very inexpensive gym passes - \$10, \$15, \$20/month, really get people in there, too expensive, right now
- Fix Sidewalks
- Improved pedestrian connectivity to shopping plaza
- Discounted passes for Esquimalt residents
- Raccoon control
- add emergency AED if it is not there already
- Move Emergency Response services to "Higher Grounds" turn to a volunteer counselling centre
- Repairs to the lacrosse box
- Roof top viewing
- Tsunami/Earthquake community reception - upgrade Eclectic at Community Centre to accommodate larger capacity generator to power - Kit wash meeting rooms in case of power failure
- security for playground outside..... complaints on FB Esquimalt community connection
- Have a shoe place to take off shoes as you enter the family change rooms so the floors in and around the rooms don't get as gross
- Sound system for Christmas Concerts Etc.
- Install PA or Sound System
- Additional storage for equipment at Recreation Centre and more props for fitness, dance, Pilates and yoga classes
- More storage
- Updated stores in the parking lot like Starbucks or trendy shops bakeries etc.
- any upgrades to maintain our wonderful center
- additional floor
- Expand park to separate young toddlers from big kids. There's always 2 or 3 big kids (7-10yrs) on the double swing meant for parent and tot. Always.
- More osc spaces
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- things are really getting cramped in the ERC
- Dispensaries 4 ESQ - 420 Blaze it
- Enough money spend on this building
- Ensuring sustainable maintenance of the gym and waterpark
- Good to goa
- Gun range
- I do not use facility
- It's good the way it is
- Jogging Track
- Open entrepreneurial type stalls set up for locals to experiment
- Plant more trees
- Services in French
- Some form of target practice (e.g. laser or archery)
- Video projector equipment for meetings.

## Bullen

- An addition to include a permanent dry floor (Roller Rink)
- Another lacrosse box.
- BRING BACK ESQUIMALT FASTBALL!!!!!!!!!!
- Is this used for anything but rowdy beer leagues??
- It's good the way it is
- Love it. Don't change it
- Maintain existing grass
- More ribfest
- More trees for shade
- Paths
- Pathways
- Plant more perimeter trees
- Plant more trees
- Relocate the lacrosse box to Beside Archie B to allow for a future expansion of the Rec centre
- Repair/replace the dilapidated concrete wall between the parking lot and the park.
- See comment on ERC, above: Pick a theme and match it across Memorial Park, Arch B., ERC,

- Bullen, Etc. - could be “found” marine artifacts as plays structures and art, could be Esquimalt and Songhees FN art, could be dropped boulders as play structures - ANYTHING that refers to Esquimalt’s identity, ties public space together, and differentiates us from other municipalities.
- climbing wall
  - A large FENCED area for off leash dogs
  - Bigger “No Dogs” signs. Although...dickhead dog owners just ignore them anyways...
  - Field maintenance! No more holes! Better drainage!
  - permanent dry floor for a roller rink
  - year round dry floor or roller rink
  - add emergency AED if it is not there already
  - Outdoor exercise equipment
  - Covered/indoor soccer pitch

- for the wet winter months when the field is too soggy to use
- Improved lacrosse box
  - Another Lacrosse box
  - Movie nights under the stars.
  - Fill back walls of plaza that face Bullen Park with murals
  - all of community deserve to feel safe in parks and playgrounds, but there are complaints that this is not always the case
  - security
  - Security cameras for public safety
  - security so no tent city
  - Bigger NO DOGS ALLOWED signs.
  - additional floor
  - additional wing
  - Better field maintenance
  - Bonfires
  - Funding for Esq softball league
  - Garden around the edges or whatever, but don’t lose the field. A large field like that is

- increasingly rare, and really valued for sports, Ribfest, etc.
- Grandstands
  - Improve spectator shelters
  - Improved stadium-style seating for game observers
  - Kid friendly events
  - Larger soccer field
  - Make a safe connection between the water park and the field so that children and families do not have to navigate the parking lot to go between these Zones
  - Mini family field to play sports when others are booked for team events
  - plant trees in the back for outdoor play and shade
  - Uprights
  - Water bottle filling stations
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  - Wood fired stone oven
  - Would love to see a disc golf course somewhere in Esquimalt

## Public Safety

- Is right in the heart of Esquimalt the best place for the public safety building? Less than a km from DND safety building...? What about a location in Vic West serving Victoria and Esquimalt?
- Public Safety Education
- Public safety is improved in areas where people come out and socialize / interact with neighbours
- Support services for vulnerable members of society.
- Park security. The amount of dope smoking spitting teens in our local parks is disgusting. When I was a teen the police monitored local parks and made sure to move them along. Let’s

- make it enjoyable for everyone.
- Rehabilitation services for politicians and municipal staff to learn how to be decent human beings.
  - A new Fire is not needed, if a new hall is the route to be taken it should be a regionalized hall and built at the Vic West Border to serve both Communities
  - No need for Emergency services- have Base and View Royal
  - Didn’t they just enlarge public safety building and renovate it?
  - We are pleased to have this opportunity to present a project for the Mcloughlin Amenity Fund

- for the “Downtown Emergency Services and Public Safety Facilities Improvements” portion. Our project idea is called “Centre communautaire francophone”. Based on models elsewhere in the Capital region, this centre would be managed by the Société francophone (SFV) with an emphasis on developing services and programs for Francophones and Francophiles. It would however be open, accessible and affordable for all. Under this model, the City owns the building and has an operating partner which in this case would be the Société francophone.
- Reduce Property taxes

- Memorial Park - washrooms
- Washroom in memorial park
- Memorial Park - permanent storage room/facility to house Farmers Market necessities
- More rentals
- park/public areas
- Reduced rental fees will provide more accessibility for a variety of community groups.
- Have municipal Parks, Police the parks throughout the evening.
- \$5M can be used for the 3 area suggested in your survey
- \$8M should be kept as contingency to address issues after the plant is built
- if \$8M is not required for contingency issues then use it for your 3 suggested areas
- Permanent home for the EFM.
- training tower
- A small home for TCAC - (please??!!)
- deer tracking and sterilization funding for capital acquisitions
- Co-ordinate construction/utilities activities e.g. - Admirals Please
- Deer Control
- Deer Cull
- Keep all developments to a standard height
- Proposed building on Head & Esquimalt far too high, will destroy the look of the neighbourhood
- upgrade the downtown area to be more village like less like a shopping centre
- More free areas for families— is breastfeeding areas, public area for families to eat
- Public safe place for breastfeeding
- Green space
- more flowers
- Plant more trees
- A new hall isn't needed. The township has spent nearly 2 Million dollars on two renovations in the last 5 years. But the money to seismically updating the rest of the building or build a regional fire hall closer to Vic West (old gas station) that will serve both Communities in the future
- Outdoor seating to encourage social gathering and conversation - to create a healthy community public life
- Solar Farm to reduce hydro costs for public services. And eventually residential as well.
- Do not spend this \$\$ on housing
- Seed Money to set up for Esq Heritage Foundation (modelled on Victoria's) to preserve and restore heritage buildings
- Recycling stations instead of garbages (soft and hard plastic, Styrofoam, composted)
- A crematorium
- bc211.ca computer kiosk to connect people to services
- Tool Shed for Emergency with Shovels, fire extinguisher, and pry bars, to help people get out of houses and cars when there is an earthquake.
- Shaded seating areas for reading and gathering
- Friendlier people
- Esquimalt could capitalize on our Armed Forces "Theme for Town Centre"
- Recycling stations instead of garbages most 'garbage' if not all can be recycled
- Buy eagles and other commercially spaces and modernize and repurpose
- Beautiful welcoming township centre piece
- Alternative Energy infrastructure. Esquimalt can do it all (well except geo thermal)
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- Use renewable energy and passive build standards on all new Public Buildings
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- Remove illegal docks in the Gorge Waterway
- Longer Daylight hours
- No more OSC
- No Bike lanes
- Zoo
- Less snobs! You mean "fewer snobs"
- Be less Scruffy
- Help with Sewage getting into Gorge waterway
- Fix outfall/runoff to Macaulay Point so we can stop having water pollution problems
- Use sewage money to stop sewage from leaking into the Gorge
- Interpretative Signage - Acknowledge First Nations use of the land as park of Reconciliation
- Investment in tree planting!!! An Etown orchard!!! Bring us back to Farm status
- LRT - agreed we must have better public transit