

**CENTRAL PARK PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE
FEEDBACK FROM (APRIL 10 2018)**

| No. | Item | Resident Comments | Response by City | Future Action(s) |
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| 1) | Lights | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● concerned for user safety at night and in darker winter months if park lights are not reinstated. ● main community route identified: Harriet Street across to Mulberry Street . | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● it is not standard to implement lights in parks that are classified as 'Neighbourhood Parks'. Victoria Park and Gage Park were cited as examples of parks in the downtown core with lights, however they are classified as 'Community Parks' and 'City Wide Parks' due to their size and amenities. Lights are typical to 'Community Parks' and 'City Wide Parks'. ● safety is of utmost concern to the City and all parks are designed according to Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design principles | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● we do understand the concern and will review the main commuter route identified by residents during detailed to consider implementing lights. Budget is of concern and will be reviewed in conjunction with other amenities being proposed. |
| 2) | Tennis Courts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● would like to see at minimum one (1) tennis court reinstated. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recreational Profiles are created for each ward based on the information gathered by the Indoor and Outdoor Recreational Studies completed to help the City manage its facilities in a sustainable and equitable manner. The Recreational Profile for Ward 2 recommended the removal of the tennis courts at Central Park due to oversupply in lower Hamilton and their replacement with a facility that is in-demand and is in low supply. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● the tennis courts will not be reinstated at this time and are provided at Benetto Community Centre Park in Ward 2. |
| 3) | Tobogganing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● the western slopes are used as tobogganing hills in the winter. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● proposed trees will be relocated to support this use. |
| 4) | Southeast Corner | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● concern that the south-east corner will continue to be used for illicit activities if the area is not programmed. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● the new cul-de-sac penetrating the area will likely deter illicit activities as they will be fitted with street lighting and will promote activity. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● area will be reviewed during detailed design to limit planting and ensure sight lines are maintained. |

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| 5) | Street Crossing at Mulberry Street | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> concern that Mulberry Street crossing is unsafe for users (school children in particular) and there is desire for a formalized crossing. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an inquiry was made to Traffic Roadway Safety. This location is #40 on their priority list and therefore wouldn't be implemented for at least 4 years. Funding will be required if the cross-over is to be bumped on the priority schedule. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> budget for remediation work and park will be reviewed against budget requirements for a pedestrian cross-over. |
| 6) | Parking | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> concern that implementation of dog park will attract users who are not within walking distance and will require parking. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an inquiry was made to Parks and Cemeteries to understand the agreement for the parking lot within Central Park. LAS will work to determine if park users can be permitted to park within this lot or if additional spaces can be added. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> will be reviewed during detailed design when more information becomes available. |
| 7) | Gate Entrance for Dog Park | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> suggest that dog park gate entrance be designed similar to Hill Street or Cathedral Park. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the dog park entrance will be designed according to City standards and best practices guidelines for dog parks. Hill Street and Cathedral Park are examples of parks that abide by both and Central Park will be designed similarly. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to be designed during detailed design. |
| 8) | Community Garden Access | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> placement of community garden is of concern for resident(s) with rear yard access along the south fence line. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the design will be reviewed during detailed design to ensure private access to rear yard through park is maintained. The City will work with the resident(s) concerned. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to be designed during detailed design. |
| 9) | Entrapment Areas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> concern that the north-east and north-west corners of the park are entrapment areas. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> as part of the new work we will be clearing the brush and understory shrubbery in the north east and north west corners to improve sightlines and alleviate this concern. in the northeast corner we are recommending the removal of the chain-link fence along Sheaffe Street to improve access and sightlines. The guardrail will remain to prevent vehicular access. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to be designed during detailed design. |
| 10) | Public Transportation Routes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> concern for the lack of transportation routes adjacent to Park. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> there are two bus routes that run along Cannon Street West. there are bike lanes along Bay Street North, Cannon Street West and Barton Street West. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> new bus routes are under the jurisdiction of HSR. |

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| 11) | Community Gardens Location | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● concern that community gardens are located away from 'action' and in a shady area. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● the community gardens were located to facilitate delivery of materials by providing accessible and close street access; and accommodating the opportunity for future expansion by locating the garden on a level surface and with adequate distance from conflicting uses. The area is also has good drainage and receives sunlight from the east, west and south as the buildings are set back 8m or more from the nearest bed. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● we are not proposing a new location for the gardens at this time; the design will be further refined during detailed design. |
| 12) | Basketball Court | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● suggested that a basketball court be designated separate from a multi-use court. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● due to lack of space and budget constraints it is typical to install multi-use courts that accommodate both basketball and ball-hockey players (while not concurrently). We have not received user complaints to-date and will monitor post-installation. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● we are not proposing a separate basketball court at this time; the design will be further refined during detailed design. |
| 13) | Senior Elements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● suggest installing elements that are catered towards seniors. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● we are proposing to install fitness equipment for adults and will investigate installing components that are geared towards seniors. ● we are proposing walkways that are fully accessible and will have benches located at intermediate points for rest. ● we are proposing a tai-chi garden for seniors to use. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● will be further refined during detail design with attention the types of fitness equipment being installed and the provision for equipment that is catered towards seniors. |
| 14) | Drop Curb | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● suggest installing drop curb at Bay Street North entrance for bikers. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● this would be investigated as part of the pedestrian cross-over at Mulberry Street. In the meantime, our Alternative Transportation Staff have been notified of the request. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● will be reviewed in conjunction with pedestrian cross-over proposal at Mulberry Street. |
| 15) | Gateway Sign | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● suggest installation of gateway sign for Park at Cannon Street and Barton Street to inform residents of the Parks existence. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● we are expecting that the remediation of the park with new amenities that attract additional users (e.g. dog park, community garden) will bring awareness to the Park's existence. The revamping of current amenities that do exist will also bring renewed attention to the park. We will monitor the situation post-construction. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● we are not proposing a gateway at this time. |