Hamilton

Alexander Skatepark Focus Group Consultation

November 23, 2021

7:00pm – 9:00pm

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Agenda

- Webex Tutorial (City)
- Guidelines for Participation (City)
- Land Acknowledgment (City)
- Introduction - Why Are We Here? (City)
- Key Design Goals (MBTW)
- Skatepark Concepts (NLS)
- Question and Answer Period (All)
  - Discussion / Q & A (+/- 20 mins.)
- Google Forms Survey (NLS)
- Next Steps / Timeline /Outreach (City)
  - Discussion / Q & A (+/- 10 mins.)

Webex Tutorial

- How to mute and unmute
- How to turn video on/off
- How to raise your hand/send a reaction
- How to use the Q&A and Chat feature

Guidelines for Participation

- For your privacy, you are invited to turn on your video throughout the presentation, however this is not a requirement and at your own discretion
- Ensure you remain on mute unless it is your turn
- Be respectful of all participants
- Be open to new ideas
- Adhere to established process and time frame
- Change process during a session only by group decision if necessary
- Allow everyone the opportunity to speak within the allotted timeframes
- Do not interrupt when others are speaking

Land Acknowledgement

The City of Hamilton is situated upon the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. We further acknowledge that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Today, the City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and we recognize that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers.

Why Are We Here?

- **Present** 3 concept plans developed from Rider Working Group feedback
- **Offer Q&A** period to discuss the concepts in detail
- **Identify Next Steps** for the Working Group

What We Heard

(From Survey)

- “Top Level” Terrain Priorities appear to be “Bowl/Halfpipe” & “Pump/Carve” typologies, with (large bowls, mini bowls, pools, quarter pipes, half pipes, etc.) as the most popular responses.
- “Next Level” Terrain Priorities appear to be “Plaza/Street” & “Street/Obstacle” typologies, with (rails, down-rails, ledges, stair sets, manual pads, banks, hips & fun-boxes, etc.) as other popular responses.
- Most popular support amenities suggested:
  (Sun-Shelter, Picnic Tables, Benches, Drinking Fountain)
- Other popular support amenities suggested:
  (Lighting, Washroom Facilities & Trees)

What We Heard

(From Focus Group Meeting No.1 Q&A)

- Position of the skatepark facility has been established.
- Expected completion date late summer 2022.
- Washrooms will be provided in renovated community hub building.
- Skatepark facility will be lit at night (11pm).
- No parking on site. Parking to be available on street and possibly school.
- Buffer area is to be provided between spray pad and skatepark.
- Separate entrance will be provided for skatepark users.
- Design is to maximize user experience while being attentive to aesthetics.
- Integrate opportunities for Public Art.

Key Design Goals

- Create a multi-wheel sport facility for skateboards, BMX bikes with park friendly pegs, scooters, and rollerblades
- Create a safe, high-quality, colourful and open, well flowing skatepark that has smooth transitions with multiple lines that do not interfere with each other
- Offer areas for users of different skill levels to ride safely
- Include a significant amount of transition elements i.e. a bowl/pool(s) with good flow, quarter pipes, spines, wall rides, ramps etc.
- Include complementary street/plaza terrain i.e. stair sets, ledges, manual pads, rails, boxes, step-ups, slappy curbs etc.
- Offer shade, seating, walkways, lighting, etiquette signage, and washroom access (subject to clubhouse renovations)

Skatepark Design Direction Options

ALEXANDER PARK SKATEPARK

DESIGN DIRECTION # 1 - SITE PLAN

Context Plan - Alexander Park

201 Whitney Ave. Hamilton, ON L8S 3B7

Skatepark Features

- A Shade Structure
- B Street Spine / Pump-cano
- C Transition Turn-Around / Hip
- D Slappy Bank
- E Bank Transition Hip
- F Bank Turn-Around / Hip
- G Bank Hip Ledge
- H Bank Hip
- I Pump Bump
- J Roof Top Ledge
- K Wedge to Wedge w/ Roof Top Rail
- L Table Top
- M Bank
- N Transition
- O Transition Extension Pocket
- P 6' Deep Shallow End (Vert Bowl)
- Q Shallow End Hip
- R Shallow to Deep End Hip
- S Waterfall
- T 10' Deep Vert Wall

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DESIGN DIRECTION # 1 - INSPIRATION & PRECEDENT

B Street Spine / Pump-cano

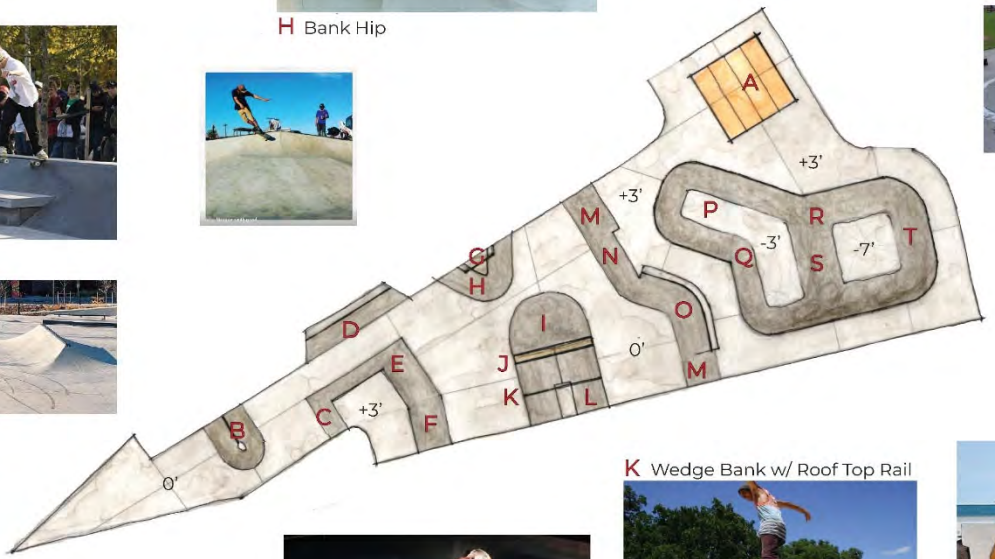
H Bank Hip

O Transition Extension Pocket

P 6' Deep Shallow End (Vert Bowl)

E Bank / Transition Hip

D Slappy Bank



T 10' Deep Vert Wall

I Pump Bump

K Wedge Bank w/ Roof Top Rail

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DESIGN DIRECTION # 2 - SITE PLAN

Context Plan - Alexander Park

201 Whitney Ave. Hamilton, ON L8S 3B7

Skatepark Features

- A Shade Structure
- B Flat Bar
- C Slappy Transition Pocket
- D Manual Pad
- E Flat Ledge
- F Pump Bump Roll-In
- G Intermediate to Shallow Pump Bump Roll-In
- H Intermediate to Shallow Bank Hip
- I Volcano
- J Roller Bump
- K Deep End Transition Extension Pocket
- L 3' Deep Shallow End (Flow Bowl)
- M Intermediate transition Extension Pocket (5')
- N Kidney Pool Hip
- O Waterfall
- P Kidney Pool Deep End (9')

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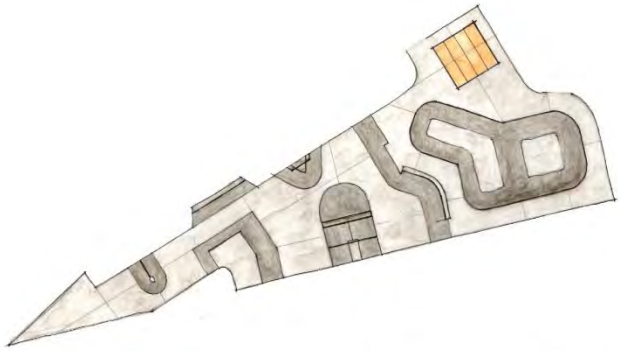
Question and Answer Period

Google Forms Survey

- Tomorrow, you will all receive an email including copies of all three concept designs that were presented tonight, along with a brief explanation of each plan and a link to a Google Forms survey. The Google Forms survey will also have an area for your comments.
- Please complete the online survey plan by 8pm Monday November 29, 2021.



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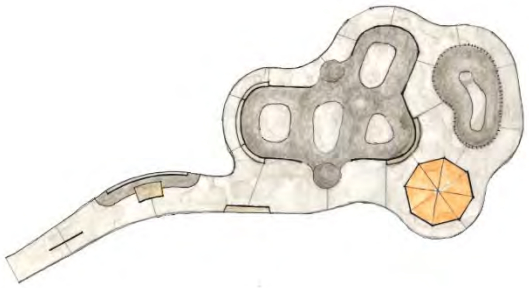

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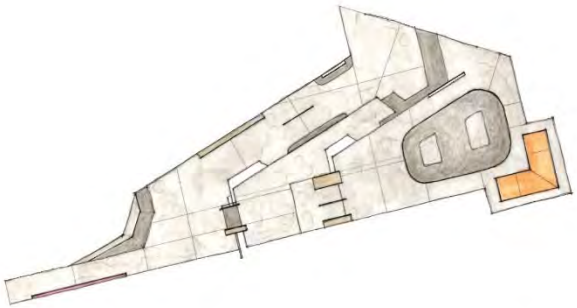

Design Direction # 3

Next Steps / Timeline

WE ARE HERE (Fall 2021)

Fall 2021

- Studies / Investigations (Geotechnical) - Completed
- Community engagement (rider-focused working group survey and meeting)
- Conceptual drawing development of 3, 2D drawings for review by the Working Group
- Working Group meeting to review 3, 2D drawings
- Hold vote to determine which 2 of the concept plans will be presented to the public to vote on.

Fall / Winter 2021-2022

- Create 2, 3D models of the preferred
- Virtual PIC to present 2 concepts - January 13th 2022
- Online vote
- Virtual PIC to present final design
- Detailed design development
- Contract drawing preparation concept plans

Summer 2022

- Tender and contract award
- Anticipated construction **late summer 2022**

Outreach

ASK QUESTIONS

- Focus Group Meeting

Concept Design Review

- Design Alternatives Review
- **TONIGHT!**

STAY INFORMED

- Website Updates

Contacts / Who's Listening

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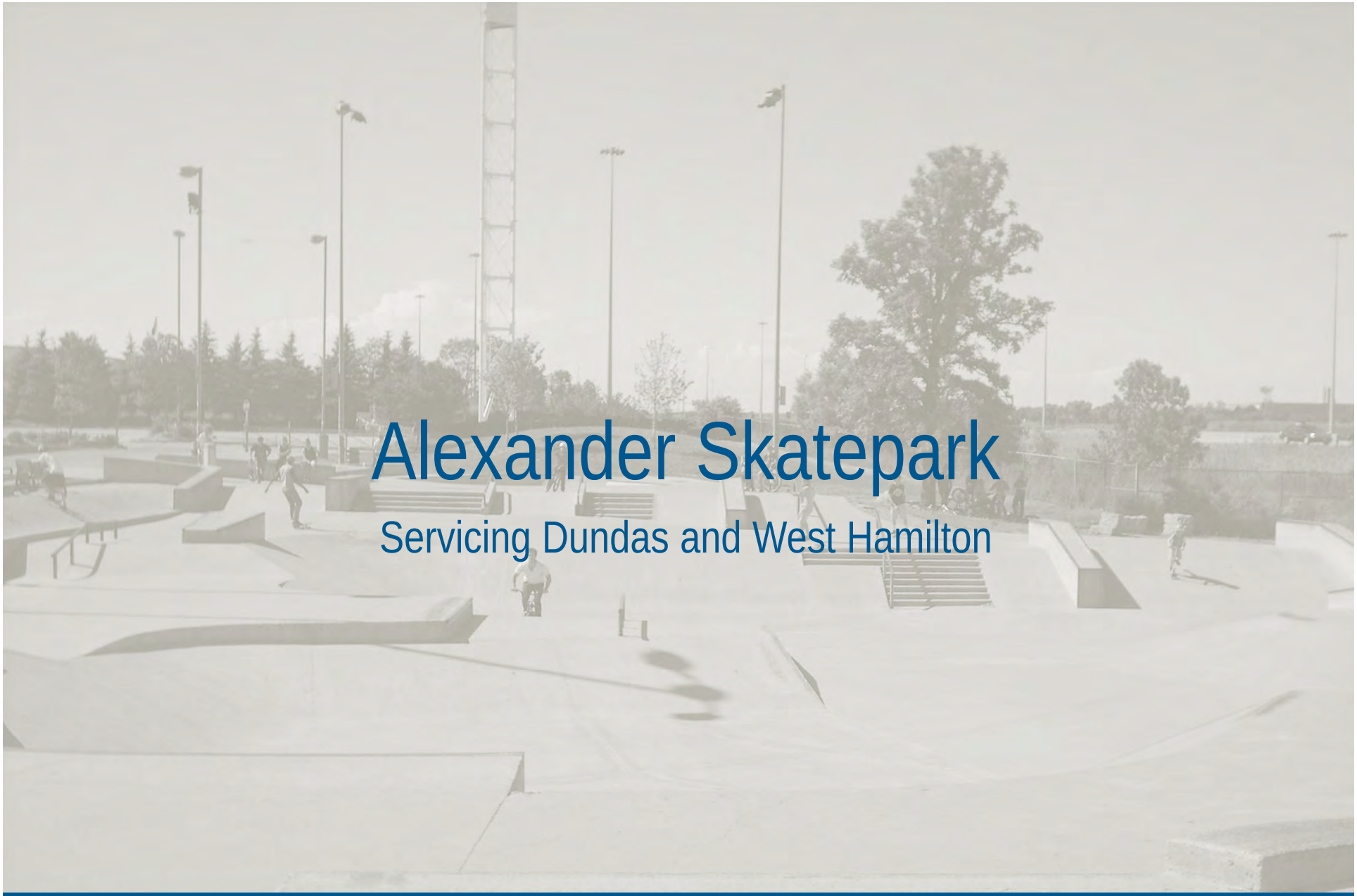
THANK YOU

Q & A



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