1) Masterplan Process
2) Site Context – Boundary and Features
3) What We’ve Done and Where We Are
4) Overview of the Engagement Results
5) Park Vision and Concepts
6) Next Steps
7) Facilities Update (Lu-Ann Duxbury)
8) Public Art (Ken Coit)
A Masterplan is a planning tool used to:

- Establish a vision for future park improvements
- Identify a budget
- Identify a timeline for implementation
COMPONENTS OF A MASTERPLAN

Receive Community, City Staff and Stakeholder input

Inventory and Analysis of Existing Conditions, Regulations, Policies etc.

Establish a Park Vision and Generate Criteria for Success

Develop and Evaluate Feasible Design Concepts and Select Preferred Option

Identify a budget and timeline for implementation
Proposed Park Improvements

General Enhancements
- Improved paving
- New lighting strategy
- New furnishings (benches, bins, etc.)
- New interpretive/way-finding signage
- Repair masonry walls, railings and steps
- Update servicing as needed

Mobility
1. Multi-use path w/ cycling infrastructure
2. Improvements to the Concession St. & Jolley Cut intersections
3. New barrier free pedestrian pathways
4. Improve sense of arrival for Bruce Trail

6. New food truck access
7. Relocate east parking lot
8. Replace west parking lot with on-street parking
9. Decommission lower pathway

Gardens & Open Space
- Rejuvenate existing gardens and plantings
- New gardens associated with new pathways
- Plant street trees along Concession St.
- Tree succession plan
- Invasive plant species management

11. Amphitheatre seating
12. Flat lawn (potential festival area)
13. Expand existing west tree grove
14. Native gardens replace lawn on steep slopes
15. Maintain memorial daffodil garden
16. Replace/relocate annual gardens
17. Cluster of deciduous trees in traffic median

Structures
18. Bridge connection over Jolley Cut
19. Park sign
20. New facility building (maintenance and

21. Existing pavilion to be relocated
22. New observation deck with amenities
23. Play moments throughout park
24. Public art opportunities
BOUNDARY AND CONTEXT

Legend
1 – West Look-Out
2 – Escarpment
3 – Park Proper
EXISTING PARK FEATURES

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PUBLIC WORKS
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
## WHAT WE’VE DONE AND WHERE WE ARE

### Mountain Drive Park Masterplan Timeline

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

November 2020
- Call to residents to serve on the Mountain Drive Park Task Force
  - Meetings held in January, March, April and July 2021
  - Meetings minutes, presentations, Q&A available on project web-page

March 2021
- Launch of Survey #1 “Inventory and Analysis” (closed March 23, 2021)
  - Installation of site poster
  - Launch of mail drop (~7,000 recipients)
  - Advertisement on City’s social media platforms

Aug. – Sept. 2021
- Launch of Survey #2 “Park Improvements” (closes September 30, 2021)
  - Site poster, mail drop, advertisement on social media
  - Public Information Centre, September 09, 2021
76% of survey respondents visit the park a few times a month (46%) or daily (30%)

63% of survey respondents walk to the park, the remaining majority bike (17%) or drive (17%)

68% of survey respondents supported the removal of 1 or more lay-by parking areas while 32% did not support the removal of any parking areas

The top three existing elements most valued about the park are the trail system (#1), the views (#2), and the mature trees (#3)
The amenities survey respondents **MOST** wanted to see improved and/or added are:

1. Trail system improvements
2. Protection of mature trees and tree planting
3. Lighting
4. Trail connection to lower city
5. Spray pad and washroom building
SURVEY #1 RESULTS

The amenities survey respondents **LEAST** wanted to see improved and/or added are:

1. Fenced in dog area
2. Half court or full court (basketball, ball hockey)
3. Fitness stations
4. Historical plaques
5. Floral display
Over 50% of survey respondents indicated that they want to protect the mature trees and passive feel of the park and would like to see the existing elements improved with one or two additions that are active.
VISION STATEMENT

Protect the natural beauty and passive feel of the park through conservation, while enhancing access and opportunities for inclusive recreation and play.

Protect the passive feel of the park, mature trees and viewsheds to provide a place of respite for the community.

Enhance trail connectivity and accessibility within the park and to the broader community and ensure people come first to create a place for all to safely enjoy.

Introduce one or two active elements that are inclusive, and respect and pay homage to the natural beauty of the park and be mindful of potential impacts to the natural environment and people.
COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

**IMPROVE**
- Trail system i.e. lookouts with binoculars, trail widening and pedestrianizing Mountain Park Ave., loop path, etc.
- Biodiversity, tree planting and groupings
- Playground accessibility, challenge and inclusivity
- Sun shelter
- Washroom building
- Other: enhance park identity using history

**ADD**
- Lighting, with trail being priority
- Spray pad
- Trail connection to lower City, including review with approval agencies
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SURVEY #2 GOALS

#1
- Seek input on development options and gauge support

#2
- Determine preferred option for Mountain Park Avenue

#3
- Determine community priorities for timing of implementation
NEXT STEPS

- Share development options with stakeholders
- Select and refine preferred option with stakeholders
- Publish results and findings to project web-page
- Prepare and share masterplan report with community
FACILITIES UPDATE

Key Building Highlights

Multiple Washroom Options
• Universal & Accessible, Male and Female Washrooms

Vandal Resistant Building Design
• Pre-fabricated Concrete Structure
• Fast erection on site
• Metal Roof

Open for Winter Use
• Facility open 12 months of the year
• Insulated to maintain the asset
**Storage Room for User Groups**
- Suitable size for SUPIE and winter rink users
- Will include a hose bib for ice rink user group

**Small Covered Entryway**
- Covers washroom entry doors
- Complete with drinking fountain / water bottle filling station

**Blank Wall for Future Mural**
- To be coordinated with City of Hamilton Public Art
Project Schedule

Schematic Design
- We are here

Detailed Design
- November 2021 – January 2022

Building Permit
- Feb / March 2022 Submission
- Approval typically 5-8 weeks

Tender & Award
- Late spring 2022

Construction
- +/- 12 month timeline
- Commence Summer 2022

Open to the Public
- Summer 2023
Possible Public Art Mural on Washroom Building

- Artist and subject matter to be selected through a public process to be meaningful to the local community
- Discourages graffiti tagging
- Provides colourful focus at the center of the park

“Unlost” Becky Katz

“Carter Park Mural” Bryce Huffman
THANK YOU