

Valin Neighbourhood Park Community Consultation

Valin Street, Cumberland

Tuesday July 25th, 2006 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

South Fallingbrook Community Centre, 998 Valin Street.

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Agenda:

1. Introduction: Welcome Bienvenue
2. Overview of Park history, and existing park conditions
3. Park design and development process and scheduling
4. Community discussion and consensus of park amenities and opportunities
5. Next steps

1. Welcome, bienvenue.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide residents with the opportunity to contribute to the planning of your neighbourhood park on Valin Street.

2. Overview of Park history, and existing park conditions.

Park Information:

- Park size: 5 acres
- Budget: \$ 300,000
- Opportunities and Constraints:

Cardinal Creek Tributary

Storm attenuation pond for a 1:100 yr flood event

This parcel of land was dedicated as park land and was owned by two developers, Ashcroft Homes to the north and Brigil Homes to the south. The north area of the future park was used as a storage site for excavation material and fill for the past three years. The recent removal of the fill now enables parks to proceed with the development of the park.

A storm attenuation pond is sited for, constructed in the park to retain the overland drainage for this subdivision development in the event of a 1 in 100 year flood. The remnant tributary that runs across the north part of the park also is part of the storm water management for the development area.

The tributary's Conservation Land designation provides this community with a very unique ecological attribute not often found in a neighbourhood park. Although the storm pond and tributary are constraints in the overall development of the park they also provide opportunities for interesting site planning and park design features such as a buffer zone, maturing trees, natural environment for birds, frogs, fish and other small wildlife, excellent indicators of a healthy environment.

3. Park design and development process and scheduling.

The budget of \$300,000 will cover the costs of grading and berming, topsoil and seed, pathway construction, play structures, swings, fall surfaces, benches, litter containers and possible remediation work around the tributary. The outcome of today's consultation will reflect the neighbourhood's needs and objectives for Valin Park and provide Parks with the information required to develop a concept for the park. The design will then be developed from a concept plan to final plan and presented to the community. Once the plan is approved, construction drawings and specifications will be prepared, tendered with construction anticipated to begin in the spring of 2007.

Schedule:

- a) Community Consultation-.July 25th, 2006
- b) Storm Attenuation Pond Construction - August /September 2006
- c) Clean and Green developer obligation - September 2006
- d) Review Final design plan with Community - November 2006
- e) Prepare Final Plan, Drawings and Specifications for Tender - Dec. /Jan. 2007.
- f) Public Tender for Park Construction - Feb. 2007
- g) Award Tender - March 2007
- h) Construction Begins - May 2007
- i) Park Construction completed - Fall 2007