

DAWSON PARK AND KINNAIRD RAVINE MASTER PLAN

What You Said
Phase 2: Vision, Principles & Identity
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What You Said

The following report provides a detailed summary of raw data in the form of comments that we received during the second phase of engagement (Vision, Principles & Identity) for the Dawson Park and Kinnaird Ravine Master Plan. Comments are presented from the following engagement opportunities:

52
open house
attendees

16
external stakeholder
participants

35
students

301
online survey
users

162
online map tool
users

490
create your own
park comments

8,517
park element
comments

238
original vision
statements

The following comments accompany the What We Heard report that provides a more visual summary of the information listed here. The What We Heard report also summarizes the work that has been completed thus far, including an environmental sensitivity analysis. The report can be found on the website at:

edmonton.ca/dawsonparkmasterplan

This What You Said report documents the individual comments we received during the Phase 2 engagement activities at the open house, external stakeholder session and online. The comments are presented according to engagement activity.

569
in person + online
interactions

Open House

Tuesday, January 17, 2017
E4C, Alex Taylor School Gymnasium, 5-8pm
52 Attendees

An open house was held in the E4C Alex Taylor School Gymnasium in the Boyle Street community. The drop-in open house was set up with a series of panels that described the project process, including information about the study area's environmental sensitivities, landscape units and resulting values and themes that emerged during Phase 1.

Visitors were encouraged to participate in the four activities described earlier. A handout was provided to visitors to help navigate the space and summarize the information being presented. The handout also provided more information about how to provide feedback later, either online, by email, or by post.

A gallery of the vision drawings from the Mount Royal School Grade 3s was showcased at the open house to share the ideas gathered from the school session earlier that day.

Most attendees indicated that they lived in neighbourhoods surrounding the park. The neighbourhood with the highest recorded turnout was Riverdale, which is just south of Dawson Park. Attendees from more distant neighbourhoods were also in attendance, including Matt Berry and Hollick-Kenyon to the north and Callingwood South, Lendrum Place and Lee Ridge to the south.

The majority of attendees were highly engaged, and typically stayed between 15–45 minutes.

Comments were made using sticky notes on the open house presentation boards as well as in the Vision Statement Activity and the event feedback forms.



Open House Presentation Boards

Background Boards

Community Context Board
History sign about coal mines + area shafts
Former mine
Sewer trunk?
Filled w car rubbish clay
Walking & biking trail on both sides
Better paths linking DP with Forest Heights Park...
Inventory + Analysis Review Board
Clear signage for all including off-leash areas
Prevent further replacement of informal trails with poorly constructed erosion – prone to aggregate paths – paths the City does not have the budget to maintain or repair
Agreed
That seemed to be modified without or with a lack of public consultation
Agree
Environmental Sensitivities Board
Possibly a mine site
High density of scrap metal, glass and debris on shoreline

Landscape Units Boards

River Valley Slopes
Don't agree. These trails used for walking, hiking, dog walk, running, biking, snowshoeing
Agree
[re 'Narrow trail network, limiting variety of trail usage']
Mobility Corridor
Yes! Please repair warped trail
Kinnaird Ravine
These murals are great! Prevent graffiti + create sense of connection to the community
Necessary? – Why?
Make Kinnaird Ravine Leash Free
Contribute to the Vision for the Park! Board
Yes! Improved signage + wayfinding [re Efforts should be made to mediate conflicts between trail and pathway users...]
"River Valley ARP" Needed

Park Elements Boards

Fixed Seating
Like creek setting
Collective Seating
NO
New Facility
Glass for safety reasons

Small Boat Launch Structure
No
No power boat launch site please +3
Off-leash Trail
To allow off-leash dogs in an area of ecological sensitivity is an oxy moron. On leash only please
Enclosed Off-leash Area
Teaching area not to full park
No! Disagree
Natural River Edge
Clean up rivers edge of garbage
Constructed River Edge
No
No
No!
No
No
No!
No
Dawson Park Phone App
Perhaps "city" phone app not just Dawson
Elements for the Visually Impaired
Universal design access elements
Public Art Installations
No
No
Commemorative Art/Monument
Sewage treatment plant info/comm
Would unfortunately be vandalized
Interpretive Signage
Integrate cultural & natural interpretive signage. Why "Rat Creek" name?
Pre-Contact Heritage
Bring back bison!
What park elements would Seniors, Children or Youth like?
Woods & vistas, design for intergenerational unstructured leisure + play with ease of access

Next Steps Board

Beach access, fenced dog area, cycle speed control, better off-leash signage, trail signage for directions + connections
Historical of sewage treatment plant – outfall? +1
Weekend retreat for seniors, school kids, drumming & fire +1
Sewer trunk Vic Reimer; fire!! Drumming near river or in ravine, designated sacred fire offering
Multi-use boat house, dragon boats, kayaks, canoes, outrigger canoes, emergency boats etc. +3
Make Kinnaird Ravine Leash free +1
Provide a site for traditional ceremony for Indigenous / First Nations (including fire)
Visibility to the river is very limited. Clear high brush! +1
Major entrance to the park with additional parking. Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club fills the existing lot 5 evenings a week.
We often have community groups bussed in and its very difficult for maneuverability
Homeless program/help; high density area +4

More light +3
Geologic info of these + other interesting geo-info +1
Motor boat docks + launch
XC-ski trails and skate ski path +2
Upkeep of homeless garbage + etc. +5
Contract with homeless group to clean up litter and river edge with careful follow-up supervision +1
Web cams to keep down crime + weather for public use on app +1
Lots of crime at this big shrub Jane Salisbury top of bank
Divert the spring under Commonwealth Stadium back into Kinnaird Ravine instead of Dawson (Rat Creek) storm sewer
River access
Design facilities to minimize vandalism
Bathroom at bottom of Kinnaird Ravine (eg. Porta Potty) +1
Bus stop
Do not build unless patrolled + maintained
Location of old stairs
Clean out woods

Vision Statement Activity

What Makes a Great Park?
People
Nature
Legacy +1
Green space, outdoor gym, family + pet friendly, a place for walking while meditating J
Dawson Park and Kinnaird Ravine Aims to be...
Gathering space for First Nations
For all Indigenous peoples +1
Natural character of the river valley +14
Safe +5
Bird recognition/identification, Animal recognition/identification, Information pamphlets +3
An all seasons recreation park +4
Trees + Plants + Garbage control +1
Natural
Informative/Educational
Dog (friendly) +6
Facilities designed for all people and all abilities +1
Connected
The park has a high density of homeless people. Is there a way or program to make the area safer for everyone? Ideas: Hope Mission, Evening/night social work/police help? Issues: needles, broken glass, mental health etc. +6
It will inspire/promote...
Mental well-being +2
Cooperation among park visitors +2
Active transportation

Balance
Active and passive recreation +2
Interest in nature and education of geology and other sciences
Ecology +1
Activities +1
The park will represent Edmonton's identity as a leader in...
Sustainable natural surface trail system +5
Community + ecological stewardship +5
An appreciation of natural and cultural heritage +6
A place to protect the environment +3
A meeting place for neighbours and friends (dog walkers too) +4
Design for a winter city +4
Ecological preservation +3
Indigenous respect + promotion +1
Feels and looks like countryside in the city. Urban escape into quiet nature on river +3
Enhanced utilization of river (fishing, not jet boats), a closer boat launch would be nice
It will leave a legacy as...
A home for wildlife (including beavers) +11
A preservation of Indigenous culture (artifacts, etc.) +2
A link to (Indigenous) history
An escape from the city +12
Habitat protection and restoration +12
Zip line & gold panning
Write your own Vision Statement...
I would like to see 1. More access to the river boat launch, fishing space, more stairs 2. Playground/splash park near parking lot 3. Maintain trails for biking and running

Open House Feedback Forms

<p>Dawson Park is a long strip with only a small percentage available for development. Please don't try to squeeze too much in. Please be very selective. Green grass ... covered with concrete. Because of this park's proximity to downtown area... higher first nations density (I believe, maybe wrong), a strong indigenous presence could be encouraged IF it could be shown to be on indigenous camp area. Off-leash dogs NOT permitted in ravines because of ecological concerns. Ground and low nesting birds, various mammals, amphibians, etc. So WHY allow off-leash in this ecologically sensitive area? Restrict off-leash to wide open spaces where dogs can run, NOT ... On-leash only pleas eg. most offer ... the city. No access for power boats PLEASE. Employ homeless on group contract basis to clean litter and riverside. Provides them "worth". Thank you</p>
<p>City should develop new facilities ONLY if they can afford to maintain and patrol current facilities. Total lack of maintenance of current gravel and paved systems in the East part of the city.</p>
<p>Keep the park as natural as possible. I think it is more important for people to get the "natural experience" - birding, wildlife, geology, history. Don't turn it into another boat launch, or recreational area. It would be great to have more "natural" areas to visit and learn more about the wildlife.</p>
<p>Used map app in fall of 2016 and read progress reports. Good luck on 'satisfying' everyone. Like the natural feel of it now. Don't want any food vendors or kiosks.</p>
<p>Don't commercialize the park! Don't go cheap! Parkland is for many types of enjoyment: nature appreciation, activities (biking, canoeing, etc.). Can the river be used as part of the park (activities, etc.)</p>

External Stakeholder Workshop

Monday January 16, 2017

E4C, Alex Taylor School Gymnasium, 5:30 – 7:30pm

16 Participants

The two hour workshop began with a presentation to briefly review background information. Following this, the participants were divided into two groups and invited to participate in the four activities.

The activities prompted discussions related to park access, community partnerships with the City and the level of development that is appropriate for the River Valley. Participants agreed with many of the presented vision statements and words and added to the selection by writing their own.

Organizations that were represented include:

- » Community Member
- » Dawson Dogs (Dogs Off Leash Ambassador)
- » Edmonton & Area Land Trust
- » Edmonton Dragon Boat Festival Association
- » Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club
- » Edmonton Mountain Bike Alliance
- » Friends of Kinnaird Ravine
- » North Saskatchewan River Valley Conservation Society
- » Northwest Voyageurs Canoe & Kayak Club
- » Protect Edmonton Parks
- » River Valley Alliance
- » RiverWatch
- » Sierra Club Canada

Comments were made through the Vision Statement Activity as well as on the Park Elements presentation boards and the event feedback forms.



Vision Statement Activity

Dawson Park and Kinnaird Ravine aims to be...

An escape from the city
 A home for wildlife
 As natural as possible, sustainable, restorative, infrastructure kept minimal
 A park that is accessible, sustainable and maintained year-round
 Habitat protection and restoration
 Safe
 An all seasons recreation park
 Strategic point of connectivity within larger river valley park
 An escape from the city
 A link to history
 Mental well-being
 Keep Kinnard Park mowed – “keep” balance between natural and park
 Community stewardship

It will inspire/promote...

Value of nature through authentic outdoor “education”
 Outdoor/human powered activities
 An appreciation of natural and cultural heritage
 Mental well-being
 A link to history
 A meeting place for neighbours and friends
 Facilities designed for all people and all abilities
 An all seasons recreation park
 Multi-cultural values
 Cooperation among park visitors
 Humans like loops connections create a loop for each trail bikes dogs walkers

The park will represent Edmonton's identity as a leader in...

A place to protect the environment
 Natural character of the river valley
 Cycling infrastructure
 Facilities designed for all people and all abilities
 Natural character of the river valley
 A park that is accessible, sustainable and maintained year-round
 Ecological connections
 A home for wildlife including beavers
 A meeting place for neighbours and friends dog walkers too

It will leave a legacy as...

Community stewardship
 Cooperation among park visitors
 Ecological preservation
 Ecological connections
 Multi-cultural values

A link in the open space network
Design for a winter city
A place to protect the environment
An appreciation of natural and cultural heritage
Design for a winter city
Ecological preservation
A link in the open space network
Habitat protection and restoration

Park Elements

Flexible Seating
Just go with what exists and when rotten remove!
People build their own
Fixed Seating
At beach!
Individual Seating
At beach!
BBQ Grills
keep existing ones
Minor Pavilion Improvements
add solar
Picnic Shelter: Large
no more picnic area there is plenty of all types
Picnic Table
keep existing ones they are in very good shape
agree
Gathering Area
keep grassy Kinnaird!
Canoe Club River Access
at East Beach too! Floating Dock!
Fishing Outpost
at east end
if you do it add a trash can. Fishers are messy messy messy
Shoreline Boat Launch
at east end by Highlands Gold Club Beach. Chain logs to float – ducks unlimited?
River Outlook
at beach
On-leash
Ravine
Off-leash Trail
Dawson Dogs!
Enclosed Off-leash Area
locate around the capse of trees in middle of Kinnaird Park (most skiers and walkers there enjoy the outer loop walk for views)
Sheltered Performance Space

none
Flexible Area
Kinnaird
Skating Area
I have seen skating in Kinnaird Ravine
Viewing Area
Views open – open vegetation up at top of Kinnaird Ravine. Northside for viewing
Kinnaird Park viewpoint
Standard Garbage Receptacles
at top and bottom of each shared trail
many more
emptied more
who cares what type
Contemporary Garbage Receptacles
yes more please
Cross Country Skiing
yep
Mountain Biking
maintain existing trails
Semi Covered Shelter
winter shelter for people in need, city can check on them
Fully Covered Shelter
solar
Custom/Natural Playground
do power generating play at Sheriff Robertson!
Food/Drink Kiosk
No No No No
already have Red Brick
Lit Entrances
No
Yes – females – to see coyotes tracking your pup
Lit Pathways/Stairways
Yes for safety for kids
No if you ever think of this consult Don Darrell and do motion detecting!
So, 1,000 rabbits and magpies can turn on the lights?
Lit Open Spaces
LRT trail to under bridge & connect with lights to Kinnaird Ravine trail
Snow Clearing on Pathways
paved pathways only
Restore Disturbed Areas
stop try to control non invasive not nature like burdock
I'd rater funds go to trail improvements for people...
Nature Education Programming
no geocaching
Maintain Existing Trails
But more narrow for in-line skaters only
maintain w/o machines

Paved Trail (Asphalt/Concrete)
less paved trails +1
Standard River Valley Park Entry
natural materials
Ravine Bridge
give homes instead of pricey bridges... (regarding Walterdale Bridge)
Constructed River Edge
partial at beach or a floating dock
Trail Rules/Information Signs
at one intersection at top of south facing slopes – to slow walkers and bikers
Directional Signs
keep signage to minimum
Maintain Existing Vehicular Access
p. lot is good size now
better bus (ETS) access +2
Map Kiosk
rain shelter!
Dawson Park Phone App
exists Trailwise App
Elements for the Visually Impaired
My blind neighbour is a regular trail user
Art Mural
KinArt already exists – support it
Public Art Installations
people do this city does not need to!
Commemorative Art/Monument
No
Spend \$ on trails not tribute for coal!
Pre-Contact Heritage
online only
EdmontonCity as Museum web site
yes
Edmonton's Heritage
online only
yes
Wildlife Viewing/Bird Blinds
tilted, tapered homeless shelter won't last 1 hour if installed here

External Stakeholder Workshop Feedback Forms

External Stakeholder Session Feedback Forms
I think there is still a bit of confusion about the process and how our input will be used
A need for understanding/workshops re: homeless issues - very complex - solutions not simple. Evidence based solutions must be part of the plan. Consult with Park Rangers and Forestry.
Very nice people
Thanks for doing this and including me/my organization.
I appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback.

Online Survey

January 17 to February 1, 2017

301 survey respondents

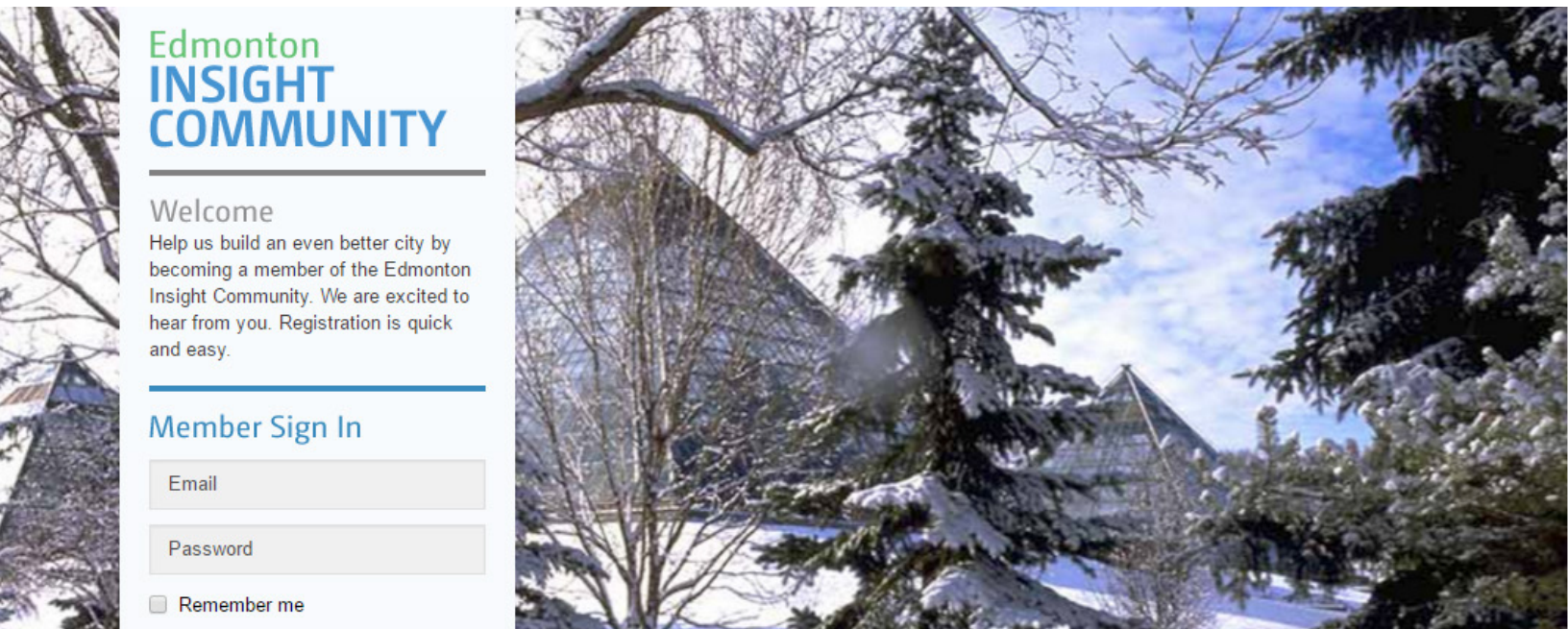
<https://www.edmonton.ca/dawsonparkmasterplan>

To complement the in-person engagement opportunities, a version of the information and the activities was posted online for those who were unable to attend the open house.

The survey was distributed through the Insight Community, available through project website. It was advertised at the open house, using stakeholder email lists and communications outreach material (such as mailed flyers).

The online survey invited participants to answer multiple choice questions related to their mode of transportation to the park, the creation of a vision statement and their preferred park elements. These questions presented the same options that were available at the open house and external stakeholder session.

The following comments were made in addition to the tallies and summaries of comments presented in the What We Heard Report.



How do (or would) you get to the park most often?

all of the above plus boat
car or walk
Kayak
Car pool
never
Foot and bike

Vision Statement Activity

The park aims to be/represent...
off leash park
part of our wonderful river valley park system
a park that is a link in the single-track trail networks as the existing single track has been destroyed.
A link in Edmonton's ribbon of green
A place to remind us of the value and wonder of nature
Don't know area or park well enough to comment
all of the above plus corridor for fauna and flora
beautiful scenery, descending and ascending the river bank trails,
River Access
a place for dogs
A place for interesting mountain biking
River access for boating
An opportunity to connect with the land.
A place where we still can experience adventure.
Safe
A place to walk dogs.
human and a wilderness sanctuary from the urban activity of the current and future expansion of downtown Edmonton
dog park
dog walking
Please do not commercialize Kinnaird Ravine. Leave natural as is.
Use the park for biking, hiking and walking a dog
Complete the sentence in your own words here: The park aims to be/represent...
A place for everyone to enjoy year round.
Left alone
A crucial link in the crucial river valley wildlife corridor.
an Edmonton sanctuary is a great description.
A place where I can rejuvenate in nature
a place to reconnect with nature.
A peaceful place to walk and connect to nature
access to the natural environment of the Edmonton area in a comfortable and non-urban manner
an oasis of nature in the urban landscape.

Nature openness community
... a functional city park.
a vibrant, natural home for all residents (human and otherwise) to enjoy and thrive.
Reconciliation.
A small segment of society . No Public Washrooms, A lack of access for the disabled, strollers , change rooms for new mothers/babies. A lack of Picnic tables, or central areas for family meetings.
NATURE AND RECREATION
a place for everyone
A link in Edmonton's ribbon of green
a tranquil green space that encourages people to enjoy a multitude of activities in the natural surroundings
a place for people to reconnect with natural world.
The park aims to remind us of how we can creatively preserve natural habitat and the wonder of nature for future generations.
a nice place to hang out.
a natural ecological habitat preserved for the enjoyment of Edmontonians and visitors.
A natural area in the heart of Edmonton's downtown.
An escape from downtown and an access point to the river valley that's really close to downtown.
link in the River Valley park system.
The park aims to be a sentient being.
A place to connect with nature
another link in our proud river valley and its heritage.
...a recreational, peaceful oasis for the citizens of Edmonton and environs.
More a nature reserve than a park for people
Preserved nature.
... as natural as possible please. There have been enough trees and bush cut down in other areas for things like the Funicular or for what is claimed to be accessibility (rather just making more commercial space). What makes our river valley so beautiful is the fact that it is not too developed.
and to enjoy dining and Cafe experience
An escape from the regular hussle and bussle of the city, with a natural environment for all, including animals!
an area to engage in recreation
Edmonton and the value of maintaining a beautiful peaceful River Valley
Just what it is right now.
An open area that is freely accessible by anyone and has minimal permanent human developments.
an enjoyable escape to pursue quality fitness, serenity, and family times within the city of Edmonton.
An all season outdoor playground for outdoor enthusiasts or for family's that want the feel of being away from the city on their door step. A park that is well maintained and has easily accessible ammenities all year round.
A place where people can enjoy recreational activities that continue the length of the river valley.
a friendly relaxing place to get away from the hustle and bustle of the city, and still feel safe
peaceful and quiet
all the above
a place where friends and family can better access the river with a beach front for building sand castles, sun tanning, wade in the river, bbq's, bocce ball, R&R, its a completely under utilized area, but it also shouldn't turn into a busy hawrelak park as this is nestled into a community, it needs to draw more foot traffic through cyclists, pedestrians, river rafters, etc.
A place to explore and appreciate nature
An escape from the City, within the City, a place for friends to meet and connect with wildlife.
nature in an urban environment
I don't know
Indigenous values, culture, history and future.
The park aims to be a meeting place that allows both residents of the city and wild life to function in a safe,clean and well maintained place.

A sustainable ecological corridor. By that I mean that any infrastructure should be inexpensive and restorative. Solar, native planting when soil disturbed, enhances water management and filtration.
a place to relax and enjoy the plant and wild life with a sense of being out of the city.
Natural setting
a natural gem in the city.
An exciting way to develop the river valley.
-offer a chance to hone our ability to move in nature, as we are designed to.
A popular local recreation destination.
A rest stop along the river trail system.
A recreation area code which celebrates edmonton's history of cultural diversity
A central Edmonton park that brings the community together for activities in a natural setting.
History, natural, multi-seasonal usage and free parking available with easy access.
Accessible to everyone.
A natural space in the city
The spirit and community of Edmonton
Help residents with relaxing place
a safe and accessible place to enjoy the river valley
Usable and accessible to all (persons and wildlife) while maintaining the natural feel and look of the river valley park system.
an important link in the bicycle commuter network.
A peaceful spot in the city
A place where citizens can connect with nature.
what sets Edmonton apart from other cities...It's river valley and ravine system - or something along these lines
A place to allow people access to the rivervalley
a refuge from the city
A not so secret hidden gem, that leads to the glory that is the River Valley
Place to walk your dog
part of a continuous ribbon of green that runs through our city and provides a place for citizens to connect with nature.
natural environment providing both a place for outdoor recreation and a home for indigenous flora and fauna of the City of Edmonton.
Park and gathering
A comfortable place to walk, run and stroll
a recreational and ecological corridor connecting users to the River Valley Park system/network
A place to get outside, enjoy nature and an easily accessible place for me with ms. A place my husband can easily get our canoe into the river by himself and I can use my walker to get to the waters edge and the in the canoe. This easy river access is my dream because I can still paddle easily if I can just get to the river.
a park that allows you to access nature in the heart of the city.
An nearly undeveloped, accessible, useable natural area experience within the city
a year round draw for individuals who want to escape the hustle and bustle of the city and immerse themselves in an area that is natural, can take their dogs to run and play and filled with modern amenities that is unique and an attraction.
the natural world with the gentle management of people.
an escape to a more or less natural landscape especially Kinnaird ravine.
Open to all
green
The park aims to be a place to de-stress a place to enjoy nature in peace and quiet
Kinnaird ravine is a very important wildlife refuge , which houses several species of woodpeckers including the three toed grayback , everything possible must be done to keep it wildlife friendly , already the paths have been widened and on top of that the weedwackers have been going in even further , taking out important and natural plants that grow where the sun is ...along the path. Also it is important to leave dead brush and trees alone , these are habitat ...the river valley should not be manicured .
Dawson Park & Kinnaird Park are two completely different entities. Pleased keep Kinnaird Ravine as is: one set of stairs, one trail, and a home for wildlife. Keep it as the natural area that it is. That is its beauty.

a safe haven to enjoy the river valley. Either stand alone or part of the link to the River Valley Park System

The park will leave a legacy in Edmonton as a leader in...

Over engineered and a funnel for money

A legacy in Edmonton without any inditifiers, of culture, sex, sexual orientation. A natural park with limited developement. keep developement an maintenance costs to the minimum.

Connecting Edmonton's trail system

Urban mountain biking

Can't comment

The park aims to be fractal.

A way to access the river

dining experiences

Appreciation of natural heritage

off leash dog parks

I'm not convinced a park needs to leave a legacy

Someplace [homeless individuals] won't be and be clean

Indigenous respect and preservation

recreational corridor

Off-leash dog parks.

level of safety for users during all times of the day

off leash dog activities such as swimming at the Beach

Keep Kinnaird Ravine natural. Leave it alone.

Complete the sentence in your own words here: The park will leave a legacy in Edmonton as a leader in...

A year round accessible space.

Municipal waste for tax dollars

this is a stupid question

Coexisting with wildlife.

It's a small, downtown park. 'Legacy' is a little much. Sounds like Leslie Nope is in charge

A park for Human recreation. No dogs or other pets. These increase maintenance costs. why should those who recognize owning a dog is a responsibility and not a right to take it to a park. Dogs are vicious, dog bite, dogs frighten children. an emotional cost rarely considered to the mental health of a child.

Valuing the "wild" in the midst of the city

stewarding the natural environment for future generations.

Great walking places

providing its citizens with easy access to its natural bounty

Preserving nature.

reconciliation.

NATURE PRESERVATION AND RECREATION POTENTIAL

well maintained, clean and healthy park

Not sure about this question - a leader? How can I judge what will make Edmonton a leader?

recreation for all

Habitat protection

natural, healthy living

forward thinking - how a city can grow while respecting wildlife and natural habitat.

urban wilderness that is easy to access and fun for all.

natural places being preserved for the good of all.

A parking lot and communal area that is seldom used but expensive to maintain

natural open spaces
The park will leave a legacy in Edmonton because it is sentient.
maintaining the green space that our city was born out of.
...green spaces within an urban setting.
Community involvement and naturalistic design.
wild in the city
the beauty and wonder of nature and the importance of escape into natural beauty.
Environmental protection and natural landscapes
Sustainability
nature and river valley accessibility.
Mental well being might be closest, but it falls short/is too general. I'd like this park to be a place to appreciate the quiet from the City, while also provide a link to through. I actually spend most of my time in Kinniard park, so I enjoy the natural trees and contrast to the downtown that I can see as a vista from Kinnard.
how to do it right
all the above
I don't know.
the most peaceful place to escape the city hustle and bustle while staying in the heart of downtown. Encourage the most friendly atmosphere for community social events and strengthen their bonds among neighbors.
I don't understand the use of the word legacy.
giving people an opportunity to appreciate and commune with nature in the river valley
species diversity. Most wildlife in the city
I don't know
presenting the land the way Creator meant it to be, a place of peace.
Respectful understanding of the lessons of the land. Awareness of treaty 6. Currently signage is insensitive for example the sturgeon spawning area has signs that ruin the view are gross intrusive and say "yours to protect" Sad
the provision of enjoyable green spaces within the city allowing one to get away from it all.
Natural environment
environmental responsibility.
Developing the river valley in a sustainable way.
offering unspoiled nature within a city.
All-season recreation amenities.
Appreciating green spaces and the North Saskatchewan river valley.
Celebration of our history of cultural diversity
Community
Accessibility
Urban natural park space
combining environmental stewardship and enjoyment for all beings living in Edmonton.
well cared for area
Just make the park safe, clean, and maintained
diverse use design and universal design for recreation.
Available green places
The park does not need to leave a legacy. It needs to be present and maintained. It needs to allow single track trail without paving over at every opportunity.
providing ecological links for habitat protection and restoration and providing an important space to restore citizen's sense of well being.
Nature
An opportunity to connect the city's working past to a ecologically responsible and sustainable future.
nothing - in its current state
River accessibility.

leading to surveys
Preserving great views
off-leash dog parks.
Developing and maintaining an sustainable natural surface trail sytem
allowing individuals the opportunity unwind and escape the everyday stresses of city life, while being an attraction to a wide variety of people such as dog lovers, tourists and the young and old.
protection of parklands and the natural environment.
This is a great opportunity to play our part in the Biophilic Cities Network that we joined.
It would be nice if Dawson Park could have a contained, maintained dog park. Presently DP has an off leash area but because of cyclists, joggers, small children in strollers, skateboarders, etc this is not always safe for dog owners or dogs. Dogs have a tendency to run after things that move quickly or loudly.
Accessible river valley for all
protection of the natural environment
Intelligent managing ...as in cutting acres and acres of grass meadows that , should be allowed to go wild ...meadows are very important to bees and other wild life and erosion ...the city over cuts it's trails and meadows.
environmental protection where wildlife has a home and people can get enjoy nature without destroying it or making it a noisy commercial place.
preservation of a natural area for the usage of future generations.

Park Elements

Gathering Spaces

Collective, flexible, natural, fixed??? What the diff? Jargon should not be used in a public survey.
The old pavilion is pretty dingy. A new pavilion along the lines of the pavilion at Victoria Park with an indoor seating space and modern bathrooms would be a plus. The challenge will be to accommodate both recreational users and homeless users.
This is a nonsense fractal. I DO NOT want high grade parking lots for RECREATION such as motor boats, football fields, retainer walls. Of course every park must be the same (recreational). No wilderness areas. No corridors for plants, insects and wild life and definitely no preservation of aboriginal artifacts (trailers, etc) and no mention of geological features. Homogeneous answers to homogeneous spaces. Oh! yes we need lots of off leash dog spaces in every park.
Bathrooms Boat launches
need outstanding parks design, check out the park designs in Scandinavian countries, as they are also winter cities need to provide improved access (an inviting access) for more edmontonians to get into the valley parks
I think if any costs must be put towards the park, the objective should be to make it the most natural looking as possible
waste of tax dollars!!!
all the above
Existing pavilion and furniture need upgrades, but architecture is unique and of its time, so should be enhanced and preserved. Very much like the sheltered performance space example provided above.
rather than build from concrete use stones and wood and natural landscape.
The space should be clean and safe while keeping in mind that this is a space to get to what is natural. The activities show be mindful of the wildlife in the area, make them feel safe to, so that we may get a change to view them at home where they live.
The bandshell in nearby Borden Park is a better facility for performances. Building another performance space in Dawson Park would be a waste.
Our washroom facility is in good shape. Please don't construct anything else!
Having a few covered shelters is a wonderful idea. But keeping a washroom facility is essential. By flexible seating, I mean having picnic tables about, and some seating looking out toward the river.
The pavilion seems so far gone that it might be better to just replace it. A small performance space could happen but I would actually like to see a coffee shop down there.
An increase in Open Performance Spaces could open available opportunities for current and established festivals to use.
Please, dear Lord, a washroom down by the golf course!
I wouldn't want the provision of seating to reduce the area of off-leash dog park.
Don't overdo it! Keep things as natural as possible. However, I've often thought when walking in the river valley there should be more places to shelter from the rain!

Please do NOT build some big ugly building or even a pretty but big building that would take up a lot of space and cost a lot of money and obstruct the view. Please don't! Thank you!

log seating at the Beach and existing swing on the River

Not sure what collective seating is?

River Interaction

No fishing.

nothing overly constructed river edge, but not totally natural and "unsafe"

A combination of constructed river edge and natural river edge

PROVIDE ALL OPTIONS TO USE THE RIVER

this is hard for me to comment on, as I do not use the river for boating, so I don't know how others might use it.

While I love the idea of providing river access to canoes, I really hope the city will discourage power boating on the river. I realize navigable water is a federal issue, I hope boat launches, which I believe is civic, for power boats will not be provided.

Disparate elements. No planning a space!

Kayak launch...this should come under Small Boat Launch.

Please ensure you work with the Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club for Dawson Park. They are a valuable asset in the valley and need community support to ensure they are able to continue to provide a valuable asset to the valley and to the city.

More detail on what is meant by 'fishing outpost' would be useful.

- along with the access to launch boats there will be a need to park vehicles and trailers.

Nothing for large (motor) boats. I'd love to be able to cycle my kayak here and launch it!

Keep the park as natural as possible. I don't want to see too much development in the park

all the above

As long as it is clean

Swimming dock.

The more natural, the better. Please don't destroy our nature! There are already too many noisy power boats on the river, scaring the animals and annoying the other park users.

Have an adopt a site volunteer program for litter pick up and site cleanliness, but have garbage bins/ barrels cemented into the ground available

I paddle my canoe down the river and would love to have more boat launch options.

A place to get outside, enjoy nature and an easily accessible place for me with ms. A place my husband can easily get our canoe into the river by himself and I can use my walker to get to the waters edge and the in the canoe. This easy river access is my dream because I can still paddle easily if I can just get to the river.

I live overlooking Dawson Park and over the years when the river's water level is low, I see numerous individuals sitting on the shore line as if it were a beach. Many large cities have a beach and it is a major draw for locals and tourists alike. I understand that the city has been considering urban beaches, however I believe that Dawson Park is a great opportunity to construct a natural beach located at the picnic area where the shelter is located. That seems to be the gathering area for the park and this would provide more of a draw and escape from the city.

There is presently access for the Canoe Club and I don't mind this, Again, it should be kept as natural as possible while giving acces to the river for canoes and other small boats.

Natural river edge that is maintained by City. Minimal construction except for piers.

a mix of constructed and natural edge is required to protect from erosion on the outboard shores, to allow easy access at two or three locations to the water and the existing Beach that is exposed each Summer. Some natural looking gravel and rocks would enhance the beach. Some log seating would help dog walkers watch their dogs swim.

Pathways

The current space is challenging for cyclists due to interactions with off-leash dogs.

Nice large paths would be good so that runners and cyclists can co-exist

If vehicles , ie: bikes, rollerblades,skateboards etc are to be included it would be preferred their paths are no where near walking paths as these people are notorious for using all pathways without care for the pedestrian. They'll even run over cross county skiers or snowboarders

Need for education so all users can co exist. Bikes are "silent" and can be dangerous on curves and coming out of trails

specific bike only trail or "no bike" trial so there is no risk of collision between dog and bike

kind of like what goes on already?

A large portion of Dawson Park seems to be south facing. As such, I don't think it would be able to keep the snow it gets long enough to be a serious ski/snowshoe destination.

Dogs on/off leash

Cycling/rollerblading trail should be separate and distinct from running/walking trail

I simply like to walk the trails and be in nature. Cyclists and others 'on wheels' are not always respectful and safe.

optional fractals

off leash

Off leash dog park

I primarily use the dog park.

These are all present now

off leash for dogs

- use this park to start instilling pathway etiquette. Have people walk and cycle to the right.

More mountainbike trails would be a step in the right direction as Edmonton is now at the forefront of the mountainbike scene in North America.

DEFINITELY NOT MIXED USE TRAIL

please have lots of asphalt pathways as well

all the above

Single Track trails

Lights that cycle and turn off when park should be closed. Otherwise just completely dark

Trail and pathways should be expanded, and care should be given for both wayfinding (currently very poor) and to minimize user conflicts (suggest different paths for different uses, or wider lanes with signage on what is allowed).

The existing multi-use trail is in extremely poor condition, and the auxilliary granular trail is overgrown and poorly maintained so that it is rarely used, which contributes to conflicts on the main trail. Cycling is extremely popular here and has to be accomodated as these parks form a link in the river valley path system.

I love hiking on the single-track bike paths-it feels like being in the mountains.

I only did not click mountain biking and skateboarding because although I see the need for people to enjoy these activities, if we have picnic areas, then families with small children will be around, mountain bikes & skateboards are fast & to dangerous around crowds

Off Leash area

off leash dog park trails

the main thing is that the activities should not encourage destruction of the environment

I do not encourage mountain biking in the river valley, actually. Too many mountain bikers are destructive and irresponsible.

Separate pedestrian and cycling trails to improve safety.

Off-leash dog park.

It's fine the way it is right now.

Mixed-use trail is fine for cycling. Though, I can appreciate the sport of mountain biking I'm hesitant to encourage it for reason that they're tough on trails and erosion.

the more users - the safer for women and children

There need to be DIFFERENT trails for different users. Mountain bikers and trail runners require natural trails. Other users will prefer paved or granular trails.

In the Kinnaird Ravine, which I live by, rollerblading/skateboarding would be better just done on the Dawson Park paved trail. I find when I'm walking in the ravine that path safety (it can get quite icy) could be improved. I also don't feel that safe back there, we always go in pairs.

Open Spaces

leave it free. And no dogs off leash. Can't people walk their dogs?

Don't overdevelop.

body weight exercise area

This is a popular off-leash area, but there is a real problem with dog owners letting their dogs off leash everywhere. The multi-use path is bounded by trees, and off-leash dogs run onto the path in front of bikes. It happened to me - luckily neither myself or the dog were injured seriously. The owners couldn't have cared less.

is there any space

No need to add any of these man made structures other than what is there now.
I'm not sure if Dawson park is large enough to accommodate a useful off-leash area.
Having more exercise specific areas is a great way to encourage more people to participate in staying active. An enclosed dog off leash area would be a good idea for dog owners to do more training without the distractions of other trail users.
Single-track / Mountain biking trails.
all the above
Incorporate more play and flexible use opportunities into the park, with a "natural" theme - do not use prefab traditional facilities. Do not need another off-leash dog area in the City, have plenty.
Some sort of play area would be good at the riverdale end of the park. Otherwise simply being a playable landscape is good enough. I believe that a substantial portion of the park is currently an off-leash park, off leash dogs should be kept away from the main multi-use path.
-Please no construction:It takes away from experiencing nature! I think exercise stations, skating areas and playgrounds are ok in other city parks, not in the River Valley. Children can find enough to play with in nature. Natural viewing areas are already there, so why construct anything? -Dog owners seem to think the entire River Valley is off-leash. We need areas where a leash is enforced. Many people are scared of dogs, or don't want to be licked, sniffed or jumped on with muddy paws.
mountain biking also
Any playground would be great. We need more in central Edmonton.
East Edmonton needs an enclosed off-leash area
And custom/natural playgrounds.
I would love to see an outdoor Gym
Groomed cross country ski tracks
Like that natural looking playground! I'm fine with the way the park(s) are now. Skating area might be nice if people want it and the multiple exercise stations
The less new elements you introduce is the better. Work with what is there instead of trying to 'improve it' for the sake of improvement, which - face it - is most of the time is not an improvement.
No playgrounds or exercise areas
Please don't bring more of the city into this area as with the now cityfied Louise McKinney area. Leave nature as nature. In my view it's fine as it is. Many people walk, run and walk their dogs there. Less interference is better.
dogs need more bag outlets and more garbage cans along the shared trail
There is a problem with what is shown. Over the years I have seen the small open shelter at the location of Kinnaird Ravine/Dawson Park meet having to be removed due to vandalism after hours partying,etc. Also over the years there were exercise items installed again had to be removed due to vandalism.
I don't care what kind of a playground there is, just that there is a playground.

Amenities

The garbage receptacles should be windproof/wildlifeproof, like the ones in the national parks. I don't know if that means 'contemporary' or 'standard.'
If dogs are going to be allowed where is the Dog feces, pick-up containers/plastic bags.
sewer connected washrooms IF possible, because they would double for homeless use and reduce disease in general if well kept in addition to being a useful amenity for the public.
I think a progression towards composting in all areas is preferable. Not sure if it would work in parks - nice to try though
having heated sewer washrooms will just attract homeless people so they should be unheated.
A washroom and/or fountain would be nice.
I hope any Food/Drink kiosk will be run by the city, so it will be more inclined to respect the area instead of being driven to become too big.
Define amenity
do not commercialize
Let this area stay the beautiful green area it has always been.
Compostable washrooms - Be sure to include the educational element to explain why these are preferable over sewer-connected washrooms. Promote conservation and reduced environmental impact awareness.
I don't like the idea of kiosks.
Over the last 5 years I've noticed a distinct lack of drinking fountains on the trails. Having more of them equally spaced out every few kilometres would be a great idea for those of us that are more active with cycling/running. Also bike racks are a great idea (although they have to be extremely secure or they will not get used). I would follow the examples laid out from some city's in Europe where they are able to lock their bikes up in secure bins while being out of sight and away from prowling eyes.

I don't know what the difference between a contemporary garbage receptacle and a standard garbage receptacle is. My biggest concern is that they aren't placed partially on the path or sidewalk, as oft seems the case.

don't forget recycling bins

all the above

Please no bicycle racks. No bicyclist in their right mind would lock up a bicycle in the river valley where its isolated from vehicle traffic, allowing thieves ample privacy to commit bicycle theft.

Heavy garbage cans that can't be tipped

River Valley needs more public & accessible washrooms. Food/drink kiosk would go well with existing park amenities, could be incorporated into existing pavilion through reno.

recycling receptacles for water bottles etc

Recyclable garbage receptacles. Tap to fill up water bottles - no drinking fountains or kiosks.

Keep things natural. This should not be a place to buy burgers and fries (you can do that anywhere). Keep it simple, this will also cut back to the garbage that is created.

Keep the existing washroom structure and make more use of the fireplace.

Please keep our park natural!

In place of a permanent food/drink kiosk, I suggest two or three parking spaces for food trucks.

The drinking fountain/fill your water bottle station is a wonderful thing! Garbage containers don't have to be fancy, just have enough. Maybe a recycle bin as well, for sure for bottles and plastics, sort of like what they have at Southgate Centre Mall. Bike rack, yes yes yes. As for washroom type...as long as there is one and it is clean and has soap for washing hands.

Please make sure you put in fountains that accomodate dogs and enough trash bins to help us dispose of waster in a responsible fashion

The goal is to limit destruction to the environment while making it user-friendly and safe. How much has to be dug up to do sewer connected washrooms or a food/drink kiosk versus lighting and trails? How developed do you want the space? I like a space that has some activity areas, but also more areas that are for the environment and the creatures that use the space as well.

Dog wash station - spray down your dog after the walk

Would love to see garbage receptacles with bottle receptacles as well.

Cementing the barrel into the ground will prevent the garbage bin from ever being knocked over.

No need for commerce in the parks. People have more than enough opportunity to buy food/drink elsewhere. I do not support more business development in river valley parks. Water is necessary in all major parks, in my opinion.

A food and drink kiosk might be nice, but I don't think people would use. Not sure what a contemporary garbage receptacle is.

Less is more - compost over sewer connected washrooms. Standard over "contemporary garbage receptacles... and yet, I'll admit that I do like the food/drink kiosk option.

Kinnard ravine should be left alone ...there has been to much interference already.

anchor all features so they don't get rolled into the river in a fit of fun - there are already functional washrooms and drinking fountains at the Dawson Park Pavilion and at the LRT end of Kinnaird Ravine. Any additional amenities at the flat part of Kinnaird Park would encourage overnight campers and make it unsafe for women and children.

Garbage receptacles should just work well.

Food

I'm very averse to having bbqs everywhere. Why can't we leave that in people's yards/balconies, and let the Valley be the escape from them? They stink, and the stink is unavoidable. It is an incompatible feature and pits groups of people against each other. It eliminates a sector of people from enjoying the Valley as far as the stink carries.

to off set costs sell firewood, "Sticks" for roasting wieners, marshmallows, this would reduce vandalism of park visitors breaking off shrubs

KEEP IT SIMPLE AND LOW COST

I have no idea what a harvest table is

Where is the space for anything natural?

consider more individual/family use as opposed to large group

Cast iron bbq pits would be ideal. They could be converted into ovens, specifically for group training.

We need to be cognitive that whatever is built does not just become homes for our homeless .If we build Fire pits and BBQ grills, how will they be monitored to ensure everyone feels safe to use and that vandalism is reduced.

No need to add anything.

water access for cooking would be nice but only if it can be done for super cheap!

all of the above

whatever you decide, the area just needs to be maintained and kept safe from graffiti and garbage, cleanliness and maintenance of vegetation will be a large driving factor for increasing people's willingness to use the area

If keeping bbq grills and ovens, need to be replaced and refurbished, and budgeted for ongoing maintenance. Current ones are in poor condition, rusted, unsafe, etc.

The existing fireplace at the washroom building is great and should be used more often. When not in use, it should have signage on it describing how to use it, and a calendar of upcoming events when it will be in use.

I don't know what a harvest table is so I can't select it. The picture just looks like a giant table.

Not sure about the above.

Safety and Maintenance

Lightning discourages coyotes from coming too close.

It's important not to light natural areas, or people will not be able to see the stars, bats, the skyline, etc.

What? Lights in the river valley? A good idea, and I don't know why the City wants to make the trail system an inhospitable dark and scary place in the winter months when the sun goes down so early.

If there will be a skating rink then it should be lit.

Safety? What is that?

As natural as possible. There is no sense turning the area into a "fake" park

Create "Dark Sky" areas wherever possible. No light pollution please. Fostering a habitat for wildlife requires dark spaces. An educational element to this effect would be helpful.

keep things natural this is a natural space!

doesn't have to be bright lighting in all areas, for entrances and pathways amongst dense treed areas - yes. but softer lighting is good, about the brightness of a full moon on a clear night

all of the above

I want hours to be followed for lighting. If we light it up after hours who is that for?

The natural area should be kept natural. All path and walk ways should be well lit and wide for walkers to walk or sit.

Main paths should be cleared of snow, and the existing heaves are not good for walking. gravel paths, especially the new one down from jasper ave/82st but also the older one from Sherriff Robertson Park, should be well maintained, with loose gravel kept to a minimum for safety. Excess gravel as was the case on the new path last summer, and at the top section of the old one, provides no traction on a bike, no matter the speed.

Artificial light disturbs nocturnal animals and takes away from the experience of nature at night. I love being able to see stars, and it is much more exciting to walk in natural darkness. There is already way too much artificial lighting in the city. It is expensive too, and the lampposts look ugly.

If you want edmontonians to visit parks in central edmonton they need to be lit. It is tough to balance the needs of the people and the needs of nature though.

It's important that the lighting does not contribute to light pollution. Natural areas being dark allows for more animals to enjoy their living space. Lit pathways allows for people to safely use the area.

keep some natural areas dark for star gazing

Lit but using dark sky lighting so as to not contribute to light pollution.

Motion sensed lighting would save on electricity costs and also act as a safety feature as it provides instant awareness

snow clearing on paved pathways.

Again, like to keep the place natural = I wouldn't go there at night. Street people are generally okay, but it is an unknown.

Please use dark sky approved lighting

Connectivity and Circulation

Less parking, more park. Are we trying to increase the focus on cars in the City? Isn't that incompatible with the City Plan? Why is this being 'asked' even?

Gold Bar Park has long been a favorite of our family for launching the canoe and small boat. Easier access and parking would be great for us seniors

no big parking lot for boat launching, that would take away a lot of room

Connectivity is for humans?

Keep the movement of people in the park focussed to walking/wheelchair access, not recreation vehicles nor bikes

I would like to see a balance between paved trails (esp for disabled or elderly visitors) and natural or gravel trails. It has been my experience that many "natural" trails are invasive to the habitat of local or migrating wildlife. Boardwalks or landscaped trails encourage people to stay on a trail. And then there are those of us who respect and want to protect 'nature' yet still get off the beaten path. A good pathway plan protects wildlife and their habitat while still allowing reasonable access to human traffic. Education is key for this value.

only new trails should be natural trails there are more than enough paved ones already!!! Open to a ravine bridge if it is useful and in a good location but should be done as inexpensively as possible.

New stairs would be a great idea! This always encourages people to get out and be active as they get to meet up with friends or others that are running stairs and being active. Just look at how busy the other sets of stairs are across the river valley, especially on lunch breaks and just after work. Directional and informational signs are good to see as they keep people that are newer to the city on track and it's always great to see how far you have left to go to a certain point.

No parking lots, ever! NO gravel trails!

all the above

Nothing fancy just solid to last 25 years

It would also be great to have the old path extended under the 82st bridge to provide access to/from Stadium Station and the surrounding neighbourhood without crossing a busy road. I don't know if this still counts as Dawson/Kinnard park, but the access to/from the capilano bridge path is poor. There's a great multi-use path right to the edge of gretzky drive but there's no low-slope way to get there - the other end of the bridge has stairs too but it's a bit better. For someone on a heavier bike or less fit, or someone who can't do stairs the crossing might as well not exist, and the alternate crossings are not close and for many may be no better. A set of stairs or two would be good.

Please do not expand any parking lots. The new, wider gravel trail from Jasper Ave near 82 St is much nicer than it was before. Even if some mountain bikers don't agree, it is now a much more pleasant and safer trail for pedestrians. It just needs better signage.

Reading some of your suggestions in this survey, I get really worried that our still quite natural park will soon be covered in signs, stairs, lamps, more amenities. A ravine bridge, seriously? Boat trailer parking? The only change I wish for is renaturalization-planting more native trees, shrubs, flowers, and getting our path back, that was transformed into a gravel trail...

Looks like I want it all... We really enjoy having gravel trails and paved trails, like there are there already. Trail rules and information is a great idea, I believe Gold Bar has implemented some of these already. Parking lot at Dawson is in need of expanding. Although the surrounding residents may not feel this way, but I'm sure too they hate people parking all over their street leaving them no room.

Some of the stairs have almost been lost. They should be found and repaired/replaced to increase access.

In Mexico, they had trails that led around specific areas, heritage, environment (e.g. plants, animals), etc. that had signs along the path to encourage people to slow down, enjoy, and learn. It would be nice to have more of these in Edmonton. If we are looking for trails to have snow removed, then likely they have to be asphalt or concrete, though it would be nice to try something that might be more environmentally friendly.

No boat trailers, thanks.

Fine with the way it is.

Enlarge parking lot for standard cars

What ever is installed has to be maintained. Currently the trails are not in good shape. This is due to broken asphalt,cracks in the surface. Concern that monies will be spent and the follow up maintenance will not happen.

For risk management and wayfinding, natural trails should have signage that allows people to connect through the river valley and also informs people as to the level of difficulty of the trail they are running or riding on.

Identity and Experience

I don't know what is meant by "pre-contact heritage"

KEEP IT NATURAL, SIMPLE AND LOW COST

nice ideas. Not sure which I support or not.

If you put in buildings, then there will be little natural habitat left. Should be an escape from the city, which means going into nature to, hopefully, see birds, animals, etc. Not possible if there is not enough natural habitat left to sustain wildlife.

Indigenous heritage???? Well, as long as it fits into sanitized, highly built up urban design.

Focus on nature and history

I'd like to put 7 or 8 check-marks on the phone app selection! Just make sure it is a VERY GOOD phone app. (NOT like the Smart Travel fiasco, please!) Maps; all points of interest; GPS info in case of emergency; etc.

All of the suggested ideas are a total waste of money and should not be implemented even if the money was donated and not coming from tax dollars!!!

The nature IS the art!!!

all the above

none of the above brings any value to the area, it's a waste of tax payers money that brings no value to the area. money is better served creating usable, safe, and maintained spaces

Public Art needs to be functional. In a park like setting, a mural or 2d art piece is irrelevant. Public art would be both photogenic and useful e.g. seating, climbing, etc.

Place for ceremony - to smudge and sweat lodge like the one at Amiskwacy Academy -covered

The murals in Kinnaird Ravine are great. That program should continue and expand. The park needs better wayfinding. It's difficult to know where trails lead and which trails exit the park. A phone app sounds like an expensive gimmick that only a few people will use. Well designed, well placed maps and signs do a much better job. The existing features for the visually impaired should be maintained. Please do not install any war memorials.

People can get all the information they want on their phone nowadays-no need to install signs. It is so special for a city to have wild parks within its borders-why urbanize them? Then we all have to drive far to find undisturbed nature.

Again, we don't want the environment so filled with signage or objects that it reduces the ecological areas. Cultural heritage should include things specific to Edmonton, which would include Indigenous history, settlements of European, etc. peoples, etc.

Edmonton lacks public art. I am visiting Minneapolis this summer and recently went online to see what attractions the city has. I was surprised to see that this city has created a public art gallery at one of their parks whereby they installed numerous public art attractions, which has turned into a tourist attraction. The art attractions are not murals, but rather art pieces that rival Chicago's "The Bean". Check out the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden!

Apps are great but not a necessity. Not sure how some concrete bees on the side of a bridge are all that interesting for the visually impaired - I'd rather preserve the natural elements of the river valley as there are plenty of elements for people of all abilities.

Again if all /any of the above added how will vandalism/abuse be handled? Also maintenance has to be in a timely manner.

Nature and Ecology

Summer educational programs for children and adults.

I do not want signs/trails/structures reminding me that I am in Edmonton. I like parks to provide the illusion that I am no longer in the city. Some seating created with rock or other natural material is an acceptable compromise. If the park is designed to have a instruction building I will be disappointed.

KEEP IT NATURAL

Unsure

Again, key is to educate and to preserve natural habitat. Nothing like the excitement of seeing something in the wild. Great place for people to chat and connect in their excitement.

Please protect the river valley from development instead of developing it further.

How much space is there for this? A bee hive on top of a recreational centre?

Leave the space as a place to wonder, not as another stop for bored school children

Visitors need to be educated on preserving the foliage, staying on designated paths, and not feeding the wildlife. Terwillegar Park has undergone significant damage since the construction of the foot bridge...over used, people trampling natural grass, trees, bushes, creating paths everywhere

Preservation, restoration, conservation, education!!! YUP! All of them please!

I don't know; I'd need to look at the overall budget and see what tradeoffs would need to happen to support these conservation programs.

all the above

Indigenous medicines highlighted

We need to teach the public about the animals that live around us and how they make our world a better place. We also have to teach the next generation the importance of not recycling.

It would be nice to see the mouth of Kinnard Ravine restored to actually flow to the river, although I understand that the budget may not be there. There is also significant amounts of old garbage at the river's edge, which I understand used to be a dump. That section of the river edge sees lots of recreation use (swimming dogs, wading people in August/Sept) so it would be worthwhile to clean up.

The slopes below the large meadow at the end of Jasper Ave should be stabilized. People and dogs should be encouraged not to walk on the eroding slopes. The large meadow at the end of Jasper Ave should not be mowed so frequently. It would be nicer if it was left as a more natural landscape with trails, instead of a large swath of mowed grass. Get rid of the golf course and allow the land to return to a more natural and less exclusionary landscape.

Nature programming in the park can be done without man made structures: Guided hikes would be nice, as well for adults! Better than installing signs!

Education is huge and this is a wonderful opportunity to teach all ages what the natural areas around the river valley include, how to protect and respect them, as well as how to live in harmony with nature.

Love to see our kids more involved with Nature. School classes, all ages, and Nature Education Programming put on by Park Rangers. Great to see them cycling in the spring - could also add canoeing (have seen some kids out on the river), Leave cell phones/computers at school.

Nature and ecological function ought to be the most important element of the plan.

Please lets not have a manicured park. It's fine as it is.

Now this is a good direction for a sensitive area.

We used to have foxes and pheasants on the hill. But no more. The yahoo bikers have seen to that. Don't allow more destruction of the natural habitat. It's too precious. No organized activities in Kinnaird Ravine please.

Is there anything else you would like to share with us about Dawson Park and Kinnaird Ravine?

Just to reiterate, incompatible uses such as dogs and bbqs should be in fenced enclosures -- namely people's yards!

Keep the natural beauty of development for maintenance costs to be kept at a minimum.

It is great to see the city be so diligent and thoughtful about preserving the river valley

this area should be maintained as an easy to access natural area, without too much intrusive modern building, to interconnect the eastern portions of the trail network to the downtown area more effectively, encourage downtown school and visitor education programs, and constant use. It is a place that homeless will sometimes gather and use amenities if we install them so some lighting and security is required and additional maintenance/cleaning and method to notify city department on site (button, cellphone scannable code, or location ID number and 3-11 sign) when service is required.

please create a new single track pathway to replace pathway that was removed. Also more security phones or patrol would be nice

Better online tools. Maps, amenities location, and what about booking of Band area. Stages etc.

KEEP IT NATURAL, SIMPLE AND LOW COST

having a more robust access to the river would be nice, maybe a staircase down to a dock for canoes or a board walk would be nice

The Kinnaird Ravine area is one of the nicest, most peaceful paths/trails to walk on to enjoy nature. I would not like to see this space developed too heavily. There is something to be said for just enjoying the natural state. I would also not like this to become overrun by mountain bikers as there are many families with dogs that enjoy this space and those groups do not seem to co-exist well from a safety perspective. I'm not speaking of cycling in general - more the bikes that fly out of the treed areas without warning or even ride through when dogs are permitted off leash.

We need to preserve natural space; therefore, limit/condense areas of development. Need biologists and environmentalists to determine critical natural habitat areas. It's a great meeting place and community potential--people open up when they are able to see wildlife in their natural spaces.

Make waterway access a number one priority. Has something near the Riverdale fire rescue station been considered ?

Add a river boardwalk. make it a destination in summer and winter (rinks, organized outdoor hockey, YEG Snowball fight, etc)

Don't overbuild it. The park is a narrow space for the most part, and large structures will overwhelm existing uses. The Park should be a wild ravine area with picnic areas below closer to the River

Some of the trails aren't very well maintained and get really overgrown in the summer time and are hard to use. Also, there are a lot of people sleeping in the river valley in this area, and it makes it a bit scary to go for a run on your own, so safety should be improved in this park.

Please protect the trees and open space and do not build any more facilities in this park.

One of the least attractive aspects of the park right now is the smell of sewage coming from the water treatment station not too far from the Dawson Park parking lot. It would be great if the City could resolve this problem and improve the infrastructure so that the main path doesn't smell gross. The park could use updated, modern facilities where the current washrooms and picnic shelter is located. I would suggest picking a theme and designing new facilities accordingly. I like the natural design idea for playgrounds and seating areas. The availability of parking and year-round washrooms are very important park features. Also, it may be helpful to designate a separate biking / rollerblading path since there are many cyclists using the current paths.

This maps disparate ideas onto what real space (not provided)? This is nonsense planning

There seems to be a sense among the planners to overdevelop the River Valley. Let's keep our connection as Edmontonians as straight and simple as possible. The Valley is a place to get away from urban life, not some place for it to be foisted upon us. Let us step on damp leaves in the fall, let us splash in puddles in spring. Let us enjoy watching the birds, not something man has made. But more toilet facilities would be great...

I would look forward to a canoe/kayak launch, and also cross-country ski trails in the wintertime.

Keep it as natural as possible. Borden Park can service the needs of the community for people uses.

Do not destroy another park by trying to make it all things to all people.

I think I have said it about five times already - don't ruin this area with overdevelopment. We need the peace of nature in our city to disappear to.
hopefully tHe drainage department will finally be able to abate the strong and frequent sewage odors common to the parks, especially Kinnard ravine...really hoping for this.....
Please see comment added to map regarding collaboration with agencies (etc) that help the homeless living in our river valley and parks system. Point added near the south west tip of park.
This park and ravine are a great natural area for residents to get away from the city. They must be maintained as is.
It's centrally located which is convenient for me. I use it for fairly convenient river access but I'd like to see river access improved and promoted
I have no further comments at this time
because of its location, it shouldn't strive to be the next hawrelak, emily murphy or rundle park. it needs attention for the people who use the river valley, who are actively using the trails or the waterways, or live near the community where its easily accessible. However, if people from all over the city are aware of the location and want to travel, then yes its available for all to use and have parking available, but the scale of the development and the expectation of the usage should be considered based on the availability of parking and the amount of additional traffic it brings to the neighborhood. i'd suspect the majority of the citizens who use these parks are the ones who live near the river valley and use it regularly, and it should be focused to improve the experience for the people who use the trails and who want to use the river valley water activities (canoe, dragon boat, rafting, etc)
Is there a type of path that can be used that will float above tree roots instead of being destroyed by them?
map function too hard to use , confusing
Just the importance of highlighting the way the was before contact.
The devil is in the details. The park is great as it is! There is one pathway down near the new towers that could be restored to help Jasper ave folk access. I know about 10 years ago there was talk of improving entry when Gabriel Berry was in charge. Is this on the plan? Expectation management would help. How do you want people to use current shelter. Share? It is currently not bookable. Is that part of plan. Infrastructure is not very sustainable. Over built and expensive to maintain. At the rate the city is going we will not be able to afford our valley lands.
Mapping tool didn't work for me
Please do not expand the dog off-leash areas. The park already has too many dogs running wild. It would be great to daylight Rat Creek. Hopefully the initiative to daylight Mill Creek will help build momentum for a similar project here. There should be pedestrian-controlled flashing lights at 82 St by Jasper Ave. Drivers do not stop for pedestrians at that crosswalk, making it dangerous to get from Stadium LRT to the park.
I have walked through the Mckinnon for many years and appreciate it more now because some of the manicured grass areas were changed over to natural growth. The grassed areas that were changed were not being used for playing or picnicking and they are cheaper to maintain. I recommend this approach in any upcoming parks projects.
No
We human beings more and more lose our connection to nature. We think we need a playground to climb in, because we forgot that there is lots to climb in in nature. We think we need a flattened trail to walk in nature, where we still have the ability to climb over roots and stones, which is much more healthy for us, and more interesting. We don't take in a beautiful view unless there is a viewing deck. We think we need lights to be able to move around at night, not knowing that our eyes can adjust to darkness, not knowing how bright a moon and stars can be. We think we could get lost walking along a river, unless there are signs. Last but not least we are obsessed with safety, though adventure is necessary for us to feel ALIVE. But that can wait till the holidays, when we travel, visiting places with pristine nature. I moved to Parkdale, because I didn't want to drive to get to the River Valley, and I walk there pretty much every day. To have unspoiled nature in walking distance means a lot to me. I still live in Edmonton because of its River Valley. "Develop" it any more, and I will move.
no
It is a gem of a park in the city! We've used it a lot for walks, bike rides and running. But many people we know don't know it's there or find it hard find (?? Not sure why) or, the biggest thing we've heard from people, is it safe, it's in a rough area? So for sure lighting and call boxes might put people at more ease. We love this park area because it's not so busy so were reluctant to 'improve' it, but it is so totally worth sharing !!
Please make the space as flexible as possible.
Don't spoil the naturalness of it with a bunch of fancy activities and building. The beauty of this park is the simplicity and natural design.
Dawson/Kinnard is an important link in the continuous trail system that makes Edmonton's river valley so special
I used to live on Jasper avenue right beside the park 15 years ago. At that time the paved path was in very good shape for cycling and the natural trails within the forested areas were lovely to walk. Unfortunately the City has allowed deterioration of the paths. I would prefer to see money spent to restore the paths and trails but also preserve this area's "naturalness". I don't want to see it citified with boat launches, too many shelters or part paved over for more parking. We have lots of "city" above the bank; lets preserve below the bank for low-impact activities such as hiking, cycling, XC skiing.

I walk Dawson Trail about 3-5 times per week. However, this substantially decreases in the winter months due to the early darkness. Safety is so important, and walking this trail in the dark is dangerous. I think solar lighting would be highest on my list for improvements. I'd also love to see cross country ski tracks with dogs still allowed to run off leash. This would be an excellent improvement for multi-use.

Dawson Park is an easy to get to park that has been allowed to deteriorate. But don't put too many structures there, for it to be a park, you need grass and trees.

The interface and access to Dawson Park from Jasper Ave needs work. Sidewalk along top of bank of Dawson is narrow, limited seating and trees overgrown. Should be more like Victoria Promenade or Saskatchewan Drive.

I'd just like to reinforce how important I feel it is that Dawson Park remains an offleash dog park. If it were possible for the path up Kinnaird Ravine to also be off-leash, that would be nice, too. But I would very much like that the bounds of the current offleash area not be reduced.

Please don't develop wide trails requiring extensive deforestation like was recently done between Terwiligar and the Henday.

There are many fights between dog owners and park users such as bikers and runners. Seems like any do not understand the park is an off leash dog park. Possibly more signs and bigger signs would help. Or greater separation between the bikers and the dogs would ease the tension. Many bikers ride too fast through the park which frightens the dogs and the dogs either dog or run at the bikes which upsets the bikers.

thank you for the opportunity

I walk to Dawson Park often - especially as I can no longer walk west due to the unpleasant stuff going on there. It is a beautiful park Still have to explore the Kinnaird Ravine.

Leave it alone or enhance habitat and ecological values. Riverdale has an extremely large and underused school ground and park for outdoor activities that require equipment and modified fields. Adding these to the not unlimited area occupied by these parks would be taking multi-use past the point that it is a useful concept.

I would just like to ask again that you do not make major changes. A little bit of upgrade is necessary, but don't try to create the 'next biggest attraction'. Save the river valley for nature. Thank you!

The LRT presents in impassable boundary between Dawson/Kinnard and the adjacent neighbourhoods. I live in McCauley and have to walk around the LRT by the stadium or all the way to Louise M to access the park. I've physically walled off from nature. This presents a huge problem for me and the community.

Homeless /camps/people is an issue in DP. How will the City manage this?

More nature, less interference.

Stop the over cutting of the meadows , especially the park on top of the ravine , Bees that winter and have homes in the ravine need close meadow areas , anything the city can do to protect the bees that do live in the valley and ravines should be done .

The Kinnard Ravine should be offleash as well. It's a lovely walk. I used to walk to the park but after seeing a couple homeless guys who were out of it sitting on the stairs with a syringe filled with some cloudy substance, I drive down. The homeless camps need to be cleaned up more often as they can be a hazard to the offleash pets. I have been walking in the park for over 10 years with my dog and really enjoy it. My dog loves it. I like that it's safe for my pet with no roads nearby for her to run onto.

Please don't feel that you have to change things in Dawson Park or Kinnaird Park. The more natural a place the better. We have the river, a bike path, some trails and trees. That's great. Why introduce a whole bunch of man-made stuff with all the attendant noise and garbage.

I've been thinking awhile about the plans for the Dawson/Kinnaird Ravine/Park. I reside along Jasper Ave, a block away from the Kinnaird Park. It is a lonely park, though beautiful with outstanding views of the city skyline. (Our neighbourhood probably thinks of it as our own personal treasure.) I would like to be able to share this treasure with the rest of the citizens of Edmonton. One idea I had was to turn the park into an arboretum. This could provide both the city and it's citizens with knowledge and ideas as to what trees and shrubs grow in our area in an attractive way. It would also help with the biodiversity of the ravine. My other idea was to do a Prairie/New Wave planting in the park. Such as Piet Oudolf's garden at the Toronto Botanical Gardens. The use of sustainability, biodiversity, ease of maintenance, and beauty it could provide would be a boon to our city - the potential to help the people, the city and the world is enormous. Please Google "Piet Oudolf". There is also an excellent book "Planting - A New Perspective" by Piet Oudolf and Noel Kingsbury" at the Edmonton Public Library about this type of planting that is especially suited to large areas. To get such a designer to help our city would be a "Feather in Our Cap" and help us to be the modern and forward thinking city that is our potential.

Online Create Your Own Park! map

January 17 to February 1, 2017

162 online map tool users

<https://www.edmonton.ca/dawsonparkmasterplan>

The online map tool provided a way for participants to complete the Create your own park! activity from home. People placed park amenities and comments on the map and were provided access to the environmental sensitivity analysis as a map layer for reference.

Tallies and counts of park amenities are included in the Phase 2 What We Heard Report. The following is a listing of the comments that were posted with park amenity options in the activity.



Connectivity and Circulation

XC-Ski trails and Skate Ski path
bike connection
there should be a bicycle link to the ravine here
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There should be a connection between the Chinese Garden / Louise McKinney Park and Dawson Park here. It is difficult to tell that Dawson Park even extends this far southwest.
There should be separate paths for walking versus cycling, so as to enable it to be a cycling corridor. Keeping pedestrians and DOGS out of the way of bicycles is important.
walking, cycling - shared trail. Limit mountain biking so as not to disturb too much habitat
Can we get back our single track trail?
hiking bike connection going under the bridge
No more widening of the few still existing paths.
The stairs and trail here need better maintenance.
There are some trails that have been used for years in this area to connect dawson through to the rest of the MB network of trails. These trails should be kept -- not just for visitors to dawson park but for the benefit of the whole city network.
Bus stop
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Existing trail
The golf course interferes with public access to the North aspect of Dawson Park, and with access to the Capilano bridge over the river. Return the golf course to natural parkland.
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Need stairs in this location, too far on human power otherwise. Feeds traffic from McCauley and Boyle, connects via 92 all the way to Alberta Avenue, Norwood and 118 ave.
There should be clearer signage to Kinnaird Ravine
hiking
Major entrance to the park with additional parking.

Identity and Experience

Create an Art Gallery by installing numerous large unique art sculptures that puts Edmonton on the map. This can be like an outdoor art gallery used a tourist attraction. For example, Chicago is famous for "The Bean". Edmonton has the opportunity to create such a space in this area as a link between the gathering space with Boat Launch and beach to the off leash park area
away from the road
There should be better signage to provide way-finding directions into Kinnaird ravine from Dawson Park.
Geologic info of these and other interesting geo-info
Remove the "cenotaph" located at the bend of jasper and 82 st and install a Dawson Park modern sign or something. It would define the area.
Gateway feature to the park
Currently signage look very out date and in desperate need for repair or replacement.

Nature and Ecology

Creek/ shore restoration and conservation along its length. Study water pollution in creek and water source. Keep/Improve viewing decks in ravine to reduce impact on ground. (i.e. enjoy creek without impacting creek shore)
preserve the river bank completely
The city should annex the golf course and turn it into a natural area.
conservation
Let the forest grow back here. This park needs more trees and shrubs of various kinds.

Do a study to find out where species currently live and where they access water. That will help determine where amenities should not be.
Please leave the banks of the river natural.
trees
Divert the spring under Commonwealth Stadium back into Kinnaird Ravine instead of Dawson (Rat Creek) storm sewer
More naturalized
Please leave Kinnaird Ravine as it is.
Ecological restauration along the river bank: More shrubs, native plants, trees.
This area needs ecological restauration. Sewer construction left its mark.
Ecological restoration of the south facing bank would be nice.
Please remove the black plastic fences that are still left along the river bank after the sewer construction.

Identity and Experience

We often have community groups bused in and its very difficult for maneuverability
Additional parking?
as little intrusion as possible. Picnic and/or playground
Bench
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Bridge beautification
Current shelter is sufficient for what is needed by users but seems out dated. It could be redesign with the same services but have direct and indirect improvement with regards to safety and the feeling of safety assurance.
Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club fills the existing lot 5 evenings a week.
Existing swing
Having a drinking fountain here is a good idea.
Having durable public washrooms here is a great idea.
I feel this is an ideal location due to its proximity to parking, the pavilion, and existing residential area. Possibly a natural playground.
Improve existing pavillion
Improve/expand parking to improve situation for residents
increase parking
Major entrance to the park with additional parking.
Multi-use boat house. Dragon boats, kayaks, canoes, outrigger canoes, emergency boats etc.
No art installations please
On Off Leash Dog Park - lots of room for dogs to run and play. Have nice benches/picnic tables for the owners to sit and enjoy as their dog runs and plays.
Patio
Skating Rink
something or nothing. one of the nicest spots in town.
Steep slope here where dog run into river
The amount of water activity has increased significantly. Creating a boat launch will turn the area into a water destination, especially if there is a public beach.
There are always individuals jogging in the valley. Perhaps enhance their experience by installing several exercise stations along the trail
water fountain, washroom, boat launch, but limited
Weather App Cam
weekend retreat for seniors, school kids. Drumming and fire
A few extra benches and garbage cans would be nice in the Kinnaird area. But I would hate to see too much development along this stretch of trail. It is a wonderful place as is to walk/run peacefully along the river. Too much "stuff" would change that atmosphere. Any playgrounds and large scale development should be limited to the Dawson area where the shelter already exists.

A Public Beach.
additional parking?
Based on summer activities and the steepness of the riverbank, this location seems ideal for a small promenade or stairway and dock.
Building
Have washrooms, water fountains etc. at the entrances to the park area.
Improve access for Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club/Public
Improve the current buildings and provide greater amenities to create a greater gathering space. Ex: playground, pavilions, public art etc
In favour of an offleash dog park from this location, up the path to the staircases out of Kinnaird Ravine / Rat Creek at 78th Street.
it would be great for the path in Kinnaird Ravine to be an off-leash park.
It would be great to have off leash dog park here with some benches and garbage receptacles
Park exercise equipment and public art. These can be spread out through the whole main trail system but within view of one another in order to encourage curiosity of what the next machine will involve. Great way to exercise when taking a break while walking, cycling or jogging.
Proper access for the water front. Current access in this location poorly engineering; in the form of wooden retaining walls.
Provide a more permanent boat launch/dock structure for public and private use.
Sliding hill
this is a great park for people to walk their dogs on and off leash. Being close to the river trails and the paths makes it perfect for a quiet walk away from heavy activity. I would not like to see this become a central spot for mountain biking. Cycling through a multi-use maintained trail is more suitable.
shore fishing
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Safety and Maintenance

safety signage
Improve lighting
there should be decorative lighting through out the path areas
More light
This area of the park is very STINKY and SMELLY, like sewage. Please eliminate this terrible smell.
Agreed - this area of the park smells very strongly of sewage, for large parts of the year. It would be great to do whatever needs to be done to eliminate the sewer odour here.
Clean Shoreline of Debris
Have a homeless program for this area
clean out woods
Lots of crime at this big shrub top of bank
Visibility to the river is very limited. Clear high brush
Increase visibility into ravine eyes on street
Reminder that ravine is ON-leash. The path is too narrow/curvy for off-leash safety for all users.
Clean shoreline of garbage
clean up debris

Trails

Perhaps another offpavement bike trail alongside the existing paved trail, to reduce biker/pedestrian encounters
A Paved bike path linking this area to the river valley would be nice
Stairs

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Allow current users the opportunity maintain the existing trails for mountain biking and trail running purposes throughout the park. Modifying trails into wider and more easily used paths, especially without consulting their current users, has not been an effective strategy in other areas and ignores the natural ruggedness of the river valley.
a well defined paved trail that bypasses the pavillion / shelter
A well defined, paved trail that bypasses the pavillion
walking trail
hiking
It would be nice to have a staircase down into the ravine from the north end of Kinnaird Bridge, and a path that meets up with the existing paths in Kinnaird Ravine / Rat Creek.
improved and safe access from jasper avenue. Currently, there is a dirty trail in the trees. Create an open and well lit stair case for individuals to use.
Ramp
Stairs
a path that permits travel from the top of the ridge to the trails below
Stairs - 10 foot drop

Emails

External stakeholders and members of the public wrote emails to the City regarding ideas and concerns for the Dawson Park and Kinnaird Ravine Master Plan during Phase 2 of engagement.

The following is a summary of the topics of discussion in these emails. We are taking this input into account as we work towards creating two concept options for the park that will be shared in Phase 3.



Email Topics

Email from external stakeholder discussing the presentation at the external stakeholder workshop and the ways in which the City of Edmonton is framing the Master Plan. The participant questioned the need for redevelopment and a possible bias towards development as opposed to preservation in the presentation and provided suggestions for future engagement.

Email from external stakeholder responding to the discussion of the presentation at the external stakeholder workshop and questioning the need for infrastructure and development in the River Valley as a response to increasing growth in surrounding neighbourhoods.

Email from external stakeholder questioning the need for upgrading infrastructure in the park and the need for investment in public education.

Email from external stakeholder with information on the history of the park, including mining activity and early settlement in Edmonton.

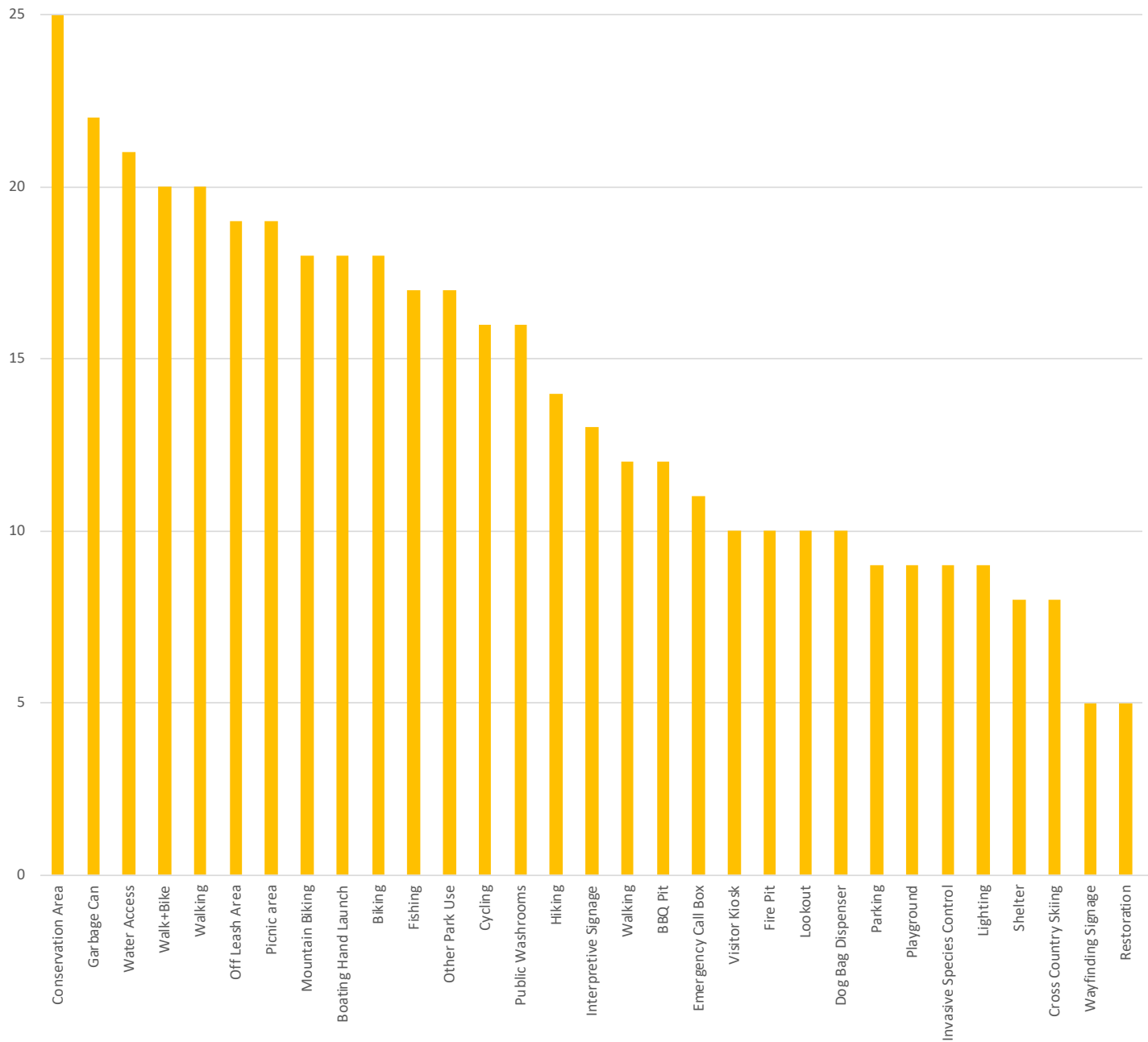
Email from external stakeholder with more information on park entrances, trails, circulation, avoiding conflict, viewpoints, the lack of slumpage on the River Valley Slopes, wildlife, picnic shelters, river access, social opportunities, homeless camping, garbage cans and off leash park use within the park. Also included were photographs of the park.

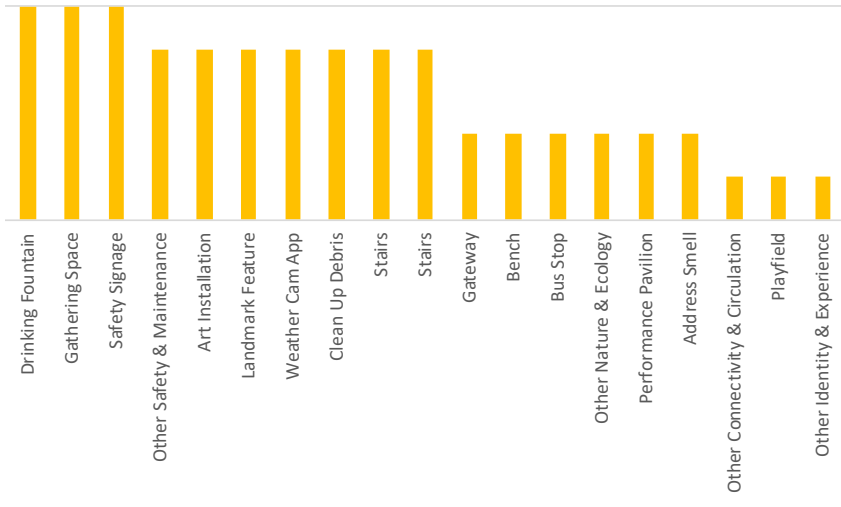
Email from a member of the public requesting the use of Kinnaird Ravine for a specific recreational activity (paragliding).

Email from a member of the public with information on the history of the Sewage Treatment Plant that was located in the park boundary.

Create your own park! Data

Below is the raw data for the total Create your own park! activity comments from the Open House, External Stakeholder workshop and Create your own park! online map.





Park Elements Data

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