

Couchiching Beach Park

Yr.Acquired 1897 / 1893 / 1900

Address: Terry Fox Circle
Current Classification: Community Park
Proposed Classification: Celebration
Size: 21.0 acres - 8.5 hectares

Context: Mixed Use
Overall Quality: Good
Function: Passive
Description: Waterfront Park

Couchiching Beach Park is part of a series of parks on the City's Lake Couchiching waterfront. It is a relatively large park with many amenities (i.e. boardwalk, outdoor theatre, pavilions, concessions, beach, washroom facilities,

drinking fountain, change rooms, outdoor skating rink, playground equipment, small scale train system, festival space, natural ice surfaces created on the lake in winter when ice thickness permits). Recent improvements include a washroom and concession building, refurbished pavilions, play equipment and stone dock abutment. It is recommended a master plan be undertaken for all three waterfront parks (Couchiching Beach, Centennial, Veteran's). The plan should include a splash pad for this park and improve all three parks' functionality and connection with the Downtown and the rest of the City. From this will come a determination of what replacements / improvements / revisions are required at the park. In the short term, health and safety issues should be addressed (repair unsafe sidewalks, replace play equipment at beach with new play equipment or splash pad).

Existing Facilities		
Type	Description	Overall Condition
Amenities (Qty)	Benches (66)	Fair
	Picnic Tables (48)	Fair
	Drinking Fountain (2)	Good
	Garbage Cans (28)	Fair
	Bike Rack (11)	Good
	Lighting (22)	Fair
	Monuments/Sculptures (4)	Good
	Water Fountains (4)	Fair/Poor
Athletic Fields	Sand Beach & Life Guard Stand	Good
	Festival Space	Fair
Circulation (LF)	Outdoor Ice Rink	N/A
	Pathways (2200)	Fair
	Boardwalk (560)	Fair
	Docks (230)	Good
Parking (Spaces)	Roads (1680)	Poor
Play Equipment	125	Good
	Jr/Sr Playsets (3)	Good/Poor
Structures	Climbing Rock	Good
	Pavilions (2)	Good
	Bandshell	Fair
	Aqua Theatre	Fair
	Atherley Junction Train Station	Good
	Train Warehouse	Fair
	Greenhouse	Poor
	Park Well #2 Bldg	Fair
Trees	Concessions (2) & Washroom Bldg	Good
	Many (Range in Ages)	Fair

Capital Improvements	
Items	Est. Cost
Sidewalk Repairs	\$25,000
Replace Beach Area Play Equipment	\$150,000
Waterfront Master Plan (in conjunction w/ Centennial & Veterans' Memorial Parks)	\$120,000
TOTAL	\$295,000

