

INFORMATION REQUEST

REQUESTED BY: Councillor Stevenson

TOPIC: Parks and Open Spaces - Woodside Tot Play Area 2026

DATE OF REQUEST: November 7, 2023

DATE OF RESPONSE: November 8, 2023

QUESTION:

Capital Profiles: Municipal RMR - Parks and Open Spaces downtown nature playground, intention to remove and not replace woodside tot in 2026, what does remove and replace landscape mean? Reducing play area?

Response

Currently there are two play areas at this location see below the one circled in red is the tot area and to the west is a junior size equipment play area. Both are scheduled for work in 2026



In the Recommended Corporate Plan for 2026, it has been identified to remove the sandbox area (tot area) which also has a small pieces of equipment children to play on. The removal will include

the current equipment found in the Tot site, and the area will be re-landscaped. The City is removing all sandbox structures currently found in city public areas and this is one of them.

The City will look at the adding a few smaller pieces of equipment in the area to the west (the junior play area) as it is getting redeveloped the same year for the use of younger children. This would mean an increase in the size of the area from what it is now.

Background

n/a

Financial Implications/Taxation Impact

As outlined in the Parks Rehabilitation capital profile in the 2024 - 2026 Recommended Corporate Plan on page 133.

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