

## THE COMMUNITY OF LENDRUM PLACE

### **PARK REDEVELOPMENT NEWS**

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#### **NOVEMBER 2017 UPDATE**

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for and donated to the October bottle drive. It raised \$1352 for this second phase of park redevelopment.

The total amount for the spray pad, furniture and shade shelter came in approximately \$50,000 over the City's budget estimates. We are pursuing the City for some answers as to how this amount could be off by so much and why we were not given the opportunity to choose to scale back or otherwise change project elements to mitigate this, but it means that the new shade shelter is not included in this phase. We will continue to work on this and get a new shelter as soon as possible.

The project is now paused due to the weather. The spray pad has been poured and spray features have been installed. The west and south areas of the project will be completed in Spring 2018. This means there is still an opportunity to get a name brick for the park! Order forms are at [http://www.lendrum.org/parkredevelopment\\_donatesupport.html](http://www.lendrum.org/parkredevelopment_donatesupport.html). The new deadline is March 1.

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#### **SEPTEMBER 2017 UPDATE**

The project is several weeks delayed but construction work is now underway. The project contract was awarded to Aspen Pride contracting. Spray decks typically take 8-12 weeks so much of it will (hopefully) be done in the fall and some will have to be finished in the early spring with the fencing remaining over the winter.

The delay has largely been due to the City's change in process for awarding bids, which has delayed all park projects.

Due to the project bids coming in approximately \$50,000 over the city's estimated amounts we are continuing our fundraising efforts with another bottle drive on Saturday, Oct 14. If you are available to help out with flyer delivery for the bottle drive or on the day of (9-10) please contact Julie Moehler at [juliamoehler@gmail.com](mailto:juliamoehler@gmail.com)

Thanks for all your support!




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## MAY 2017 UPDATE

The tender for our spray equipment is out and the Park Redevelopment Committee will meet with the City in a few weeks to evaluate the proposals and help choose the supplier. The City has changed its process and communities now only have a 15% say in the decision. Once the chosen proposal is finalized a second tender process to hire a contractor for the chosen design will begin, meaning that construction is slated to begin in July and finish at the end of September. Separate tenders for the new park furniture and new shelter will go out soon as well.

There will be another book sale during the Summer BBQ in support of the spray park on Sunday June 25 from noon – 4pm. Volunteers are needed Saturday June 24 from 6:30 – 8:30pm to set up, Sunday June 25 noon-4pm to sell books and freezies and from 4-5pm to clean-up and haul leftover books for donation. To volunteer please contact Carolyn at [carolynfenrich@gmail.com](mailto:carolynfenrich@gmail.com)

Thank you to all who donated and volunteered for the recent bottle drive. It brought in \$1750 for the spray park!

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## MARCH 2017 UPDATE

Thank you to all who have donated to the Spray Park Phase of the Park Redevelopment!

A bottle drive is planned for Saturday, April 29 so please keep your empties! If you are able to volunteer to deliver flyers before the drive or to pick up bottles on the day of please email Julie at [juliamoehler@gmail.com](mailto:juliamoehler@gmail.com)

Last call for Name Bricks! The form is available on the next page and also under Park Redevelopment at [lendrum.org](http://lendrum.org)

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## **JANUARY 2017 UPDATE**

Thank you to all who have donated to the Spray Park Phase of the Park Redevelopment! We've reached our goal and are promised a Summer 2017 build. Unfortunately, the City is currently changing its bid process for park development and this will mean that Spring builds are not possible this year. We are hopeful we will have a warm September so that we can potentially use our new spray park this year.

Fundraising will continue in the form of Name Brick sales until March 31. Forms are available under Park Redevelopment at [lendrum.org](http://lendrum.org)

We will also continue to hold bottle drives throughout the year so please watch for future details and save your bottles!

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## **NOVEMBER 2016 UPDATE**

Thank you to everyone who donated their recyclables to the October bottle drive. Together, we raised \$1529 for the spray park!

The funding deadline for the City is January 1, 2017. This is only seven weeks away! So begins our final push for tax-deductible charitable donations and name brick orders. If you have been thinking of donating or buying a brick now is the time!!

All charitable donations to this project over \$20 will receive a tax receipt. To receive a tax receipt, please make your donation cheques payable to 'The City of Edmonton' with 'Lendrum CL Parkland Redevelopment' in the memo line. The City prepares tax receipts annually. Cheques and forms can be dropped at 5807 113a Street or 5107 115 Street.

More than 30 bricks raising more than \$5,000 have been bought so far for many reasons: birthday gifts, in memory, celebrating original owners, to show support, etc. PearlAnn Reichwein's brick celebrates Lendrum's water park with the words of John Muir, a famous nature writer and founder of Sierra Club. He wrote: "Everyone needs beauty as well as bread. Places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul." Many thanks to PearlAnn and the many other brick supporters!

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## **SEPTEMBER 2016 UPDATE**

Many thanks to all who volunteered and donated to summer fundraising events. The bottle drive, garage sale, book sale, Canada Day BBQ and Summer Campout together brought in almost \$5,000 for the spray park project.

We have one more bottle drive for the spray park – Saturday, October 15. If you have a couple of hours to donate either that day or before delivering flyers please contact Julie at [juliamoehler@gmail.com](mailto:juliamoehler@gmail.com)

The committee has narrowed down the choices for our new shade shelter and will soon be starting to pick spray features. Construction is slated to begin in Spring 2017 once the weather warms up and should be finished in time to have some play time in the summer.

The City has increased the project cost from \$511,250 to \$529,250.00. We will continue to apply for grants. Brick sales also continue. Brick sales continue and forms can be downloaded from the Donate & Support Page of the Lendrum website. Cheques can be dropped at 5807 - 113A Street along with the required Brick Order Form.

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## **MAY 2016 UPDATE**

Lots of exciting news and happenings on the spray project!

Recently we were successful in obtaining a Community Facility Enhancement Program Grant for \$125,000.

Last weekend about 160 Lendrumites came out to St. John's to visit with friends and neighbours, support the project and bid on lots of great items and services from our amazing donors.

Many thanks to all who came out and who donated including Geoff Scott who donated his 50/50 winnings.

The evening brought in more than \$8000 for the spray park meaning the project is now 98% funded and leaving just over \$10,000 remaining to be fundraised by year end.

Brick sales continue and forms can be downloaded from the Donate & Support Page of the Lendrum website.

Volunteers are needed this summer for our other fundraising events. If you have an hour or two to give please email Allison at [playground@lendrum.org](mailto:playground@lendrum.org)

Saturday, May 28 Bottle Drive  
Saturday, June 4 Garage Sale  
Sunday, June 26 Book Sale  
Friday, July 1 BBQ & Beer Gardens at Bike Race

The Lendrum Garage Sale is on Saturday, June 4 from 9 to 4:30 PM. We are looking for donations to sell. Donated items can be dropped off at the Hall on Friday, June 3 from 6-8 PM. Please let us know if your items need a pickup!

The Book Sale to benefit the park will be part of the Summer BBQ on Sunday, June 26. Books can be dropped off the evening before from 6-8 PM. Please contact Jo at [jo\\_grelowski@hotmail.com](mailto:jo_grelowski@hotmail.com) with any questions or to volunteer.

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## **MARCH 2016 UPDATE**

Many thanks to all who have donated and volunteered on the park redevelopment project! We are getting close – the project is 72% funded. With the funding deadline less than one year away the kickoff

for our final summer of fundraising will be a Party for our Park & Silent Auction Saturday, April 23 from 7-9 pm at St. John's Church at 11111 57 Avenue. Tickets will be available at the door or from Christine. They are \$10 each (which includes snacks and one drink) and children are free. They will also be available at the AGM, where you will also find more info on the park redevelopment project.

It will be a fun night of socializing with plenty of items up for auction like gift cards, wine, children's music lessons, etc. If you have been thinking of buying a name brick this would be a good opportunity for that as well. We are still collecting items & services for bidding so if you have something to donate that would be much appreciated and we would be happy to either give you 2 free tickets to the auction or an ad in the newsletter if you wish. Contact Michaela at [Michaela.k@shaw.ca](mailto:Michaela.k@shaw.ca) if you have donations.

Bottle Drive will be Saturday, May 28 from 9 AM - 3 PM

The Lendrum Garage Sale will be Saturday, June 4 from 9 AM - 4:30 PM and we are looking for donations to sell. Items should be clean and in good repair: furniture, baby stuff, household items, craft supplies, games, tools, sports gear, etc. Donated items can be dropped off at the Hall on Friday, June 3 from 7-9 PM. Please let us know if your items need a pickup! Please contact Jo at [jo\\_grelowski@hotmail.com](mailto:jo_grelowski@hotmail.com) with any questions or to volunteer.

The Book Sale to benefit the park will be part of the Summer BBQ on Sunday, June 26. Books can be dropped off the evening before.

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## **JANUARY 2016 UPDATE**

We received an updated concept drawing and budget from the City for the Spray Park & new gazebo and with it comes the great news that our concept budget has been reduced from 605K to 516K!

We have also recently learned that unfortunately our application for the Alberta Blue Cross Healthy Communities Grant for 50K was unsuccessful. We will have one more shot at it next year. We expect to hear back on 200K worth of grants from the City and Government of Alberta this Spring and are applying for the Edmonton Foundation's Play Space grant for up to 20K next Spring. Barring any new applicable grant source, we are at the end of the grant writing process for this project and will now focus the 15 months remaining until our deadline on community fundraising and private donations.

Information and order forms for the name bricks that will be placed in Lendrum Park can be found at Donate & Support Cheques can be dropped at 5807 - 113A Street along with the required Brick Order Form.

Our next Bottle Drive is very soon – January 16!

Tickets for the Silent Auction will be available soon. If you have items to donate for auction please contact [michaela.k@shaw.ca](mailto:michaela.k@shaw.ca).

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## **NOVEMBER 2015 UPDATE**

The playground has now been officially open for more than a month and judging by the number of

children playing on it, it is a huge hit!

The playground grand opening on October 3rd, 2015, was a great success. Greetings and congratulations were brought from Lori Sigurdson (MLA for Edmonton Riverview and Minister of Advanced Education and Minister of Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour), Mayor Don Iveson and Councillor Michael Walters on behalf of the province and the city.

Joe Kostler brought greetings from the Alberta Recycling Management Authority, who helped to fund the amazing rubber surfacing.

The celebrations and BBQ saw Lendrum residents new and old come out to enjoy each other's company and check out the new playground. It was also an opportunity for everyone to brainstorm new ideas for Phase 2 of the redevelopment.

The final cost for the playground was \$403 904. Thanks again to everyone who made the playground and the event happen. Your contributions are what make our community so amazing.

## Lendrum gratefully acknowledges our playground funders



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### SEPTEMBER 2015 UPDATE

A new concept design and budget for rehabilitating the spray deck into a spray park and for a new gazebo are expected by the end of summer.

This Fall we will be applying for the Alberta Blue Cross Healthy Communities Grant of \$50,000 as well as

the City's Neighbourhood Park Development Program grant of \$75,000.

Other upcoming fundraising events include a Bottle Drive on Sept. 19 (Volunteers needed!) and a silent auction (details to come).

## **A LEGACY FOR LENDRUM**

Your name can become a permanent part of Lendrum's playground!

Personalized engraved bricks will be used to pave some of the park setting to create a lasting display of your support with your name displayed alongside those of your friends, neighbours, and community organizations.

4" x 8" bricks are \$100

8" x 8" bricks are \$500

Cheques can be dropped at 5807 - 113A Street along with the required Brick Order Form.

Or you can email Allison Nitchke at [playground@lendrum.org](mailto:playground@lendrum.org) to order your brick

This will be an ongoing fundraiser and bricks will be laid during Phase II.

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## **JULY 2015 UPDATE**

Construction Notice Lendrum Place Park - Playground redevelopment will take place from July 2015 to November 2015. During this time, the following amenities will be closed:

- Playground,
- Pathway from 57 Avenue/113B street
- Parking stalls at east end of lot

To report safety concerns, please call 311 or use the 311 mobile app.

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## **MAY 2015 UPDATE**

The committee would like to thank the community for its continued and generous support of the Lendrum Park Redevelopment project. After five years of hard work and planning we would like to say a huge thank you to:

Liz Ng, Peggy Folinsbee, Phillip Mingay, Paul Lamothe, Stew Carson, Heather Falkenstein and Rick Young.

The committee welcomes Christine Sanderman, Julie Moehler, Carolyn Fenrich, Karen Davison, Alanna Knopp and Michaela Kleinsasser!

Ron and Jo Grelowski, Gary Goulden, Erin Sawyer and Allison Nitchke are continuing on.

We have secured 78K (50K held by the City plus 28K from the Community League) of the 100K needed for the new gazebo, benches and picnic tables. A new sun-shade structure is required for our park. The City is holding the 50K for up to 3 years for this phase, therefore fundraising the remaining 22K will be

our priority.

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## **PLAYGROUND UPDATE – MARCH 2015**

### **Funding News**

The Playground Committee is very pleased to announce that we have unanimously agreed to a funding deal brokered by City of Edmonton Project Manager Michele Finn. We were awarded a \$250,000 Neighbourhood Park Development Program grant from the City last fall. We have decided to use \$200,000 of that grant this year for the playground, and \$50,000 sometime in the next 3 years for the park furniture and new gazebo development.

Currently, we are also awaiting official confirmation of an expected \$109,000 Community Facilities Enhancement Fund grant from the province. We have verbal confirmation of the amount from MLA Steve Young and he says he will look into the expected arrival date of the CFEP grant funds. We hope to have the CFEP funds in place by April 1st, or else it will delay construction. In the meantime, we have put the final touches on our playground design, which is being handled by Park N Play. The plan, once approved, will be unveiled to the community on the website and newsletter in the spring. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the community for their continued support.

### **Next Steps**

Mid-April: Equipment approvals all done and finalized (by committee and then the City)

Late June: City releases tenders

Mid-July: Construction

September: Playground's Grand Opening

\*\*Timelines are best-case-scenario and if one process is delayed, the entire project schedule will also be delayed. \*\*

## **Park Redevelopment Phase II**

Planning and fundraising continues for the next phase of the park redevelopment project! Most committee members have been working for five years and new members are needed to continue the project.

For more information please email Allison Nitchke at [playground@lendrum.org](mailto:playground@lendrum.org)

Fundraising efforts continue so we can finish the park redevelopment project!

Cheques can be dropped off at 5807 - 113A Street. Thank you for your support!

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## **PLAYGROUND UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 2014**

### **Funding News**

Continued thanks to the community of Lendrum for your support! We had a great time at the Canada Day Bike Race, the Community Book and Garage Sale and the Summer Camp Out. Please keep an eye out for our upcoming fall bottle drive and other chances to support us as we enter the final months of



our fundraising efforts

We have been conditionally approved for the first of our two big matching grants – a \$250,000 grant (the maximum offered) from the Neighbourhood Parks and Development Program from the City of Edmonton. It is conditional upon approval during City of Edmonton budget approvals later this year. We have also received a \$6,000 grant from the Edmonton Community Foundation's Play Spaces Program and are in the midst of writing several other grants to support this project.

We are hoping for our next big matching grant – from the provincial government's Community Facilities Enhancement Program – to be approved early next year. We have asked for a \$125,000 grant. As far as we understand it, the decision is influenced in part by our MLA Steve Young. If you have a moment and feel so inclined, please let him know we need his support! His email is [edmonton.riverview@assembly.ab.ca](mailto:edmonton.riverview@assembly.ab.ca), or you can even Tweet him at @SteveYoungMLA

## **Project News**

Based on information and advice from the City of Edmonton, the Committee has made the decision to break the project into two phases: Phase One being the playground, Phase Two being the spray park. The City estimates that the redevelopment of the playground and some of the surrounding landscape will cost \$497,000. The spray park is estimated to cost another \$422,000, largely because of site preparation, plumbing and concrete costs.

The current committee decided to do a better and more thorough job of redeveloping the playground and will leave the spray park redevelopment for a later date. You may have noticed that the spray nozzles on the current spray park have been fixed and have been working well to provide misty fun all summer. The current "tot playground" will also be left in place.

We will be choosing playground suppliers to submit project proposals soon and will meet with them later this year to have them present their proposals. Thanks to everyone who gave us feedback on what their kids want and love in a playground. We will let you know when a supplier has been chosen and will hold an open house to let the chosen supplier meet our community and get feedback, likely early in the new year

The current timeline has us starting playground construction (fingers and toes crossed) during the summer of 2015, and will hopefully be done later in the fall.

We truly appreciate your support!

Last update: November 2017