FRASER MILLS PUBLIC AMENITIES

Welcome!

We are moving forward with planning and development of the public amenities for the future Fraser Mills neighbourhood and we are looking for your feedback.

These amenities will create a unique destination in Coquitlam and will include:

- A community centre
- Parks
- Public art

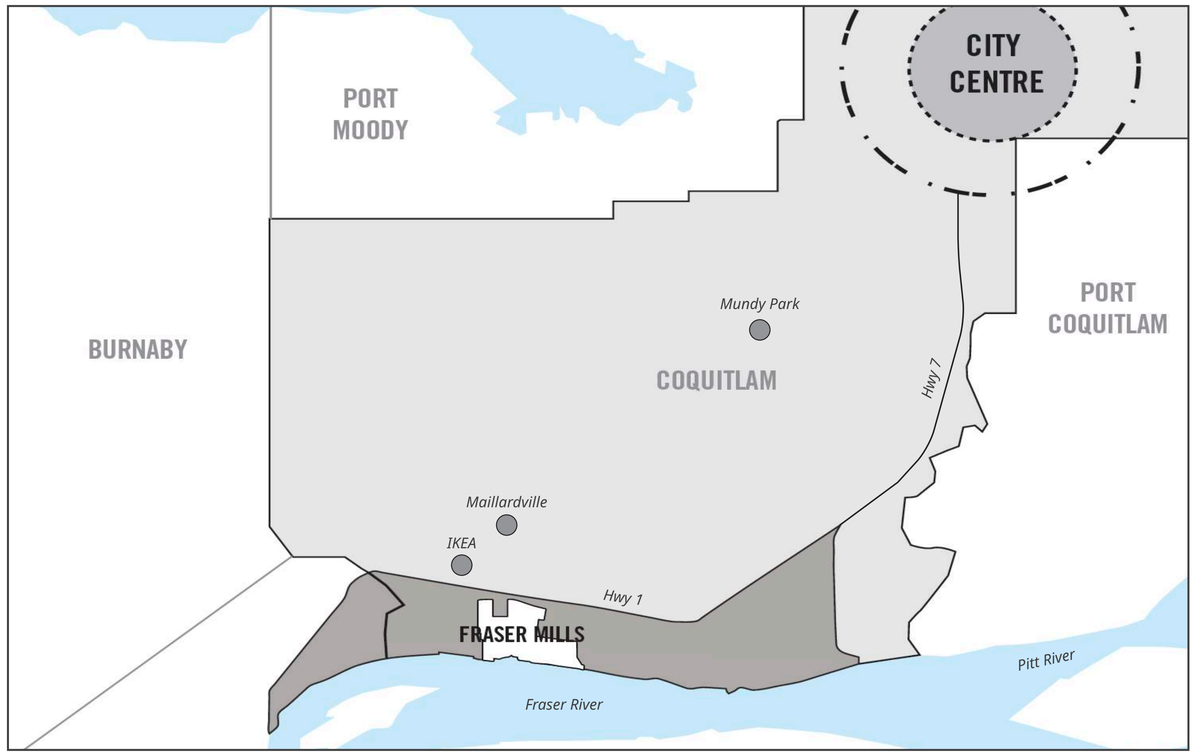
The 'Waterfront Village Centre Neighbourhood Plan', approved by Council in 2022, establishes the land uses and planning policy for the 91.5 acre site. The neighbourhood will include:

- 5,500 residential units
- Office space
- 9,253 sq. m. (99,600sq. ft.) of retail and commercial
- 4.7 hectares (11.5 acres) of park land
- 2.1 hectares (5.1 acres) of restored natural area
- A 4,645 sq. m. (50,000 sq. ft.) community centre on a 1.5-acre parcel land

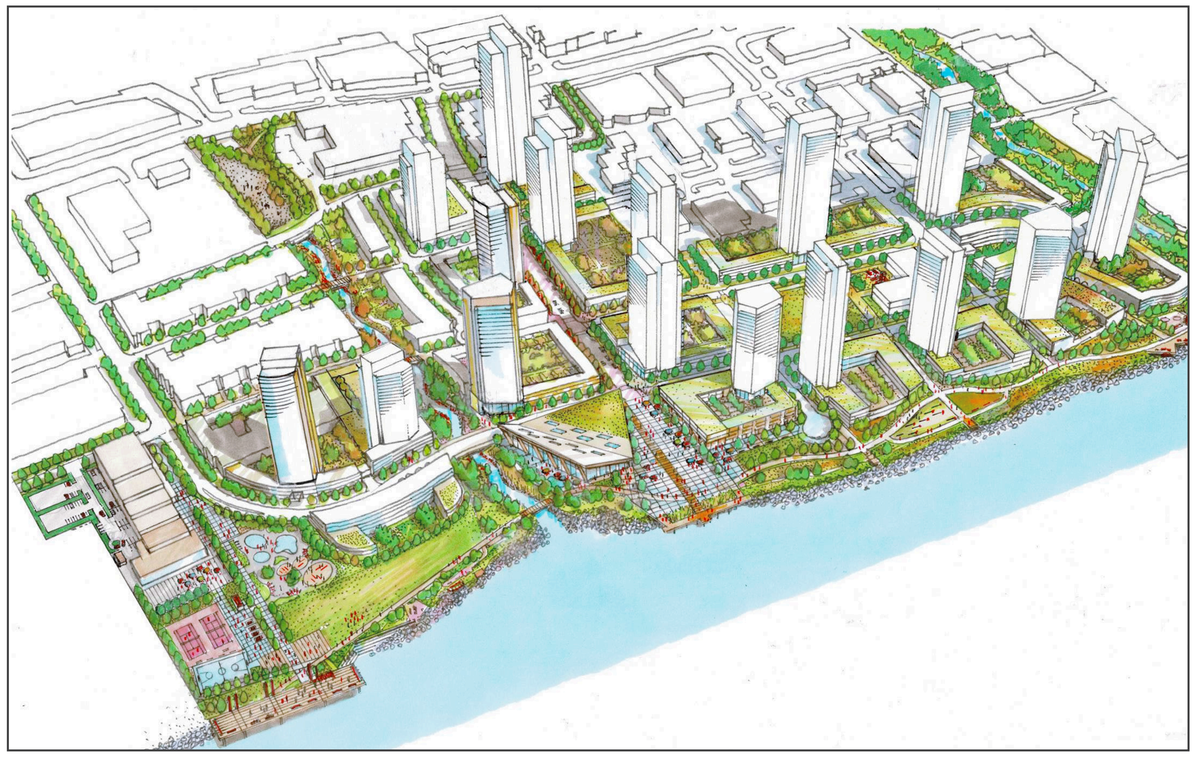
How to get involved?

- Read the materials
- Ask questions
- Complete the survey at: LetsTalkCoquitlam.ca/FraserMills

Your feedback will be balanced with technical studies, available budget, and other City plans and strategies to help create these future amenities.



Fraser Mills Site



Waterfront Village Centre Neighbourhood Plan, approved by Council 2022

Fraser Mills is located within kʷikʷəƛ̓əm First Nation's traditional and ancestral territory.
This is an important opportunity for the City and its partners to continue to demonstrate a commitment to advancing reconciliation through ongoing engagement and collaboration with kʷikʷəƛ̓əm representatives.

FRASER MILLS

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OVERVIEW & CONTEXT

ACTIVITY!

Tell us where you are coming from. Place a dot where you live.

Community Centre + 50m Pool

Community Centre

Community & Aquatic Centre

Outdoor Aquatics

Do you live outside this map?

Write the name of your community here!

FRASER MILLS

ACTIVITIES + DESIGN APPROACH

Fraser Mills Park is envisioned as a premier waterfront destination

It includes five distinct components that will work together to create a waterfront promenade with green spaces and places to relax and socialize:

1. Riverfront Park
2. Historic Como Creek Greenway
3. Community Centre + Urban Plaza
4. Riverside Linear Park
5. Entry Plaza + Dog Park

Our Commitment to the Environment

The park design prioritizes ecological diversity, rainwater management best practices, and climate adaptability, with thriving natural systems that evolve seasonally and celebrate the presence of the river and the regional climate. Fraser Mills Park will provide a space for the community to deepen their relationships with neighbors and the natural world alike

KEY PLAN

1. RIVERFRONT PARK

A destination park for the City of Coquitlam, **Riverfront Park** will be a key activity hub with active and passive activities including:

- Children's playground
- Water play area
- Multi-use sport courts
- Washroom facilities
- Multi-use trail loops
- Viewing and seating areas
- Open lawn
- Planted areas
- Public art and interpretive artifacts

Fraser Mills Wharf, in construction through 2024, will be updated to provide seating and viewing opportunities along the Fraser River.

2. COMO CREEK

In construction through 2024, **Historic Como Creek Greenway** connects Riverfront Park to the northern Entry Plaza and Dog Park and includes:

- Pedestrian and cyclist paths with bridge crossings
- Benches + lighting
- Restored habitat and naturalized planting
- Stormwater collection, infiltration and treatment

3. COMMUNITY CENTRE + URBAN PLAZA

Nestled at the heart of the waterfront and anchored by the **Community Centre**, the **Urban Plaza** will become a focal point of public life within Fraser Mills. This central space will accommodate a cohesive indoor-outdoor environment connecting the Community Centre programming with a lively outdoor plaza for public events and activities including:

- Flexible spaces to accommodate farmer's markets, buskers, food truck vendors
- Performance area for special events and festivals
- Seating areas

Along the waterfront, the **Fraser Mills Pier** includes:

- Seating and viewing opportunities to the River
- Public art and interpretive panels

4. RIVERSIDE LINEAR PARK

Riverside Linear Park provides a generous greenspace corridor along the bank of the Fraser River, extending across Como Creek and linking to an existing trail system beyond. The park design includes:

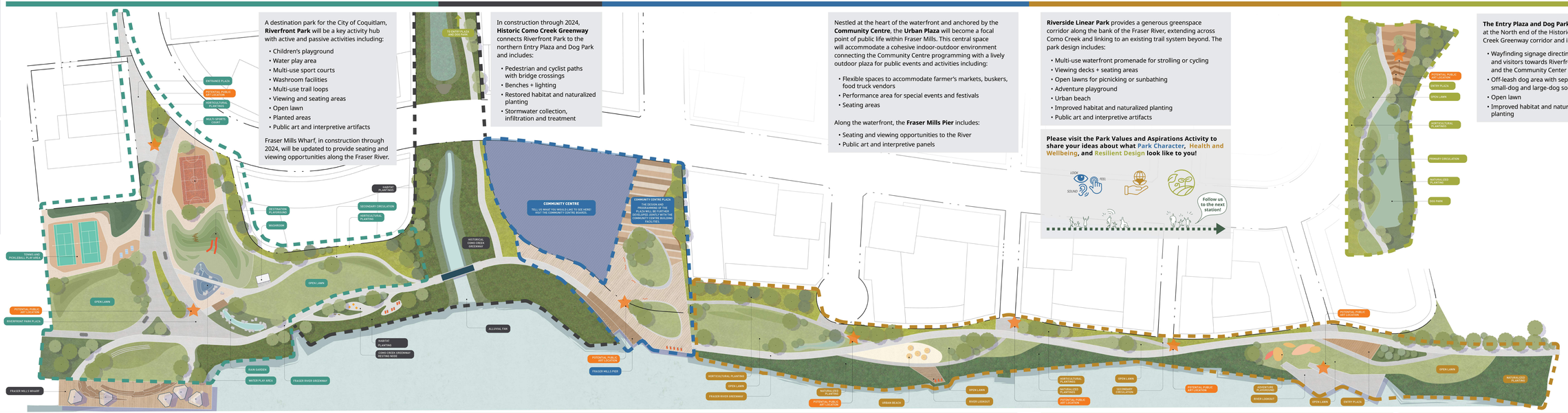
- Multi-use waterfront promenade for strolling or cycling
- Viewing decks + seating areas
- Open lawns for picnicking or sunbathing
- Adventure playground
- Urban beach
- Improved habitat and naturalized planting
- Public art and interpretive artifacts

Please visit the Park Values and Aspirations Activity to share your ideas about what Park Character, Health and Wellbeing, and Resilient Design look like to you!

5. ENTRY PLAZA + DOG PARK

The Entry Plaza and Dog Park is located at the North end of the Historic Como Creek Greenway corridor and includes:

- Wayfinding signage directing residents and visitors towards Riverfront Park and the Community Center
- Off-leash dog area with separated small-dog and large-dog social spaces
- Open lawn
- Improved habitat and naturalized planting



RIVERFRONT PARK - EXAMPLE PHOTOS

COMMUNITY CENTRE + URBAN PLAZA - EXAMPLE PHOTOS

RIVERSIDE LINEAR PARK - EXAMPLE PHOTOS

ENTRY PLAZA + DOG PARK - EXAMPLE PHOTOS

PARK VALUES + ASPIRATIONS

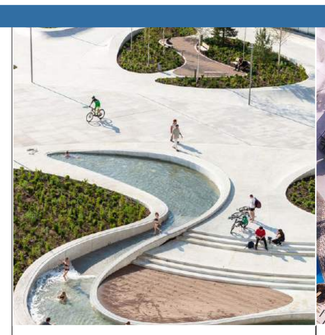
ACTIVITY!

A PARK VISION FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Choose your top 3 initiatives in each category that you feel are most important for the current and the future generations of Fraser Mills Park!

PARK CHARACTER

Envisioned as a premier riverfront destination, the Park will be a special place for the Community. It is important that the character of the place feels right to the people who visit it and reflects the unique natural environment of the Fraser River.



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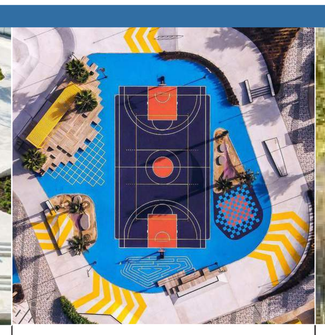

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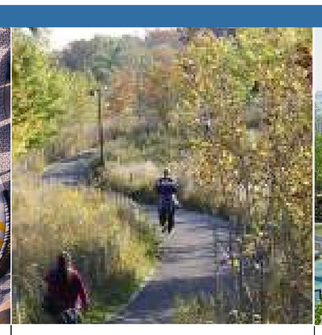

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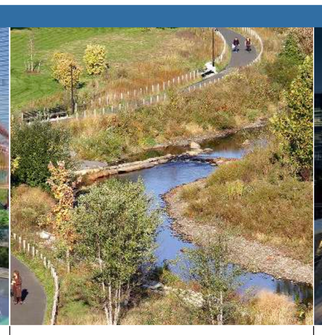

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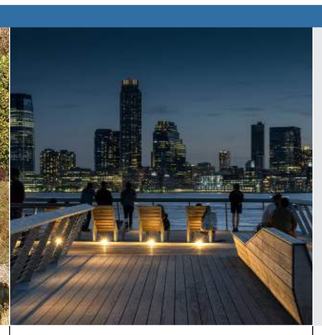

SUBTLE & TIMELESS

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OTHER

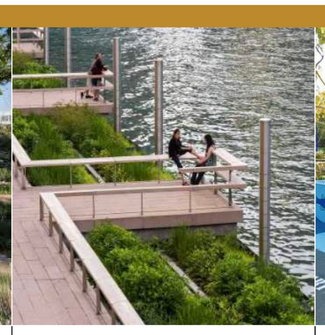
USE DOTS

YOUR IDEA

HEALTH & WELLBEING

The Park will be a place to foster health and wellbeing amongst community members, through facilitating a deep connection to the natural world, and creating diverse spaces that encourage social interactions, moments of stillness, and energized activity.

MULTI-USE TRAILS

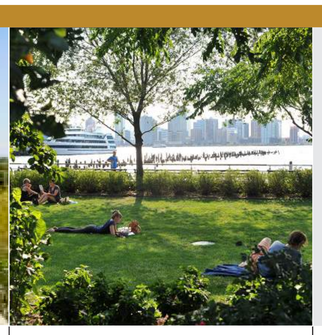


RESTING NODES ALONG THE RIVER

ALL AGES EXERCISE AREAS/ GATHERING SPACES

COOLING STATIONS (SHADE/ SHELTER FROM THE HEAT)

INCLUSIVE & ACCESSIBLE PLAY



FLEXIBLE LAWN AREA/ CONNECTION TO NATURE

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OTHER

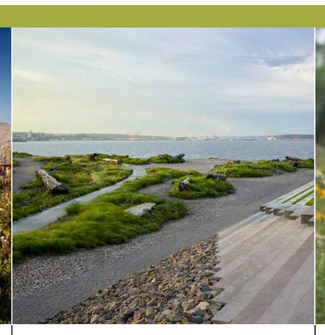
USE DOTS

YOUR IDEA

RESILIENT DESIGN

A project goal for Fraser Mills Park is to demonstrate leadership and innovation in sustainability. To create and commit to bold and measurable goals, to ensure the project is held to a high standard of design resiliency and sustainability from the beginning.

RESTORE SITE BIODIVERSITY



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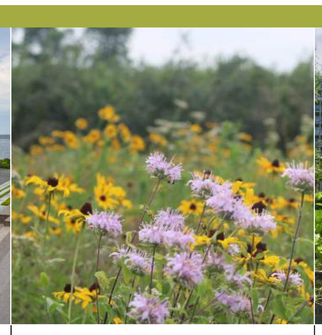
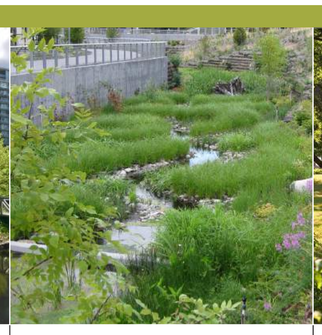
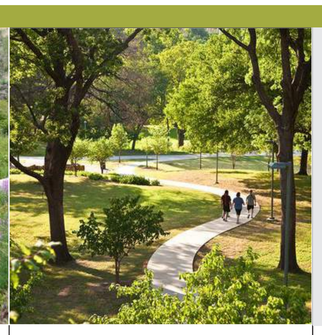


INCREASE POLLINATOR HABITAT

REDUCE CARBON FOOTPRINT (I.E. REPURPOSED MATERIALS)



FILTER & TREAT STORMWATER



INCREASE TREE CANOPY

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OTHER

USE DOTS

YOUR IDEA

COMMUNITY CENTRE ATTRIBUTES

We've identified four key categories that shape the future
Fraser Mills Community Centre:

Activities

This Community Centre will be approximately 50,000 sf and include an aquatic facility and a variety of fitness and recreation amenities.

Community centres are places where people come together to participate in activities they enjoy. These activities come in many forms, whether it's socializing, learning, getting fit, or simply just having fun.

Character

The new Community Centre will be a landmark for the Fraser Mills neighbourhood and for the wider community.

Character is the feel and presence of a place. There are many ways that a building's character could be expressed. The new Community Centre will be a landmark for the Fraser Mills neighbourhood and for the wider Coquitlam community.

Health & Wellbeing

This facility will be targeting a Rick Hansen Foundation Accessibility Gold Certification, a holistic and people-focused accessibility framework.

The Fraser Mills Community Centre will be a source of health and happiness for all. Designing inclusive and accessible spaces is a major aspect of this work.

Sustainability

Fraser Mills has adopted community-wide climate action principles, habitat restoration, water retention, and energy consumption standards.

Sustainability is a key aspect of this project. We are committed to designing with the future health of our planet in mind, and we look to implement responsible and forward-thinking practices wherever possible.

COMMUNITY CENTRE VALUES & ASPIRATIONS

ACTIVITY!

Place dots by the top three words per category that you consider important to this facility.

What makes you excited about community **activities**?

- Creating things
- Participating in Sport
- Flexibility
- Getting fit
- Learning
- Socializing & Having Fun
- Relaxing
- No Opinion
- Other? Please Specify...

How do you envision the **character** of the building?

- Dignified & Strong
- Elegant & Classic
- Modest & Simple
- Colourful & Warm
- Transparent & Light
- Subtle & Hidden
- Unique & Inspirational
- No Opinion
- Other? Please Specify...

What is important for your **health & wellbeing?**

- Barrier-free design
- Connection to nature
- Educational opportunities
- Gender neutral spaces
- Community Support
- Physical Therapy/Rehabilitation
- Play
- No Opinion
- Other? Please Specify...

What does **sustainability** mean to you?

- Conservation (i.e., minimizing impact on the environment & wasteful resources use)
- Efficient (i.e., minimizing the use of energy and/or resources, without compromising functionality)
- Local (i.e., sourcing materials, goods & services locally)
- Renewable (i.e., relying on renewable materials & energy sources)
- Resilient (i.e., ability to adapt to changing conditions, especially natural disasters & climate related events)
- Carbon-neutral (i.e., construction and/or operations that limit, offset, or eliminate as much carbon as they produce)
- Active mobility (i.e., moving to, from and within the facility using modes of transportation like walking and cycling)
- No Opinion
- Other? Please Specify...

YOUR IDEA

FRASER MILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

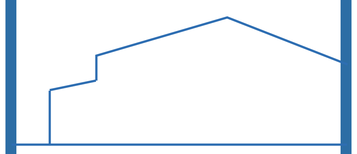
EXISTING COMMUNITY FACILITIES + AMENITIES

ACTIVITY!

Place a dot on the community facility and amenities you use the most.

*Please see Board #8 **"A Community Centre Provides Many Amenities"** for more information on amenities.

Other Facilities



- Other? Please Specify

Poirier Sport + Leisure Complex

- Diving Boards
- Fitness Centre
- Fitness Track
- Lap Pool
- Leisure Pool
- Multi-purpose Room
- Steam / Sauna (Therapy)
- Hot Pool
- Open Social Spaces

City Centre Aquatic Complex

- Fitness Centre
- Lap Pool
- Steam / Sauna (Therapy)
- Wave Pool
- Hot Pool
- Open Social Spaces

Bettie Allard YMCA

- Family Centre
- Fitness Studio
- Gymnasium
- Multi-purpose Room
- Lap Pool
- Leisure Pool
- Open Social Spaces

Maillardville Community Centre

- Fitness Studio
- Gymnasium
- Meeting Rooms
- Multi-purpose Room
- Seniors Lounge
- Youth Lounge
- Open Social Spaces

Port Coquitlam Community Centre

- Gymnasium
- Lap Pool
- Leisure Pool
- Multi-purpose Rooms
- Steam / Sauna / Hot Pool (Therapy)
- Fitness Centre
- Open Social Spaces

FRASER MILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

A COMMUNITY CENTRE PROVIDES MANY AMENITIES 8

The future Fraser Mills Community Centre will be a 50,000 ft^2 facility that will support a range of recreational programming based around aquatics, fitness, and community. We would like to know how to best support your recreational needs. Let us know on the next board.

Aquatics

Aquatic amenities cater to a diverse range of activities and provide a variety of health and wellness benefits for the entire community. Lane swimming, family water play, swimming lessons, soaking in a hot tub, and relaxing in a sauna room can all be part of a robust multi-generational facility.

Lap Swimming

Family Swim

Hot Pool

Fitness

Fitness amenities provide spaces to play, exercise, and socialize. Spaces such as gymnasiums, fitness centres and fitness atudios can accommodate an array of structured and unstructured physical activities to suit the community needs.

Gymnasium

Fitness Centre

Fitness Studio

Community

Community programs provide opportunities for social gatherings, skills development, sharing of stories and cultural exchange between people of diverse backgrounds.

Open Social Spaces

Indoor-Outdoor Connection

Family Centre

Seniors Lounge

Multi-purpose Rooms

Arts & Crafts Room

FRASER MILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

IMAGINING FRASER MILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

ACTIVITY!

Place a dot by the top 3 activities that would bring you to Fraser Mills.

FRASER MILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE

What is Public Art?

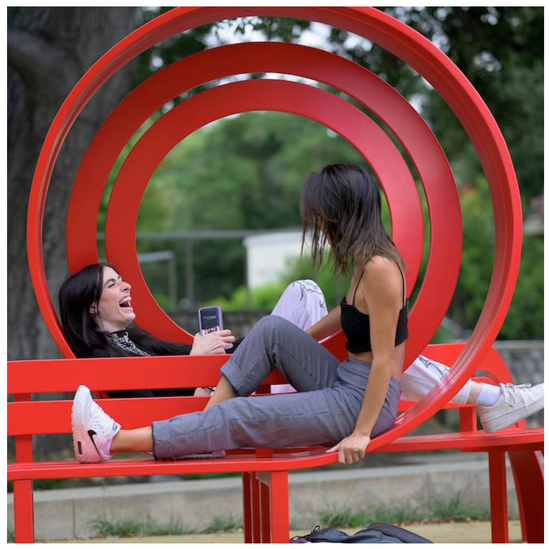
Public art refers to creative works, installations or interventions that are intentionally integrated into the public realm. It plays a vital role in helping to build complete communities, engage with our surroundings in diverse ways, and instill a meaningful sense of place for residents and visitors alike.

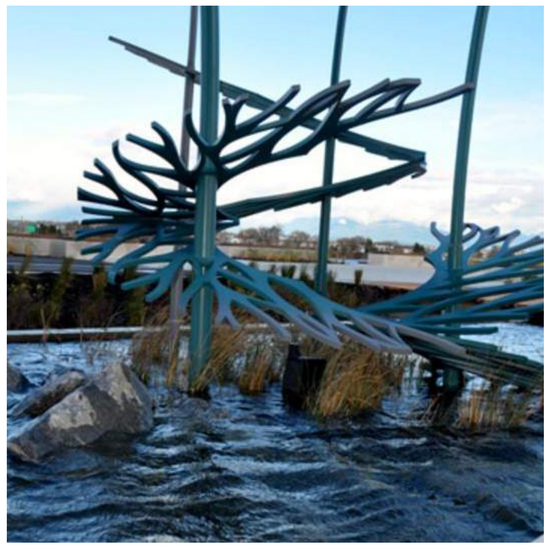
Any public art at Fraser Mills will align with the City's public art policy.

Common forms of public art include:

- Murals
- Sculptures
- Decorative signage and wayfinding
- Digital art installations
- Functional art (e.g., seating, lighting)
- Landscape features (e.g., artwork integrated into landscape and aquatic features)
- Architectural interventions (e.g., artwork integrated into a building façade)
- Interactive art (e.g., through touch, movement, sound, etc.)

Please note: Engagement and collaboration with kʷikʷəƛ̓əm First Nation will play a significant role in establishing the arts and cultural components of the Fraser Mills neighbourhood. There is a separate but complimentary process taking place to help establish those.





Top left: Nathan Lee, The Lost Cows of Lillooet, North Vancouver, BC
Top right: Jeppe Hein, Modified Social Benches, 2015. New York
Bottom left: Susan Point and Thomas Cannell, Salish Fish Trap, 2014. Richmond BC
Bottom right: James Harry, Blue Mussel, 2023. Port Moody BC

Public art has the power to punctuate everyday environments, energize public space & inspire community participation

PUBLIC ART VALUES + ASPIRATIONS

ACTIVITY!

Guiding Principles

The proposed guiding principles for public art at Fraser Mills are:

- Thoughtfully consider the local historical, social, cultural, and community contexts
- Offer public accessibility and visibility, with multiple opportunities for engagement
- Strive for excellence and implement best practice in contemporary art
- Consider public safety, long-term maintenance, and longevity of artwork

To what extent do you agree with the proposed guiding principles for public art at Fraser Mills?

Agree	
Somewhat agree	
Neither agree nor disagree	
Somewhat disagree	
Disagree	

USE A DOT

Anything you would like to add to your answer?

YOUR IDEA

Objectives

The proposed objectives for public art are:

- To feature a diverse collection of public art with a range of approach, form and media
- To provide a cohesive narrative through the site in the form of a "Public Art Walk"
- To connect key social gathering places & nodes, main pedestrian & cycle routes
- To speak to diverse multi-generational and multicultural audiences
- To foster inclusivity, dialogue and social connectivity
- To offer unique wayfinding and placemaking qualities

To what extent do you agree with the proposed objectives for public art at Fraser Mills?

Agree	
Somewhat agree	
Neither agree nor disagree	
Somewhat disagree	
Disagree	

USE A DOT

Anything you would like to add to your answer?

YOUR IDEA

Themes

The following are proposed themes to explore through public art in the Fraser Mills neighbourhood.

- Culture: Multicultural Communities; Ties to Maillardville; Cultural elements of the area
- Industry: The Largest Sawmill in the British Empire; Technology and Industry on the Fraser River; Life in a Company Town
- Nature: Connection to the Environment, Natural Heritage and Relationship with the Fraser River

Which of the themes do you connect with most?

Culture	
Industry	
Nature	

USE A DOT

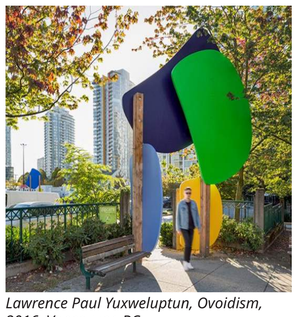
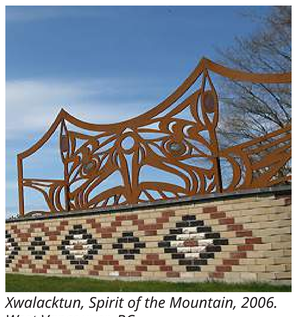
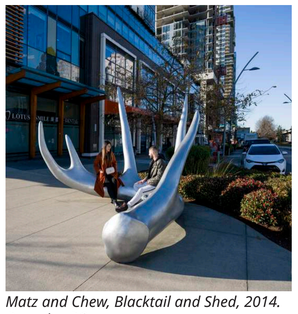
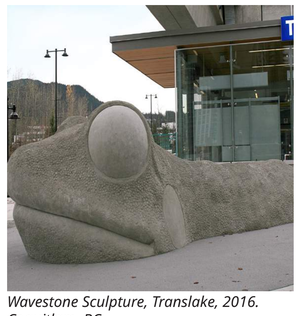
Anything you would like to add to your answer?

YOUR IDEA

PUBLIC ART VALUES + ASPIRATIONS CONTINUED

ACTIVITY!

Place a dot next to the top 3 types of artwork that you would like to see in the future Fraser Mills neighbourhood.

	Signature Sculpture	Sculpture Series	Functional Artwork	Integrated Artwork	Light Based Artwork
Playful and Fun	*Myfanwy MacLeod, The Birds, 2010. Vancouver, BC.*	*Devon Knowles, Lilly Tree, 2021. Richmond, BC.*	*Jeppe Hein, Modified Social Benches, 2015. New York, NY.*	*Jennifer Marman and Daniel Borins, Salmon Run, 2021. Port Moody, BC.*	*Caitlind Brown and Wayne Garret, Cloud, 2012. Calgary, AB.*
Colorful	*Inges Idee, Raindrop, 2009. Vancouver, BC.*	*Sanaz Mazinani, Rolling Reflection, 2020. San Francisco, CA.*	 *Lawrence Paul Yuxweluptun, Ovoidism, 2016. Vancouver, BC.*	*Debra Sparrow, Blanketing the City, 2019. Vancouver, BC.*	*Don Corson Sonic Bloom, 2013. Seattle, Washington.*
Learning	 *Xwalacktun, Spirit of the Mountain, 2006. West Vancouver, BC.*	*OH! Science World Public Light Control, 2018. Vancouver, BC.*	*Cameron Keer, Large Ship Dock Cleat. North Vancouver, BC.*	*Lucien Durey, The Bird Carver, 2020. Kelowna, BC.*	*Germaine Koh, GroundWaterSeaLevel, 2014. North Vancouver, BC.*
Nature and Environment	*Douglas Coupland, Golden Tree, 2016. Vancouver, BC.*	*Eric Robertson, Boral Arch, 2005. North Vancouver, BC.*	 *Matz and Chew, Blacktail and Shed, 2014. Burnaby, BC.*	 *Wavestone Sculpture, Translake, 2016. Coquitlam, BC.*	*James Harry, LHEW'QUM, 2023. Port Moody, BC.*
Wellness and Wellbeing	*Brandon Gabriel, səmiq̓ʷəʔeɬə kʷθə šxʷhəliʔ (Spirit of the Great Blue Heron), 2021. Red Fish Healing Centre, Coquitlam, BC.*	*Myfanwy MacLeod and Shannon Oksanen, Playtime (The Magic Stones), 2016. Vancouver, BC.*	*Marianne Nicholson The Land is a Person, 2012. North Vancouver, BC.*	*Leku Studio, Superilla Sant Antoni, 2019. Barcelona, Spain.*	*James Tapscott, Arc Zero - Nimbus, 2017. Omachi, Japan.*

USE DOTS

FRASER MILLS PUBLIC ART

SEASONAL STORIES WITHIN FRASER MILLS COMMUNITY + PARK

ACTIVITY!

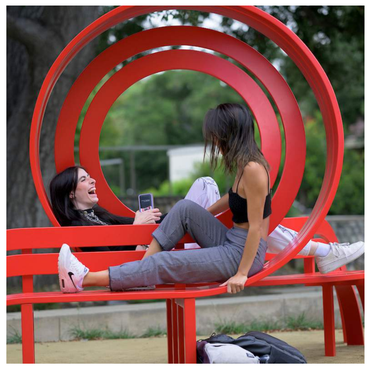
What seasonal events, activities, or environmental patterns would you like to see or do in the park? Add missing events, activities and environmental patterns to the board!

	SPRING	SUMMER	AUTUMN	WINTER
Special Events and Seasonal Programming What recreation activities are you doing? What are you celebrating? What events are you attending? Are they indoors, outdoors, or both?	MARCH BREAK CAMPS EARTH DAY FARMERS MARKETS START	NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY - Spring foraging - Baseball starts - My favourite flower blooms SUMMER CAMPS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE	BACK TO SCHOOL KALEIDOSCOPE ARTS FESTIVAL FARMERS MARKETS END	SEASONAL LIGHTS
Flora What are the plants doing?	TREES ARE BUDDING SEE THE MAPLES FLOWERING	NOOTKA ROSE FLOWERS GOLDEN ROD BLOOMS	LEAVES ARE FALLING ASTERS BLOOMS FALL BERRIES ARE RIPE - Ilex	FALL BERRIES ARE RIPE - Salal TREES ARE BARE GOOSEBERRIES START TO FLOWER THE FIRST SNOWBELLS SPRING UP
Fauna What are the animals doing?	KINGFISHERS DIVING FOR FISH BLUE HERONS PERCHED ON RIVERSIDE BRANCHES	ZIPPING HUMMINGBIRDS POLLINATORS ARE BUZZING	- Cougars begin to come down the mountain to lower elevation habitat. EAGLES DIVING FOR SALMON IN THE RIVER	SONG SPARROW SINGS AND EATS FALL BERRIES BEARS GO INTO HIBERNATION DEERS ARE RUCKING (mating) COYOTES ARE MATING
River Ecology What are the fish doing? How does the water flow? How does the river change?	EULACHON (smelt) SPAWNING FRESHET - Flooding from seasonal snow melt INCREASE IN STURGEON	INCREASE IN STURGEON	CHINOOK, SOCKEYE, & PINK SALMON TRAVEL UP FRASER TO SPAWN IN TRIBUTARIES	COHO & CHUM SALMON TRAVEL UP FRASER TO SPAWN IN TRIBUTARIES LOW RIVER FLOW & WATER LEVELS
Weather and Climate What does the air feel like? How does the weather effect the local ecology?	PRECIPITATION 99mm TEMPERATURE 8.3˚C WILD FIRE SEASON BEGINS	19.0˚C 20mm	118mm 10.7˚C WILD FIRE SEASON ENDS	152mm PRECIPITATION TEMPERATURE 8.3˚C

FRASER MILLS PARK

Stay Involved!

- Attend one of our Open Houses:
  - Tuesday, February 27th from 4 - 7 p.m. at Poirier Sports and Leisure Complex
  - Sunday, March 3rd from 4 - 7 p.m. at the Mundy Park Fieldhouse
- Find us at a pop-up event:
  - Thursday, February 22nd from 5 - 8 p.m. at City Centre Aquatic Complex
  - Thursday, February 29th from 5 - 8 p.m. at Poirier Sports and Leisure Complex
- Email the project address with any questions: frasermills@coquitlam.ca
- Complete the community survey online at LetsTalkCoquitlam.ca/FraserMills or scan the QR code below.



Project Timeline

1. ***We are here!***
   Planning and Design of Parks, Community Centre and Public Art
   2023 - 2027
2. Construction of Urban Plaza, Fraser Mills Pier
   2023 - 2030
3. Construction of Community Centre
   2027 - 2030
4. Construction of Riverside Linear Park
   2033