

# Centennial Area Structure Plan (ASP)

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Community Open House Summary  
March 12, 2015

## 1.0 Please read the draft Centennial Area Structure Plan Vision.

### Your Thoughts?

- Ensure appropriate access to the 10 ac parcel from the North.

### Does the vision reflect your interests? Is there anything you would add or change?

- No comments listed

## 2.0 Overall Area Structure Plan project site: Current Challenges

### What are the recreational and commercial challenges that need to be considered in the overall plan?

- Timing of installation of the Traffic lights at Palisades Way + Sherwood Drive
- Parking & park access
  - Current access is hard to see & will not support new development
- Proximity of ball diamonds to facilities
- User group storage facilities
- Traffic light Sherwood Drive & Palisades – Safety issue to increased volume traffic  
E.g. More Ball Diamonds, the opening of the Hwy 16/Sherwood Drive Overpass and increase of area residential traffic
- Ball Facilities capable of hosting national level events
- Diversity of uses
- Meeting the needs of a large portion of the community
- More trails
- Restroom access for park users
- Traffic lights are required. Speeding is an issue inside the park. Unsafe. Roads need some re-engineering and to be paved to reduce dust
- Egress: How will it affect Egress into Palisades of Sherwood Drive that is already a nightmare?  
We NEED lights before Sherwood Drive opens & becomes busier
- Ditch to pump shack needs improved drainage to prevent 400 Palisades Way from flooding each spring!

### 3.0 Overall Area Structure Plan project site: Beautification

Sherwood Drive is intended to be a gateway to Sherwood Park from Highway 16. What features would you like to see to beautify the area included along Sherwood Drive? Ideas might include landscaping, improving the appearance of the street and buildings.

- A large dense belt of trees to minimize the sound off of the major roadways/highways
- Street lighting, sidewalk berms + trees
- Ex – street lighting, boulevard trees
- Lots of trees!
- Strategic planting like @ 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave & Calgary Trail. Beautiful landscaping
- More trees (especially conifer). There are open areas in the existing park that should have more trees
- NATURAL AREAS! Enhance but also preserve existing. Benefit: Less maintenance less cost
- Trees & Shrubs (flowering) along Sherwood Drive on both sides
- Lots of Quality landscaping including:
  - Trees
  - Shrubs (flowering as well)
  - Planters as in the entrances of Nottingham etc.

### 4.0 Strathcona County owned lands: Recreational Opportunities

Playing ball is the main recreational activity in Centennial Park. What other recreational opportunities might be included in the newly acquired County owned park space?

- Dedicated pickle ball courts 8-16
- Strategic lighting of some trails to facilitate winter evening use. Enhance safety.
- Facilities for users to mitigate damage to park – need better restroom access throughout the park
- Groomed trails for cross country skiing
- Baseball stadium similar to one in Okotoks to attract a good level baseball team
- E.G. Bathrooms
- Walking trail
- “soft” sports
  - Lawn bowling
- Bathrooms
- Recycle receptacles
- Putting greens and/or mini-golf
- Consider Multi-use and Multi-purpose. For all seasons. This park is seldom used during winter months. X-country ski track
- Washroom facilities in a building. Flush toilets

- Water (drinking) fountains
- Multi-use field
- Enhanced signage for entrance to Cent. Park
- More BBQ sites
- Better advertising of the facilities
- More picnic tables throughout.
- Winter skating surface?
- Trail along berm connecting Lakeland Drive sidewalk to MP soccer fields and viewing dock
- Paved trail around soccer fields back to current trail
- Outdoor adult exercise equipment playcor.com
- Multi-use community centre servicing: soccer, gymnastics, volleyball, basketball, pickleball, parkour, indoor skate park, etc.
- Building for changing equipment (open room with benches)
- Storage for personal equipment
- Could incorporate washrooms
- Water tap
- Continuity in trails
- Use existing topography to create changes in gradation
- PAVE trails to look out dock. Residents adjacent are 18+, retirees, high density. I've seen many people with mobility issues unable to use all amenities
- Share compound centennial Park & County build building to house equipment
- Disc Golf throughout with opportunity for course expansion
- Beach volleyball courts (LARGE multi-court) west of condos (bottom SE corner of the map) Like courts in Edmonton (23 Ave + 91 Street)
- Put ball diamonds together
- Concentrate ball/slow-pitch
- Pinwheel slow-pitch
- Walking trails. Stairs?
- Circuit training. Boot camp "equipment"

## 5.0 Strathcona County owned lands: Current Challenges

What current challenges will need to be addressed in the newly acquired County owned park space?

- Leave natural trees
- More trees are good but keep them away from ball diamonds have a buffer area
- DESPERATE for parking that can be used after 11:00 pm by Palisades' area. Parking is a serious problem!!
- Benches
- Ensure recreational opportunities for many different user groups. Access from west side to possibly decrease volume from Sherwood Drive
- E.g. Drainage

- Designated dog park
- Another picnic/BBQ pit area!
- Keep development to a minimum. Maintain natural area
- Protect the wetland area
- Enhance "natural" park area – bush areas
- More picnic areas – current park has unused open space

## 6.0 Strathcona County owned lands: Commercial Land Use

**What complimentary commercial land uses would you like to see on the newly acquired County owned site?**

- Ex. Convenience store
- No commercial development let the park keep its natural aspects (less of manicured landscape)
- "daily" storage lockers for athletes' use
- Access from the west side
- Keep ball diamonds together. I'm not a ball player but do appreciate the quantity of diamonds kept as one park. Reduces traffic flow b/w parks, makes tournaments easier, maintenance easier. Etc.
- Use county land by Centennial Park for Parkland not commercial
- No commercial development

## 7.0 Privately owned lands: Commercial Land Use

**What complimentary commercial land uses would you like to see in the private lands north of the County owned site?**

- Ex. Does it have to be commercial land uses? What other complimentary land uses?
- Road access drainage high density
- Move RV parking further away from residential – noisy!!
- Farmer's market, niche cafes. Interesting small shops
- Low elevation. Low light contamination. Minimal noise contamination
- Possible RV park
- Something compatible with residential area (potato grower)
- Access from west to help alleviate traffic flow on Sherwood Drive
- Recycle facility?