Town of Georgina Waterfront Parks Master Plan

Public Engagement 2 Emerging Concepts

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Zone 5 Mossington Wharf/Black River – You wanted.....





- Leave the single lane bridge because it helps to calm traffic
- Don't want what happened this past summer with visitors angry because there's no parking and no washrooms
- Some suggested parking elsewhere with shuttle access and that this could alleviate parking on private property
- Protection of the natural heritage
- To allow small boats, canoes, kayaks up the river
- A secondary floating dock at the Mill Pond Park
- Could be a Water Research Centre
- Want to ensure there's control of the noise and traffic
- It could be a destination for pedestrians and cyclists, but some said that Hedge Road would need to be upgraded to make it safer for pedestrians and cyclists

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Natural Heritage

- Mossington Park Provincially Significant Wetland associated with the Black River and floodplain. Wetland extends from High Street to the shoreline of Lake Simcoe. Upland deciduous and mixed forest associations flank the river in several locations. The largest block is located to the north of Black River Road.
- The Black River is an important linkage connection between the Oak Ridges Moraine to the south and the Lake Simcoe shoreline.
- The Black River is managed as coldwater fish habitat.



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Black River

- The Black River from Mossington Bridge to Mill Pond is 3.6 m long, depth 3.3 m.
- Most of the river can support limited motor boats with shallow draft.
- Dredging at the mouth of the Black River has been ongoing since the 1930s. the Town last dredged in 2002.
- Previous studies concluded that dredging would be an ongoing requirement at the mouth of the Black River to maintain an open channel



Zone 5 Mossington Wharf / Black River – Options

	1 Boat access only to the Wharf	2 Boat access to the Wharf and public use of adjacent lands
Improve Wharf to allow boat tie up and boaters to use the Wharf	yes	yes
Purchase additional property adjacent to the Wharf to provide public space and amenities for park users: washrooms, benches, picnic areas	no	yes
Purchase additional property to provide safe vehicle access & parking	no	yes
Add docks at Mill Pond Park	yes	yes

Zone 5 Mossington Wharf/Black River

Why dredging of the Black River to Sutton is not recommended by our team

- Mossington Park Provincially Significant Wetland (PSW) associated with the Black River and associated floodplain where the wetland extends from High Street to the shoreline of Lake Simcoe. Upland deciduous and mixed forest associations flank the river in several locations. The largest block is located to the north of Black River Road.
- Submergent and emergent wetland communities are associated with the PSW along the Black River.
- The Black River provides an important connection between the Oak Ridges Moraine and Lake Simcoe. The Black River is managed as coldwater fish habitat.
- Woodland and wetland features flanking the Black River corridor are designated as "Environmental Protection Area" in the Sutton/Jackson's Point Secondary Plan.
- River is sensitive to large boat traffic. The shoreline exhibits steep/partially eroded banks, with a fringe of emergent and submergent wetland vegetation. Narrow river channel constrains manoeuvrability for boats.
- Dangerous currents below the dam

Zone 5 Mossington Wharf/Black River – Option 2



- 1. Improve the wharf
- 2. Provide public space and amenities
 - a. Provide washrooms
 - b. Provide picnic and seating areas
 - c. Provide pedestrian walkways / connections
- 3. Provide safe access and parking
 - d. Widen the road
 - e. Widen the bridge
 - f. Provide parking

Zone 5 Mossington Wharf – Boat only access

If preferred, investigate the feasibility, cost and liability of retaining the Wharf for boat access only following completion of this Plan

As per recommendations of previous experts, forego dredging the Black River. Existing depths allow access by shallow draft boats

Add a dock for boat tie up in Mill Pond Park

SUITE OF DESIGN ELEMENTS FOR WATERFRONT PARKS

Brand the Waterfront consistent, coordinated and recognizable design elements and features

Connect the Parks thematically tie the parks through

unifying and common elements and furnishings

Make it Beautiful, Comfortable & Inviting | high quality, low maintenance thematically

Incorporate Sustainabilty | thematically



Temporary Washrooms seasonal & special events



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Pergolas dappled shade & beautiful focal elements

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Shade Structures every day and special events







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GEORGINA WATERFRONT PARKS MASTER PLAN

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Signage Let's people know where they are and how to behave in a positive and welcoming way



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For not parking in the Jam's Lot.

The Neighborly Relations. Committee







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The Park's designers were focused on the uplifting effect that the scenic quality of meadow would have on the human spirit. But meadows have additional value beyond the psychological effects Olmsted and Vaux emphasized. Landscapes planted with native grasses and wildflowers produce ecological and environmenta benefits. In addition to supporting a broader diversity of wildlife, they can be a practical. sustainable treatment for certain landscape types once native grasses are established at sufficient height to prevent self-seeding invasive species and obviate the need for mowing.

As you enjoy the meadow, please help us protect and sustain it. Stay on the trails at all times. Dogs must be leashed and kept on the trails at all times. Bicycles, skateboards, and There are no trash cans

rollerblades are not permitted. Carry out what you carry in. In this landscape.







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Terrace 41

Rumsey

Playfield

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Bow Bridge

Cherry

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Learn more about Central Park's trees by visiting centralparknyc.org/treewalks

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Winter Activities | Ice fishing, skating, snowmobiles

