

Disc Golf in Our Community

Potential Temporary Disc Golf Sites

Priorities Committee Meeting

June 22, 2021

Temporary Disc Golf Locations

- Council requested administration prepare a report for possible temporary disc golf locations throughout the urban area as soon as practicable, but no later than the end of Q2 2021.



Recreation and Culture Strategy

- The Recreation and Culture Strategy defines priorities for the next 12 years.
- Expand services related to disc golf at the Strathcona Wilderness Centre.
- Consider amenities such as disc golf as new parks are built.

Recreation and Culture Strategy

Community needs

- Identify the community need
- Prioritize the community need
 - Outdoor Implementation Plan
- Investigate the feasibility of the identified need in order to serve the needs of the community



Municipal Comparison

City	Population	9 hole disc golf locations	18 hole disc golf locations
Strathcona County	98,044	1	1 (Science Park)
Edmonton	981,280	6	4
Red Deer	103,588	2	0
St. Albert	65,589	2	
Spruce Grove	34,066	1	0
City of Leduc	29,993	1	0
Fort Saskatchewan	26,942	0	0
Bruderheim	17,189	1 (summer 2021)	0

Disc Golf Locations Within Close Proximity

Locations within 15 minutes of Sherwood Park (urban area):

1. Strathcona Wilderness Centre
2. Strathcona Science Park
3. Hermitage Park
4. Rundle Park
5. Jackie Parker Park
6. Goldstick Park

Considerations for Park Spaces

- Programming opportunities in our parks and open space
- Site criteria includes:
 1. Proximity to existing recreation and park facilities
 2. Geographical location and size of the park
 3. Parking availability
 4. Access to the site
 5. Environmental impacts
 6. Visibility from the road
 7. Noise for adjacent residents
 8. Conflicts with existing users

Requirements for Disc Golf

- Different types of disc golf areas
 1. Object courses
 2. Tonals courses
 3. Mixed course that includes object courses and tonals
 4. Pro-level with baskets
- Space required per disc golf hole:
 - Minimum 50-60 metres for the shortest hole
 - Maximum 100-130 metres for the longest hole



New Temporary Location

Additional amenities available at the Emerald Hills Sports Pavilion

- Two temporary disc golf baskets for Summer Rec Days
- Three temporary disc golf baskets in the Emerald Hills Regional Park



Features of Disc Golf Course at SWC

- 9-hole, trail-based course that was established in 2010
- 2021 extended summer hours (9 a.m. – 9 p.m.)
- Pro level basket targets natural turf tees, with tee markers
- Tree-lined fairway perimeters that is challenging but a fun course
- Strategic placement of 10th hole for practise area
- Disc golf discs are available to rent
- Offers Learn to Play Disc Golf lessons

Potential Locations

- **Parks that will have 2-3 holes and support future expansion**
 1. Herb Belcourt Park
 2. Heritage Hills Park
 3. Greengrove Park



Next Steps

- Implementation of sites 2021
- Enhance programming at Emerald Hills Sports Pavilion and Strathcona Wilderness Centre
- Evaluate following fall 2021
- Administration continue to evaluate a second municipal disc golf course over the summer months and will return to Council September 2021.

Questions?

