# Municipal Disc Golf Course in Our Community

Potential Municipal Disc Golf Sites

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## Temporary disc golf locations

Council requested administration investigate options for a second municipal disc golf course and bring a report to Council for consideration before the end of Q3 2021.

The current course is located at the Strathcona Wilderness Centre.





## **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





## **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.
- Disc Golf in the community:
  - nine-hole disc golf at Strathcona Wilderness Centre
  - Temporary disc golf at Emerald Hills Sports Pavilion
  - Implementing three-hole, disc golf at Herb Belcourt, Heritage Hills and Greengrove Park



## **Municipal comparison**

Municipality	Population	nine-hole disc golf locations	18-hole disc golf locations
Strathcona County	98,044	1 (Strathcona Wilderness Centre)	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



## Recreation and Culture Strategy site selection criteria

- 1. Proximity to existing recreation and park facilities
- 2. Size of the park
- 3. Parking availability
- 4. Access to the site
- 5. Environmental impacts
- 6. Adjacent land uses
- 7. Proximity to roads



## Design elements for disc golf

- 1. What type:
  - Object
  - Tonal
  - Mixed
  - Pro-level
- 2. Possible fairway placements
- 3. Tee distances





## Potential nine-hole municipal sites

- 1. Greengrove Park Site provides a variety of elevations, foliage and open spaces, which has more appeal for recreational play and enjoyment. Good distance from adjacent land uses and roadways. Supportive amenities include seating, shade, parking and washrooms at the Glen Allan Recreation Complex.
- 2. Herb Belcourt Park Long lineal narrow park between residents and Sherwood Drive. Could accommodate a small a-typical out and back ninehole course with supportive amenities at Kinsmen Leisure Centre.



## Costs for nine-hole disc golf

- Year-round, permanent nine-hole disc golf course is \$35,000 for supportive amenities and additional maintenance costs.
  - Permanent supportive amenities, including nine tee boxes, tee markers, signage, garbage receptacle, and seating areas



## **Next Steps**

- Engage with the public and disc golf community organization on the proposed nine-hole disc golf course (Q4 2021 - Q1 2022)
- Implementation options:
  - Reprioritize projects to implement in summer 2022
  - Add to the 2022 budget process for consideration



## **Questions?**



