



Legislation Text

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Kingswood Boat Dock

Notice given by: Councillor Joly

BUDGET POSTPONED MOTION:

That RECR-073 Kingswood Boat Dock for \$182,100 is funded from the capital reserve.

Administration's Understanding of the Intent of the Motion:

That Administration is directed to complete the full extent of the Kingswood Boat Dock project including assessment, purchase and installation of boat dock equipment and completion of the connecting trail.

Operational or Organizational Impacts if Motion is Approved:

Staff resources from Recreation and Parks and Capital Projects Office would be required, along with support from Health, Safety & Environment and Public Operations. Minor adjustments to 2022 workplans would be required but can be managed internally.

Financial Implications of Motions:

As this project is shown as unfunded in the proposed 10-year capital plan, there will be less funding available for other prioritized capital projects in future years.

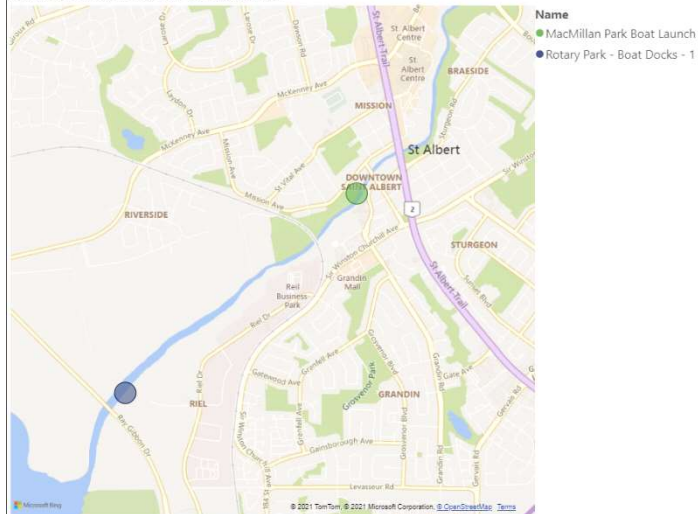
Stakeholder Consultations:

The site selected for this project shows evidence of heavy use and based on staff assessment and ad hoc conversations with residents, Administration believes there is public support for a new boat dock in this location. Targeted stakeholder engagement on the selection of the boat dock equipment would be completed to ensure the boat dock is supporting the needs of the paddling community.

Background:

The City has seen an increasing use of the two existing boat docks and launches in recent years. Demand is being seen both from residents and regionally, as the Sturgeon River, with its low speed and limited elevation changes makes for an ideal beginner or relaxed paddle. A scan of existing access points along the river showed numerous potential locations for boat launches, however Kingswood Park already has parking and washroom facilities, which most other access points lacked, and was recommended as the preferred site for a third boat dock.

St. Albert Boat Docks & Launches



This project is intended to address existing environmental concerns and prevent further issues at the rivers edge from human access. The existing dock at Rotary Park works well when water levels are stable but in the last several years, the river levels have fluctuated drastically. A different dock system is required for the Kingswood site to ensure sustainability and functionality for residents.

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