Park Evaluation Criteria			
Criteria	Description	Scoring	
PARK SITE			
Size	District Park: • 8 ha optimal with 5 ha of usable land • Usable – not within the following areas; significant slopes, Riparian DP Areas, Floodplain severe flood hazard red zone. Neighbourhood Park: • Min. 1 ha preferred and 2 ha optimal • 4 ha pref. when including a school Tot Lot Park: • Min. 0.5 ha preferred	3 - Optimal size (100%) 2 - Preferred size (75%) 1 - Somewhat smaller (50%) 0 - Substantially smaller (>25%) or N/A	
Central to Neighbourhood	District Park (1 ha/1,000 residents): • Central to the District Neighbourhood Park (Min. 400m Max. 80m): • Central to the Neighbourhood Tot Lot Park (400m walking distance): • Central to a med/high density neighbourhood	3 - Very central 2 - Somewhat central 0 - Not central	
Adjacent to School Grounds	District Park: • Adjacent to a Secondary School Neighbourhood Park: • Adjacent to an Elementary School	3 - Yes 2 - Yes School Closed/Private School 0 - No	
Topography	Usable land that is flat or has gentle grades	3 - Flat/gentle grades (<5%) 2 - Flat w/ min. slopes (5-10%) 1 - Min. flat w/ slopes (10-20 %) 0 - Significant slopes (>20%)	
INFRASTRUCTURE & AMENITIES			
Development Status	Developed and maintained for park use with the following typical minimum level of development & maintenance: Graded & seeded lawn areas Infrastructure beyond just signage & waste receptacle Developed trail Mtce. beyond garbage removal	3 - Yes 2 - Yes (lawn, trail and/or lights) 0 - No	
Multi-Use Sites	Includes recreation facilities that accommodate multiple activities for all ages in one location (e.g. grass and a playground = ltd. multi-use)	3 - Multi-use site (5+ uses) 2 - Some multi-use (3-4 uses) 1 - Ltd. multi-use (1-2 uses) 0 - No multi-use	
Playground Structure	Playground is available and offers quality multi-sensory experiences (sensory, spinning, climbing, swinging, sliding, rocking, crawling, balancing, jumping & social play)	 3 - Multiple play opp. (adventure playground and swings) 2 - Some play opp. (4-5 playground pieces) 1 - Ltd. play opp. (3 or less playground pieces) 0 - No playground 	
Playground Provision	Only City playground within an 800m radius of residences with no major roads or barriers (incl. water & significant slopes).	3 – Only playground 2 – One of 2 1 – One of multiple (2+) 0 – No playground	
Hard Surface Court	Hard surface court in good condition	3- Yes & high quality 2- Yes 0 - No	
Ice Rink	Historical used as a community ice rink	3 - Usually used 2 - Sometimes used 0 - Never used or N/A	
Ball Diamond or Sports Field	Ball Diamond or sports field	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Trails	On-site trails that are maintained and universally accessible	 3 - Accessible trails (All Paved) 2 - Some trails (Paved & Granular/Rustic) 1 - Informal trails (Rustic) 0 - None 	
Other Facilities	Other recreation facilities or structures (e.g. washrooms, gazebos, water fountains, etc.)	3 - Multiple facilities2 - Some facilities0 - None	
Amenities	Amenities such as a sled hill, flower beds, etc.	3 - Multiple amenities2 - Some amenities1 - Ltd. amenities1 - None	
Site Furniture	Benches, picnic tables and other site furniture (not including park signage)	3 - Multiple (>3) 2 - Some (2+) 1 - Limited (1) 0 - None	
Shade Trees	Trees provide shade around recreation facilities	3 - Multiple 2 - Some 1 - Limited 0 - None	

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INFRASTRUCTURE & AMENITIES continued			
Nature Access	Access to natural habitat areas	3 - Substantial access > 40% 2 - Some access (20-39%) 1 - Ltd. Access < 20% 0 - None	
Parking	On-site or on-street parking capacity	3 – On-site parking 2 – Off-street parking 1 – Ltd. off-street parking 0 – None	
Lighting	On-site pedestrian or facility lighting	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Hydro	On-site hydro connections	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Water	On-site water connections and/or standpipe	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Storm	On-site storm connections	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Sewer	On-site sewer connections	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Irrigation	On-site irrigation system	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Infrastructure Quality	Overall quality and condition of the park infrastructure	3 – High quality 2 – Moderate quality 1 – Poor quality 0 – N/A	
NEIGHBOURHOOD CONTEXT			
Residential Density	Density of the residential development	3 – Urban (MF and SF) 2 – Suburban (SF – up to 80%) 1 – Rural (SF large lots)	
Growth Management	Supports OCP and Neighbourhood Plan growth management strategies and infill development	3 - Growth Priority 2 - Infill Development 1 - Phase 1 & 2 0 - Rural & Future Dev't	
Connected to Open Space	Connected/adjacent to other parks/open spaces or compatible institutional uses including schools, churches, community centre and other categories.	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Active Transportation Links	Trails are linked to pedestrian/cycle infrastructure (e.g. sidewalks, bike lanes and walkways)	 3 - Accessible trail connected to network 2 - Non accessible trail connected to network 1 - No trail but adjacent to network 0 - Not adjacent to network 	
Safe Pedestrian Crossings	Safe pedestrian crossings to the park within the 800m radius of residents	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Transit	Located within OCP transit coverage areas	3 - Within 150m 2 - Within 250m 1 - Within 400m 0 - Beyond 400m	
SAFETY & SECURITY			
CPTED	Meets CPTED guidelines for natural surveillance, access control and territoriality (e.g. street frontage).	3 - Yes 2 - Somewhat 1 - Limited 0 - Poor	
Flood Hazard	Identified within the OCP flood hazard area	3 - No 0 - Yes	
ENVIRONMENT			
Waterfront/Riparian	Waterfront access or riparian areas (e.g. creeks, ponds)	3 - Yes 0 - No	
Ecological Sensitivity	Sensitivity of the ecological habitat	3 - Very sensitive2 - Sensitive1 - Somewhat sensitive0 - No	