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Project Overview

The Deer Run Lift Station is located at 2147 Deer Side Dr. SE. The existing sanitary lift station was built in 1976 and requires significant infrastructure upgrades to extend its lifecycle and ensure long lasting, efficient service. Because this lift station is located next to one of Calgary's favourite parks, we want to give local residents, and the general public, the opportunity to help choose the exterior finish - and help ensure it matches the aesthetic of the community and natural park surroundings.

As part of this work, a secondary building is required. Standards such as safety requirements and building codes (and best practices among them) have significantly changed since 1976, resulting in the increased space needs.

Engagement overview

Given physical distancing considerations due to COVID-19, all engagement for this project was completed online. This format allowed us to collect feedback from local residents/public on specific design concepts. There was an also an opportunity for public members to ask questions of the project team.

From November 15 – December 5, 2021, The City of Calgary hosted an online survey on its engagement portal at engage.calgary.ca/deerrunlift. Input collected is to help determine the final designs for the upgrade to Deer Run sanitary lift station. The engagement was designed to solicit feedback on aesthetic components to the physical building(s) only. While we did not provide opportunity for public to choose a favorite design, it was our intent to narrow down design concepts.

There were three concepts presented in this online engagement. The feedback collected on concepts, combined with questions submitted to the Q&A, clearly highlighted one common theme among all concepts: the desire to have the buildings blend into the surrounding space as best as possible. This included making the buildings look similar to existing homes in the area; do not include contemporary components; add more landscaping; and the preference to use natural materials and colours.

The Project team is moving forward with the final designs while keeping the desire of residents/park visitors to have the buildings blend into the surroundings as much as possible at the forefront of their process.



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What We Asked

Engagement sought public input through questions structured around the lift station's overall aesthetic design. Illustrations were also provided to give additional context for participants when submitting their input. The options presented can be viewed on the project page by accessing it here.

What do you like about design option 1?

What would you to see improved about design option 1?

What do you like about design option 2?

What would you to see improved about design option 2?

What do you like about design option 3?

What would you to see improved about design option 3?

Additionally, participants were also asked - Do you have any questions?

What We Heard

Targeted questions were asked regarding the 3 design options that the project team had provided. The top themes that emerged when discussing each design option for the lift station are listed below.

A clear majority of participants indicated a preference for design option 3. Most noted that the more natural base color of this design was more appealing. Many noted that they would prefer that the white geometric design either be revised to reflect a more natural motif (e.g., tree silhouettes reflecting the surrounding birch stands), changed to a more muted earth tone, or removed.

Design Option Themes

What do you like about design option 1? Themes identified:

- Materials / Longevity
 - Most participants commented that the choice of Thermowood would be the most appealing of the three designs.
- Color / Aesthetic
 - Some commented that it had a more natural appearance and would fit well into the aesthetic of the park and surrounding homes.



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What would you to see improved about design option 1? Themes identified:

- More natural / neutral colors
 - Most participants noted that they would have preferred more natural / neutral colors that would blend into the surroundings.
- More natural materials
 - Some participants suggested the incorporation of more natural materials such as stone and real wood.
- Fit with surrounding homes
 - o Some participants commented that the design did not fit well with the adjacent homes.

What do you like about design option 2?

Themes Identified:

- Colour
 - Some participants liked the primary color (grey), but most did not like the accent colors(blue and yellow).
- Materials
 - Some participants commented that the materials used in this design appeared to be the most durable.

What would you to see improved about design option 2?

Themes identified:

- Color Palette
 - o Most participants did not find the accent colors appealing.
- Aesthetic
 - This option was the least favored, most participants commented that it was too industrial looking for the surrounding homes and the park setting.

What do you like about design option 3?

Themes Identified:

- Color / Aesthetic
 - Many respondents commented that the base color in this option was the most appealing of those presented.
- Design
 - Many respondents commented that this design fit better with both the surrounding residences and the natural environment.



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Materials

 Many respondents commented on the longevity of the Thermowood as a positive attribute and the eco-friendly aspects of the material.

What would you to see improved about design option 3? Themes identified:

White line feature

 Most noted that they would prefer that the white geometric design either be revised to reflect a more natural motif (e.g. tree silhouettes reflecting the surrounding birch stands), changed to a more muted earth tone or removed completely.

Question and Answer

In addition, the specific questions asked regarding each of the 3 options, participants were also afforded an opportunity to ask questions regarding the project. Fourteen questions were submitted and answered by the project team. Both the questions and answers are listed below.

Please note: All questions below are as received. They are unedited, including spelling, grammar, use of contractions, etc. The only exception is personally identifying information, this is indicated in brackets [removed].

Do you have any Questions?

Question	Answer
There have been thousands of trees planted to screen the Fish Creek Waste treatment plant. I do not see a single tree, bush, flower in the design. I went for my daily walk and could not help to feel so saddened that there are not trees, shrubs, or flowers around the proposed lift station. There have been thousands planted in the park and in fish creek park to screen the waste water treatment plant, huge berms have been erected. Why is the city not shown the same inclusiveness to the community and its citizens?	Hi, thanks for your question. We are working with our partners in the Parks department to identify what trees or greenery can be planted. Since this is also a Utility Right of Way (ROW) - we are very limited as to what can be planted. We'd like to assure you that some native plant species will be planted upon completion. That said, in the event repairs need to be made – plantings may need to be removed (in some instances) to complete this work. The majority of the trees you are referring to were not planted for the express purpose of screening the treatment plant, rather they were planted as a result of the BP Birthplace Forest Partnership that saw nearly 6000 trees planted throughout Fish Creek Park in 2008. This funding agreement ended in 2009.



Why is the residential garage shown at the same height as the generator building. The garage does not remotely look like this in real life. When will the City meet with the	Thanks for your question. This a is rendering and therefore is not considered final by any means. Architectural renderings simply provide a proposed concept in 3D format. The details of the garage, in this instance, only serves as a reference point for the 3 proposed conceptual ideas and isn't meant to be an accurate representation of the residential garage/building. Thanks for your question. The results from this engagement
community and local residents to consult on final plans.	will be published as a 'What we Heard Report' in early January. We received a lot of great feedback from the community which will be incorporated into the final designs where feasible. The
Many of the adjacent residents want to meet and work with the City Representatives prior to any final decision on the project moving forward. How do we facilitate this? We are not against the project as we want everyone to be safe, understand the need to upgrade our infrastructure, just not as proposed.	final architectural renderings will be posted here late January.
My real estate agent estimates my property value will drop 15-20% if the project is built as illistrated.	HI, thanks for sharing your concerns. Here's additional information for consideration:
How is the City planning to compensate the adjacent homeowners? One time check, tax credits on their lost property value, or buy the citizens houses at 15-20% above market value to cover real estate fees, moving costs, and other associated expenses.	 While Deer Run sits adjacent to extensive utility infrastructure, it remains a highly covetable community. The existing infrastructure has been in place since the late 1960s-1970s - prior to any homes being constructed. Because of this, it is very likely that your property values already take this into account. The aesthetic improvements (including landscaping) that will result from this project are a significant improvement to the existing site and state of the outdated 1976 building. By completing these necessary upgrades, we are safeguarding homes, the wastewater system in the area, and the environment.
Please move the proposed generator building to the South of the existing building. and not further north than the existing building.	Thank you for your question. The design team will take this into consideration, along with all other feedback/comments before finalizing the architectural design.
The generator building can be placed anywhere there are not underground utilities. There are no utilities directly to the South of the existing lift station.	
Can we start the consultation process again?	Thanks for your question. The results from this engagement will be published as a 'What we Heard Report' in early January. We received a lot of great feedback from the community which



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There is a great deal of confusion among adjacent residents about what is going on. We were not made aware of the plans until we were asked to choose paint. The city doesn't cut down a tree without posting about it for weeks before. There is a potential for significant risk to local property values here, the consultation process has not been adequate. "Not feasible" to move the building means you will not take on the cost, and chose instead to put it on homeowners. We need to start again

will be incorporated into the final designs where feasible. The final architectural renderings will be posted here late January.

Design more like a house

Were there any options of a design that more closely resembles a house? Since this is in a residential setting backing on to a park/playground and Fish Creek, would it be possible to have neutral colors and finishes with an overall design that more closely resembles a home. This way it is more likely to blend into the surrounding homes and won't be an eyesore when people are enjoying the playground and passing by in the park.

Thank you for your question. The design team will take this into consideration, along with all other feedback/comments before finalizing the architectural design.

Why can we not move the proposed generator building to the west, behind the exiting lift station. The proposed location is casting a large shadow.

There are numerous children in the community that are require mobility assistance, as well, we have a very active senior community who use the pathway for fitness. The proposed new generator building location will cast a long and very large shadow over the pathway thus creating a very hazardous condition. Please move the proposed generator building to the west so

Thank you for your question. Unfortunately, due to the extensive existing underground infrastructure, it is not feasible to locate the newsecondary building further west. If you have safety concerns regarding this part of the pathway we do encourage you to contact 311 and report them.



there is not this issue. This will also allow for proper snow storage for snow plowing.	
Noise The current building has a certain level of noise that comes from it. Not ideal but not terrible. With the addition of the new generator will that noise level increase? Decrease? Stay the same?	The planned upgrades will include acoustic improvements. This could include such improvements as a critically silenced muffler and acoustic enclosure for the standby generator, acoustic louvers and dampers for the HVAC intakes & exhausts, and acoustic paneling inside the lift station buildings, amongst other potential improvements. While we aim for meeting the noise limits as per the Community Standards bylaw (5M2004), for this project, we have a minimum requirement of 'no net increase' in noise levels. In other words, the noise level of the upgraded lift station will be the same as the existing one at worst, or a decreased noise level at best.
Can the secondary building be moved to the west side of the existing building. The proposed location is too close to the bike/walking path. Moving the building to the other side of the existing building allows for trees and landscaping to be placed to screen the building from people using the area recreationally and moves it out of the line of sight for people driving down Deer Side Drive and living adjacent to the site. The proposed site negatively impacts property value of Deer Side homes	Thank you for your question. Unfortunately, due to the extensive existing underground infrastructure, it is not feasible to locate the new secondary building further west.
Environmental Impacts That greenspace is quite busy with animal traffic throughout the year and various times of day. The treed area across the pathway from the lift station houses pheasants. The treed area to the south shelters deer and coyotes. Has there been an environmental impact report completed, are we able to see this report?	Yes, we did retain an external third party to complete a Preliminary Natural Site Assessment (PNSA). The PNSA aligns with the Biophysical Impact Assessment (BIA) Framework, which all City projects must adhere to. The BIA Framework ensures adequate protection of environmentally significant areas and natural areas with ecologically diverse components and prevent and/or minimize environmental impacts. The PNSA assessment completed for this project concluded that there is a net neutral impact to the environmental elements in the area and no further assessments are required. Since the report contains information pertaining to budgets, we are unable to post it to the website. Citizens can of course request a copy by making a



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	formal request to The City. Be sure to ask for the Deer Run
M/ho in the project manager and	Sanitary Lift Station PNSA
Who is the project manager and how may I contact him / her? I may be reached at [removed]	[Removed] Thanks for the query. While you have already provided your contact information, The City does not use web pages to exchange personal information. We ask that you please contact 311, reference the Deer Run Lift Station and request a call back from a member of our project team. This is the formal channel The City uses to track all City requests, concerns from citizens, and interactions. This also ensures your request for a call back is documented. A member from our project team will be in touch early next week once we receive the formal 'SR' from 311. You will also find a link to the mobile apps on that website. We appreciate you taking the time to do so.
Two buildings Was there an	Thanks for your question. The design team did consider
alternative considered to have only one larger structure and why was it eliminated?	multiple options for the lift station upgrade and determined that a second building would be the least impactful option to nearby residents. Here's why: The City of Calgary must adhere to the strictest of operational, health and environmental standards when it comes to the management of wastewater. Therefore this upgrade is necessary and must accommodate new electrical equipment and systems, as well as, legislated modern safety requirements. To complete this upgrade within the existing building's footprint we would need to increase the building size by approximately 60 per cent to house the new electrical equipment and accommodate modern safety requirements. A new standby generator is also required and is approximately 6.4 m long X 2.3 m wide X 2.7 m tall. Given its size, it would be installed outside (to the east of the existing building) within a metal enclosure (it would be similar to the lift station having a single car metal-clad garage adjacent). Further, due to the complexity of modifying the existing building, it is estimated to be significantly more expensive and would require an extended construction schedule (longer timelines). With the goal of minimizing construction impacts (as much as possible given constraints of the upgrades) for nearby residents, The City decided to pursue public consultation on the architectural finish of the two building option.
Consultation	Thank you for your question. Lift Stations are considered
Why aren't you providing more consultation to nearby residents who property value could be impacted?	critical municipal infrastructure so we are very limited as to what we can consult on. Here's some additional context: 1. The City has a fiduciary responsibility when it comes to the management of wastewater (sewage). We must adhere to the strictest of operational, health and environmental standards, therefore this upgrade is necessary and must accommodate new electrical equipment and systems, as well as modern



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safety requirements. As such we are unable to consult on the operational requirements of this lift station.

- 2. If you are referring to consultation on the secondary building, As mentioned above' we are bound by current standards and legislation when it comes to operations of lift stations. The design team reviewed options for the lift station upgrade and determined that a second building would be the least impactful option to nearby residents. Here's why: To complete this upgrade within the existing building's footprint we would need to increase the building size by approximately 60 per cent to house the new electrical equipment and accommodate modern safety requirements. A new standby generator is also required and is approximately 6.4 m long X 2.3 m wide X 2.7 m tall. Given its size, it would be installed outside (to the east of the existing building) within a metal enclosure. Further, due to the complexity of modifying the existing building, it is estimated to be significantly more expensive and would require an extended construction schedule (longer timelines).
- 3. If you are referring to consultation on the location, interestingly, the lift station (above ground) is the only portion of this critical infrastructure citizens can see. There are actually hundreds of kilometers of underground pipes that connect to the lift station. This wastewater infrastructure was constructed in 1976 prior to the community of Deer Run being built. Relocating the lift station would require the relocation of underground networks of pipes and in an established community this is not fiscally or socially feasible. Since the existing lift station was constructed in 1976, we hope the refreshed, modern exterior will improve the visual appeal of this essential infrastructure.

Building Permits According to the building permits, the second building is twice the height of the first. Why isn't this reflected in the design photos??

Since we are still in the initial planning stages, we have not yet applied for building permits. We also have confirmation from our consultants that no development or liaison permits have been applied for to date. If you have found conflicting information regarding building permits for this specific project (Deer Run Lift Station), please contact 311 and provide us your contact information. A member from our Engineering team can follow up with you personally as we have not yet applied for any permits.

Please note there is an existing permit for the nearby Fish Creek Wastewater Treatment plant that is not affiliated with this project.

Additionally, the existing building's height is approximately 4.26 meters (not including the gabled roof). The new building, based on the current drawings, will be approximately 5.6 meters in



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	height at its highest point. The building height is based on functional requirements and not from aesthetic or architectural considerations.
What is the cost of each design? Each design should have a cost connected to it prior to public opinion. The city does not have a blank cheque to just do whatever people vote on, when they don't have all the facts.	As mentioned in our adjacent FAQs, The City is bound by Provincial and Federal laws surrounding government procurement and therefore we are unable to release budgets. However, here's some additional information that we can share: First, the materials proposed in each concept are of high quality with low maintenance costs, have long service lives, and can easily withstand Calgary weather. While we can't predict what prices will be when we go to tender/ construction in late 2022 (inflation/supply chains) our best estimate based on today's market values suggests Concept 1 as being the most expensive and Concept 2, the least expensive. We want to remind citizens that the costs of these architectural components are a small fraction of the total cost of the entire project.
How will construction impact the adjacent playground?	Given the scope of the project, the adjacent playground will experience temporary closures through the duration of the project. Construction fencing will surround the site to ensure safety for all. The City, along with our selected contractor, will continuously monitor progress and safety concerns pertaining to construction noise, dust and potential odours. We will work with the community to communicate (in advance) any temporary closures, while ensuring safety is always our top priority.

Next steps

In addition to this What We Heard Report, local businesses and residents will receive an update/notice as we get closer to construction dates.

Verbatim Comments

All comments below are as received. The comments are divided into questions asked. They are unedited, including spelling, grammar, use of contractions, etc. The only exception is where there is profanity or personally identifying information, this is indicated in brackets [removed].

What do you like about design option 1?

- I do not like this design at all.
- Blends into the area well
- longevity of the materials
- Terrible. Too "modern" for the area, a late 70's early 80's suburban neighbourhood with a huge green space surrounding the facility. Would be fine for East Village, but does not fit this area
- Not a fan. Doesn't fit the park environment. Would be OK downtown.



- In all honesty nothing. As a resident of deer run who lives very close to this building making it look more like a home so it fits the neighborhood instead this.
- This design sticks out too much and will not compliment the neighbourhood or the park setting it's in
- I don't like it at all. I think it'll make the structure stand out too much. The finishings are too bright and don't look like the surrounding homes at all.
- I like the colours (natural) and the fact that it has a design that looks modern/fun versus just having an old bot I g structure.
- Graffiti resistant and subtle colours
- Clean lines
- I like the geometric patterns and the durability of the material chosen
- I like the idea of graffiti proof and low maintenance exterior.
- Fits in well with the surrounding area.
- the agreement we have that we can move it directly to the right so it is behind the existing building
- Unfortunately not much.
- This would look neat
- It blends in
- Neutral colours would be better. It's the least ugly option of the 3. They are all awful designs.
- Nothing, your pictures lie, the height of the new building is taller than that of the existing building.
 Stop. You arent't being honest with the community. We need to discuss this further.
- It looks simple and clean; I feel as though I've seen designs like this around Calgary already which is a positive. Even as the more expensive design, I think this area deserves that investment.
- looks modern
- It is an nice-looking structure and would blend in well with the surrounding natural areas, creating a peaceful appearance.
- It ties in well with the surroundings and looks like natural boulders. It is both there and not there.
- It's an updated exterior fit for 2021.
- I like the modern feel of the geometric design and how it blends in.
- Aesthetically pleasing and more harmonious with its natural surroundings. Definitely my choice of design!
- Try to make it less glaring! Match the area Forrest trees wood.. why make it stand out? Fit into the landscape
- Visually most neutral, building might not stand out as much as the other options.
- It's pretty enough and has a long life expectancy.
- Not in harmony with surrounding residential or park aesthetic
- Best choice of the three. It fits the location and Rockies in the distance
- I like the pattern and the life expectancy. I like that it is graffiti proof and low up keeping required.
- Like the incorporation of the natural environment into the design.
- Blends well into the surroundings and park. Muted colours make it easy on the eyes for us and the wildlife.
- nothing
- Tranquil. Long life expectency. Graffiti proof.
- Seems like it would last a while. Graffiti proof, apparently.
- It doesn't stand out.
- Shape



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- Size & shape of building
- The colours looks pleasing.

What would you like to see improved about design option 1?

- Could have some elements, like wood, as accents...looks a bit dull and like it's lacking something.
- Please move it west behind original lift station less invasive to community
- The residential garage to the left is not as tall as the proposed generator structure
- Tie into more natural setting of fish creek
- Neutral or muted colours to help the building blend in with the landscape
- If the footprint is bigger than the existing, then I think the new building should be immediately south and west of the existing one. The view in to the park from the existing lane access must not be obstructed!!! I
- N/A. This is my favourite design.
- align the new building to the right in the picture and make it behind the existing lift station
- The proposed new generator building should be moved to the west so it is not visible from the road like the existing building. A better location would be south of the existing building. The proposed site will be an eyesore at the entrance to our park.
- Update the playground beside it
- Anything
- The local residents being consulted about how this will affect their property value.
- I would like to see the new building moved west along the south side of the existing building
- I've never noticed graffiti on the current structure, so I'm not sure that being graffiti-proof is very necessary.
- It would be nice for some of the bottom panels to have shades of green and yellow-green to blend in with the surrounding grasses during the spring, summer, and fall.
- Projected cost for this exterior.
- Add trees to reduce noise & smell and the sight of it. This isn't a show piece for the area it's an
 eyesore hide it blend it into the area... WHY ARE HOLIDAY TRAILERS STORED AT THE
 STATIONARY STATION?? Do we need to make it uglier with personal storage ??
- The shapes ..triangles, polygons...something about that I'm just not liking.
- Bathrooms. A look that blends more.
- Make it less industrial
- Darker colours on the building to call less visual attention to it.
- This is my favourite one. The only improvement I can think of is that it seems a little expensive? Not sure cost comparisons to the other designs
- make it MUCH smaller
- It could blend in to nature more
- It looks like a bad trip into the 1980s with that geometric design. Try a more natural look. A green (natural) roof would be a smart addition.
- The slices of rock shouldn't be triangular. They should be random and be made up of rock from the park or the mountains.
- I hate the colours it does not fit the landscape
- None



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- Colours to be more neutral so that it fades into the background that it IS the background.
- More rocks.
- Nothing
- Should include more earth tones instead of just a grey pallette
- I am not a fan of the pattern.
- Less... ornate? Make the building blend into the surroundings as opposed to sticking out of it.
- more green to blend in with surroundings a bit more
- Add plants
- Stone work effect is pretty but might be nicer in a warmer, sand/earth tone to feel less cold.
- The front could look less like a storage contaner and more like a nice building(doors and windows)
- There is nothing about this that I think should be improved more of.
- Trees around fence perimeter to hide buildings.
- New playground equipment to make up for the loss to our property value for having a larger pump station

What do you like about design option 2?

- I dislike this one the most. There is nothing I like about it.
- I like the modern design
- NOTHING!
- San=me as option 1, too modern and doesn't fit the area
- nothing at all
- Worse than option 1
- Absolutely nothing. This is terrible and would be an absolute eye sore. Nothing about this building is ok
- I don't like anything about this design. This looks way too industrial and does not fit in with the surroundings at all.
- Also don't like this one. Looks too industrial. The blue and yellow will be an eyesore to anyone enjoying the park or fishcreek behind it.
- Like that it looks modern and the attempt to implement colour, but looks too industrial and the colours are too primary-based/childish.
- Nothing
- I do not like this submission at all
- Clean lines, nice pop of colour
- Nothing
- I prefer integrating the louvres into the design.
- Colours little too bright
- Neat concept to make the vents and mechanical systems a design feature.
- to be honest I will jump the fence and paint over this option. Especially if Sweden wins hockey gold at the winter olympics
- Horrid colours. Pick something neutral



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- You haven't adequately consulted local residents. This station will have significant effects on property values. Time to go back a few steps and listen to what we have to say.
- Nothing.
- It appears to be the least costly of the 3 designs, it's also an updated exterior fit for 2021. Also doesn't stand out as something to explore, it's not a destination, doesn't need to look like one.
- I like the colours of yellow and blue added in.
- I like the grey and the vertical lines.
- Nothing.
- Nothing. Too industrial
- I don't like it the inspiration is good, but it's the wrong place.
- The grey is nice. The slanted roof is nice as well
- looks hideos
- Blue colour.
- Nothing
- I like the colors of the prairies, this would be my top choice.
- Nothing
- I like the colour palette.
- Colourful
- Artsy???
- Very retro. Very gross.
 - Nothing
 - I like the modern clean industrial look. It is my favourite design of the three. I like the materials being used.
- I do not like this design. At all.
- Don't really like it that much, got this weird color of yellow and blue, gives it a ugly addition to Deer Run.
- I like that it's colourful.
- That it's colourful
- Nothing, it's awful. Why on earth have you picked those colours????
- Nothing
- Nothing
- Nothing.
- Good design and appears that the building would require less maintenance
- Thermowood cladding.
- Nothing . Its ugly and looks like lego bricks. Doesn't fit the surrounding area

What would you like to see improved about design option 2?

- I don't like the blue and yellow colours. Green and brown would be better
- Nicer looking materials and something that blends into the area better.



- have cedar siding
- Everything. The colors are terrible, and would be an absolute eye sore to walk by everyday. Make it look more like a home instead of a terrible piece of art
- Different exterior finishings. Also move the larger building to be directly inline to the south of the smaller one.
- Different, earth-tones colours (still bright, but maybe like a forest green/teal and wheat yellow or something)
- Too commercial looking
- the colour scheme is to be honest very offensive and does not match the fish creek park surroundings
- Incorporate the more natural setting of fish creek
- Everything. The material looks like scrap metal, especially with having different colours
- Mover new building to the south & west of existing building & do not block off view into the park. Rather than yellow, why not use green, which is less visually impactful on the eye. All the background is trees & grass which is more pleasing than yellow.
- Colours really stand out but not in a good way not so sure that's a feature for a lift station. Also, this option doesn't detail the design life expectancy of the material. This is probably my least favourite and it would irk me each time I walked by.
- please incorporate some landscaping and screening
- Please use natural materials like cedar or wood. The new building should be consistent with the native and natural feeling of Fish Creek Park. Please ensure it blends in with the surroundings.
- The colors are horrible .
- Feels like a prison inspired building. Anything could be improved
- No notice was posted before this plan was approved. I'm pretty sure that's a requirement
- Visually, this is not a very appealing structure. It looks very industrial, not at all in keeping with the natural setting.
- This design option is an eyesore. Construction with corrugated steel is the new brutalism. It stands out like a sore thumb and looks heavily industrial in an otherwise natural and residential area.
- change out the yellow colour. Remove extra coloured panels that are there just for decoration as they are not required.
- I do not like the yellow
 - Everything. It doesn't fit.
 - Awful.
 - Everything. Sorry it's awful
 - Turf it. It doesn't blend into the park and is the wrong place for this concept.
 - The colours all around aren't very nice, maybe for a playground the colour is good. There are no advantages or disadvantages listed in the slideshow, not sure if missed by mistake. But I can't just on anything but the ugly colours.
 - This is in fish Creek which is a natural park. I don't think this design is the right asthetic for the park due to the bright colours that stand out especially in such a wide open space.
 - The blue and grey look nice but the yellow is too bold for the area.



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- make it MUCH smaller. The colours are awful
- Too industrial for setting. No stated life expectency. Goes against major design principals for non-urban settings.
- It's hideous. Start from scratch.
- Yellow and blue is an eyesore. Colours should be based on what is in the park not a farmers field
- This looks like it would be completely out of place
- Don't like colour
- None
- To industrial, not a home
- Too industrial
- Wipe that up.
- I don't like the colours it just looks weird
- I would rather see a solid colour with a prairie mural painted on them.
 - Scrap it. It's hideous.
 - Colors are ugly, and the building is also a not great choice.
 - I don't like the fence, could it have some trees or plant material around it, so it doesn't look so stark.
 - Terrible colours, doesnt at all blend in with the natural greens and browns of the park around it.
 - Choose different colors. This looks too "Preschool"
 - The 'random' mixed use of colour makes it look like it's an old run down building that's been poorly repaired with salvgaed, mismatched materials. Overall feel does not blend or align with the natural park area.
 - Terrible colours. Too mechanical looking
 - The yellow and blue colours could be changed
- Trees around fence perimeter to hide buildings.
- New playground equipment for the adjacent playground to make up for the loss of property value for the larger pump station. Also no bright colors on the station.

What do you like about design option 3?

- This option is the closest of the 3 options. I don't buy the "lines of sight" comment.
- The size of the buildings
- Feels like a better fit for the surroundings
- Like the earth tones, which fit the environment, but the white accent bars are hideous. They make the building too obvious and it needs to blend in more. The Thermowood rendering is the look that would work best for this location
- that the city will use a wood type or natural siding material. Please do not incorporate the zig zag look
- Like the plain Therawood finish.
 - This is the best option of the three however the solid white bands are terrible. Keep the wood color and remove the zebra stripes and it would be great



- This is the best of the three however I don't like the criss cross look of the trim. It attracts too much attention to it. These buildings are in a residential and park like setting. They should blend in as much as possible with simple clean finishes.
- Funky, natural, modern I think this one is the best. It has style, feels modern, but also looks natural.
- Love the natural wood shown in slide 3
- Integrates with Nature: Uses natural colours and materials.
- There is some natural brown tones used. please replace the grey with another brown colour
- This isn't attractive to me.
- I like the wood like colouring
- Natural materials which fits in with its location next to fish creek park.
- The vertical & horizontal wood components are good.
- This is a beautiful design.
- Material choices is a good option
- This looks neat
- This is the classiest. I love the wood paneling. Would fit in nicely with the community.
- Neutral colors. Modern design is out of place
 - You have been misleading because you know that this will negatively impact the community.
- natural looking materials that blend into the park
- not much
- The wooden appearance would blend in well with the natural setting. The fact that the wood is treated without chemicals underscores a commitment to the natural area as well.
- The design blends in well with the neighbourhood and park. The wood adds a welcoming warmth while the crisscrossing lines add interest.
- its modern.
- I like the wood, I feel it fits in with fish creek/ nature.
 - Stands out but matches with location
 - More natural look and long life expectancy.
 - Unlike option 1 and 2 that are far too industrial, this seems a better aesthetic for not only the neighbourhood but the park as well.the neighbourhood but
 - Use of Thermawood product is a good fit for the location.
 - thermowood is a nice natural looking product
 - Love the colour and the vibe of it- really matches the park. I like that it's got a long lifespan and seems environmentally friendly. Love the look to it. No rotting or fungus is good!
 - Like the natural wood
 - · nothing, it looks awful
 - · Cohesion with other buildings in Fish Creek Park. Organic Materials.
 - By far the best one! This fits the community and the space, ties in with nature and the Ranch. I like the artistic concept, but it doesn't need explanation like the others do.
 - This is very natural and will blend in well.
 - The material has a long life expectancy, I like the natural color
 - I like the thermowood



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- looks best
- Nothing
- Wow. Talk about art newveau.
 - Needs more camouflage.
 - I like the colours and design
- Fits with the nature of the park
- It fits the fish creek park vibe best. Also the other designs are too colorful and fun looking- i worry kids at the playground next door might want to play on the then
- I really like the use of thermowood and the colours.
- It's visually bold.
- Looks most natural which fits into community and the park. Not as industrial looking as the others.
- Love the wood finish on it, also has this fish Creek theme with it.
- Again, don't! Did you have a geometry class design?
- I really like the natural look to it, being that fish Creek is a place to connect with nature, this should have a nature aspect to it.
- the brown stain on the wood is nice
- I like that it looks rustic and modern at the same time
- Love the natural wood finish and the warm colour. Like the clean, simple lines of the building shape.
- The color. But the white lines.... Why?
- I love the wood elements that are similar to other buildings in Fish Creek and fits in more with the houses of the neighborhood. It has a more natural look which is more fitting with Fish Creek park as it's background and home.
- Nothing.
- The natural tones help to blend it into the surrounding area so you don't notice the building as much.

What would you like to see improved about design option 3?

- Remove all the jarring white lines and the exterior will be more harmonious with the woodlands it backs onto.
- I don't like the Aztec design and think it would stand out too much
- Choose a darker color for the stripes across the building. Black or grey would look nice against the wood color.
- Go with the Thermowood rendering look.
- pivot the proposed building to the south so it does not block the entrance to the park
- Leave out the white cross-hatch pieces, just have one solid colour
- Remove the white bands that are slashes through the building. You aren't doing any favors to it
 by having those. Keeping it simple, clean and more like a home it will fit into the neighborhood
 instead of standing apart.



- If the exterior finish looked like the photo of existing buildings with the heat treated wood finish, it would blend in with the surrounds. Making it resemble a home. Also move the larger building to be directly inline to the south of the smaller one.
- Nothing! It's great the way it is.
- Get rid of all the white stripes. Keep it simple and subtle. Why were there advantages shown for concept 2 in the slide show? Is concept 1 the only option resistant to graffiti? I think that is important.
- Grass roof, to let it blend in even further
- · this needs lots of landscaping
- I just don't like it.
- I think the lines are too busy and overwhelm. Reduce. Simplicity is better
- The white accents to resemble trees more rather than haphazardly attached
- Get rid of the contrasting, criss-crossing elements. Move new building to the south & west of the existing building. Do not obstruct the view in to the park from the north!!!
- It's almost TOO attractive instead of blending in, it looks like something you want to go see...only you can't.
- Landscaping the new facility should be a priority. Native plants and trees will help the location to blend in, not to be an eyesore. Residents backing on to this location shouldn't have to look out at an eyesore. They chose their homes based on the beauty
- Loose the white stripes, too much contrast, in this area I would make it look more like a cabin I'm the woods and less like a feature piece.
- Update the playground beside it
 - I'm not sure why the geometrical pattern needs to be there? Maybe reduce the impact of the triangles and we have something here.
- Stop being trendy with the geometric ugliness. Just stick to paneling
- Pause the project and consult with residents. Thank you
- sign clearing stating what it is for
- relative cost to the other 2 designs (eg. more/less expensive by X%)
- The white contrast colour is quite harsh; perhaps a more muted contrast would blend in better.
- Too busy, this is not a destination, building should be basic and not eye catching.
- A bit dark, can we lighten up the wood. If so, this is my preferred choice.
- Other fencing options to match building
- A different, blending design instead of the big, white lines.
- Remove the white lines
 - The light bands call attention to the building. This build should be less obvious. Visual attention does not need to called to it.
 - the decorative white cross hatching is too harsh a more subdued contrast would be ok
 - Are the snap fixtures easy to break? I worry about vandalism- the anti graffiti in the other design
 was nice. I also think slanted roof is nicer but if the wood is strong enough to hold up winter snow
 that's all that matters
 - Very distracting colour scheme. It would be better to blend in this area.
 - make it MUCH smaller. The colours are awful
 - More info about life expectency. Lighter wood to match local flora.



- Add a green (natural) roof. Also consider a pollinator ecobuffer to surround the buildings. Natural infrastructure adds value, ecosystem services, aesthetic benefit, etc.
- Maybe paint the beams black or dark grey instead of white so that it matches existing buildings in the park.
- It should be designed more like the picture of the thermowood description. It would fit with the area better. I hate the white trim all over it
- not sure
- Looks like a barn
- The buildings look ugly and seems like buildings under construction.
- Can't we just have something that looks like nature?
- More camouflage.
- It's good but add some plants!!
- interconnecting lines should be a darker colour
- It would be far nicer to have a mural on any of these. The art work lacks creativity and looks like it was created from a computer. I've been painting murals for over 25 years and would be happy to be involved. [removed]
- I don't like the visual concept with the diagonal boards representing the trails and pathways. It looks too chaotic for my liking.
- Perhaps the accents could be toned down.
- Don't think there is anything else that needs improvements for this project.
 - I like the fact that option 1 is resistant to graphity. It would be nice to have that material lower in the design to have the look of rocks with the wood look in the higher reaches. Rocks and trees.
 - Why the need for such dramatic geometric designs. Just leave a natural wood. Its ugly
 - I would use a different color on the stripes, not bright white. Maybe a beige or a different complimentary Brown Tone
 - Think the white abstract lines detract by being too busy and unnecessary. Just the wood finish would be great to blend in with the natural park feel of the area.
 - In photo three here, there's a building that is below the text life expectancy +60 years. Use that design. That's perfect for the area and still gives the building a modern feel.
 - Don't do the white abstract designs.
 - Everything. Do not like this colour scheme.
 - New Playground equipment for the adjacent playground to make up for the loss to property value from the larger pump station.