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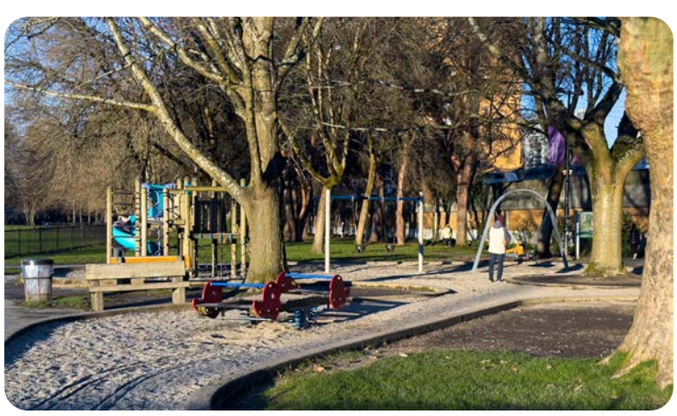
- Minoru Park is one of Richmond's landmark parks – loved for sports, recreation, arts, culture, nature, and community gathering.
- Established in the 1950s, it has evolved into a vibrant hub for residents and visitors alike.
- A draft Vision Plan was created in 2019, but significant changes in and around the park mean it's time for an update.
- The renewed Vision Plan will help guide the park's future, so it will continue to meet community needs into the future.

Goals for Today

- ☑ Learn how the Minoru Park Vision Plan will be renewed
- ☑ Share the park's vision statement and guiding principles
- ☑ Highlight recent changes in and around Minoru Park
- ☑ Hear your values, concerns and ideas
- ☑ Explore priorities for features and amenities to add to Minoru Park in the future



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Vision Plan Process

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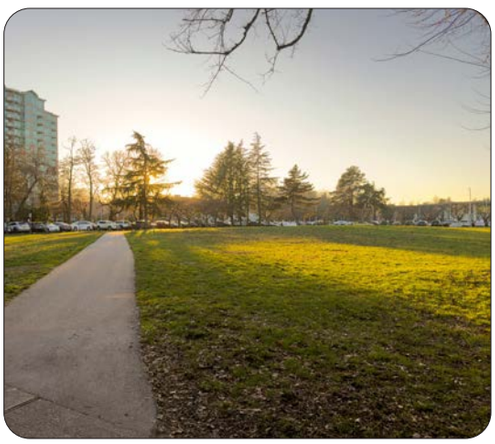

Planning for the Future of Minoru Park

The Renewed Minoru Park Vision Plan will:

- Guide long-term (15+ years) improvements to Minoru Park
- Focus on enhancing aging and underused park features, including:
  - Green and open space
  - Pathways
  - Entrances
  - Accessibility
  - Inclusivity

Vision Plan Goals

- Reflect community feedback and needs
- Respond to current site conditions and the park's evolving context
- Refresh aging, outdated, and underused park areas
- Improve park entrances, pathways, and key connections
- Support Minoru Park's role as a vibrant, welcoming community hub



Process Timeline

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PHASE 1
Idea Gathering

- **Winter – Spring 2026:** Community and stakeholder engagement
- **Spring 2026:** Report to Council

PHASE 2
Drafting Options

- **Spring – Fall 2026:** Develop updated Vision Plan options
- **Winter 2027:** Community review of options

Final Renewed Vision Plan

- **Winter 2027:** Finalize plan based on input
- **Winter 2027:** Report to Council

We are currently in the initial phase – and your input matters

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Vision and Guiding Principles

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Richmond City Council adopted a Vision Statement and Guiding Principles for Minoru Park in 2017. These continue to guide decisions about the park and will help shape the renewed Vision Plan.

Minoru Park Vision Statement

Minoru Park is a dynamic city-wide park located in the civic core of Richmond's city centre area. It reflects the rich diversity of Richmond's community through its wide variety of premier recreational, arts, culture and heritage facilities and programming. Minoru Park will play an increasingly central role in the lives of Richmond residents, and in particular, residents of the Brighouse Village neighbourhood as high-density residential developments continue to grow and be concentrated in this area.

Minoru Park will be a great place for people, alive with programming. It will be a place that people love to be in; where they can play, meet friends and neighbours and enjoy participating in community life. It will be a place with a diverse mix of activity; where a wide variety of places and destinations are interconnected. It will be distinct because of the exciting diversity of social, recreational, and cultural programming while simultaneously being known as a place to find beauty, peace and tranquility. The transformation of Minoru Park will include renewal of the parks aspects that people love and value; it will be a collaborative process to reimagine the role that the park plays in the city centre, and within the whole parks and open space system.

Guiding Principles: Minoru Park will be...



An Urban Gateway to Nature

A place where:

- People have the opportunity to connect with nature.
- Richmond's ecological heritage and natural processes are made visible and celebrated.
- The site's existing natural features such as the lakes and canals are enhanced and showcased.
- Richmond's Ecological Network Strategy is applied and brought to life.



Welcoming & Inclusive

A place where:

- People can gather, play, pursue active living, and feel connected to their community.
- People can just be.
- Exciting and diverse year-round programming is promoted.
- People of all ages and abilities are welcomed and feel comfortable.
- A general sense of "please walk on the grass" is invoked and people feel invited to use all areas.
- Multi-cultural and multi-generational interaction is encouraged.



Enriched with Arts, Culture & Heritage

- A memorable, unique destination where history and culture are celebrated.
- A hub for lively arts and cultural programming that engages and inspires.
- A place where memories are shared and stories are told.



Alive with Sports & Events

A place where:

- Major sports and community events add to the vibrancy of the park and city centre.
- People of all abilities are supported and motivated to get outside and move.
- Activities and events encourage people to participate and linger.
- Athletes are inspired to achieve their personal best.



Integrated & Connected

A place that:

- Serves as a signature park in Richmond's city centre—distinct yet complementary to other parks.
- Is easy to reach by all modes of transportation.
- Can be navigated safely, comfortably, and intuitively.

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Recent Major Changes in Minoru Park

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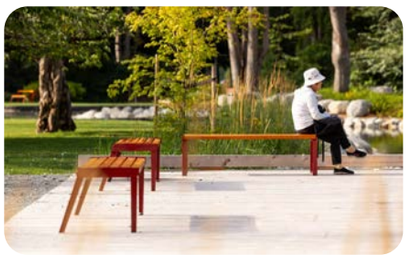
- Minoru Park has changed a lot over the past 10 years, shaping how people use and access the park.
- Past changes and future plans will help guide the renewal of the Minoru Park Vision Plan.





Major Projects Completed and Underway at Minoru Park (2015-2026)

2015

April 2015
Minoru 2 and Latrace (Minoru 3) fields

2016 2018

February 2016 & 2018
Minoru Chapel repairs and upgrades

2019

March 2019
Minoru Centre for Active Living (Senior Programs)

August 2019
Clement Track resurfacing

2020

January 2020
Minoru Centre for Active Living (Fitness Centre)

March 2020
Clement Track artist-designed fence

September 2020
Minoru Track artificial turf replacement

Minoru Centre for Active Living (Aquatic Centre)

2022

June 2022
Demolition of the former Minoru Aquatic Centre and conversion of site to green space

2023

May 2023
Minoru Lakes Renewal (Minoru Park – Lakes District)

2024

January 2024
Richmond Cultural Centre Annex renovation and conversion of the former Minoru Place Activity Centre

2026

January 2026
Opening Bowling Green Community Activity Centre

2026

Anticipated Spring – Fall 2026
Minoru Lakes Phase Two (Green Infrastructure Renewal)

Note: This highlights major projects. Many smaller but meaningful improvements–such as upgrades to park services, public art, infrastructure, and facilities–have also been made and continue to enhance the park experience.

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Major Changes Around Minoru Park

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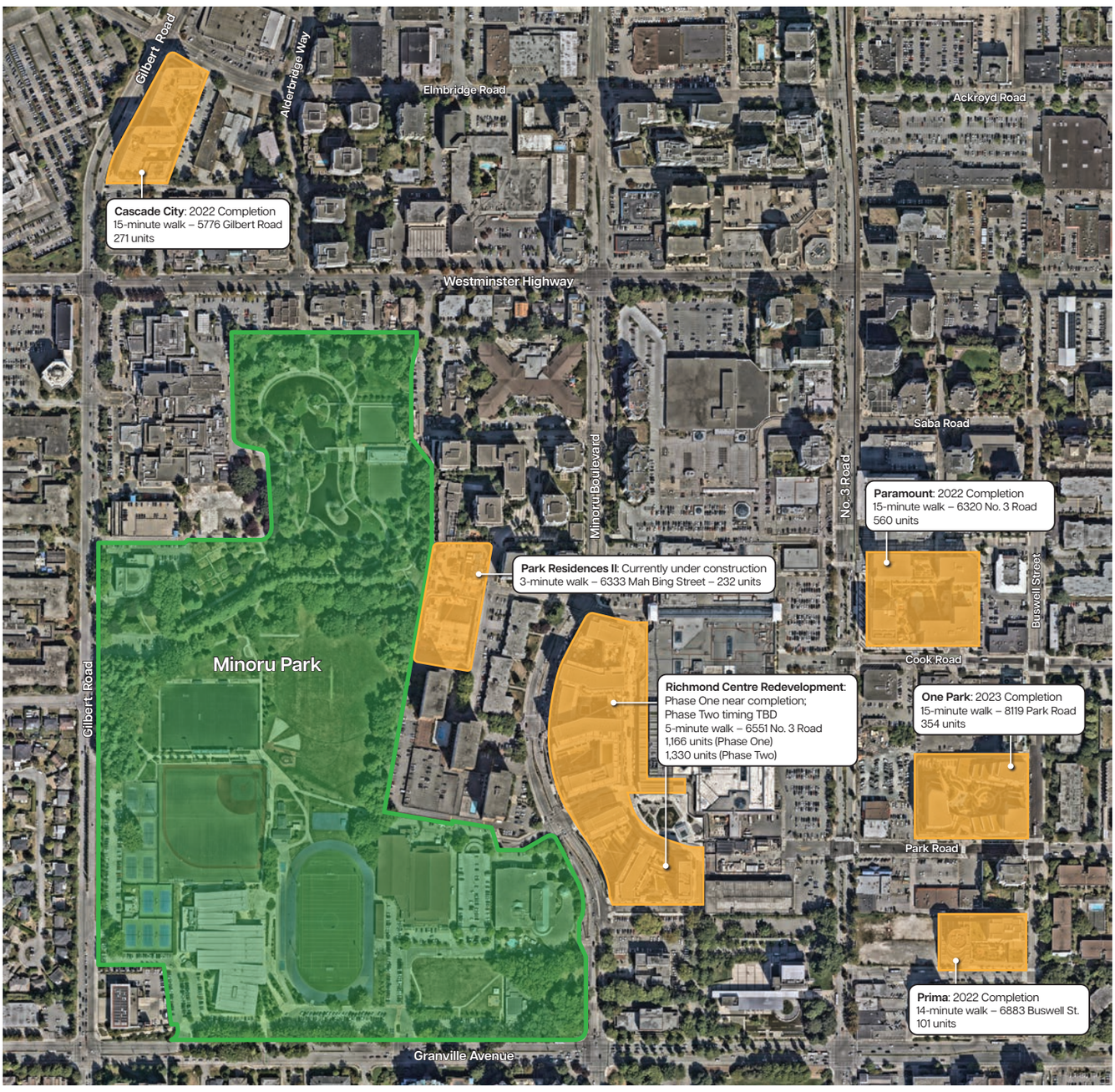
- Thousands of new homes, commercial, and office space have been built within a 5–15 minute walk of Minoru Park in recent years.
- More nearby residents, employees, and visitors are now taking part in the park's amenities, programming and events.
- The upcoming major Richmond Hospital redevelopment is expected to further increase park use and create new impacts.
- These changes will inform the renewed Minoru Park Vision Plan so it aligns with the park's evolving context and meets community needs.

Major Developments Completed Near Minoru Park (2022-2026)



Note: the numbers included on the above map reflect the approximate number of residential units only.

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Values, Concerns and Opportunities

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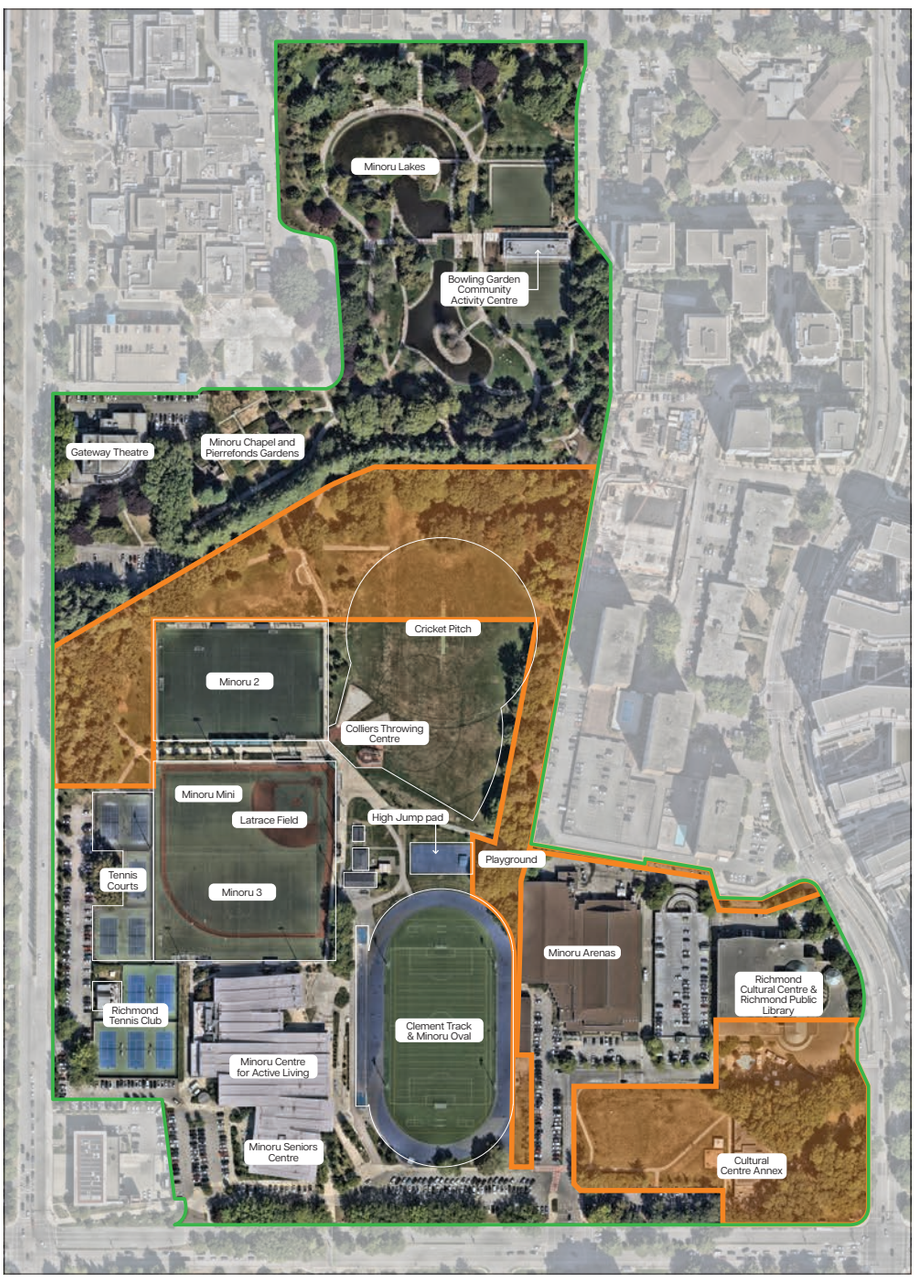
Minoru Park Today

Minoru Park includes a wide range of spaces and amenities where people play, learn, practice, compete, relax, celebrate, socialize, enjoy arts and culture, attend events, and connect with nature.

As use continues to grow, some green spaces and open areas could be improved to better meet community needs.

Share Your Ideas!

- What parts of Minoru Park do you value most? Place a smiley face sticker there.
- Which areas raise concerns? Place a frowny face sticker there.
- What opportunities do you see for future improvement? Write your ideas on a sticky note.



Minoru Park Vision Plan scope of work. Pathways and entrances will also be considered.

Please note: There is a separate, concurrent parking study and a Sport Court and Field Strategy being undertaken. The Minoru Park Vision Plan will be coordinated with the outcomes of both.

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Future Amenities & Features

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Minoru Park - Looking Ahead

- Minoru Park's popular and valued features will remain a key part of the park
- We have opportunities to improve older or less-used areas of the park with new or upgraded features and amenities.

Below are examples of potential features, activities, and amenities that could be added to Minoru Park in the future.

Share Your Ideas!

- Place smiley stickers on the features or amenities you'd most like to see.
- Don't see something you'd like? Write your idea on a sticky note and add it to this board.


More trees


Open lawn for informal activities


More covered outdoor space


Clear and welcoming entries


More concerts and festivals, including an outdoor stage


More pick-up games such as basketball and table tennis

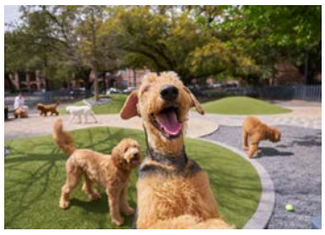

A walking loop with distance markers


Additional / improved flexible plaza(s) for seasonal programs


Parkour course


More outdoor fitness stations


A large destination playground


A dog off-leash area


More picnic areas


More gardens and habitat planting


More seating (benches)


More bike racks


New and improved pathway connections


Enhanced accessibility

Other/additional comments:

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Next Steps

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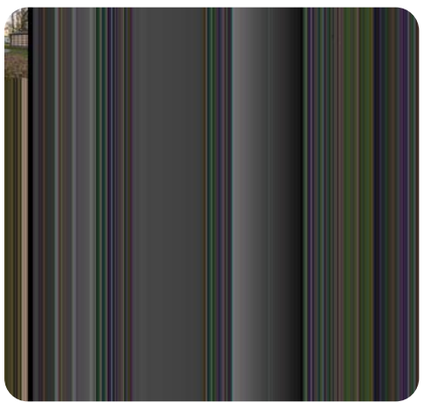
What's Next?

This open house is part of phase one of the park planning process.

Your input gathered during this stage will help guide the development of concept Vision Plan options, which will be shared for further feedback in phase two.



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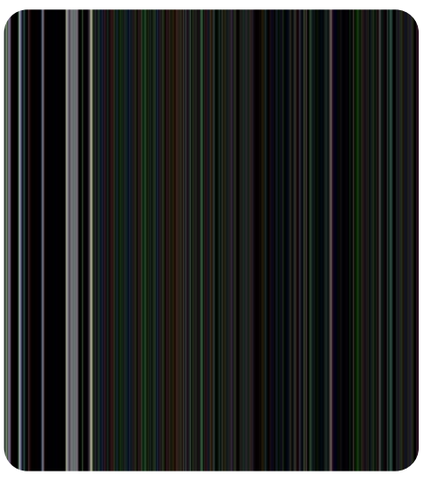
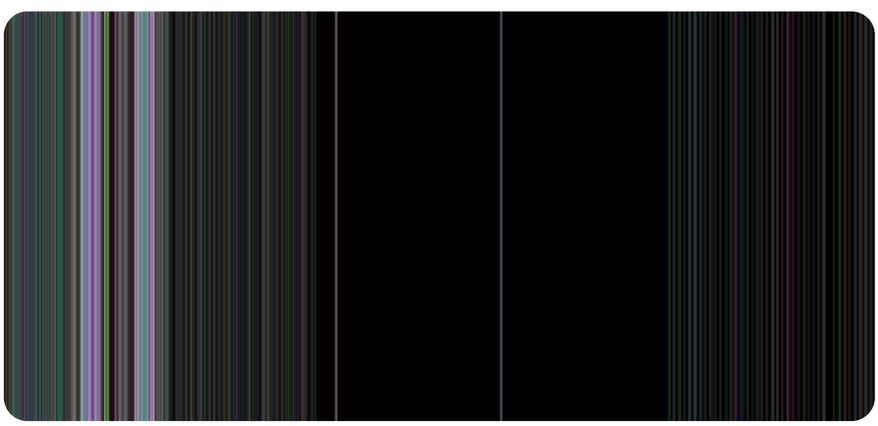
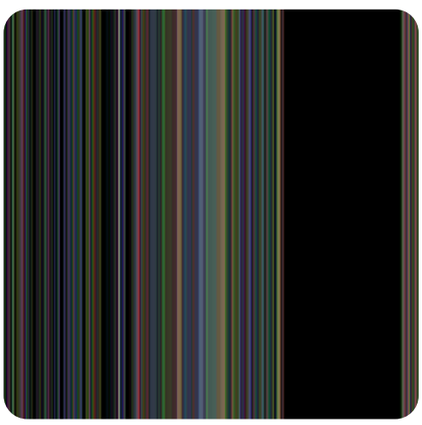


Thank You!

Thank you for sharing your input and ideas. Your feedback is a vital part of the process and will help ensure the renewed Minoru Park Vision Plan reflects the community's values, concerns, and aspirations for the future of this landmark park.









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