Parks and Road Services

CO01284rev Community-Initiated Proposals for Off-leash Dog Parks

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Introduction



Current Off-Leash Establishment Processes

City-led Capital Projects: City-funded projects that are designed, build, maintained and operated by the City

Developer Projects: Built by developers as part of new neighbourhoods, then maintained and operated by the City

Temporary Off-Leash Pilot Program: Fully enclosed amenities on league licensed-land (winter ice rinks, tennis and basketball courts)



New Methods for Off-Leash Area Establishment

Community Group Led Construction: well established method for community groups to fund, construct and operate infrastructure within licenced areas

Pop-up Dog Park Program: new program to quickly establish temporary OLAs within high need neighbourhoods and use these sites to engage with residents prior to developing permanent OLAs





Pop Up Dog Park Program

Neighbourhood selection based on proximity to existing OLAs, dog licence numbers, and requests from citizens and Council received since 2016

Individual sites selected based on availability of parkland, adjacent park uses, accessibility, access by a variety of transportation options

Q4 2022- Q1 2023

Installation of pop-up dog parks at selected sites. Pop up dog parks will remain for up to 6 months

Public engagement opportunities will be conducted while pop-up dog parks are in place. Opportunities will include in-person opportunities to provide feedback and a site specific online surveys

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Next Steps

- → Continue with city-led capital and developer-led projects
- → Evaluation of the Temporary Off-leash Pilot Program
- Integration of OLAs into Community Group Led Construction processes
- → Launch of the Pop-up Dog Park program



Thank you. Questions?

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City of Edmonton Dog Off-Leash Area Access

