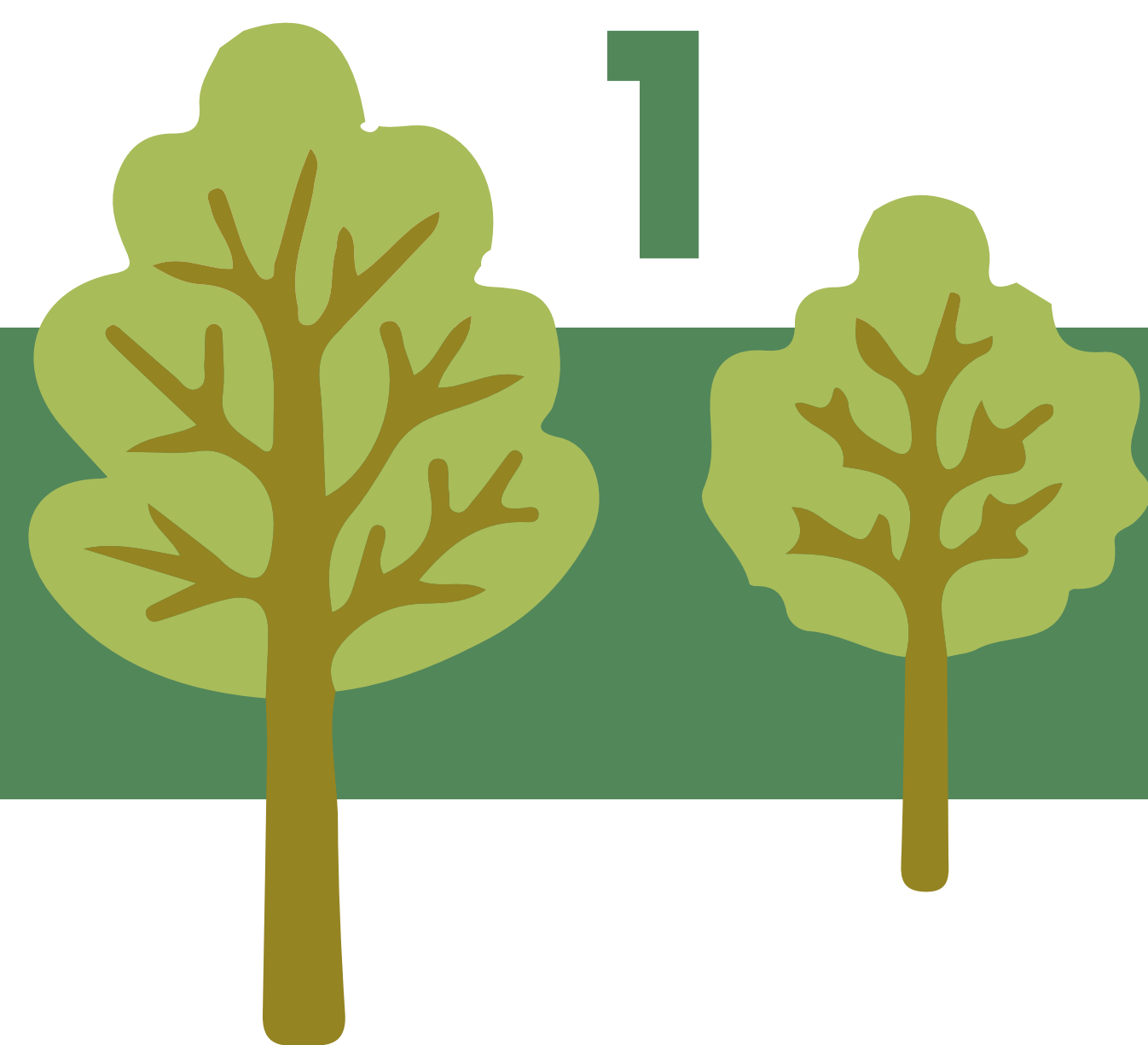


OAK PARK

WELCOME!

The Vancouver Park Board wants to understand the best spots in Oak Park to build the new Community Centre and locate an outdoor pool. Please review the display boards and share your priorities for the park.



What’s Been Done:

Marpole Community Centre Needs Assessment

In 2018, a Needs Assessment was completed for a new Marpole Community Centre. Through assessment of the existing building, recreational trends and population growth projections, and community engagement, **recreation needs have been identified**. The Needs Assessment also produced an approximate overall size of the proposed new building.

The Needs Assessment set out the following **Four Key Priorities** for the new community centre:



Preliminary Room Functions and Sizes were also proposed by the Needs Assessment, showing the relationships of spaces within the building, per the four key priorities.

The Needs Assessment **validated Oak Park as the new community centre’s location**, and established as a priority **a strong connection between the building and the park**.



EXISTING AMENITIES & USAGE

Oak Park Schematic Master Plan:

In the spring of 2019, the Park Board began a Schematic Master Plan for Oak Park to site the new community centre and proposed outdoor pool within a reconfigured Oak Park.

During the development of the Schematic Master Plan, residents, park users and stakeholders can provide input on:

- How they use Oak Park currently;
- What they value about Oak Park;
- Their preferred location within the park for the new Community Centre;
- Their preferred location within the park for a new outdoor pool.

The existing Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre, including the childcare facilities and outdoor spaces, will remain open during the design and construction of the new Community Centre.

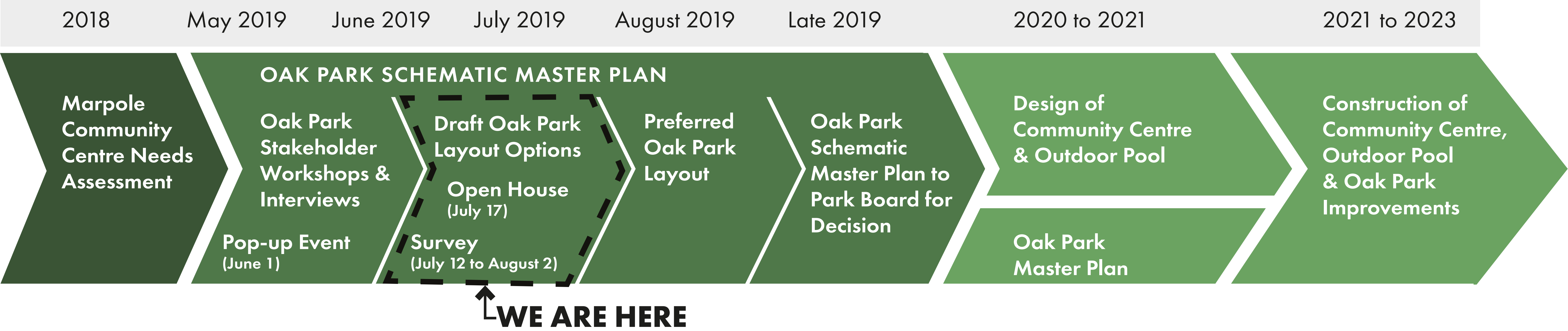
A full master plan for the park will be developed at a future date.

Priorities for Oak Park:

As part of the Schematic Master Plan, the following priorities have been established to help guide the layout options.



Schedule:



CONTEXT & SITE INVENTORY

City-Wide Context

INVENTORY + ANALYSIS: BALL DIAMONDS



LEGEND

- BASEBALL DIAMONDS
- SOFTBALL DIAMONDS

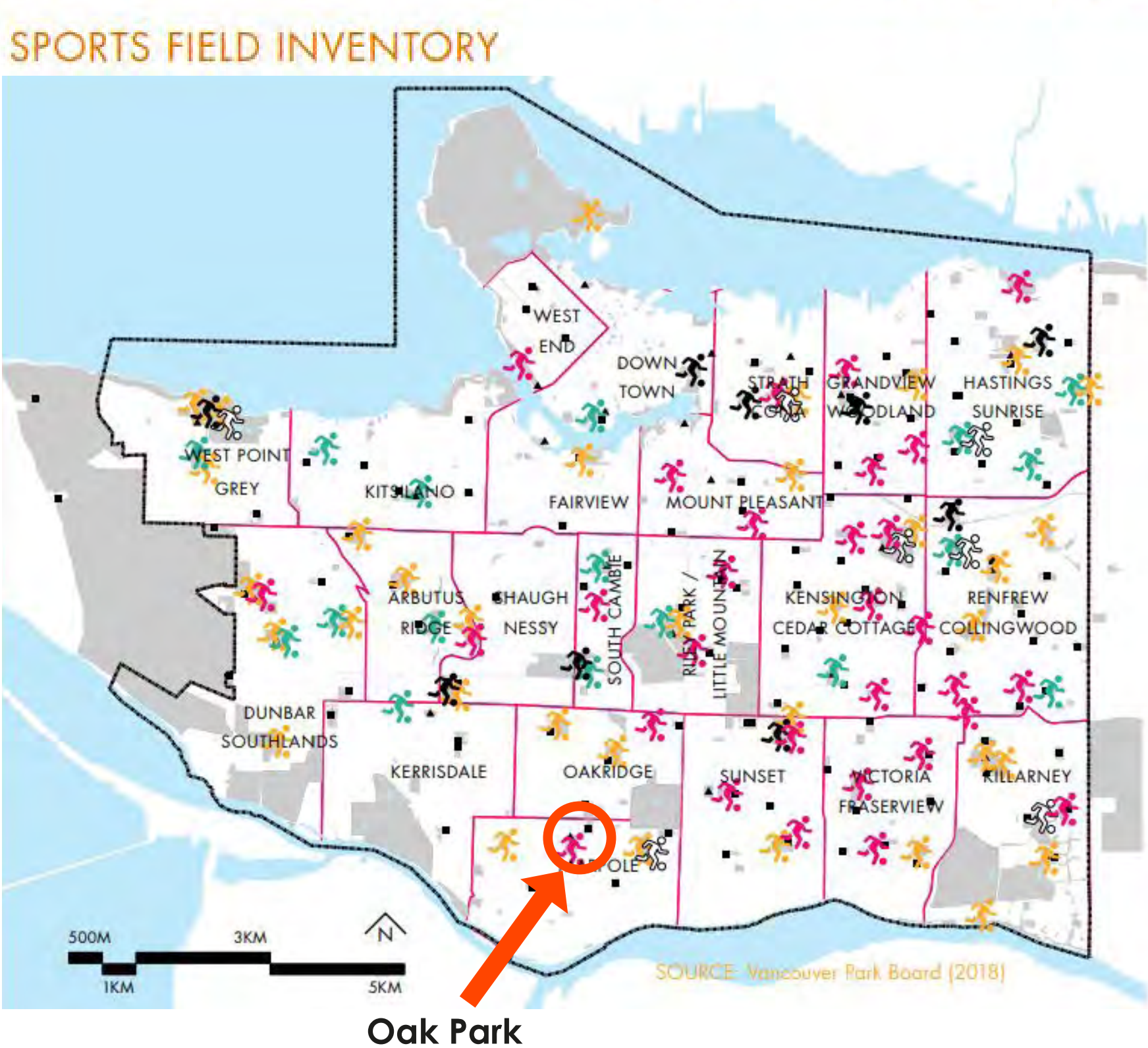
INVENTORY + ANALYSIS: COURT SPORTS



LEGEND

- COMMUNITY CENTRES
- BEACH VOLLEYBALL SPACES
- PERMANENT VOLLEYBALL COURTS
- TENNIS COURTS: GOOD CONDITION
- TENNIS COURTS: FAIR CONDITION
- TENNIS COURTS: POOR CONDITION
- TENNIS COURTS: CRITICAL CONDITION
- TENNIS COURTS: NO DATA
- PICKLE BALL COURTS

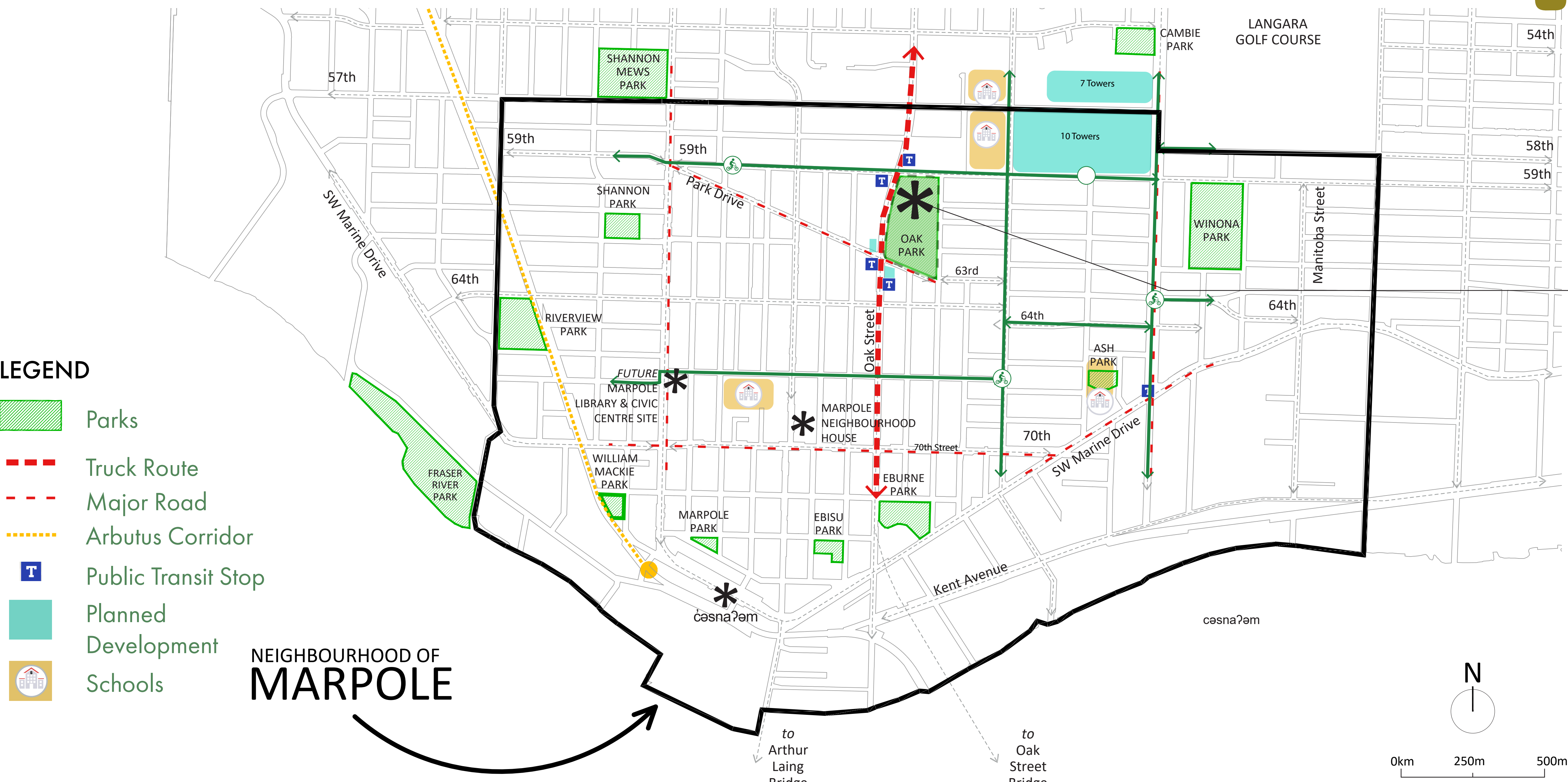
INVENTORY + ANALYSIS: FIELD SPORTS



LEGEND

- PREMIUM TURF PLAYING FIELDS
- GRADE A TURF PLAYING FIELDS
- GRADE B TURF PLAYING FIELDS
- ARTIFICIAL TURF PLAYING FIELDS
- ALL-WEATHER PLAYING FIELDS
- SCHOOLS
- COMMUNITY CENTRES

Site Context



LEGEND

- Parks
- Truck Route
- Major Road
- Arbutus Corridor
- Public Transit Stop
- Planned Development
- Schools

SITE OF EXISTING MARPOLE-OAKRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE + FUTURE MARPOLE COMMUNITY CENTRE

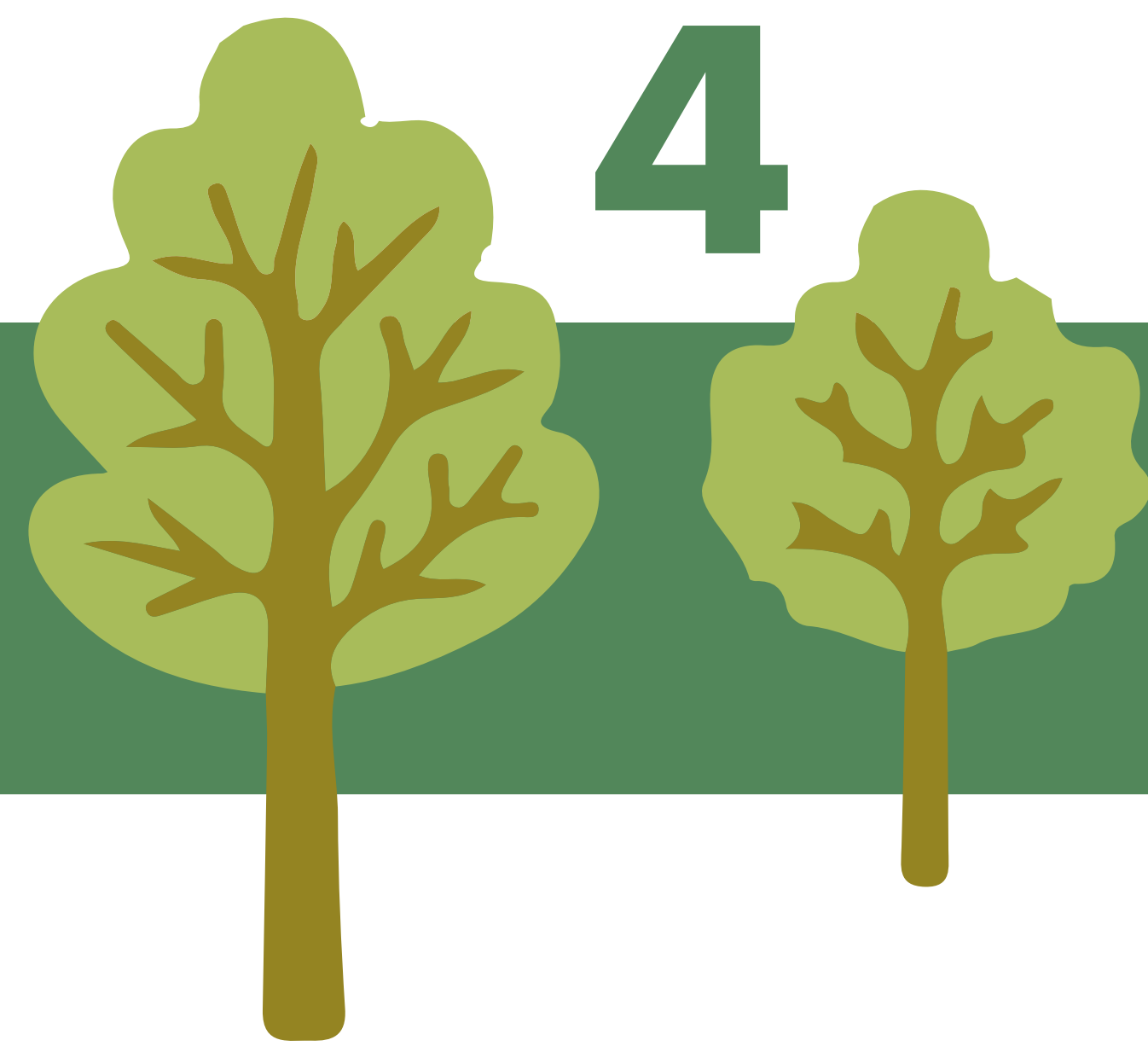
Site Considerations

LEGEND

- Bus Stop
- Truck Route
- Bike Route
- High Traffic Intersection
- High Value Trees
- Existing Buildings
- Existing Pathways



EXISTING AMENITIES & USAGE



WHAT WE’VE HEARD + FIT

Previous Feedback on Oak Park:

The public survey from the 2018 Needs Assessment identified the following outdoor spaces as priorities for inclusion next to a new community centre in Marpole. They are listed in order of popularity.

1

PLAYSPACE



2

WALKING + JOGGING PATHS



3

PLAZA + SEATING AREAS



4

MULTI-SPORT COURT



5

SPORTS FIELDS



6

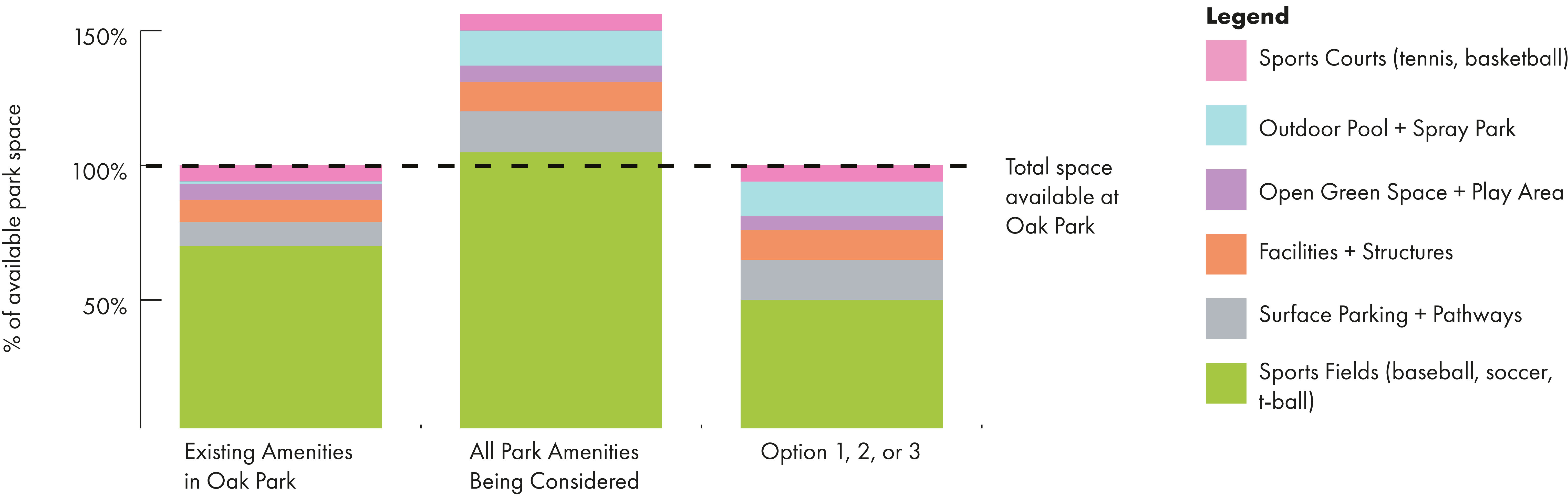
OUTDOOR FESTIVAL + PERFORMANCE SPACES



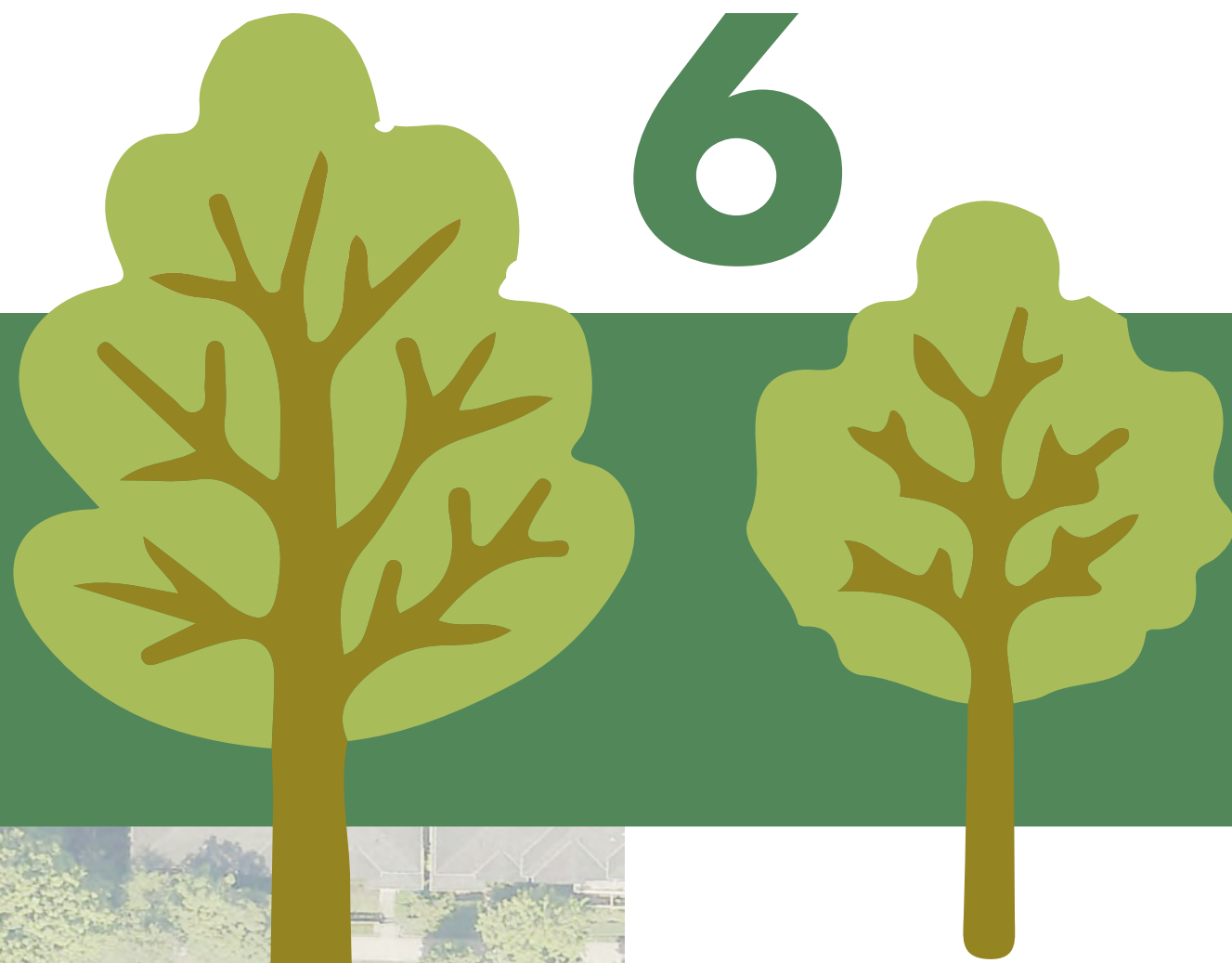
What Fits?

All the fields, pools, parking, courts and buildings being considered for Oak Park would extend **50%** beyond its boundaries and require removal of significant trees and greenspace.

Park Amenities



Since Oak Park doesn’t have enough room for everything, **decisions about trade-offs are required.**



- Priorities:**
- Access & Visibility** - Enhance access & visibility to the new community centre
 - Retain Existing** - Minimize disruption to existing park facilities & amenities
 - Noise + Pollution** - Minimize exposure to Oak St. noise & air quality
 - Tree Canopy** - Retain tree canopy & ecological function
 - Casual Uses** - Maximize open greenspace for casual uses
 - Organized Sports** - Maximize space for organized sports uses

- Benefits:**
- New outdoor pool & spray park;
 - Expanded parking;
 - Expanded all weather multipurpose field with lighting;
 - Community Centre, childcare, playgrounds, pool & spray park sheltered from Oak St. noise & air quality.

- Drawbacks:**
- Building is less accessible & visible from Oak Street & public transit;
 - Building location & resulting traffic increase conflicts with 59th Ave. bikeway;
 - Loss of 1 soccer field, 1 ball diamond, 1 t-ball diamond;
 - Loss of mature trees near the existing playground.

Site Amenities:

New

Retained

Removed

Lit Multi-Purpose Field

Underground Parking

Outdoor Pool

Soccer Field

Ball Diamond

T-ball Diamond

Tennis/Pickleball Court

Basketball Court

Surface Parking

Groves of Mature Trees

Picnic Area

Childcare Playground

Park Playground

Spray Park

Soccer Field

Ball Diamond

T-ball Diamond

Multi-Sport Court

Groves of Mature Trees

Pool Parking

Lit Multi-Purpose Field

Mature Trees (To Be Retained)

Ball Diamond

New Community Centre + Underground Parking

Basketball

Multi-Use Plaza

Change Rooms + Pool Mechanical

Outdoor Pool Area

Spray park

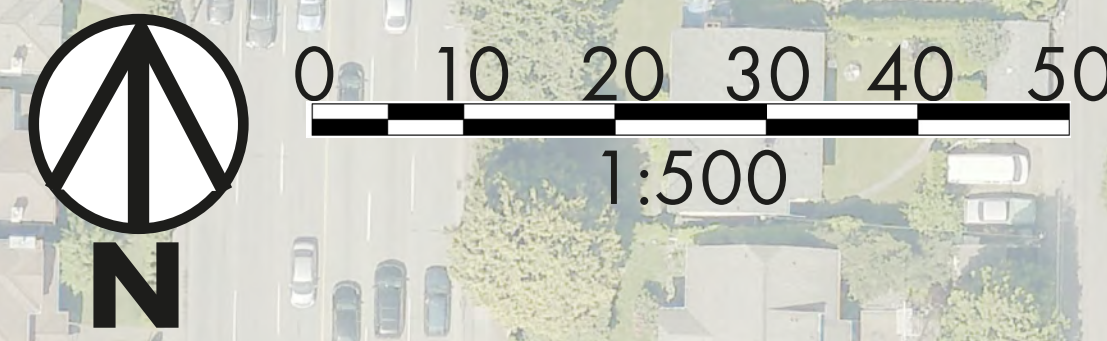
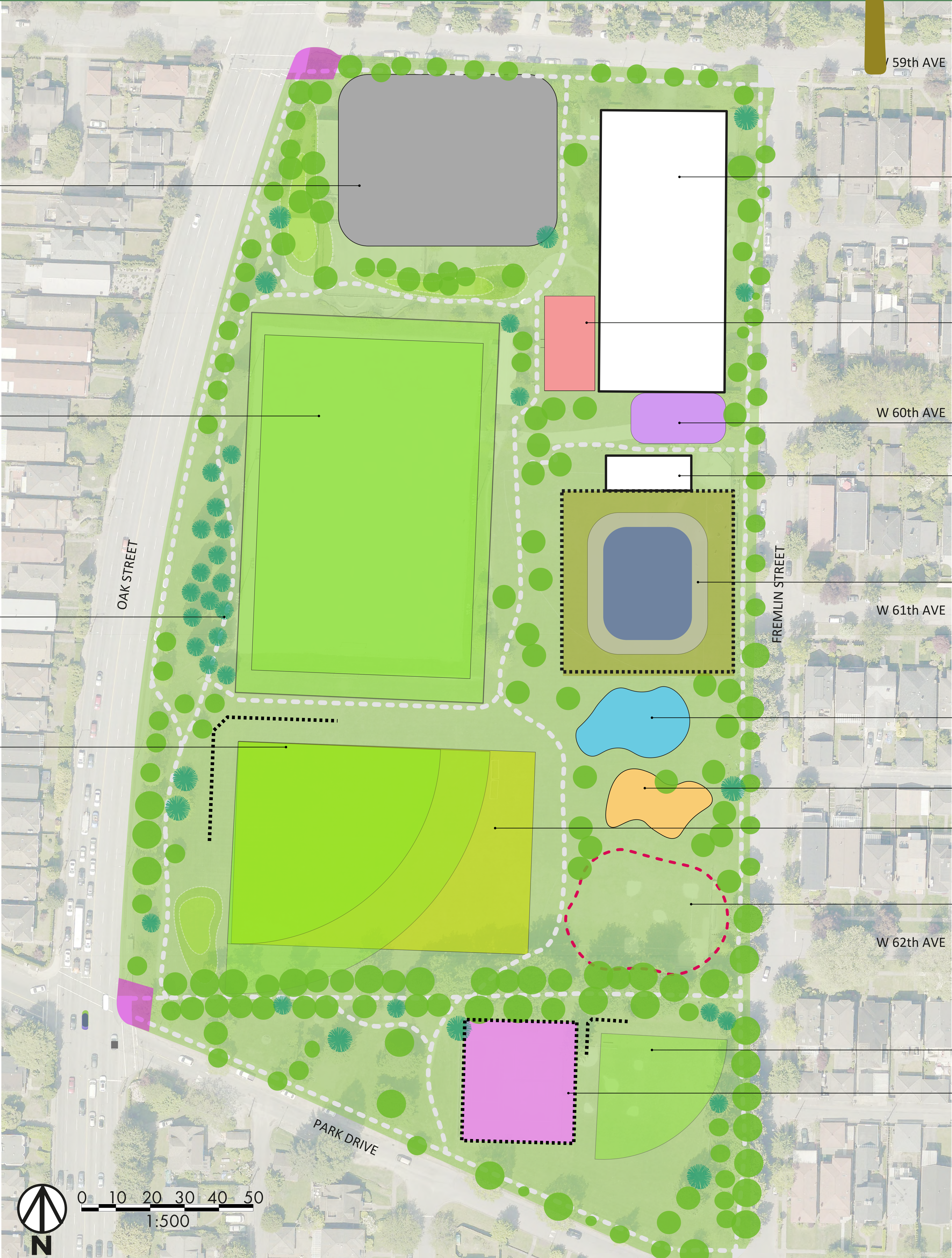
Playground

Soccer Practice Field

Open Green Space

T-Ball

Tennis/Pickleball Courts



Option 2: BUILDING - SOUTH

Priorities:

- ✓ **Access & Visibility** - Enhance access & visibility to the new community centre
- ✓ **Retain Existing** - Minimize disruption to existing park facilities & amenities
- ✗ **Noise + Pollution** - Minimize exposure to Oak St. noise & air quality
- ✗ **Tree Canopy** - Retain tree canopy & ecological function
- ✓ **Casual Uses** - Maximize open greenspace for casual uses
- ✓ **Organized Sports** - Maximize space for organized sports uses



Benefits:

- Building more accessible & visible from Oak Street & public transit;
- Building closer to population centres in South Marpole;
- New outdoor pool & spray park;
- Expanded parking;
- Expanded multipurpose field with lighting;
- Playground, pool & spray park are sheltered from Oak St. noise & air quality.



Drawbacks:

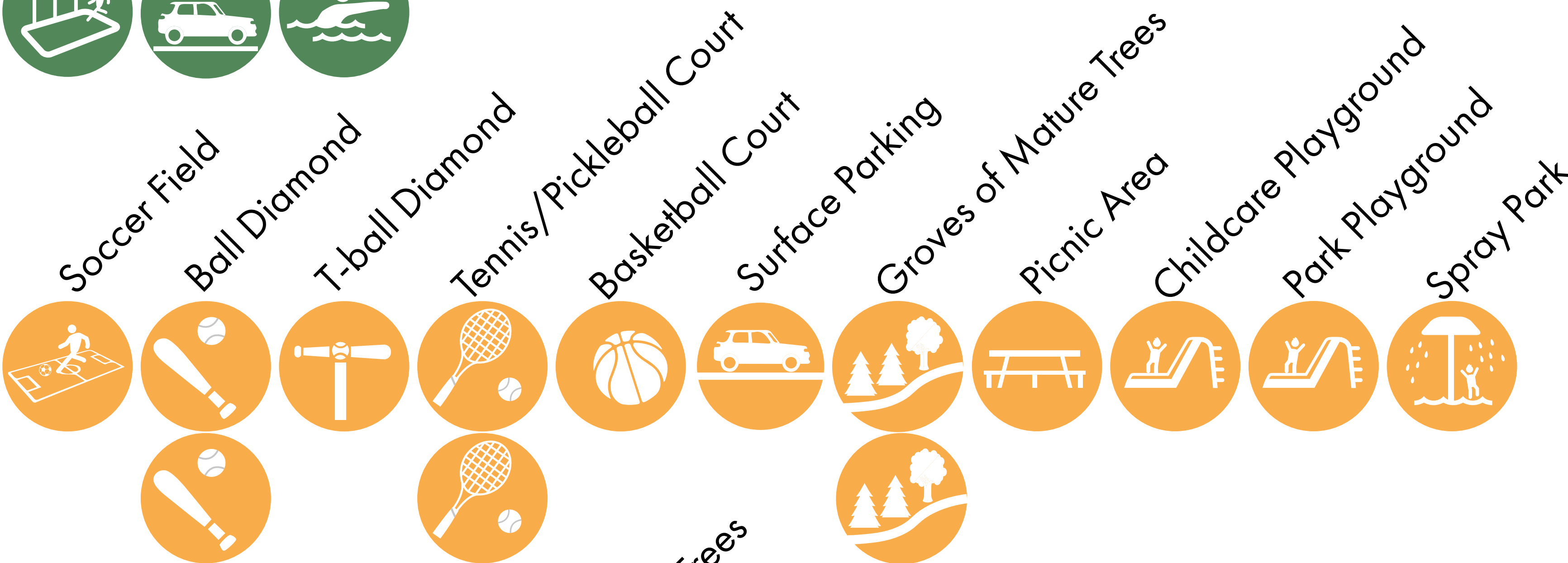
- Building & childcare are more exposed to Oak St. noise & air quality;
- Loss of 1 soccer field, 1 ball diamond, 2 t-ball diamonds;
- Loss of mature trees in southwest section of park;
- Lit multi-purpose field is slightly narrower than other options.

Site Amenities:

New



Retained



Removed



Tennis/Pickleball Courts

Open Green Space

Lit Multi Purpose Field

Mature Trees (To Be Retained)

New Community Centre + Underground Parking

Open Green Space

Playground Spray park

T-ball

Ball Diamond

Soccer Practice Field

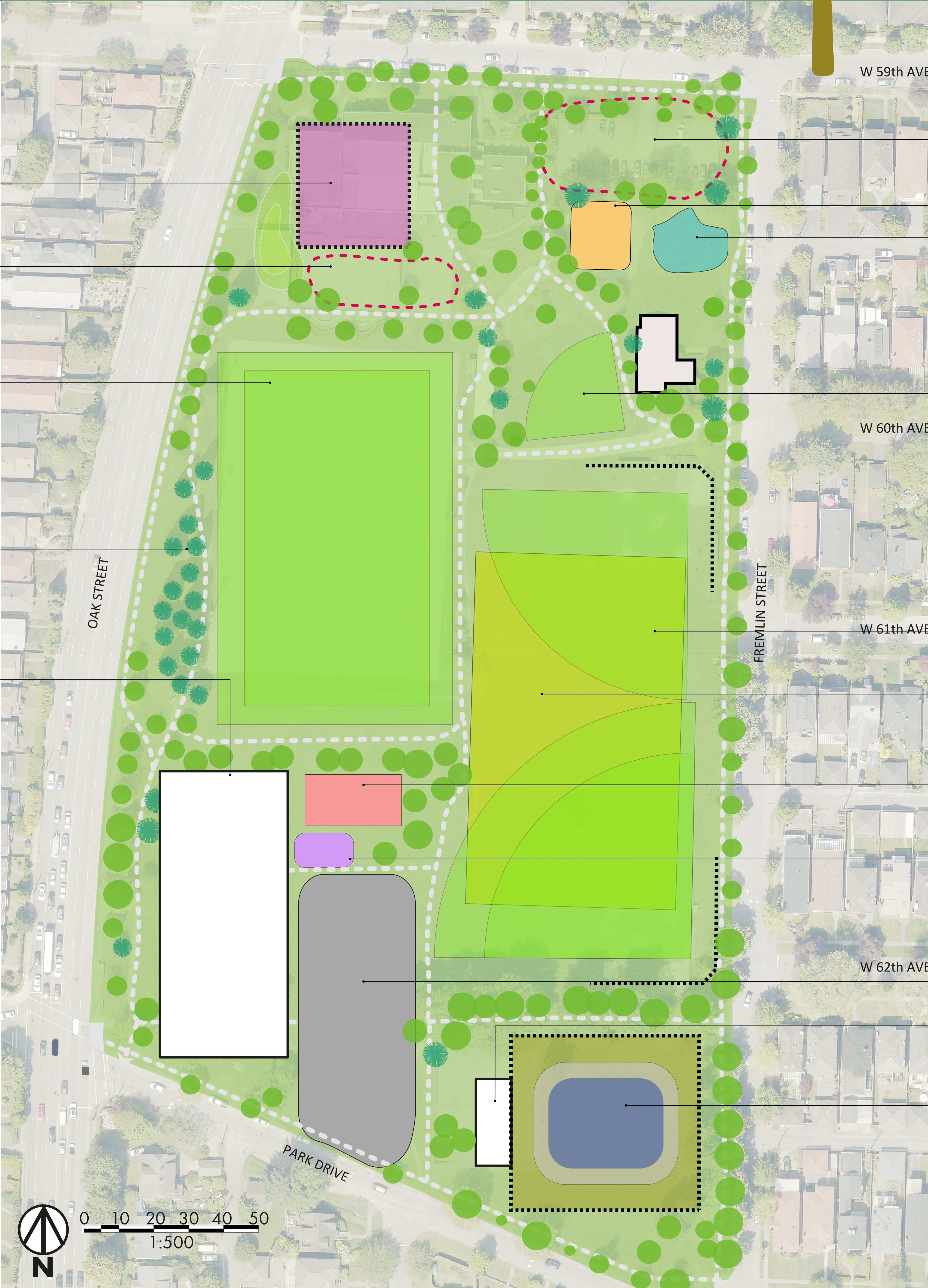
Basketball

Multi-Use Plaza

Pool Parking

Change Rooms + Pool Mechanical

Outdoor Pool Area



Option 3: BUILDING - EAST

Priorities:

- X Access & Visibility** - Enhance access & visibility to the new community centre
- X Retain Existing** - Minimize disruption to existing park facilities & amenities
- ✓ Noise + Pollution** - Minimize exposure to Oak St. noise & air quality
- (neutral) Tree Canopy** - Retain tree canopy & ecological function
- ✓ Casual Uses** - Maximize open greenspace for casual uses
- X Organized Sports** - Maximize space for organized sports uses



Benefits:

- Building & parking location limits additional traffic on 59th Ave. bikeway;
- New outdoor pool and spray park;
- Expanded parking;
- Expanded all weather multi-purpose field with lighting;
- More open green space;
- Community Centre, childcare, playgrounds, pool & spray park sheltered from Oak St. noise & air quality.



Drawbacks:

- Building is less visible & accessible from Oak St;
- Loss of 1 soccer field, 2 t-ball diamonds, 2 tennis courts;
- Loss of mature trees at current playground site.

Site Amenities:

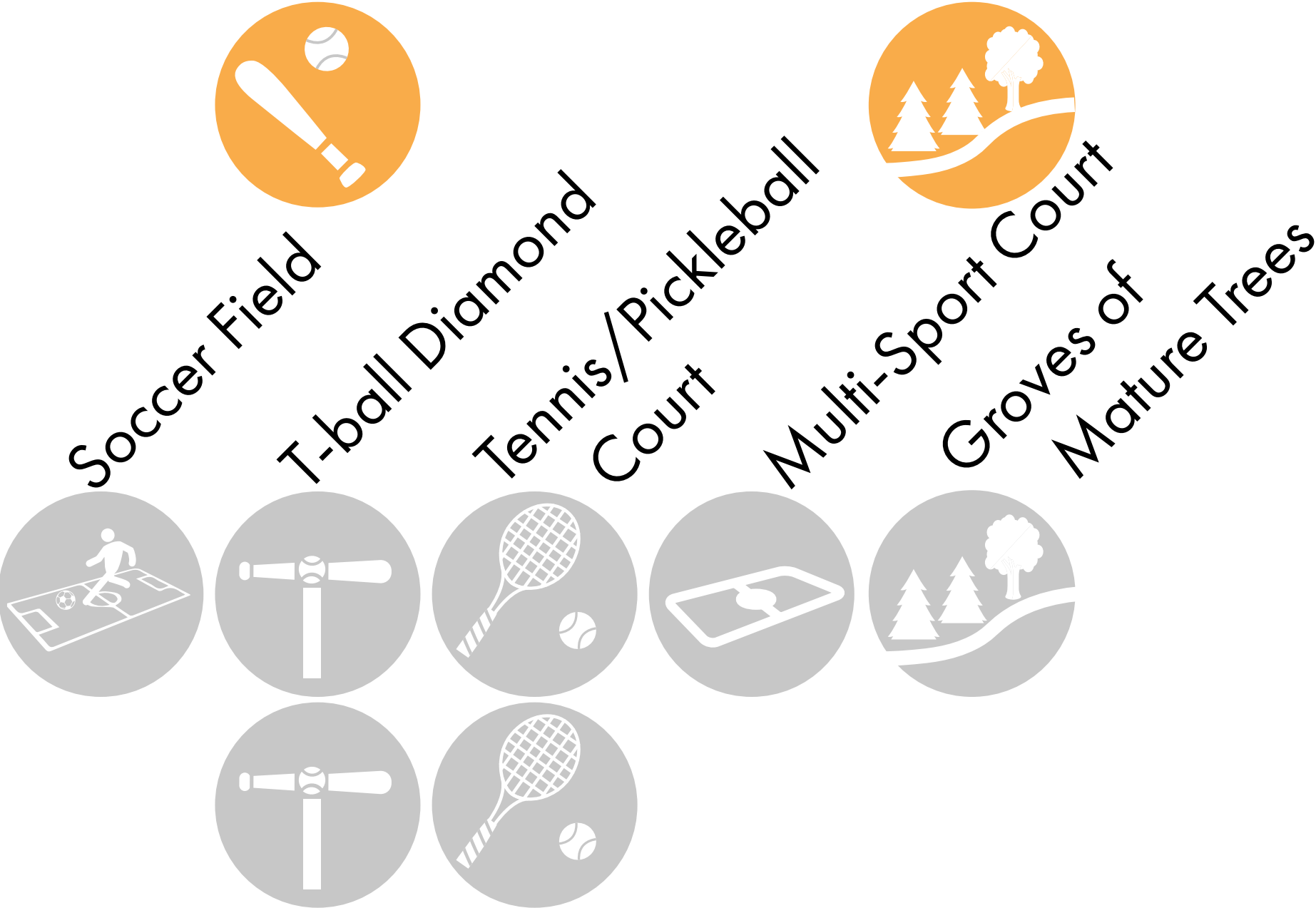
New



Retained



Removed



Open Green Space

Lit Multi-Purpose Field

Mature Trees
(To Be Retained)

Soccer Practice Field

Ball Diamond

Ball Diamond

New Community Centre +
Underground Parking

Basketball

Playground

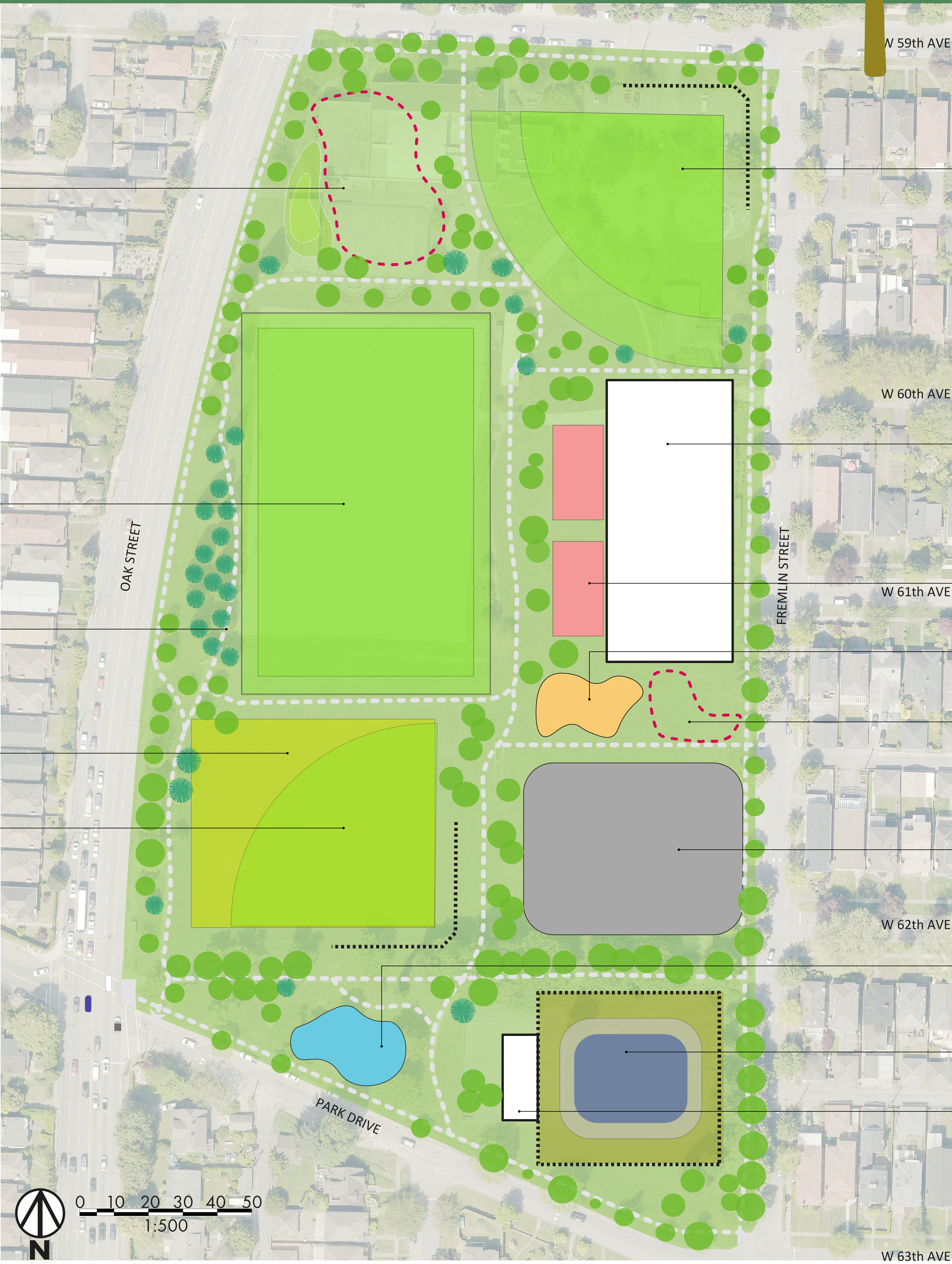
Open Green Space

Pool Parking

Spray park

Outdoor Pool Area

Change Rooms +
Pool Mechanical





Outdoor Pool Background:

Q: Why is an outdoor pool being considered?

A: In 2018, the Vancouver Park Board approved the following motion: “that the...Board approve the location for a new full-sized outdoor pool in south Vancouver co-located at Marpole Community Centre in Oak Park.”

Q: How does an outdoor pool affect parking?

A: An outdoor pool area increases the parking requirements by 50 additional stalls. These may be located on park space or partially underground depending on detailed design.

Q: When would the outdoor pool be open?

A: Vancouver’s outdoor pools are open from late May to mid-September. This park space is inaccessible for the rest of the year.

Q: Who can use a pool?

A: New outdoor pools are designed for universal accessibility*. Children under 8 need to be with a guardian.

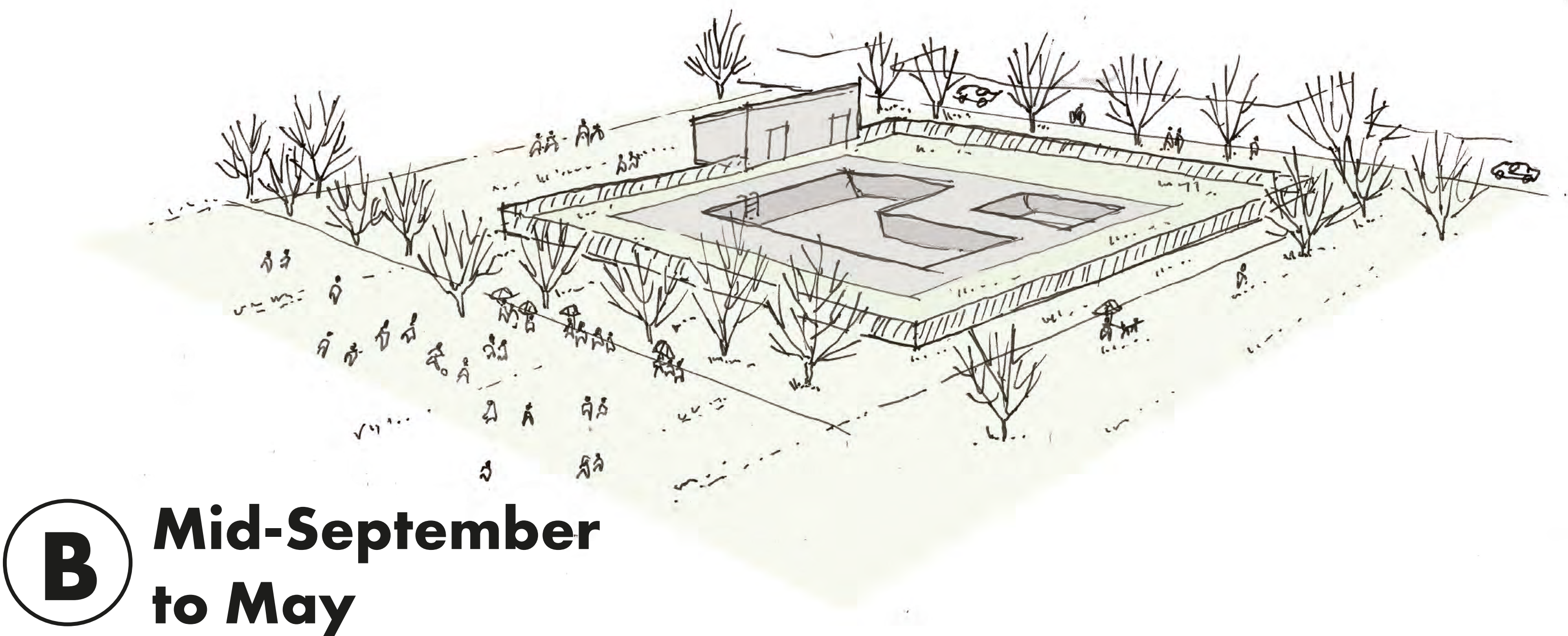
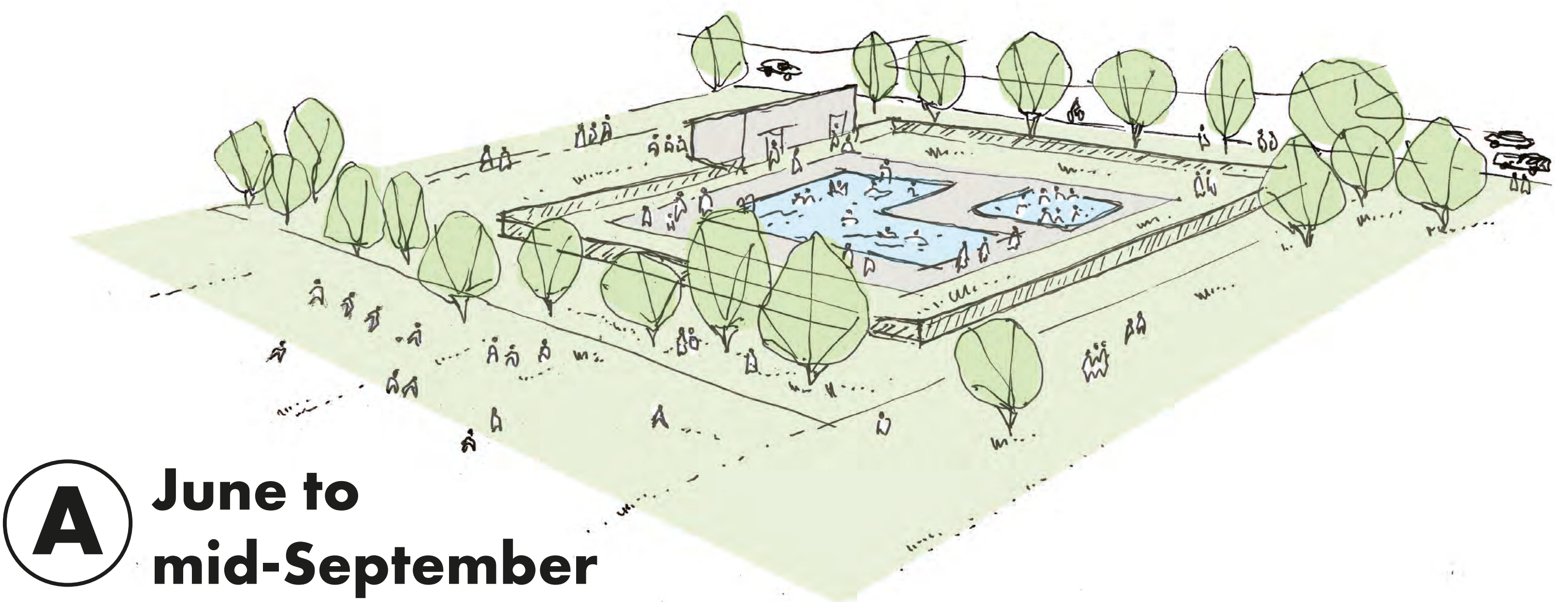
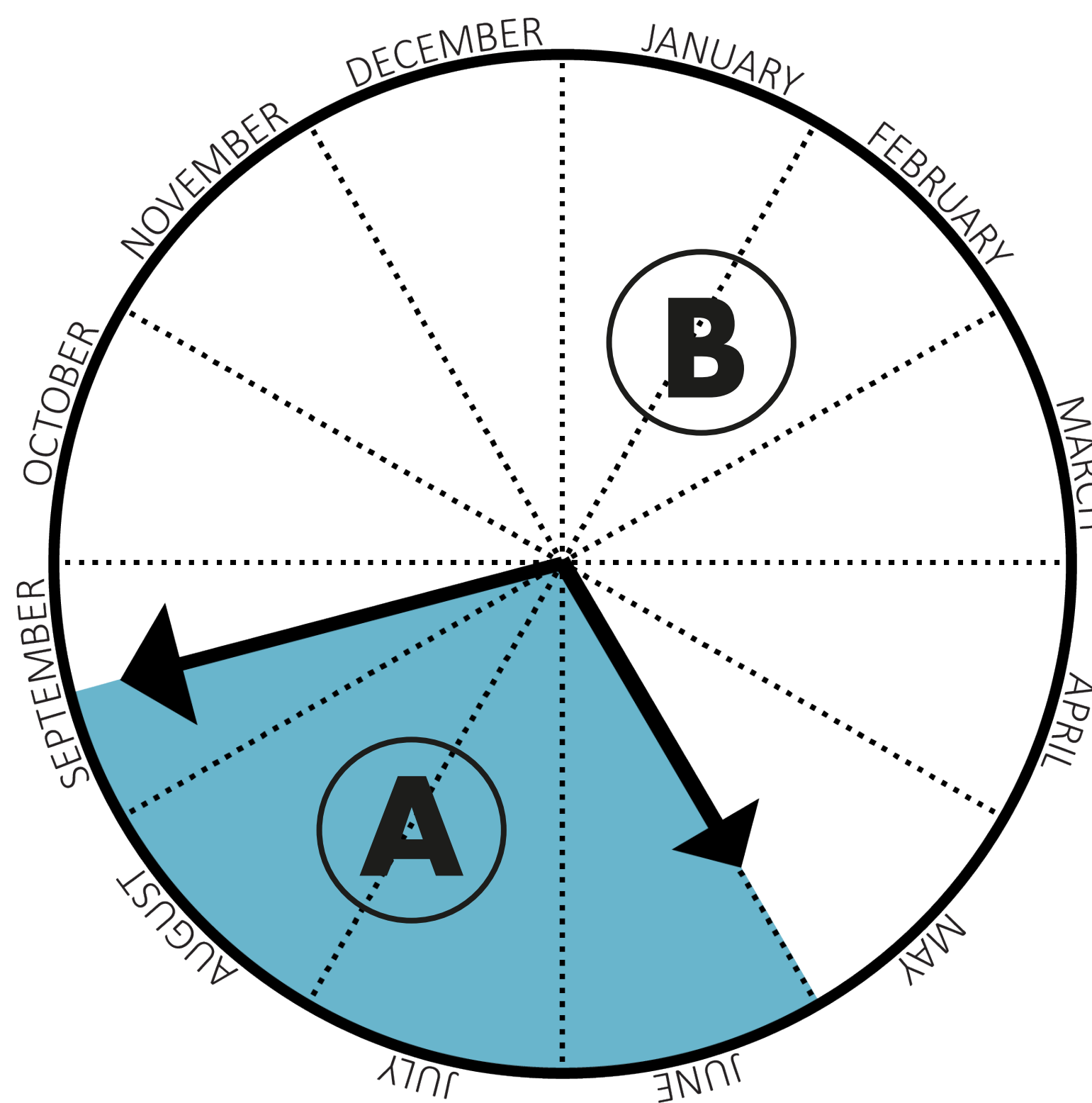
Q: What about an indoor pool for Oak Park?

A: An indoor pool is not being considered because the Draft VanSplash Vancouver Aquatic Strategy (coming to the Park Board for decision in late 2019) does not recommend one at this location. It identifies expansion of Kerrisdale pool, and potential partnership with YMCA at their Langara site as options for addressing South Vancouver indoor pool needs.

***Universal Accessibility:** Design and structure of an environment so that it can be understood, accessed, and used to the greatest extent possible by all people regardless of their age or ability.

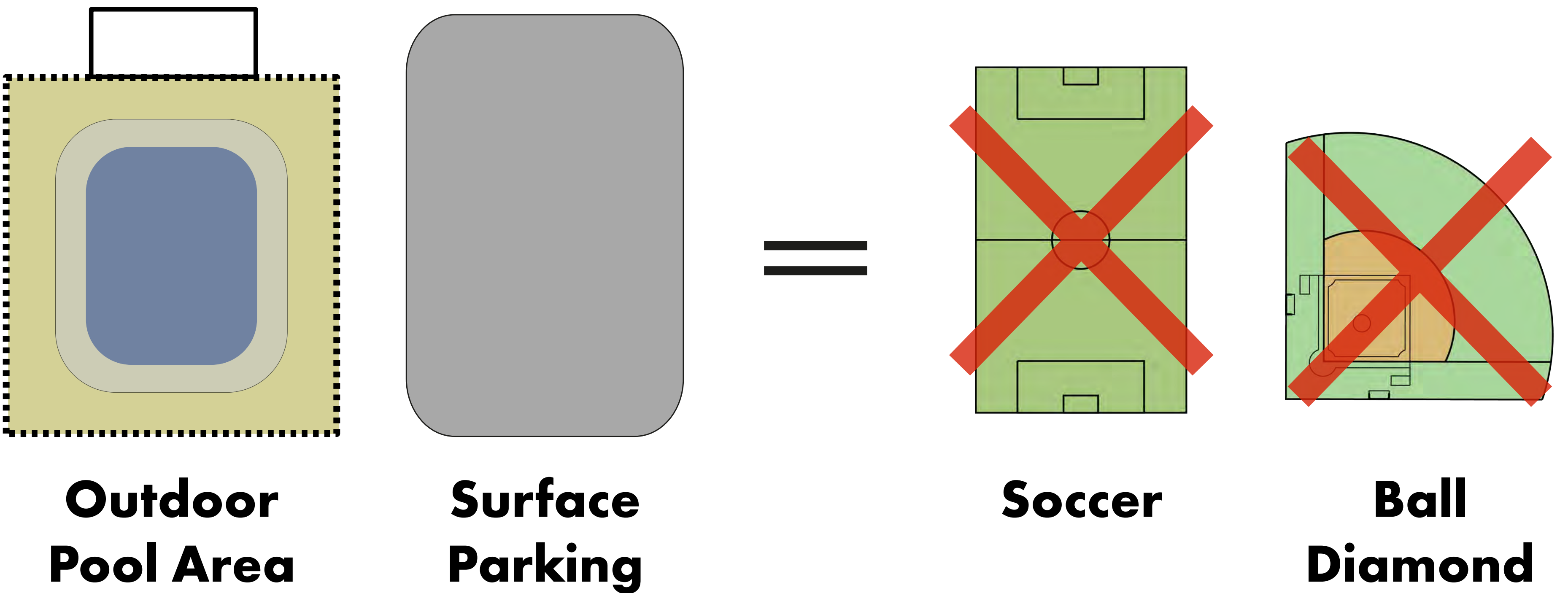
Seasonality:

An outdoor pool area (pool, concrete apron, and lawn) is useable for about 3 and a half months per year. For the remainder of the year, it is not useable park space.



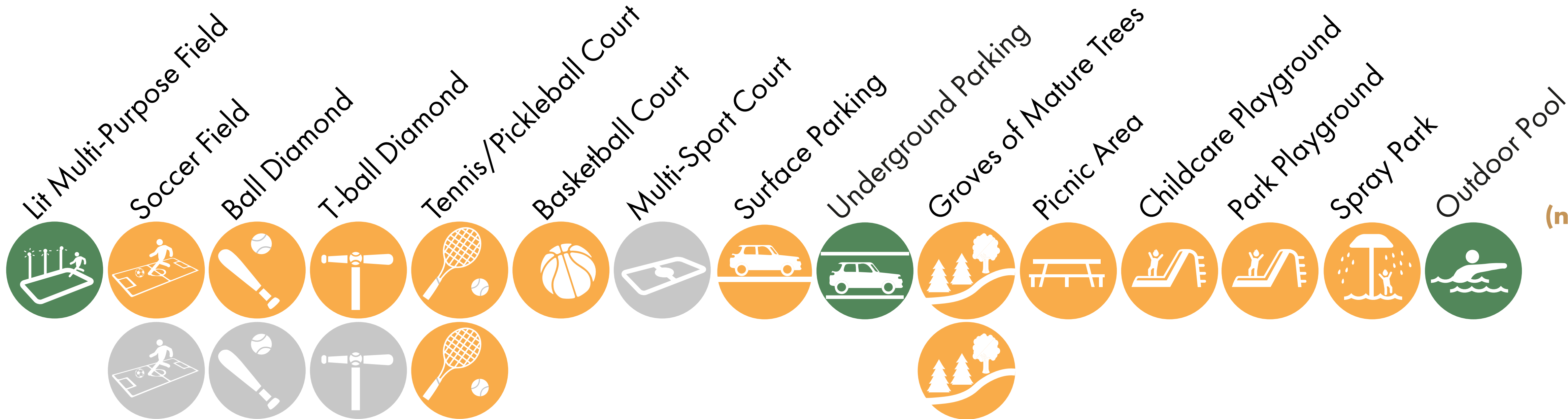
Space Trade Off:

In order to fit an outdoor pool area on site, some of the current playing fields need to be removed. We want to know what you think of the trade off.



COMPARISON OF PARK AMENITIES

Option 1:
Building - North



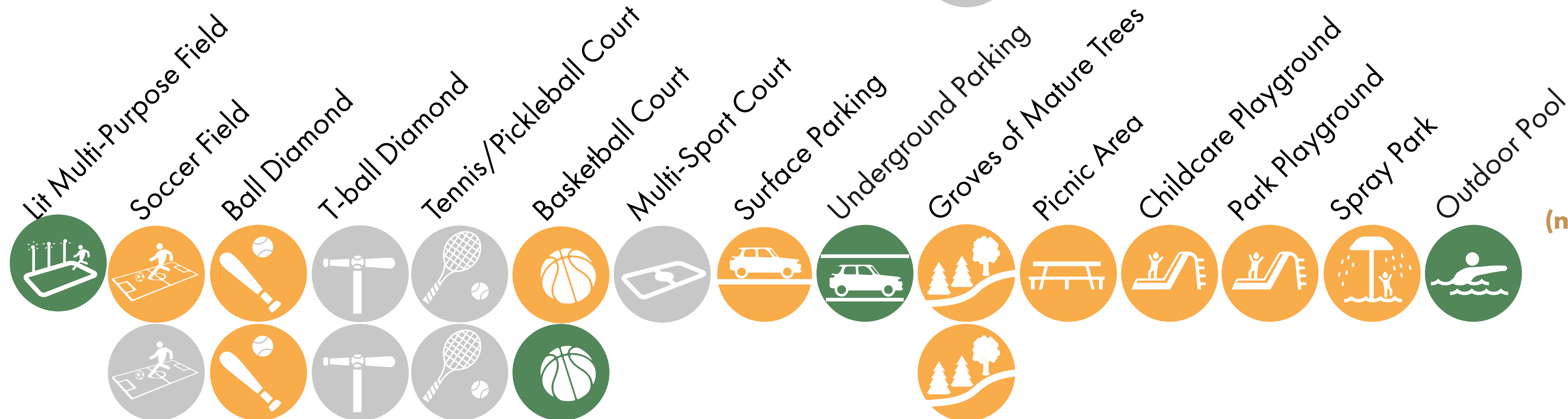
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 - X Organized Sports** - Maximize space for organized sports uses

Option 2:
Building - South



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Option 3:
Building - East



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LEGEND

- Retained
- Removed
- New