

News Release

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What do you think? City seeking feedback on Sportsplex skate park

What can we do to create a more welcoming skate park at the Sportsplex?

That's the question being asked by the City's recreation and culture department and the Sociable Scientists this summer.

Parents, skate park users and other members of the community are welcome to share their feedback about the skate park.

"We want to use this information to enhance and promote safe and accessible use of the space for people of all ages and abilities," explains Michele Sirett, the City's recreation and culture supervisor. "As a public recreation facility, the skate park is meant to offer a positive experience, and we want to reach out and check in to hear people's impressions and what we can do to create a more welcoming place. We're looking for ideas on safety, programming, use, lighting, design, and even art."

Feedback will be sought at the skate park, farmers' market and Spirit Square.

"We want your stories and your voices. At the skate park, we'll be collecting photos to see how you view the skate park. At Spirit Square and the farmers' market, we'll be asking questions and recording responses," Sirett says. "Then, we will combine the photos and the feedback to create a visual story of what the skate park is and what you want it to be."

"We're aiming to have this creative endeavour result in rich feedback that will guide the City in making decisions around enhancing the skate park," adds Lynn Wark, the City's recreation and culture manager.

Where and when:

Spirit Square - Tuesday, June 7, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Skate Park - Saturday, June 11, noon to 4 p.m.

Skate Park - Wednesday, June 29, 5 to 8 p.m.

Farmers' Market - Monday, July 11, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Skate Park - Sunday, July 24, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Skate Park - August 12, 5 to 8 p.m.

To provide feedback, please connect via email with laurel@thesociablescientists.ca or visit us at one of the community events.

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