

Response to Places Report



Kitchener Citizens for Liveable Development

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To work collaboratively with all stakeholders for planning and development that builds livable, affordable, sustainable, socially inclusive neighbourhoods in and around Downtown Kitchener.



KCLD

**KITCHENER CITIZENS
FOR LIVEABLE DEVELOPMENT**




Comprehensive,
informative, and
readable.



PLACES & SPACES


City of Kitchener Parks Strategy





Members of KCLD,
like other
downtown
residents, choose
urban living.






We know that now,
more than ever,
urban living needs
to be green.



Comments about
recommendations
for Downtown
Kitchener (DTK):

Prioritize
parkland as a use
of City-owned
properties.

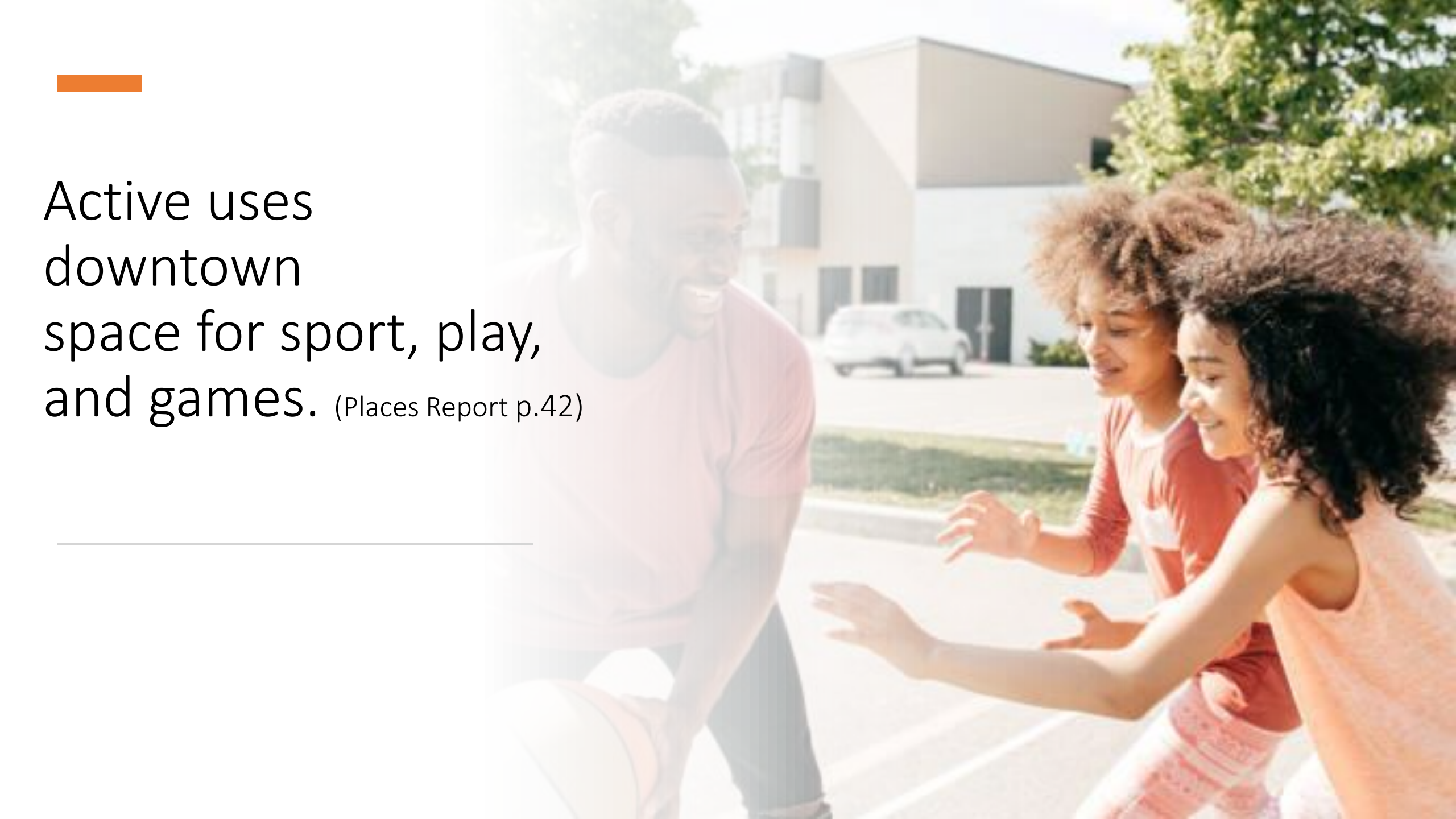




Re-imagine and adapt spaces

Pursue opportunities for recreation beyond park property boundaries; re-imagine and adapt spaces such as roads and laneways to support and integrate with the parks system downtown. (Places Report p. 42)



A photograph of a man and two young girls playing basketball on a city street. The man, on the left, is wearing a pink t-shirt and is in a crouched position, smiling. The two girls, on the right, are also in crouched positions, looking towards the man. They are all wearing athletic wear. In the background, there is a modern building and a white car parked on the street. The image is slightly faded to allow the text to be read clearly.

Active uses
downtown
space for sport, play,
and games. (Places Report p.42)

Other Comments:

“Adjusting expectations” is not a reasonable option. (Places Report p. 28)



Bramm Yards, an opportunity to create a liveable community that the City can't pass up.



Other Opportunities

- partner with NAs:
 - tree planting/stewardship
- local parks naturalization
- pollinator gardens
- rain gardens
- promotion/ engagement in park improvements



Parks and multipurpose spaces in DTK

- Create multipurpose spaces, maximizing green space and trees.
- Prioritize parks for city-own land.
- Re-imagine and green the potential of gray alternative spaces, and don't substitute them for parks.
- Keep listening to community members from all backgrounds.





Thank you for
your commitment
to our City!

