

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – MAY 7, 2001

GIOVANNI CABOTO PARK AND GLEN VILLA PARK LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT WORK

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning and Urban Design in consultation with the Director of Purchasing and the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

1. That the Manager of Landscape and Open Space Development be authorized to approve additional funding to a maximum value of \$80, 000.00 + G.S.T.; and,
2. That the funding source be city wide park development charges.

Background

This tender was comprised of two capital park projects, that being Glen Villa Park and Giovanni Caboto Park. The intent of the project was to redevelop existing park facilities in Glen Villa Park in conjunction with adjacent park lands to create a new larger neighbourhood park. The entire park development project would then be renamed Giovanni Caboto Park.

As part of our standard park construction process, a protective snow fence was installed around the perimeter of the site. After construction had commenced, the contractor encountered vandalism problems which resulted in damage to a home in the area of the park. To reduce the risk to the neighbourhood additional security measures were undertaken. A stronger temporary chain link fence was installed around the entire perimeter to reduce the opportunity for vandalism. This fence will remain in place until the park has been assumed by the City. Due to the large size of this combined park and the considerable upgrade in perimeter fencing which was required, this item has exceeded the original budget for park perimeter construction fencing.

Upon commencement of excavating for the walkways, and playground areas within the park, the soils were found to contain construction debris and remnants of old foundations. A consultant was hired to conduct a Phase One and Two Environmental Assessment of this area, as at the time of the subdivision, this was not a city requirement. The results of this study showed that this area of the park met all the environmental requirements for parkland, but was more extensive than we would normally expect to carry out and therefore was beyond our budget allocated for testing.

As a result of the time required to conduct the Environmental Assessment, the construction of the park had to be postponed and additional costs have been incurred due to remobilization and price increases.

Additional funding is therefore requested in order that this park may be completed in the spring of this year as originally tendered.

Items

Fencing	\$ 35, 000.00
Testing & Removal	\$ 17, 000.00
Additional Costs	<u>\$ 28,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 80,000.00

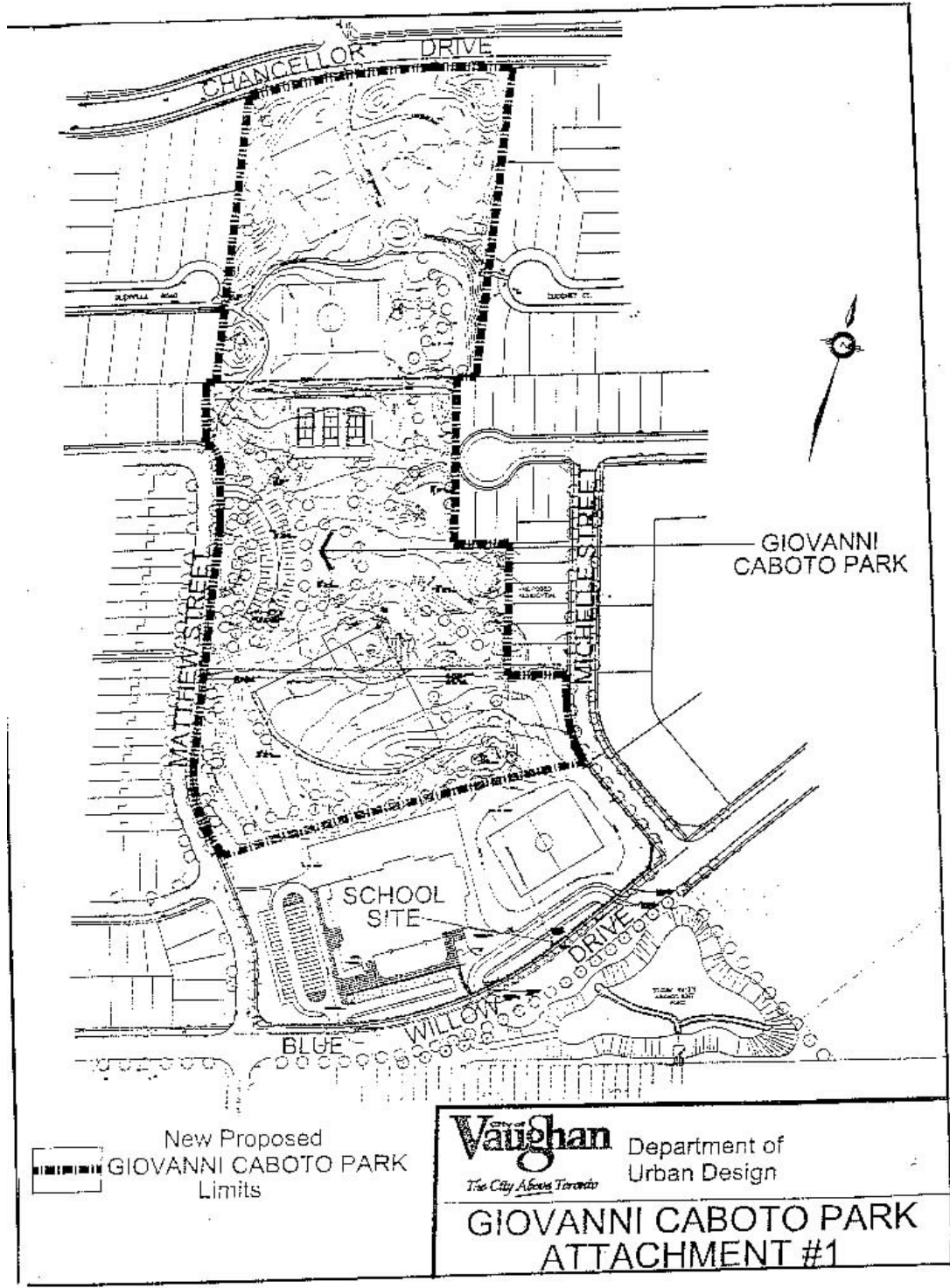
Based on the above analysis, this project is estimated to require *additional* funding approval of \$80,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

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 GIOVANNI CABOTO PARK
 Limits

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The City Above Toronto Urban Design

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