

5.1 Cultural Heritage and Community											
	Recommendation	Rationale	Implementation Stream			Capital		Grant or Partnership Required	Deliverable		
			Follow up Report Required	Operations	Administration	Funded 5 year capital (\$)	Projected Capital year 6-10 (\$)		Short (1-3 years)	Medium (3-6 years)	Long (7-10 years)
5.1.1	Designate Kelso Beach at Nawash Park a Cultural Heritage Landscape	Kelso Beach at Nawash Park is an important landscape to local indigenous cultures, historically as a seasonal waterfront village and recently as the site of the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden. The property is also an important landscape for the settler community for community waterfront access, special events, local sports and as the site of the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation garden.									
5.1.2	Update the official Name of the Park to Kelso Beach at Nawash Park	A key objective of the City's strategic plan is supporting inclusivity, diversity and accountability in the community and this is reflected in the policy. It is recommended that the City bring forward a request to the City Clerk to officially rename and legally register the property as Kelso Beach at Nawash Park.									
5.1.3	Encourage and support ongoing culturally appropriate programming at the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden	The Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden Committee and the City have developed a positive partnership in the establishment of the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden. It is appropriate to advance efforts to preserve and promote both histories, and continue to engage in the work of creating a place where both communities can come together									
5.1.4	Support and promote the use of Kelso Beach at Nawash Park for special events	Special events are an important part of the fabric of our local culture, offering enrichment, entertainment and cultural heritage value to residents and attract visitors supporting tourism in Owen Sound. In particular special events often focus around the Inner Harbour and Shoreline to leverage the long views and natural beauty Owen Sound Offers.									
5.1.5	Supply and install a flagpole proximate to the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden to fly the Suageen Ojibway Nation Flag	In support of the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden, and acknowledging that Kelso Beach at Nawash Park is located on the traditional territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON). Council has approved a 2023 capital project to install a flagpole in service of this request.				2023- \$8,000					
5.2 Amenities and Services											
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5.2.1	North Washroom Replcement	A new washroom building is included in the City's funded 5 year capital forecast program for design in 2024 and construction in 2025.									
	Desing/ Engineering					2024- \$25,000					
	Construction					2025 - \$100,000					
5.2.2	Playground Relocation and replacement	The playground at Kelso Beach at Nawash Park, constructed in 1999 is at the end of its useful life, and is currently funded in the City's 5 year capital forecast for replacement in 2026				2026- \$200,000					
5.2.3	Internal Park Wayfinding signage and Park Map	include signage on ES bridge at existing south trail to pedestrian bridge indicating access to Kelso at Nawash, trails kiosk (recommended by trails master plan)					\$15,000-\$25,000				
5.2.4	Update and improve park entrances	The Main entrance at Kelso Beach at Nawash Park is in need of a renewal to ensure the property reflects its status as a City Park and as a focal point of local indigenous heritage and reconciliation, and as a venue for hosting significant arts, cultural and athletic events.				2024 - \$50,000					

5.2.5	Parking area improvements -	<p>Most elements of the 2010 recommendation continue to be endorsed by the City at stakeholders. Relocating Parking to the former railway lands aligns with 2022 Internal and external stakeholder consultations where a strong desire for improved parking facilities and vehicular circulation was identified.</p> <p>The rationale for relocating and improving parking facilities would increase the number of parking stalls by 135 to 315 parking spaces.</p>					\$700,000-\$800,000	Min 50%			
	Pedestrian Links over ditches from Lots 3 and 4										
	Pave Lot 1 (washroom)										
	Pave Lot 2 (Sportsfield)										
	Pave Lot 3 (Rail Line north of Main Entrance)										
	Pave Lot 4 (Rail Line South of Main Entrance)										
5.2.6	Decommission the Ball Diamond	Operations- No additional funding required									
5.2.7	Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation Garden Area noise Abatement	<p>Through cultural stakeholder engagement, the Gitche Namewikwedong Reconciliation garden Committee identified that during culturally sensitive events that are solemn in nature, such as observing Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women's day, Observing mourning for the victims of the atrocities committed at residential schools, traffic noise from the Eddie Seargent Parkway disturbs the sentiment and quiet contemplation desired to recognize the experiences indigenous peoples in Canada and locally.</p>					\$25,000-\$50,000	Min 50%			
5.2.8	Amphitheatre Accessibility Improvements	The amphitheater is terraced berm construction, with each terrace faced with 0.6m x 1.5m limestone blocks. There is a stone staircase at the south side of the amenity, and no other entry points to help guests access the full width of the amphitheater terraced seating sections.					\$75,000-\$100,000	Min 50%			
5.2.9	Support the establishment of a canteen and/or beach rental service	Support the availability of rental space for a canteen and/or beach rental service through Multi-Purpose Facility design.						Min 100%			
5.2.10	Create Regulation Beach volleyball courts	<p>Currently, there are 25 beach volleyball players who commute 45 minutes west to participate in organized league play on beach volleyball courts. Another 80 potential players have expressed interest to join the beach volleyball community in Owen Sound if a facility were available here.</p> <p>It is recommended that a business case be developed to examine the feasibility of constructing rentable beach volleyball courts. A business case would include a user fee market analysis</p>					\$50,000-\$60,000				
5.2.11	Modify the Main Stage Pavilion to permit operation as an open air or closed facility	Install roll up doors at each opening to permit flexible operation of the pavilion as an indoor or open air facility.					\$100,000-\$150,000	Min 50%			
5.2.12	Create Park boundary delineation along Eddie Seargent Parkway and north end boundary	Include this element when Parking area improvements are implemented					\$215,000-\$315,000	Min 50%			
5.2.13	Replace central pedestrian bridge with vehicle rated structure over Stormwater Management Pond	<p>A stone pedestrian is located central to the park, permitting trail users to cross the stormwater management outflow. The bridge is not currently accessible and is nearing the end of its serviceable life.</p> <p>Replacing the stone bridge with a structure rated for parks maintenance vehicles and equipment will improve efficiency of service delivery internally, and upgrade the functionality of the central park area, the focus of most special events, for promoters and special event hosts.</p>					\$250,000, \$350,000	Min 50%			
5.2.14	Construct Shade Sails in Strategic Locations	The construction of shade sails proximate to the beach will provide an enhanced user experience, particularly during summer events. When events are not ongoing, the public would have access to the shaded areas while using the park for recreation.					2023- \$115,000				

5.3.6	Improve and extend usability of the sportsfield with slot drainage	<p>Typically it is mid-June before the field is firm enough to support sports use.</p> <p>Following a successful model of constructing slot drainage at the Kiwanis Soccer Complex, it is recommended that the Sportsfield at Kelso At Nawash park be slot drained to improve the early and late season availability of the sports turf.</p>					\$35,000-\$45,000				
5.3.7	Augment annual Pothole Maintenance Program	<p>The current practice for managing potholes at Kelso Beach at Nawash Park is via internal requests from Parks and Open Space to Public Works and Engineering for grading ad hoc, usually in advance of a larger scale special event.</p> <p>Ahead of parking area reconfiguration recommended in this plan, in the interim, it is recommended that the City formalize a regular pothole maintenance program through co-operation between the Parks and Open Space and Public Works division to schedule maintenance at suitable intervals with in house grading equipment and operators.</p>									
5.3.8	Shoreline protection and stabilization	Monitor and Evaluate the condition of the sea-wall. Engage 3rd party consultation if required.					\$10,000-\$15,000				
5.3.9	Evaluate Service Levels and Operational Capacity	<p>The Parks and Open Space team is comprised of a manager, a Supervisor, a Parks and Cemetery Administrative Co-Ordinator (who's role is primarily focused on Cemetery Service delivery), 5 full time Parks staff, 14 seasonal parks attendants (March-November) and 6 student staff (May- September).</p> <p>It is recommended that the operational plan detailed in 7.3.2 form the basis for evaluating and recommending changes to the services and delivery model at Kelso Beach at Nawash Park.</p>									