

NEWS RELEASE

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City purchases property to further Loudon Park improvement plan

Two properties provide additional space for future park use

Summary

The City of Nanaimo is expanding Loudon Park through the recent purchase of 4246 and 4288 Victoria Avenue, two properties adjacent to the Park. In addition to increasing community access to Long Lake, the expanded park land will provide more options to benefit the surrounding neighbourhood and wider community as part of the Loudon Park Improvement Project.

The Project addresses priorities in the [Integrated Action Plan](#) with plans to improve the park and support the Nanaimo Rowing Club and Nanaimo Canoe & Kayak Club, which has called Long Lake home for decades. These upgrades are part of a broader effort to make Loudon Park more accessible and enjoyable for the community.

Details on the [Loudon Park improvement project](#) are available on the City's website.

Strategic Link: Maintaining and growing services now and for the future.

Key Points

- The City of Nanaimo has purchased 4246 and 4288 Victoria Avenue, two properties adjacent to Loudon Park, adding approximately 0.5 acre of parkland space that could provide additional use options with the Loudon Park Improvement Project.
- These upgrades are part of a broader effort to make Loudon Park more accessible and enjoyable for the community.
- On May 5, 2025, City Council asked staff to come back with additional options for this project.

Quotes

"This project is 25 years in the making and I am extremely pleased that with the acquisition of these properties we have more options for the planned Loudon Park upgrades while getting one step closer to realizing the vision for a vibrant lakefront destination with space for residents of all abilities to enjoy for many years to come."

Leonard Krog
Mayor
City of Nanaimo

Quick Facts

- The City of Nanaimo has been working to redevelop Loudon Park to better serve the community and support the Nanaimo Canoe & Kayak Club and the Nanaimo Rowing Club.
- Potential options for the park improvement project include: new community meeting space, accessibility upgrades, a paddle and rowing training facility and boat storage.
- Public engagement on park improvements dates back to 2009–2010, with a refined design first introduced in 2019 and updated following community feedback in 2021.

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