



## MEETING SUMMARY

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**Project:** Durham Splash & Play Project Community Conversation  
**Location:** Holton Career and Learning Center  
**Date:** September 15, 2022,  
**Attended By:** Wade Walcutt, Mary Unterreiner, Lisa Esterrich, Jason Jones, Tom Dawson, Rukea Womack, Almira Marshall, Shauna Parker

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Wade Walcutt, the Director of Durham Parks & Recreation, welcomed attendees and provided an overview of the project, including the community engagement process, current design concepts, and engagement moving forward. He navigated through the project website to show what information is available for the community to view.

There was a discussion with attendees regarding the makeup of the Residents Committee. Jason Jones, Assistant Director, described the process for selecting members and explained people can still join the committee. There was further discussion about the cost estimates to open up the skating rink, the recent facility assessment and code requirements, as well as the community engagement process. It was determined that based on community interest, a residents committee specific to the Wheels skating rink would soon be established.

Lisa Esterrich described three proposed concepts for the Former Wheels Fun Park Site. Attendees had a chance to interact with the designer and provide input. Comments from attendees included:

### Site Concept A

- Skate Park (skateboard)
- Keep the batting cage and bumper cars
- Show these locations on future maps

### Site Concepts B and C

- Skate Park mentioned on each

When asked the open-ended question “What else would you like to see in the Parks”, responses included:

- Wheels can still have a skateboarding area. Maybe build it where the go-karts were
- Get a wheel-dedicated committee
- Have Wheels run by a worker cooperative made up of local skaters

### **Next Steps**

- Residents Committee meeting on September 29, 2022
- Wheels Fun Park Open House on October 13, 2022