

PARK OVERVIEWS

Introduction

This appendix contains information about 55 Victoria parks¹ where potential overnight sheltering is considered to be practically feasible.

Information on each park includes potential sheltering capacity of that park. That number has been established in accordance with the methodology set out below. It is important to note, however, that it is a conservative estimate of sheltering capacity only. The actual sheltering capacity realized at each location may vary depending on how shelters are set up relative to each other and immediate environmental conditions present at any given time. Furthermore, no adjustments have been made for individual preferences of the users of the temporary overnight shelters: some individuals may choose to shelter in locations that were deemed impractical and, therefore, excluded from the count.

Methodology

The City maintains as part of its ordinary operations a geographic information system (VicMap) which contains geographic data about lands in Victoria, including its parks system. In addition to basic land survey information, VicMap also includes topographical information, and information about existing municipal infrastructure as well as trees and other vegetation within the park system.

Using data contained in VicMap, each of the parks was evaluated to determine its potential sheltering capacity by applying legal restrictions as well as practical barriers.

Legal restrictions

The *Parks Regulation Bylaw* contains a number of specific regulations that limit where in a park a temporary overnight shelter may be erected:

16A ...

- (2) A homeless person must not place, secure, erect, use, or maintain in place, in a park, a structure, improvement or overhead shelter, including a tent, lean-to, or other form of overhead shelter constructed from a tarpaulin, plastic, cardboard or other rigid or non-rigid material:

...

- (b) at any time, in

- (i) a playground, sports field, footpath or road within a park,

- (ii) an environmentally or culturally sensitive area, community garden, or horticultural area,

¹ Beacon Hill Park was excluded from this analysis due to restrictions under the terms of the trust.

- (iii) any area within a park that has been designated for an event or activity under (A) a valid and subsisting permit issued under the authority of this Bylaw, or (B) a lease, licence, or other agreement authorized by Council,
- ...
- (c) at any time within 4 metres of a private property line,
- ...
- (3) Notwithstanding subsection (2), person must not place, erect, maintain or use a shelter in a park at any time
 - (a) within 8 metres of a playground,
 - (b) within 4 metres of any area listed in section 16A(2)(b),
 - (c) within 4 metres of any other shelter that is placed, erected, maintained or used in accordance with section 16A or this section,
 - (d) within 50 metres of a school as defined in the School Act, or
 - (e) that, including all associated objects or possessions, occupies more than 9 square metres in size.

These restrictions were superimposed over the map of each park to identify areas where sheltering is legally prohibited. The only modification, in accordance with the recommendations in the report, was to increase the area around playgrounds (s. 16A(3)(a)) from 8 metres to 15 metres.

Practical barriers

In addition to the parameters explicitly set out in City bylaws, staff also considered practical and topographical barriers to sheltering, such as sloped terrain, densely treed areas, which would make a site unsuitable or undesirable for sheltering purposes (ie areas which are directly adjacent to a baseball dugout or bleachers).

A 5% slope, equivalent to accessible ramp standard, was used as an upper limit of a slope considered potentially suitable for sheltering notwithstanding that it is possible to erect shelter on greater slopes than that.

Potential Sheltering Capacity

Once the areas covered by either legal restrictions or practical barriers were removed, that left the areas which are potentially available for temporary overnight sheltering. Applying the maximum sheltering site size from the bylaw (nine square metres for each shelter – s. 19A(3)(e)) as well as the required separation between shelters (four metres – s. 16A(3)(c)), staff were then able to generate the potential sheltering capacity for each park. Parks with no potential sheltering capacity were not included in this appendix.

Map legend

Each park overview sheet includes an arial view of the park showing the application of the above methodology to that park, using the following symbols:

	Potential Sheltering Site (3m x 3m)
	Sheltering Site Separation (4m)
	Tree
	No Sheltering Area
	Municipal Boundary
	Park Boundary
	Grade > 5%

Alexander Park

Address: 1325, 1345, 1355, 1365, 1375 Bay Street & 1330, 1340, 1350, 1360, 1370, 1380 Walnut Street & 2422, 2426 Oregon Avenue

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 009-078-169, 009-078-321, 009-078-347, 009-078-177, 009-078-355, 009-078-193, 009-078-363, 009-078-207, 009-078-240, 009-078-231, 009-078-371, 009-078-258, 009-078-282



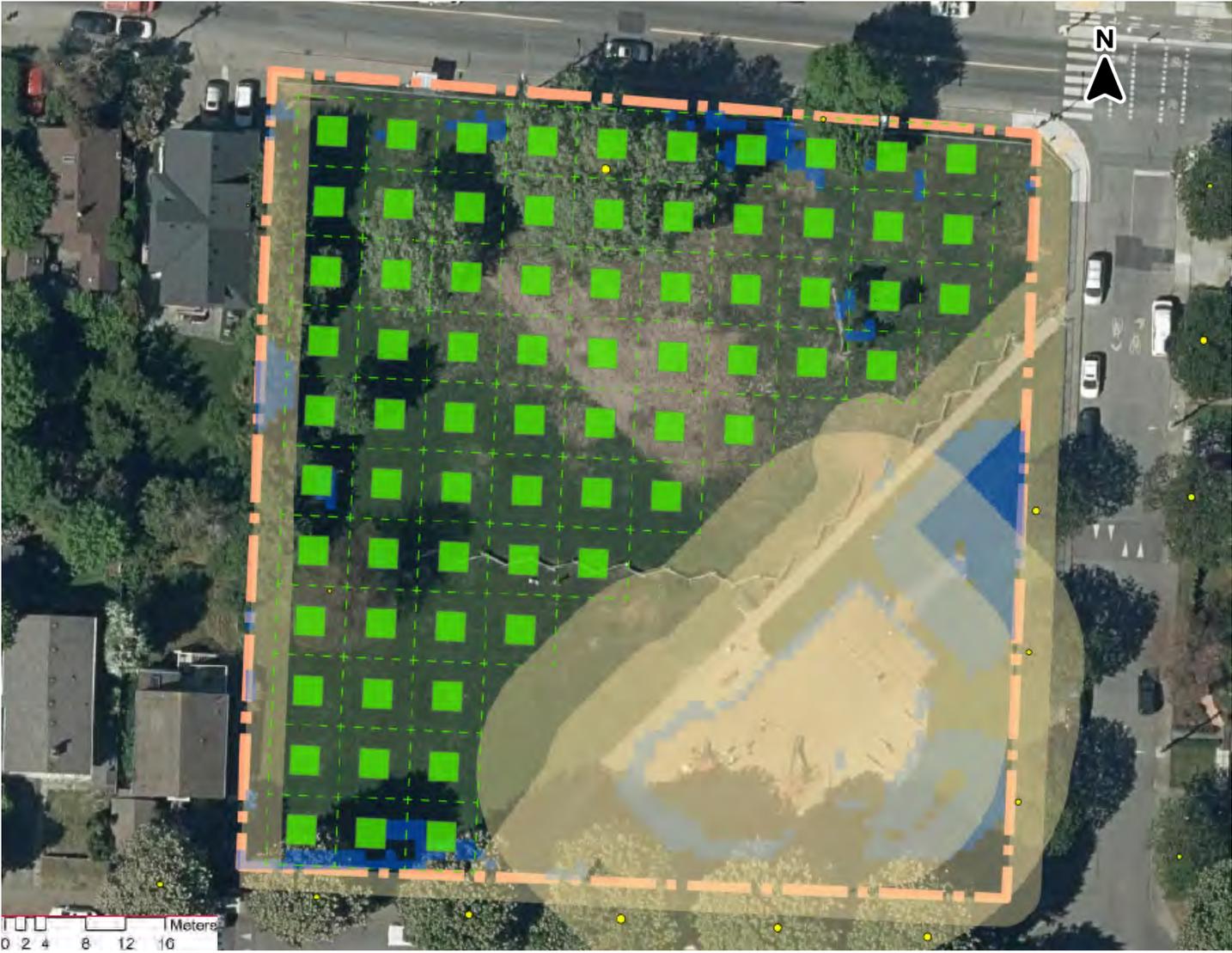
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Pathway.
- Benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage cans.
- Mostly fenced.
- Leash optional area.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sales and purchases from private owners.
- Subject to *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation Bylaw* No. 80-04.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 70



Alston Green

Address: 190 Bay Street

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 000-608-629



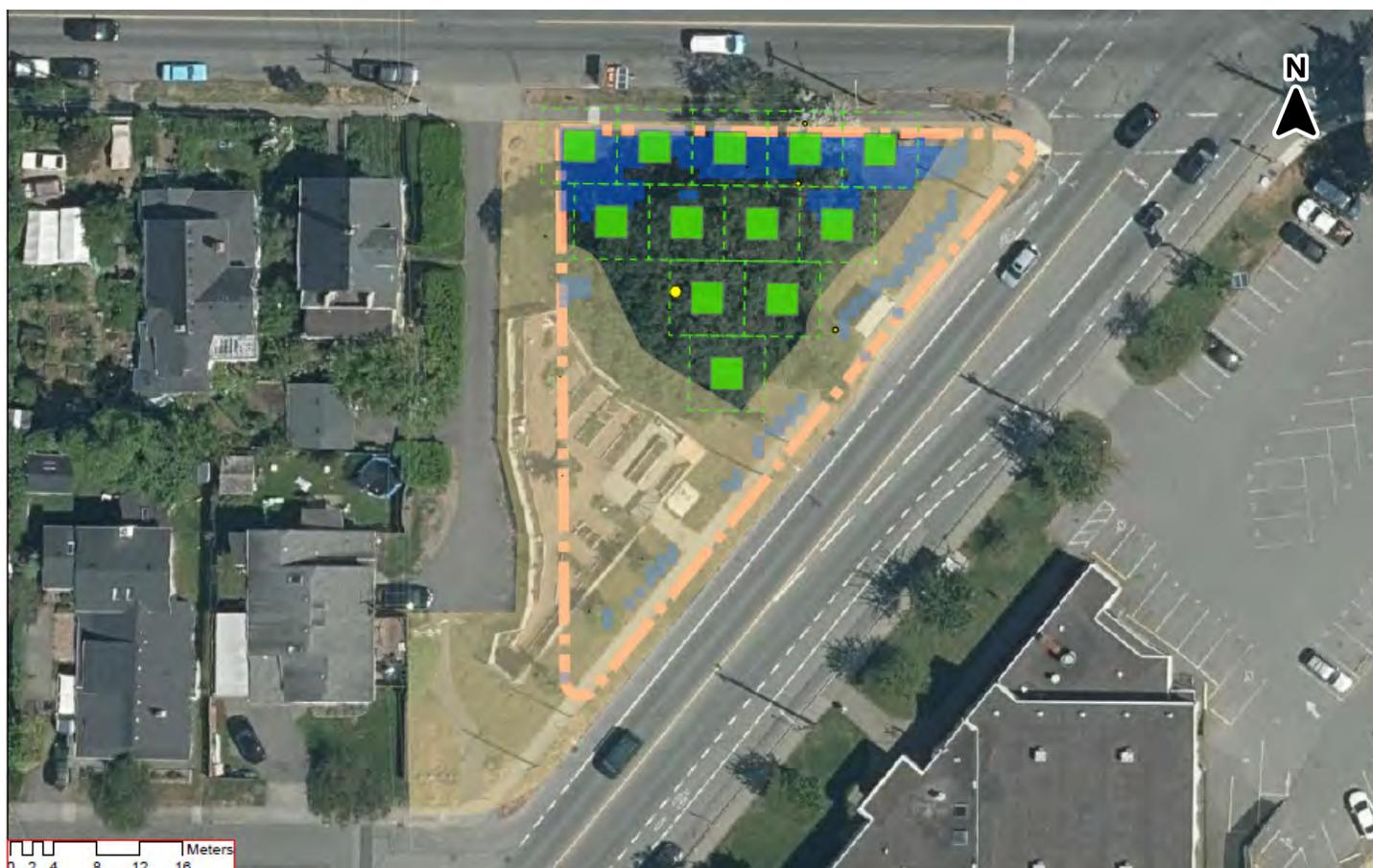
Improvements/facilities:

- Community garden.

Notes:

- Sidewalk along Wilson Street & Bay Street frontages.
- The City acquired the land from BC in 2003, subject to Covenant EV073018 restricting usage for park purposes.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 12



Arbutus Park

Address: 2925 Washington Avenue

Neighbourhood: Burnside

PID: 009-308-261



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage can and dog bag dispenser.
- Meadow area and naturalized plantings.
- Leash optional.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sale proceedings in 1936 and subject to *Park Reservation (Washington Avenue) By-law*, No. 78-205.
- Provides water access to Gorge Waterway.
- Anticipated site disruption 2026-2028 related to BC Hydro cable replacement project.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059*, s. 16A(2)(b)(iv).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 2



Banfield Park

Address: 521 Craigflower Road

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 004-479-688, 008-035-580, 008-035-491, 000-540-463, 008-035-601, 007-765-045, 006-251-153, 000-540-129



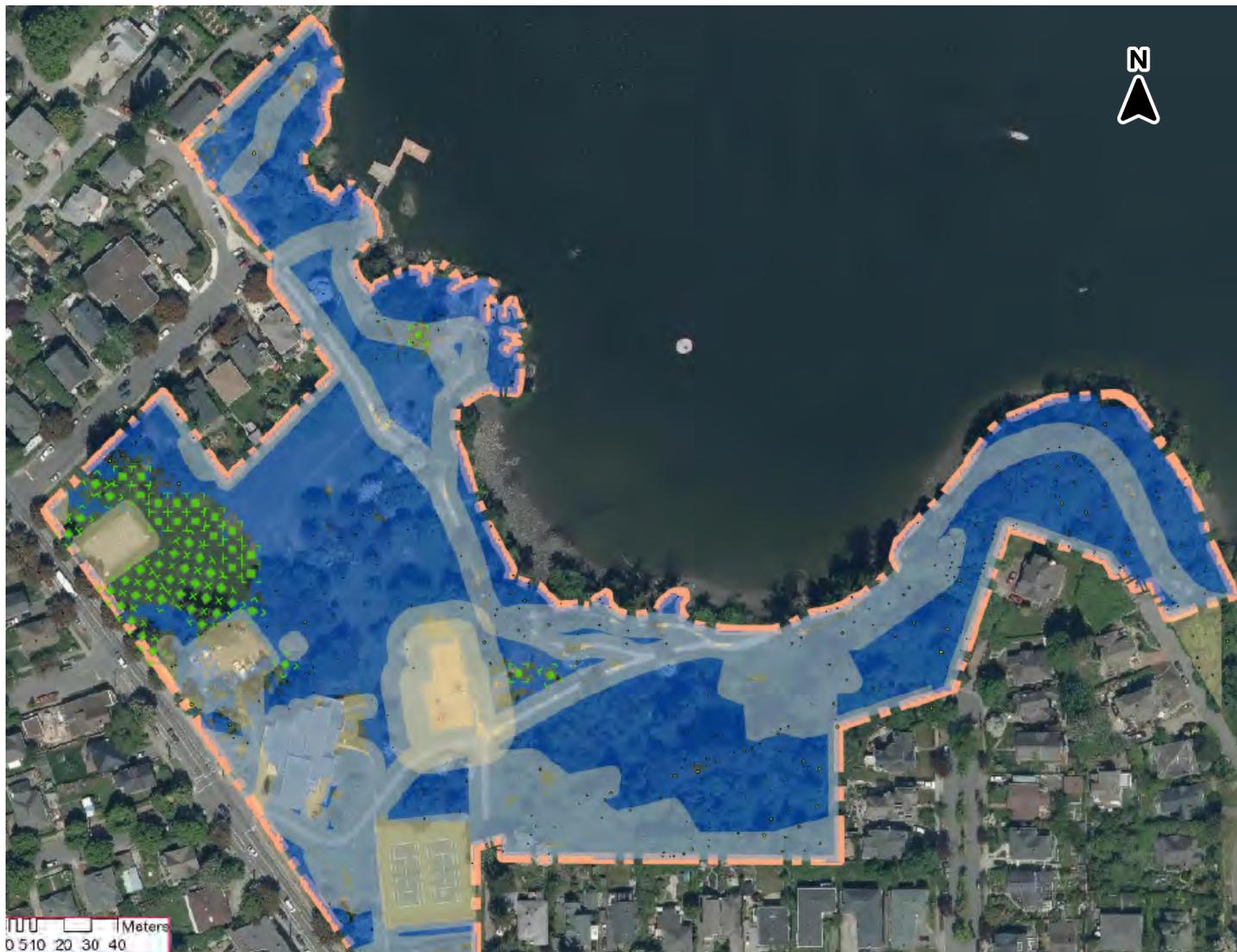
Improvements/facilities:

- Multiple benches and picnic tables. Multiple garbage cans and dog bag dispensers.
- Community garden and community orchard. Various horticulture beds (shrubs hedges).
- Playground. 2 tennis courts and a sport court. Associated fencing.
- Stairs and multiple park paths, including multiuse bike path.
- Swim dock (expanded summer 2024) and water access.
- Community Centre.
- Parking areas.
- Leash optional area.

Notes:

- *Banfield Park By-law, 1951, No. 3701*
- *Banfield Park Addition By-law, 1953, No. 3939*
- *Banfield Park Reservation By-law, 1960, No. 5044*
- *Banfield Park, Lot 'E', Plan 1225, Reservation By-law, 1964, No. 5523*
- *Banfield Park Dedication By-law, 1977, No. 7166*
- *Park Reservation (Banfield Park Addition) By-law, No. 78-226*
- Adjacent Gorge Marine Park.
- Existing greenway runs through park and multiuse bike path (connection to Galloping Goose and Selkirk Trestle).
- VicWest Community Centre located in park.
- Multiple community events held in park such as VicWest Fest and Wonderment.
- Community centre programming via Victoria West Community Association and includes childcare.
- Anticipated site disruption 2025-2028 related to BC Hydro cable replacement project.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 50



Barnard Park

Address: 300 Barnard Avenue, 700, 710 & 716 Sea Terrace & 749, 751 Esquimalt Road

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 005-979-064, 009-420-479, 009-140-701, 009-140-735, 009-140-697, 009-140-671

Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Tennis/pickleball courts (fenced).
- Multiple benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Horticultural shrubs and mixed bed.
- Various pathways and stairs.
- Leash optional area.



Notes:

- Lands purchased from Canada in 1978.
- *Park Reservation (Barnard Park) Bylaw No. 78-174* applies to all 6 parcels.
- Existing greenway follows West Song Walkway at water edge of park.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 11



Begbie Parkway

Address: 1401 Begbie Street & 1425 Harrison Street

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 002-696-746, 003-458-792



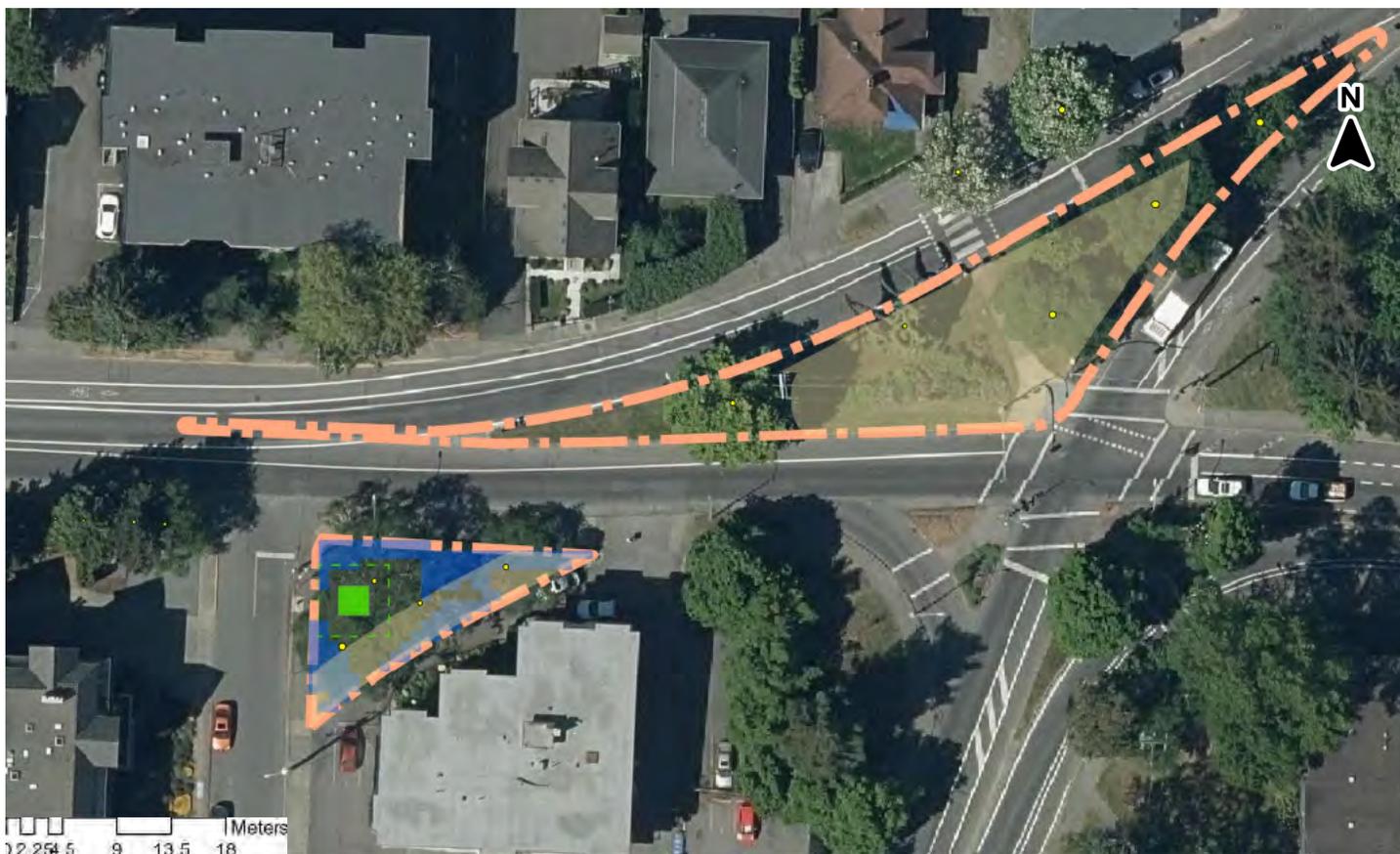
Improvements/facilities:

- Horticulture-mixed bed area.
- Sidewalk bisects larger section.

Notes:

- Portion surrounded by roads.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 1



Blackwood Green

Address: 2550 Cook Street

Neighbourhood: Hillside Quadra

PID: 000-223-271

Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Picnic table and benches.
- Garbage can.
- Partially fenced.
- Horticulture areas - rose bed and hedging.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sales and subject to *Park Reservation (Blackwood Green) By-law, No. 79-129*.
- Blackwood Street bisects park into north and south portion.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 9



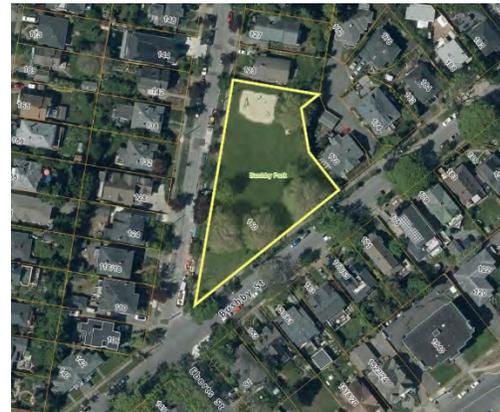


Bushby Park

Address: 160 Bushby Street

Neighbourhood: Fairfield

PID: 005-481-091



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Picnic table and benches.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Drinking fountain.

Notes:

Land acquired via tax sale, with a portion purchased for general purposes.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 27



Cecelia Ravine Park



Address: 445, 449, 455, 465, 475 Burnside Road East & 416, 430, 431, 434, 435, 440, 450, 461, 471, 475 Cecelia Road & 3119 Washington Avenue

Neighbourhood: Burnside

PID: 000-179-558, 023-381-540, 008-118-230, 009-307-389, 008-118-256, 009-307-397, 006-424-678, 006-425-364, 009-743-405, 006-424-201, 009-307-443, 006-424-295, 009-307-991, 006-424-121, 009-308-032, 023-381-558, 009-308-075, 009-928-826

Improvements/facilities:

- Burnside Gorge Community Centre.
- Playground.
- Community Garden.
- Bike park.
- Sport court.
- Exercise equipment.
- Parking areas.
- Garbage cans.
- Multiple benches and picnic tables.
- Multiple pathways, stairs, retaining walls, railing and fencing.
- Horticulture - shrubs beds, rain garden, and wetland.
- Green stormwater infrastructure including green roof, raingarden and wetland.
- Drinking fountains.
- Washroom.
- Public Art – *Topography*.

Notes:

- *Cecelia Ravine Park Reservation Bylaw 1978, No. 78-23*
- *Cecelia Park Reservation Partial Removal Bylaw, No. 83-185*
- *Cecelia Park Reservation Cancellation Bylaw, No. 94-55* (cancels the park dedication over a portion of the lands that is described in Bylaw No. 78-23)
- *Park Reservation (Cecelia Ravine) Bylaw, No. 96-51*
- Cecelia Park Improvement Plan was created in 2018; implementation of plan has occurred in last seven years.
- Burnside Gorge Community Centre located in park.

- Community centre programming via Burnside Gorge Community Association and includes childcare.
- Park is bisected N-S by the Galloping Goose Regional Trail which is also a portion of the TransCanada Trail.
- Cecelia Road Greenway runs E-W through site.
- Riparian area underwent significant restoration in 2024.
- Community participation in the City's Natural Areas Volunteer Program in the park.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(vii)*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 2



Centennial Square

Address: 1 Centennial Square

Neighbourhood: Downtown

PID: 025-872-125



Improvements/facilities:

- Multiple civic buildings including City Hall, Centennial Square Parkade and McPherson Playhouse.
- Bike Valet.
- Predominantly hardscaped.
- Benches and adirondack chairs.
- Central fountain area.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispensers.
- Horticulture – multiple shrub and mixed beds, hedging, planters and a raingarden.
- Drinking fountain.
- Washrooms located in Centennial Parkade.
- Public Art - *Ceramic Fins of Centennial Square Fountain*, *Two Brother Spirit Poles*, *Patched In*, *Infusing Spirits*, *Celebration Mosaic*. Murals include: *Lee Mong Kow Family Portrait*, *Children Running* and *Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial*. *Carrying Books*, *Performing with a Fan* and *Releasing the Light* are also located in/around the Square.

Notes:

- Used heavily for various single and multiday to month-long events such as Kizomba, Folkloria, Mabuhay, AfricaFest, Eventide, Viva Victoria Latin Fest, and Lights of Wonder.
- Centennial Square Revitalization Project is currently underway with Phase 1 construction targeted to commence mid-2025.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059*, s. 16A(2)(b)(viii).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 8



Central Park

Address: 2275 Quadra Street

Neighbourhood: North Park

PID: 009-349-952 & 009-350-047 & 009-349-936



Improvements/facilities:

- Crystal Pool & Fitness Centre (includes multi purpose rooms).
- Sport courts (1 basketball and 2 tennis/pickleball; adjacent bleachers).
- Sports fields (includes 2 ball diamonds with outfield fencing, dugout seating and bleachers).
- Playground.
- Exercise equipment.
- Pathways.
- Fencing.
- Benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispensers.
- Parking.
- Horticulture - shrub beds.
- Washrooms are inside the Crystal Pool building.
- Drinking Fountains.

Notes:

- Central Park was created in 1906 via North Park By-law, No. 486 whereby the City purchased Block 2 and Block 7 from a private owner “for park purposes and for the recreation and enjoyment of the public”. Funding for the purchase came from a loan and sale of City properties (see bylaw no. 486).
- Various programs offered via Crystal Pool use playground, sport courts and field space including day camps.
- Steve Nash basketball court sees significant use.
- Sports field used by multiple community groups for soccer and softball.
- Seasonal flooding in portions of park.
- Subject of referendum in February 2025 related to pool/site redevelopment.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059*, s. 16A(2)(b)(ix).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 35



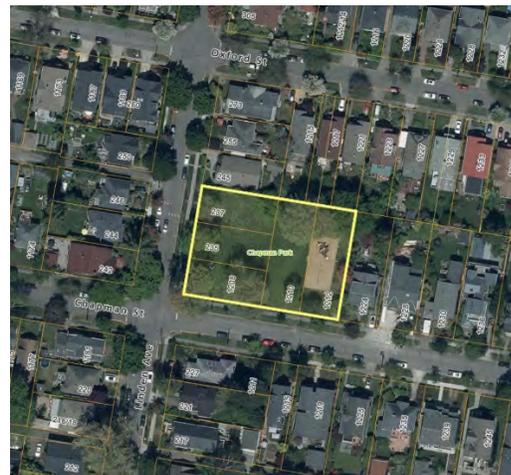
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Chapman Park

Address: 235, 237 Linden Ave & 1208, 1210, 1212 Chapman Street

Neighbourhood: Fairfield

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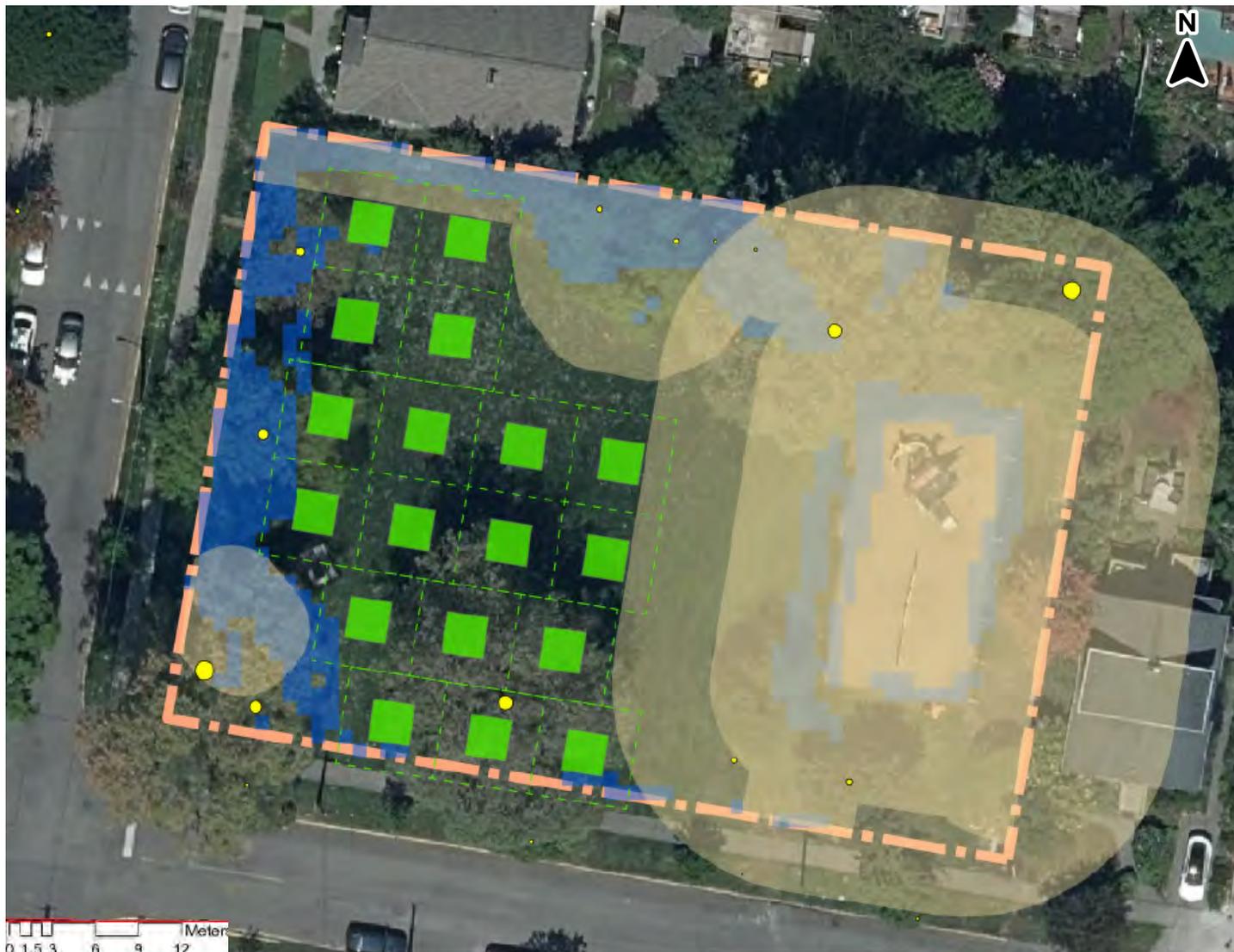
Improvements/facilities:

- Benches and picnic table.
- Playground.
- Garbage can.

Notes:

- Lands acquired via tax sales 1921-1926 and subject to *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation Bylaw*, No. 80-04.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 18

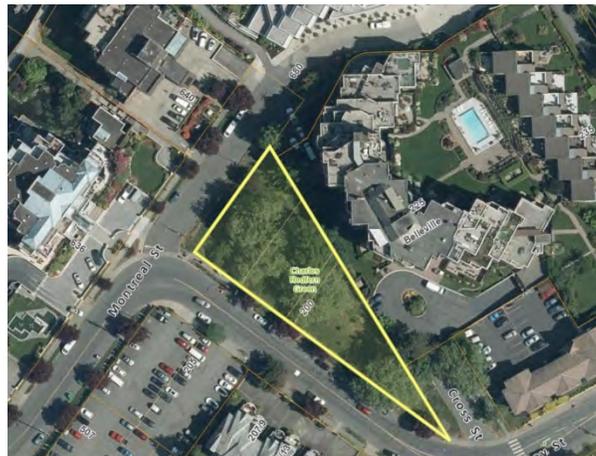


Charles Redfern Park

Address: 200 Quebec Street

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 009-387-196, 009-387-285, 009-387-331, 009-387-218



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches
- Garbage Can

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sales 1919-1922, all lots dedicated “as Recreation Grounds and Play Grounds” by *Porter, Stevenson and Redfern Park By-law, 1925, No. 2329.*
- Land subject to Restrictive Covenant 234230G over all lots “no sale or storage of petroleum or petroleum products”.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 24



Clawthorpe Avenue Park

Address: 1619 Clawthorpe Avenue

Neighbourhood: Oaklands

PID: No PID



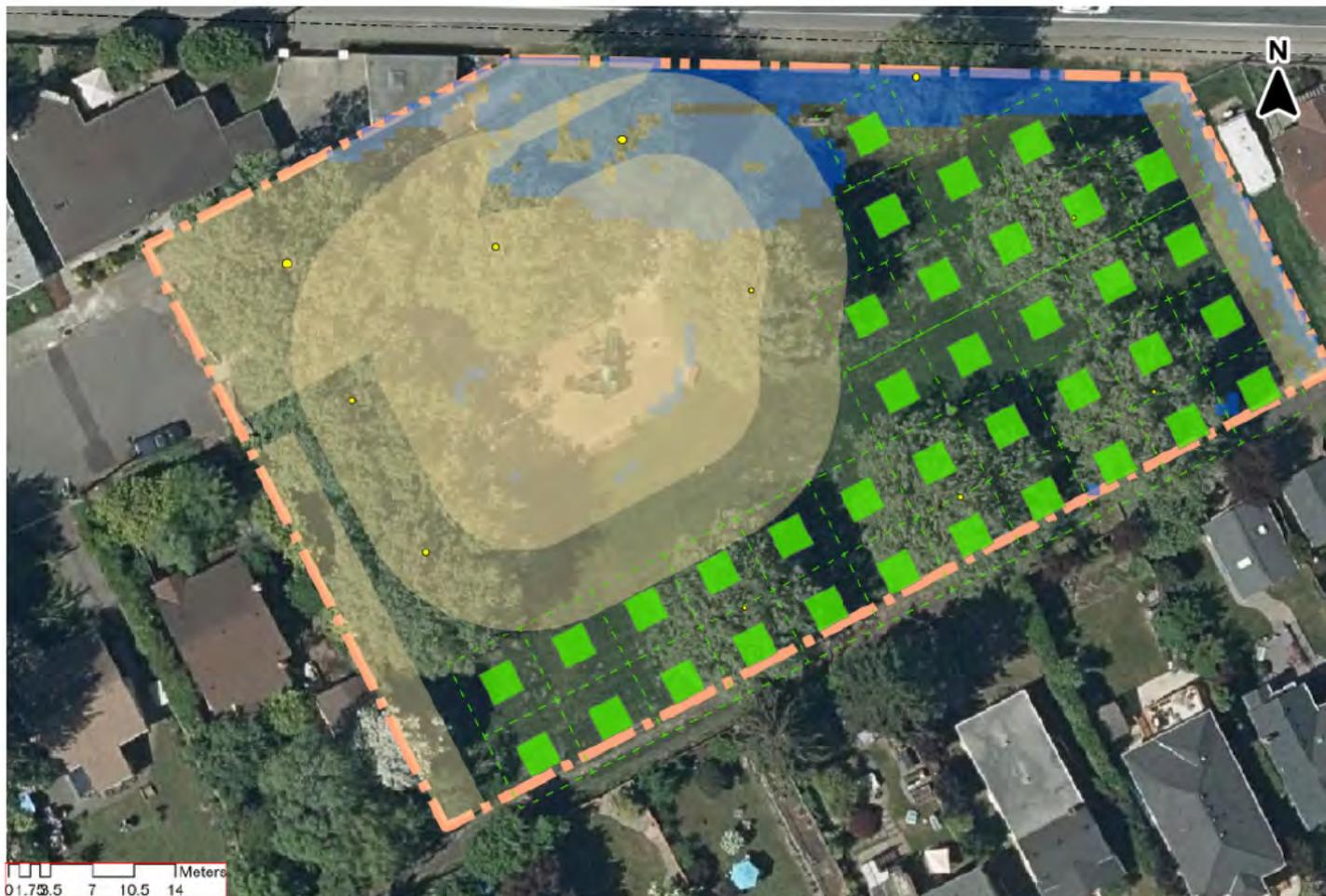
Improvements/facilities:

- Benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage can and dog dispenser.
- Partially fenced.

Notes:

- District of Saanich to immediate north.
- Land dedicated as park in 2016 via Plan EPP55795.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 36

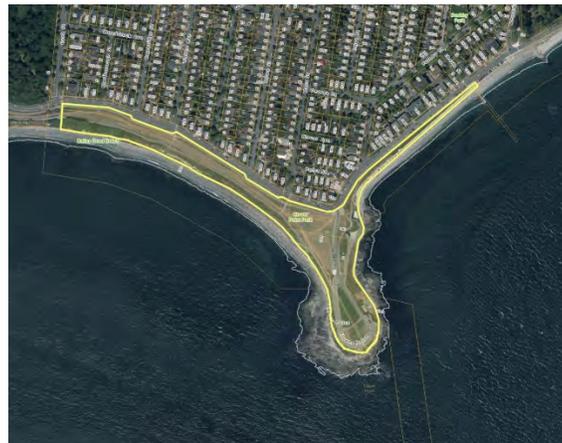


Clover Point Park

Address: 1301 Dallas Road

Neighbourhood: Fairfield

PID: 013-026-020, 024-763-004



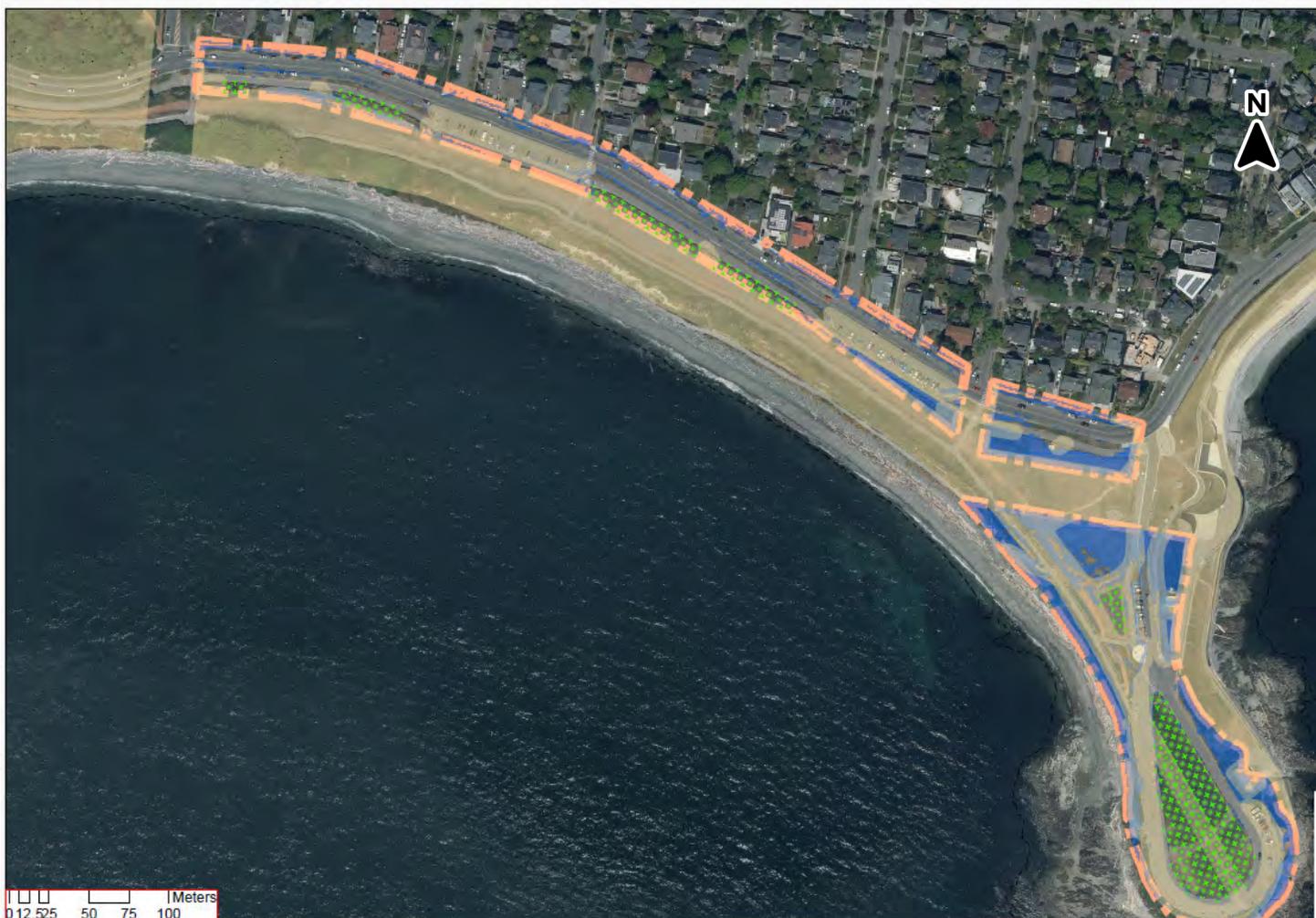
Improvements/facilities:

- Multiple pathways, stairs, railings and retaining walls and Ross Bay Seawall.
- Multiple picnic tables, benches and viewpoints.
- Multiple parking areas.
- Leash optional area (predominantly fenced).
- Multiple garbage cans and dog bag dispensers
- Horticultural – shrub beds.
- Public washroom
- Water fountain
- Public Art – *Millennium Peace*

Notes:

- Transition point of TransCanada Trail into Salish Sea Marine Trail.
- Provides beach access.
- Multiple watersport events (kite surfing, hang-gliding) including Swiftsure Yacht Race.
- Site of multiple different charity walks.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 114



Cridge Park

Address: 730 Belleville Street

Neighbourhood: Downtown

PID: 001-122-029



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches.
- Pathways. Retaining walls.
- Garbage can.
- Lawn bowling & clubhouse.
- Horticulture – rose bed, shrub beds and a fernery.
- Mostly fenced.

Notes:

- Land came from Crown Grants 2332-A-132 & 2332-B-132 made 1903.
- Various community events held such as Music in the Park.
- Canadian Pacific Lawn Bowling and Croquet Club operate from park since 1928
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059*, s. 16A(2)(b)(xi).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 9



David Spencer Park

Address: 2760 Victor Street

Neighbourhood: Oaklands

PID: 008-309-825, 008-309-744, 008-309-663, 008-309-817, 008-309-451, 008-309-752, 008-309-931, 008-309-850, 008-309-477, 008-309-442, 008-309-949, 008-309-795, 009-309-426, 008-309-485, 008-309-841, 008-309-469, 008-309-710, 008-309-809



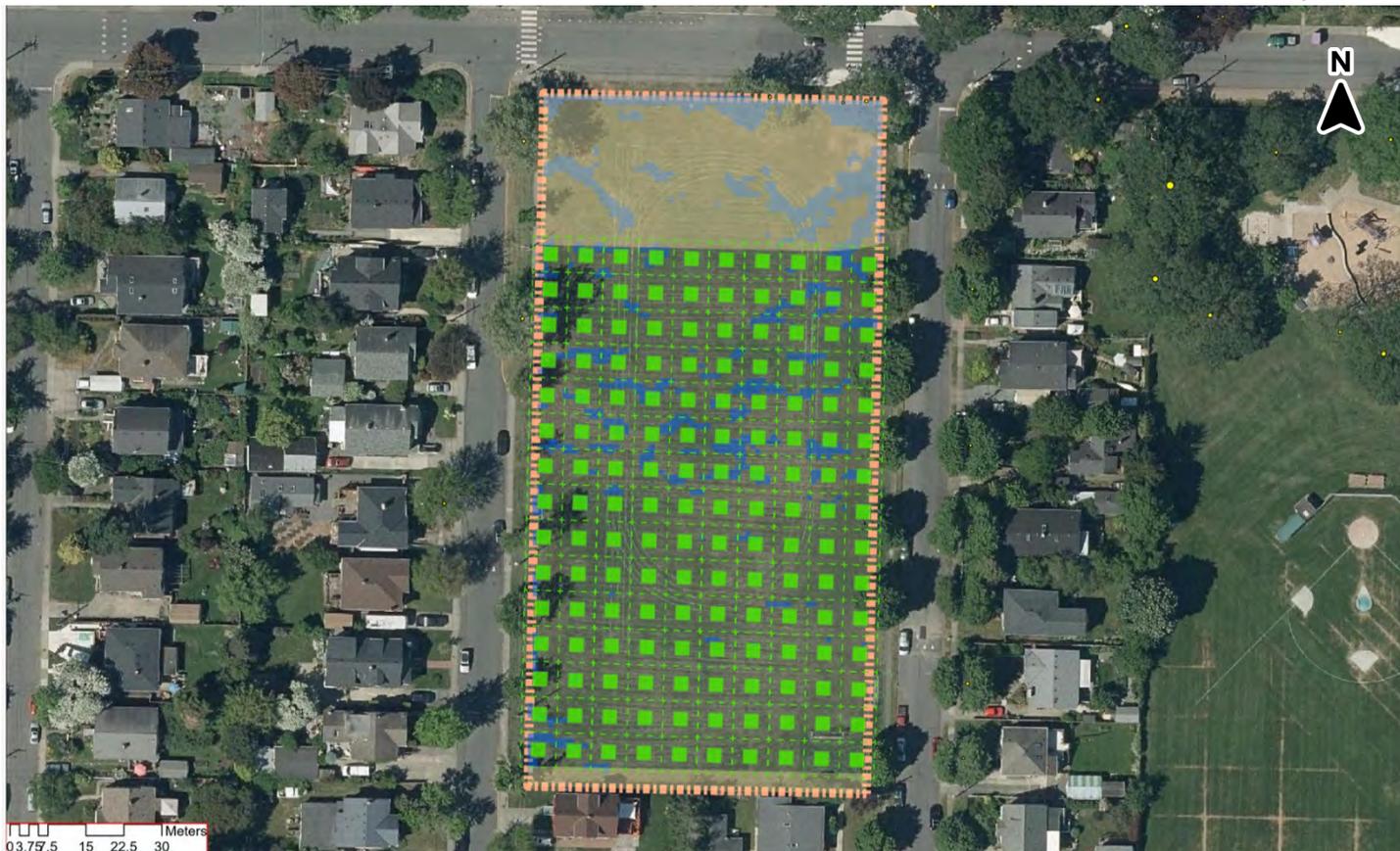
Improvements/facilities:

- Onsite infrastructure (baseball backstops, soccer goals/fencing) is School District asset

Notes:

- School District 61 has been leasing this park since 1967 and is listed in the unsigned 1997 Master Licence Agreement with SD61.
- Land obtained through tax sales 1920-1937 except for lot 4 was purchased in 1928 for general purposes.
- Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 24, 25, 26 are subject to restrictive covenants regarding buildings on the land.
- Land is subject to 1864 Grant from Hudson's Bay and *David Spencer Park By-law 1928*, No. 2430 and *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation By-law*, No. 80-4.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059*, s. 16A(2)(b)(xii).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 150



Ernest Todd Park

Address: 100, 115, 125 135 Montreal Street & 180, 190 Niagara Street

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 009-322-825, 006-721-711, 006-719-597, 006-719-571, 009-322-841, 009-322-833



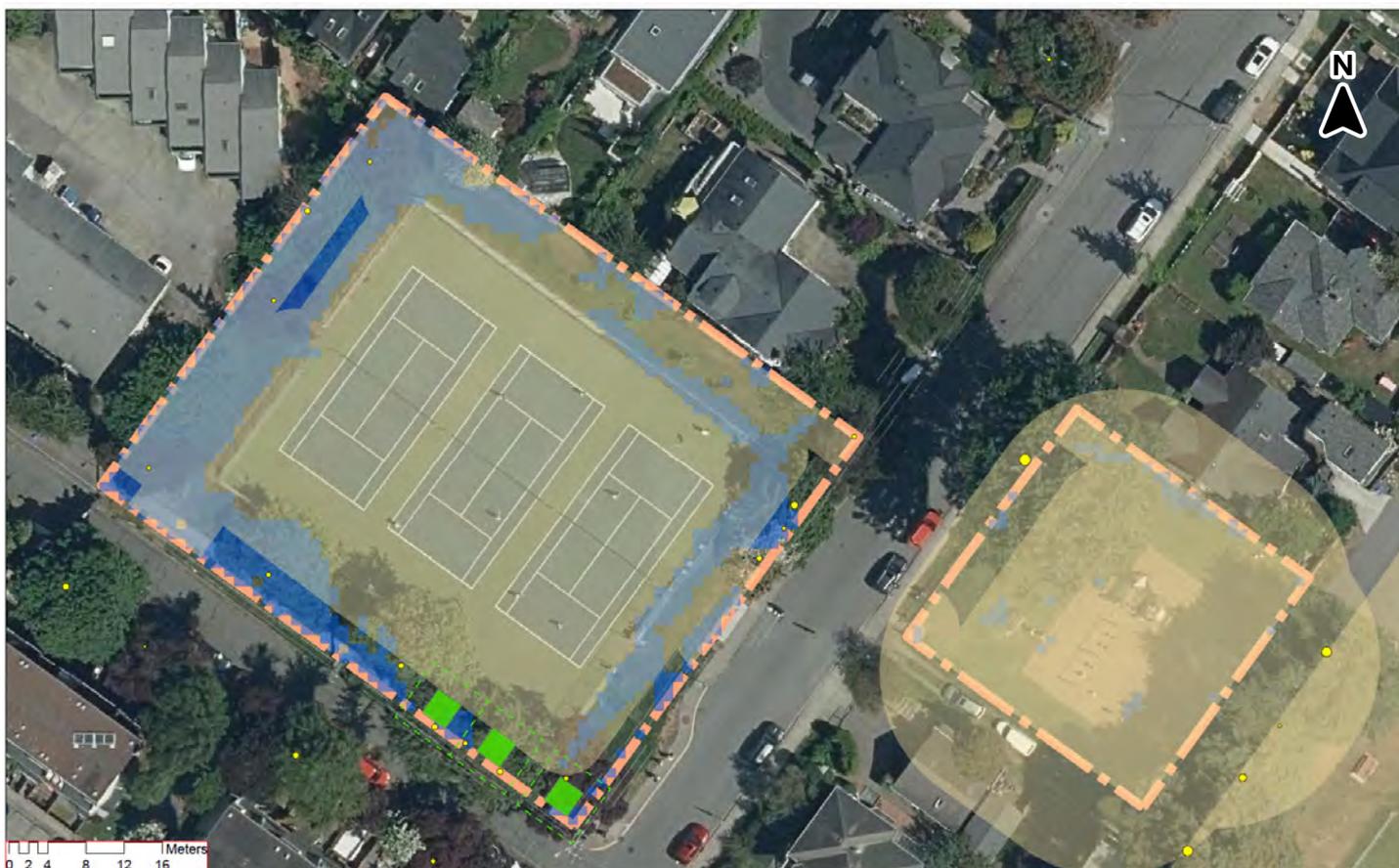
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Tennis court.
- Benches and picnic table.
- Fencing.
- Garbage can.

Notes:

- Lots 5, 6, 7, 13 & 14 were purchased from Ernest Todd in 1946 in Trust for “playing fields for the young people” see DD170681I.
- Lot 15 (115 Montreal St) was obtained in 1924 via tax sale. Council Minutes from October 15, 1946 indicate Lot 15 was to be reserved for “playground purposes in conjunction with “Todd Park”.
- MacDonald Park is adjacent.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 3



Fern Street Playlot

Address: 1815 & 1829 Fern Street

Neighbourhood: Jubilee

PID: 008-674-922, 008-674-876



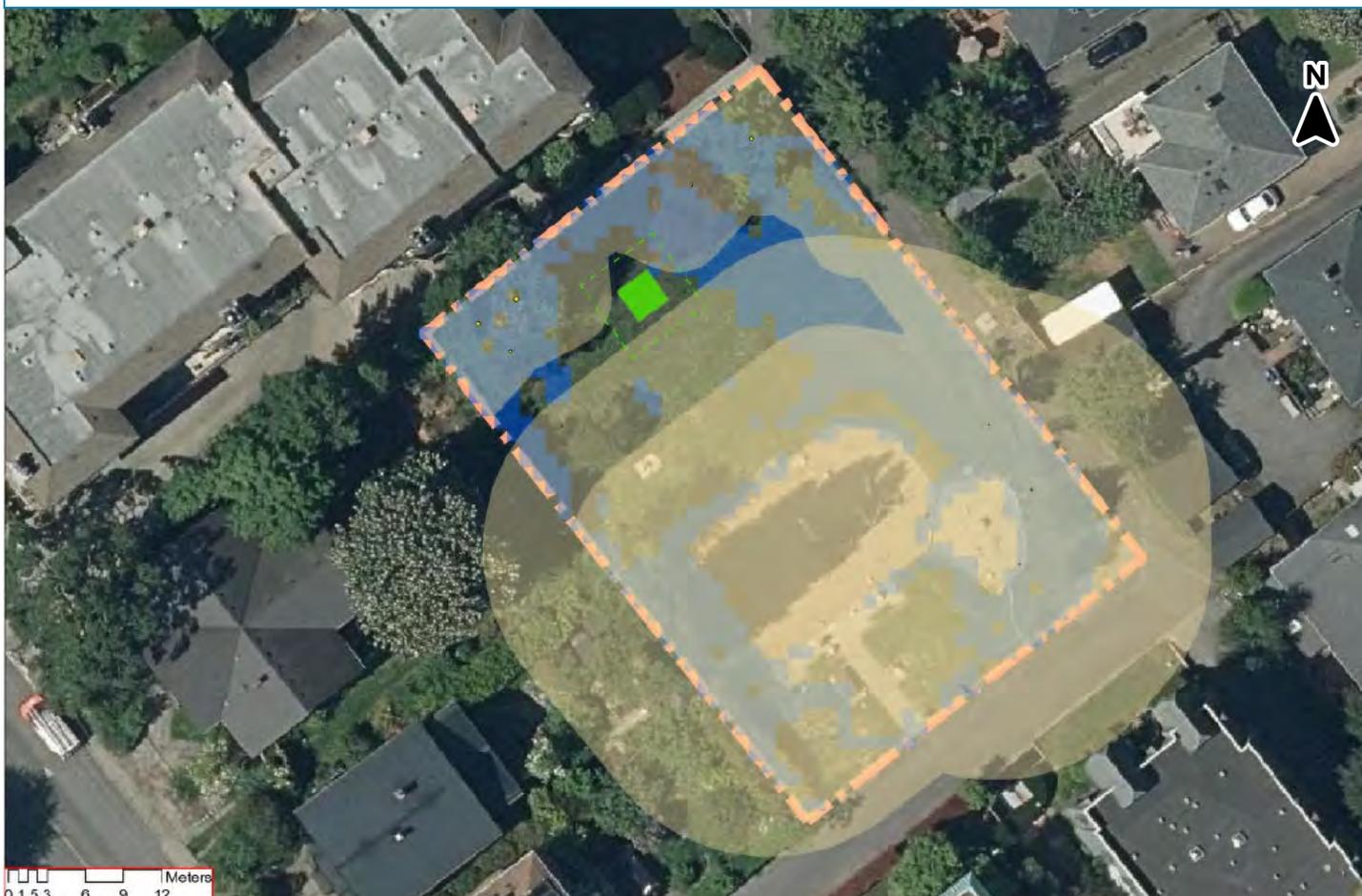
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Benches and picnic tables.
- Mostly fenced.
- Limited pathway area.

Notes:

- Land obtained via 1923 tax sale.
- Grassy portion leased from the adjacent Quaker Church for playground purposes.
- Not available for sheltering due to lease restriction.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 1



Fisherman's Wharf Park

Address: 300 St.Lawrence & 1 Dallas Road

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 003-476-545



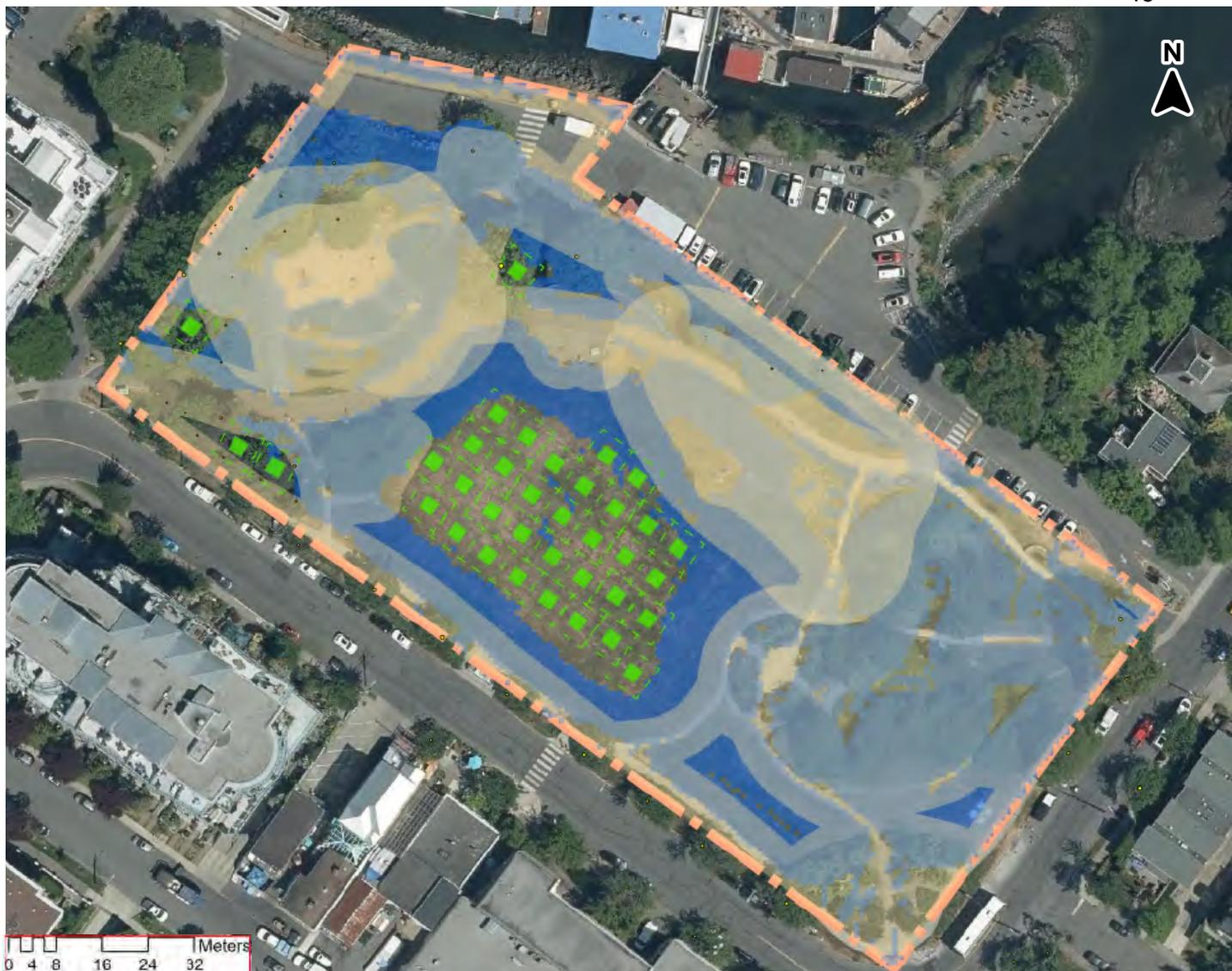
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Community garden.
- Multiple benches, picnic tables and adirondack chairs. Chess table.
- Multiple pathways. Some railings, stairs, and retaining walls.
- Small arbor/shade structure.
- Horticultural areas including hedge, multiple shrub beds and rain garden (bridge crossing over rain garden).
- Leash optional area.
- Multiple garbage cans and dog bag dispensers.
- Drinking fountain.

Notes:

- Majority of land obtained via tax sales 1924-1936 and the harbour bed portion was granted to the City by Canada in 1967.
- Subject to *Fisherman's Wharf Park Reservation Bylaw, 1973 No. 6532*.
- Park includes portion of road areas that connects to Trans Canada Trail and Fishermen's Wharf.
- minor playground upgrades planned 2025.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 36



Franklin Green

Address: 1045 Mason Street

Neighbourhood: North Park

PID: 009-411-208, 005-538-220



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Sport court.
- Community garden.
- Pathways.
- Partially fenced.
- Multiple benches and a picnic table.
- Garbage can and dog bag dispenser.
- Drinking fountain.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sales and private purchase.
- Subject to *Franklin Green By-law, 1952, No. 3836* and *Franklin Green By-law, Amendment By-law (No. 1), No. 3844*, reserving the land for public park purposes.
- Commonly used by neighbourhood association.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 1



Gonzales Beach Park

Address:

1773, 1785, 1790 Ross Street & 1809 Crescent Road

Neighbourhood: Gonzales

PID: 000-762-202, 000-762-211, 005-943-001, 009-210-881



Improvements/facilities:

- Multiple benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Fencing on E & W edge.
- Horticulture – hedging and shrub beds.
- Various park pathways. Stairs, railings and retaining walls.
- Washroom.
- Public Art - *Beach Scene*.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sales, purchase and expropriation.
- *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation Bylaw*, No. 80-4 applies to 1785 Ross Street and 1809 Crescent Road.
- Provides access to Gonzales Beach.
- Beach overflow activity; wellness programming.
- Structural work planned for 2026.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 11



Gower Park

Address:

2050 Fernwood Road

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 000-310-158

Improvements/facilities:

- Bench and garbage can.
- Pathway.
- Horticultural areas – hedging and shrub bed
- Partially fenced.

Notes:

- Land purchased by City in 1973 and dedicated as a park by *Parks Reservation (Pembroke and Fernwood) Bylaw, No. 81-5*

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 3



Holland Point Park

Address: 561 & 645 Dallas Road

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 017-797-039, 017-797-047



Improvements/facilities:

- Harrison Yacht Pond.
- Multiple benches and picnic tables.
- Multiple pathways, stairs, railings and retaining walls.
- Fencing.
- Multiple garbage cans including safe needles disposal. Dog dispensers.
- Washroom.
- Drinking fountains (3).
- Horticulture - shrub bed. Large meadow area.
- Natural areas include terrestrial herbaceous, woodland and coastal bluff.
- Public Art – *Glass Half Full*.

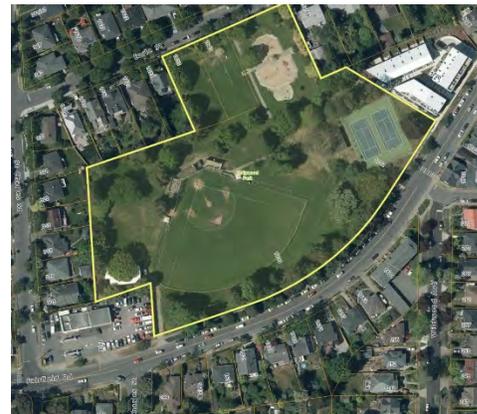
Notes:

- Subject to *Holland Point Park By-law, 1947, No. 3293*.
- Trans Canada Trail runs along waterside pathway of park.
- Adjacent Dallas Road and near Mile 0.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 14



Hollywood Park



Address: 1635, 1650 Earle Street & 1700 Fairfield Road

Neighbourhood: Gonzales

PID: 003-276-414, 006-451-021, 006-450-997

Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Sportfields – includes baseball backstops, fencing, dugout seating, clubhouse, batting cage. Also used as soccer field.
- Tennis courts (fenced).
- Pathways.
- Multiple benches and picnic tables. Chess tables.
- Garbage cans and sharps receptacles.
- Horticulture -shrub beds and fernery.
- Drinking fountain.
- Washrooms.
- Public Art – *Wacky Bats*.

Notes:

- Land subject to *Hollywood Park By-law, 1932, No. 2579, Hollywood Park Addition By-law, 1933, No. 2621, Hollywood Park Part of Lot 26, Plan 261, Reservation By-law, 1970, No. 6194 and Miscellaneous Parks Reservation By-law, No. 80-4.*
- Beacon Hill Little League & Softball Association operates year-round at the park, including use of the batting cages and clubhouse.
- Central Middle School (SD61) also uses the park.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xiv).*

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 30



Irving Park

Address: 250 Menzies Street and 455, 461, 475, 481 & 491 Michigan Street

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 009-306-277, 009-306-455, 009-306-366, 009-306-358, 009-306-315, 009-306-293



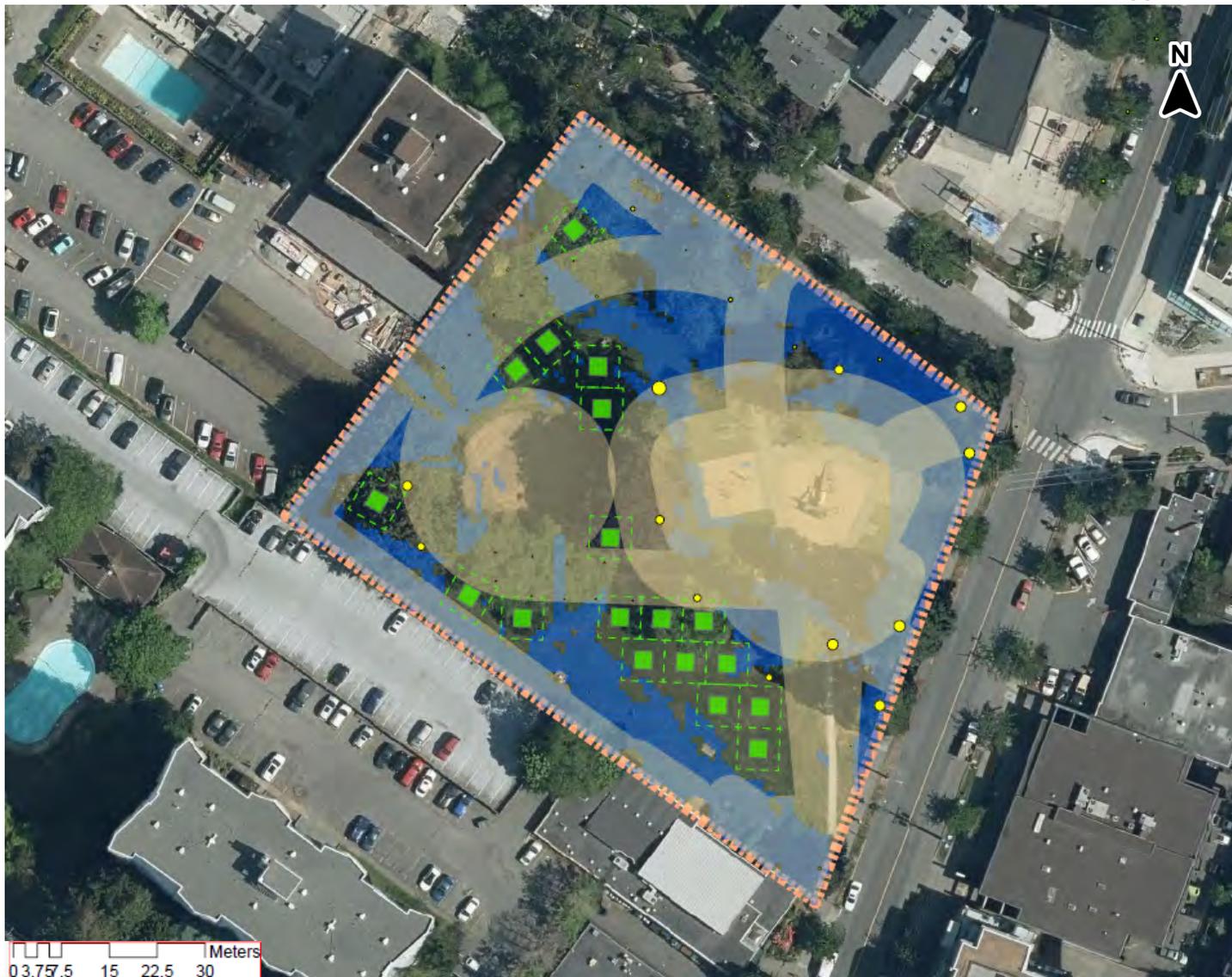
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Pathways (including a seven circuit-stone labyrinth).
- Multiple benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage cans, sharps receptacles and a dog bag dispenser.
- Community garden.
- Horticulture - shrubs beds and hedging.
- Drinking fountain.
- Washrooms.
- Public Art - *Vicino Project* and *International Bridge of Friendship*.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sale and reserved as park by *James Bay Playground Reservation Bylaw, 1978, No. 78-3*.
- New Horizons Activity Centre is adjacent park.
- Various community activity events occur in park such as community yoga.
- Washroom upgrade scheduled for 2026.
- Playground update planning to commence in 2025.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xv)*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 18



Jackson Street Park

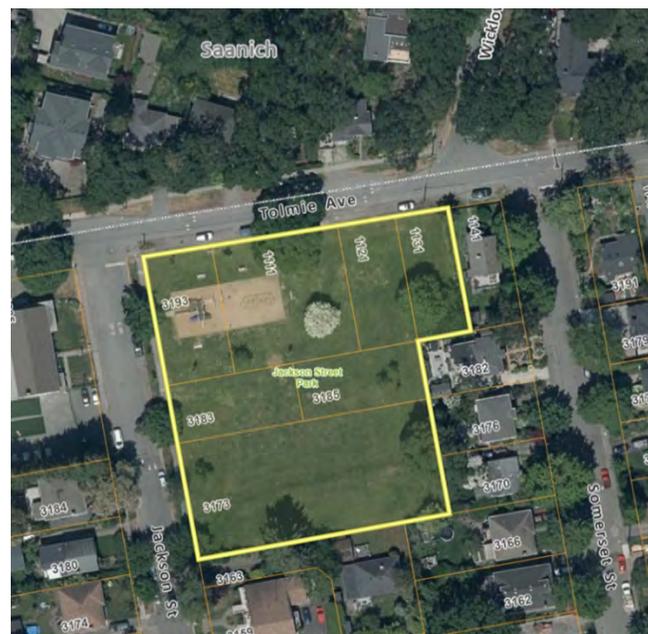
Address:

1111, 1121, 1131 Tolmie Avenue & 3173, 3183, 3185, 3193 Jackson Street

Neighbourhood: Hillside Quadra

PID:

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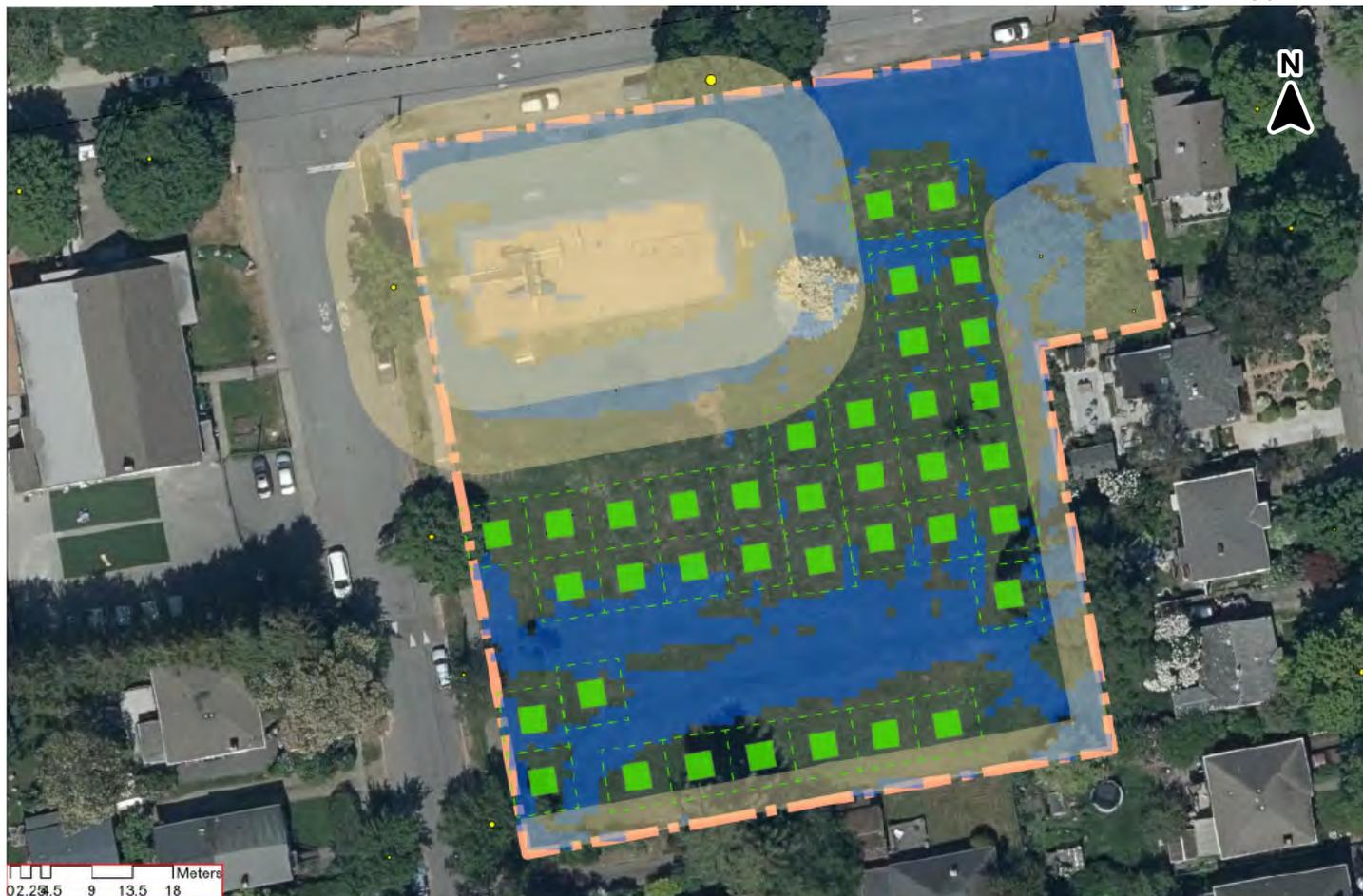
Improvements/facilities:

- Multiple benches. Picnic table
- Playground
- Partially fenced.

Notes:

- Lands purchased through tax sales 1922-1943 and subject to *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation Bylaw*, No. 80-04.
- District of Saanich to immediate north.
- Playground update planning to commence 2026.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 37



Johnson Street Green

Address: 1355, 1375, 1410, 1412, 1425 Johnson Street & 1391 Pandora Ave

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 001-281-518, 001-281-500, 002-048-817, 000-229-695, 000-229-687, 000-229-717



Improvements/facilities:

- Horticulture – hedge (southern edge of longest linear section).

Notes: N/A

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 2



Kings Park

Address: 1150 & 1154 Caledonia Avenue

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 009-288-759, 009-288-755



Improvements/facilities:

- Pathway.
- Bench.
- Garbage can.

Notes:

- Land gifted to City for park purposes in 1963 and subject to *King Park Reservation By-law, 1963, No. 5381*.
- Restoration sites in NE and SW corners of park.
- Remnant garry oak stand.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xvi)*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 5



Lime Bay Park

Address: 10 Cooperage Place

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: No PID



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches.
- Multiple garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Multiple horticultural areas – shrub beds.
- Includes natural areas of terrestrial herbaceous and coastal bluff.
- Public Art: *Hands of Time – Carving a Canoe Paddle*.

Notes:

- Land dedicated as park via Plan VIP46682
- Connects West Song Walkway to Lime Bay Beach (part of existing greenway)

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 23



MacDonald Park

Address: 212 Niagara Street

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 006-726-330



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Community garden.
- Sports field (2 rugby fields/4 ballfields with backstops and ball diamond seating).
- Benches and picnic tables. Multiple bleachers.
- Pathways.
- Parking area.
- Garbage cans, sharps receptacles and dog bag dispensers.
- Horticulture – hedge.
- Drinking fountain.
- Washrooms.
- Concession licenced to James Bay Neighbourhood Association for storage of recreational equipment and other supplies.

Notes:

- Majority of land acquired via tax sale in 1923.
- Subject to 1974 Licence Agreement with SD61 re use of park during school days.
- Reserved for park purposes via *Macdonald Park Reservation By-law, 1976, No. 7019*.
- Multiple groups use park with James Bay Athletic Association (rugby) being a primary user group (and their clubhouse is adjacent park). Also heavily used by many slow-pitch teams.
- Adjacent to James Bay Community School who uses regularly uses field space.
- Site of various community events including Pridefest
- Adjacent Simcoe Street Greenway.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xvii)*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 5



Mary Street Park

Address: 250, 390, 400 Milne Street & 260, 270, 280 Catherine Street

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 008-940-941, 008-948-496, 008-941-165, 008-941-238, 004-812-794, 016-792-629, 001-062-956, 008-946-922, 008-948-313, 008-948-318, 008-947-759, 004-812-778, 025-628-151



Improvements/facilities:

- Multiple pathways.
- Stairs, railings and retaining walls.
- Garbage can.
- Horticultural areas – shrub beds.

Notes:

- Subject to *Park Reservation (Lime Bay and Foot of Mary Street) Bylaw, No. 91-8*
- Primarily pathway.
- Connects Lime Bay Beach to Rainbow Park.
- Spinnakers Pub patio occupies portion of park.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 3



Mayfair Green/Tolmie Park

Address: No civic address

Neighbourhood: Hillside Quadra

PID: 005-686-865

Improvements/facilities:

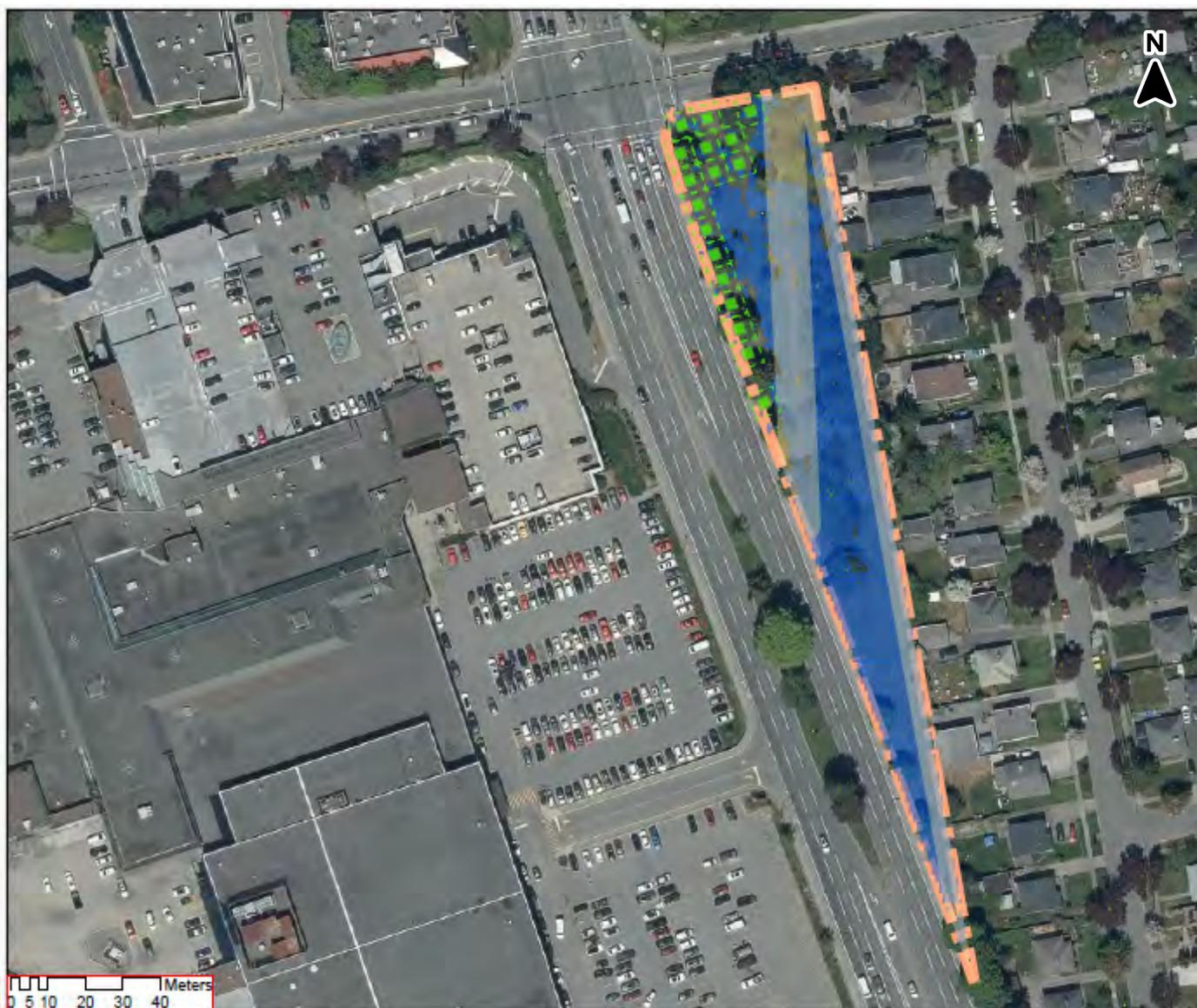
- Pathways'

Notes:

- Land gifted in 1963 by CMHC to City in in trust for park and/or road purposes only.
- Subject to Restrictive Covenant 135963G regarding buildings on land.
- Adjacent Blanshard Street (Provincial Highway 17).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 16





Oaklands Park

Address: 1550 Kings Road

Neighbourhood: Oaklands

PID: 008-306-851, 008-306-877, 008-308-403, 008-308-438, 008-308-471, 008-308-497, 009-757-864, 009-835-962, 008-306-834, 008-306-842, 008-326-631



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Baseball backstop, ball diamond seating and bleachers.
- Tennis/pickleball courts (4) and sport court.
- Multiple benches and picnic tables.
- Exercise equipment.
- Leash optional area.
- Multiple garbage cans and dog bag dispenser
- Horticultural areas – small shrub beds
- Multiple park pathways.
- Fencing, (fully fenced around tennis courts), small retaining walls.
- Washroom and drinking fountain.

Notes:

- Lands subject to *Oaklands Park Dedication By-law, 1957, No. 4551, Oaklands Park Reservation Bylaw, 1974, No. 6706 and Oaklands Park Reservation By-law 1975, No. 6815*
- Existing greenway cuts through park (N/S and E/W).
- National Little League commonly uses ball diamond and with various community soccer associations using field space.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 53



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Olive Street Green

Address: 181 Olive Street

Neighbourhood: Fairfield

PID: 009-148-302

Improvements/facilities:

- Partially fenced.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sale in 1922.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 4



Oswald Park

Address: 2820, 2825, 2830, 2835, 2840, 2845, 2850, 2855, 2860, 2865, 2870, 2875, 2930, 2935, 2945, 2955
Oswald Road & 3031 Cedar Hill Rd

Neighbourhood: Oaklands

PID: 008-407-037, 008-408-904, 008-407-029, 008-408-882, 008-407-011, 008-408-530, 008-407-002, 008-408-513, 008-406-995, 008-408-491, 008-406-987, 008-408-416, 008-406-979, 008-408-378, 008-408-360, 008-408-351, 008-407-401



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Baseball backstop and ball diamond. Sport court.
- Leash optional area (fenced).
- Multiple pathways.
- Multiple benches and picnic table.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispensers.
- Multiple horticultural areas including shrub bed and community garden.
- Drinking fountain.

Notes:

- 2945 Oswald Rd is licenced to Oaklands Community Association for a community garden.
- Majority of land acquired via tax sales (1923-1942), a portion acquired in 1932 in exchange for tax sale lands, another portion purchased in 1961 for a playground and in 1980 the City closed a portion of Oswald Road with the permission of BC.
- Subject to *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation By-law, No. 80-4* and *Park Reservation (Oswald Street Playground Addition) By-law, No. 80-123*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 54



Pemberton Park

Address: 1855 & 1857 Richardson Street

Neighbourhood: Gonzales

PID: 006-248-969



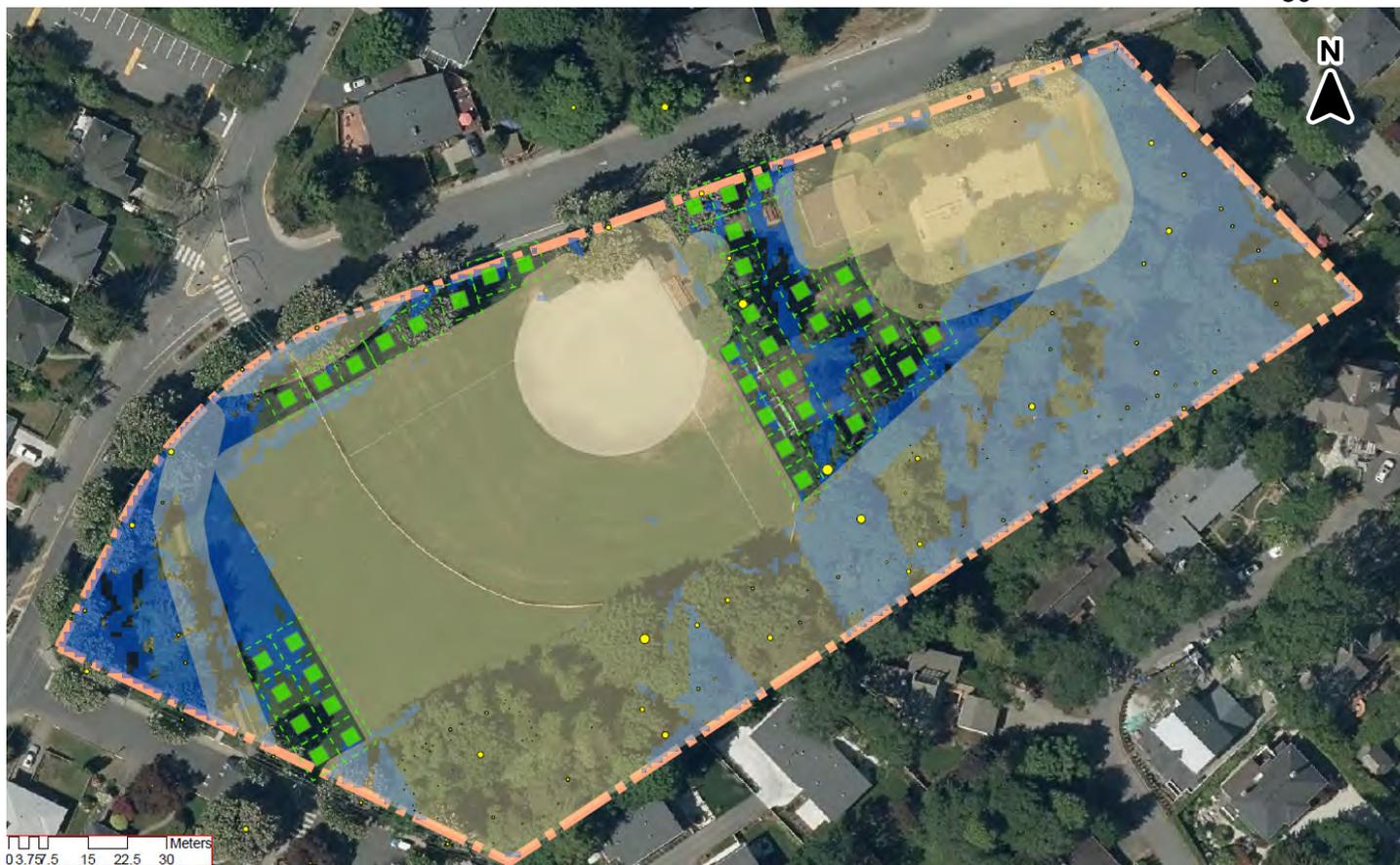
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Ball diamond and sports field.
- Ball diamond seating and bleachers. Softball backstop. Scoreboard. Baseball-related structures (clubhouse/dugout).
- Fencing, around trees/natural areas and ball field.
- Multiple benches. Picnic table.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Multiple pathways.
- Natural area – woodland.
- Leash optional area.
- Drinking fountain.
- Washroom.

Notes:

- Majority of park land designated park pursuant to Plan VIP10163, with PID: 006-248-969 designated as park via *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation Bylaw*, No. 80-4.
- Primary user group is Beacon Hill Little League & Softball Association.
- Park also used for community soccer and various neighbourhood events.
- Existing greenway cuts through west edge of park.
- Playground renewal planned for 2025.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 39



Quadra Park

Address: 407 Belleville Street

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 000-487-767, 000-487-791, 000-487-783



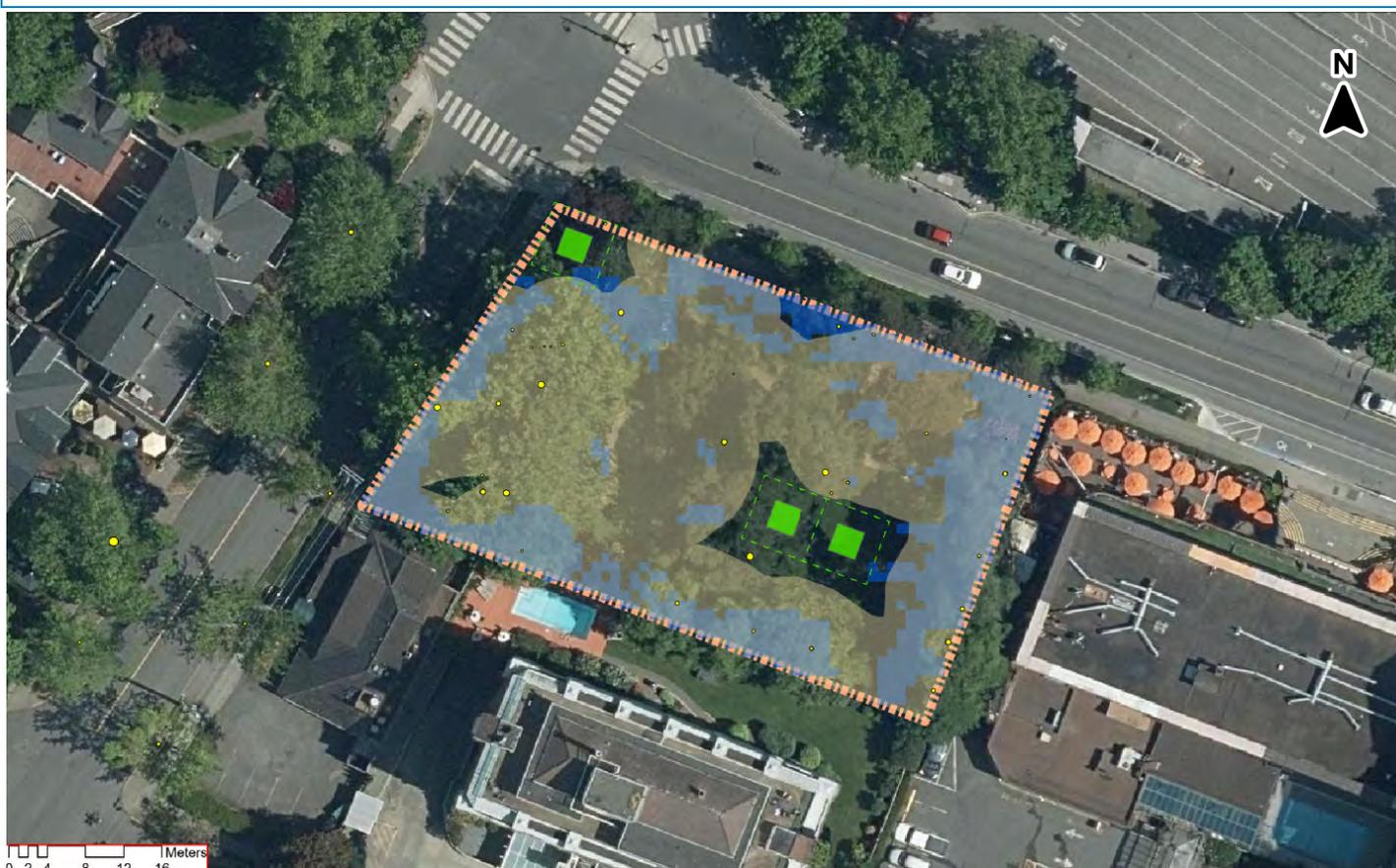
Improvements/facilities:

- Benches.
- Pathways
- Garbage can.
- Horticultural – multiple shrub beds and rose beds near Oswego/Belleville corner.

Notes:

- Land is subject to Crown Grant No. 3662/1207 (N41215) restricting its usage as “a park for public recreation and enjoyment”.
- Minor park improvements planned for 2025
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw* No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xix).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 3



Raynor Park

Address: 530 Raynor Ave

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 018-156-975



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Bench and picnic tables.
- Pathway.
- Garbage can.
- Fencing.
- Horticulture – shrub beds.

Notes:

- Land is reserved for park purposes pursuant to *Park Reservation (Raynor Avenue) Bylaw*, No. 93-65.
- Existing greenway cuts through park.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 1



Redfern Park

Address: 1755 Redfern Street

Neighbourhood: Jubilee

PID: 008-375-828, 008-375-810, 008-375-135, 008-375-984, 008-375-933, 008-375-917, 008-375-887, 008-375-852, 008-375-941, 008-376-018, 008-376-310, 008-376-271, 008-376-174, 008-376-123



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Community Garden.
- Gazebo.
- Benches.
- Off leash area.
- Garbage can and dog bag dispensers.
- Multiple pathways.
- Partially fenced.
- Horticulture-shrub beds.
- Drinking fountain.

Notes:

- All lots acquired via tax sales 1920-1931.
- Reserved for park land via *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation By-law*, No. 80-4.
- Community events held in park such as Parkfest @ Redfern Commons

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 23



Regatta Point Park

Address: 1 Regatta Landing & 869 Tye Road

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 017-947-324



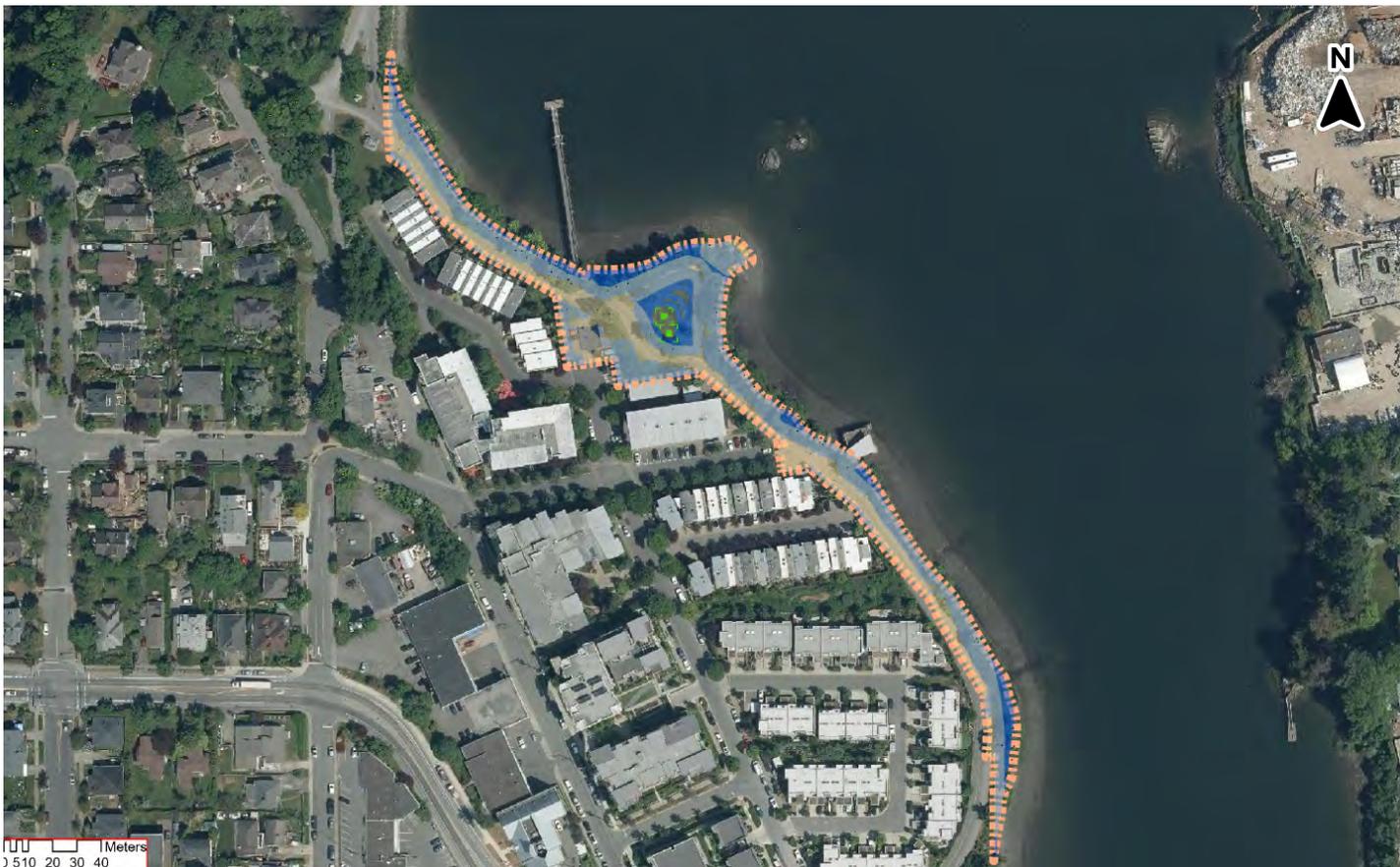
Improvements/facilities:

- Pathway.
- Two water access points, dock and covered structure/over-water platform.
- Multiple benches and retaining walls.
- Garbage cans and a dog bag dispenser.
- Naturalized shoreline.
- Horticulture-rain garden and various shrub beds.

Notes:

- PID: 017-947-324 is owned by Province, with SRW EV53480 registered over the land in favour of the City for the “construction, operation and maintenance of a public park”.
- Other portions of land dedicated as park via Plans VIP76024, VIP77618 & VIP89279
- Primarily pathway. Includes Galloping Goose Trail and is a portion of the TransCanada Trail.
- Community events occur along pathway such as SKAMpepe.
- Provides two water access points to the Gorge Waterway.
- Public washroom immediately adjacent (80 Regatta Landing).
- Drinking fountain adjacent in TransCanada Parkette.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059*, s. 16A(2)(b)(xxi).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 2



Rupert Terrace Green

Address: 850 Quadra Street

Neighbourhood: Downtown

PID: 002-071-100



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches.
- Horticulture areas including – hedges, shrub bed and rose bed.

Notes:

- Purchased by City in 1967 for “proposed southerly extension of Quadra Street”.
- Mostly surrounded by roads.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 1



Scurrah Green

Address: 1580 Fort Street

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 008-079-340



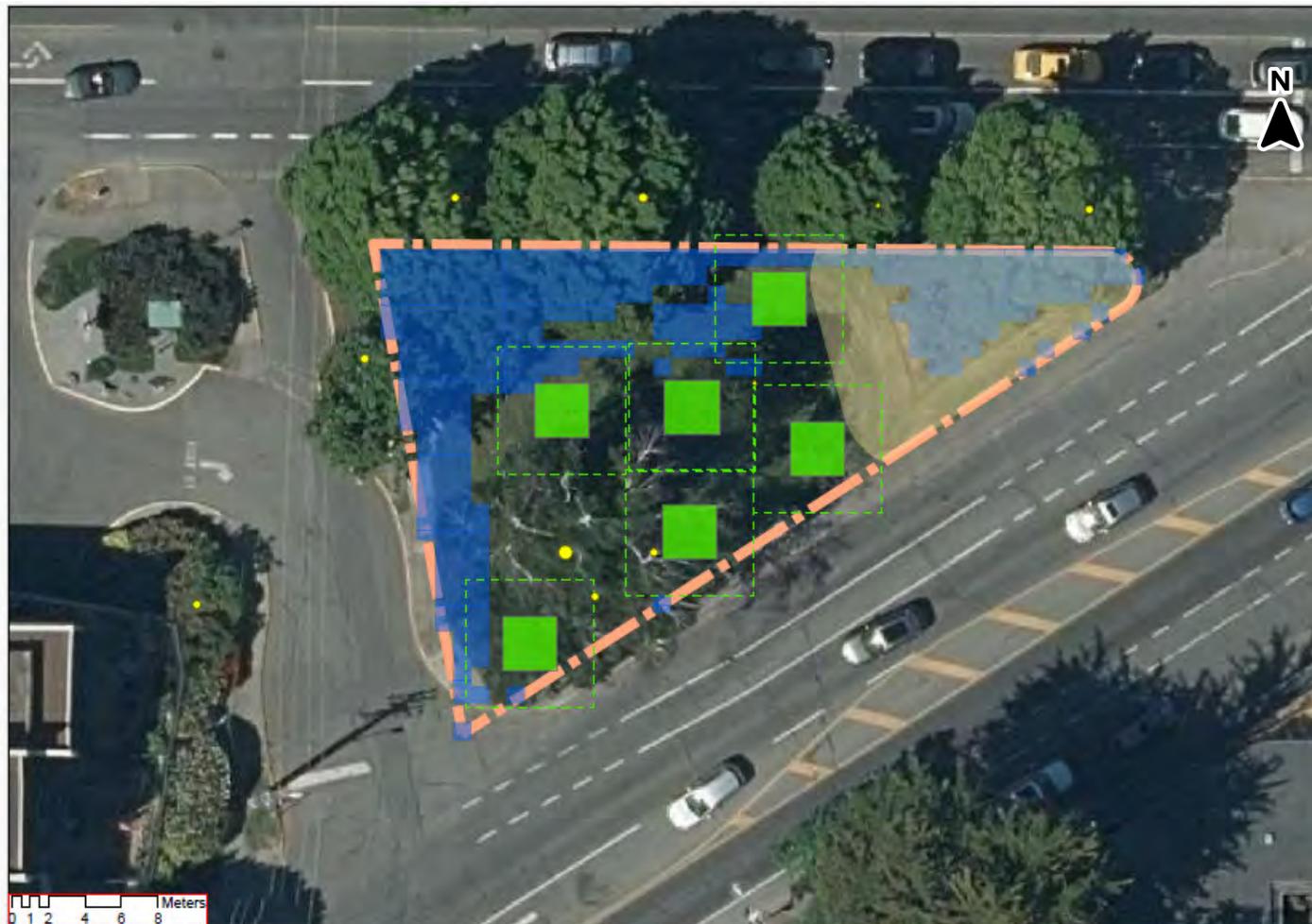
Improvements/facilities:

- Bench.
- Horticulture – mixed bed.
- Retaining walls.

Competing uses:

- Purchased by City in 1971.
- Mostly surrounded by roads.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 6



Selkirk Green

Address: 350 Waterfront Crescent

Neighbourhood: Burnside

PID: No PID



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches.
- Pathways.
- Horticulture – shrub bed, includes structure (arbours).
- Retaining walls.
- Multiple garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.

Notes:

- Dedicated as Park in 1997 via Legal Plan VIP65769.
- Multiple community events including Selkirk Waterfront Festival.
- Used requesting by Montessori School for events.
- Water access across the street.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 3



Shelbourne Green

Address: 2270, 2305 and 2325 Shelbourne Street

Neighbourhood: Fernwood / Jubilee

PID: 009-102-981, 009-070-079, 009-069-291, 001-281-534



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches.
- Pathways and Stairs.
- Horticulture – hedging.

Notes:

- Multiple portions bisected by road.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 3

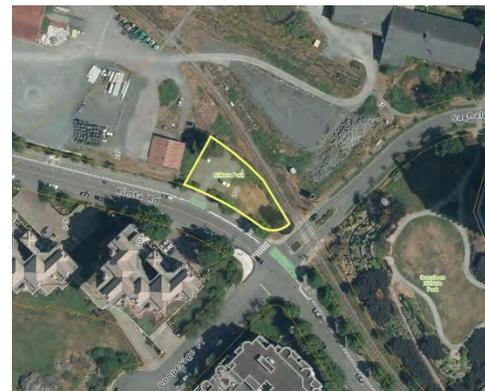


Sitkum Park

Address: 200 Kimta Road

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: No PID



Improvements/facilities:

- Horticulture – shrub bed.
- Partially paved, used for parking.

Notes:

- Dedicated as park via Plan VIP46682
- Adjacent E & N - Kimta Connector.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 4

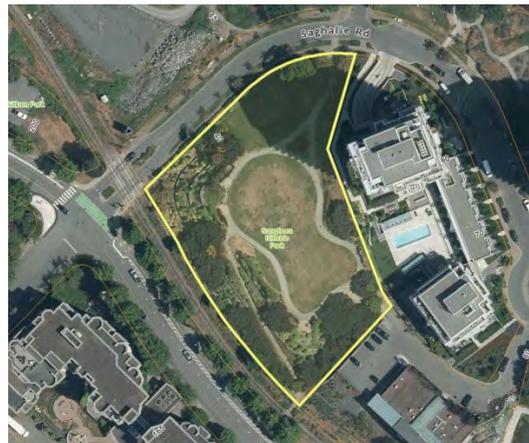


Songhees Hillside Park

Address: 40 Saghalie Road

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: No PID



Improvements/facilities:

- Benches.
- Multiple park paths.
- Stairs and railings.
- Multiple retaining walls.
- Substantial horticulture areas – shrub beds.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Leash optional area.

Notes:

- Dedicated as Park via Plan VIP74716.
- Adjacent E & N - Kimta Connector.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 12



Songhees Park

Address: 56 Songhees Road

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 014-388-171



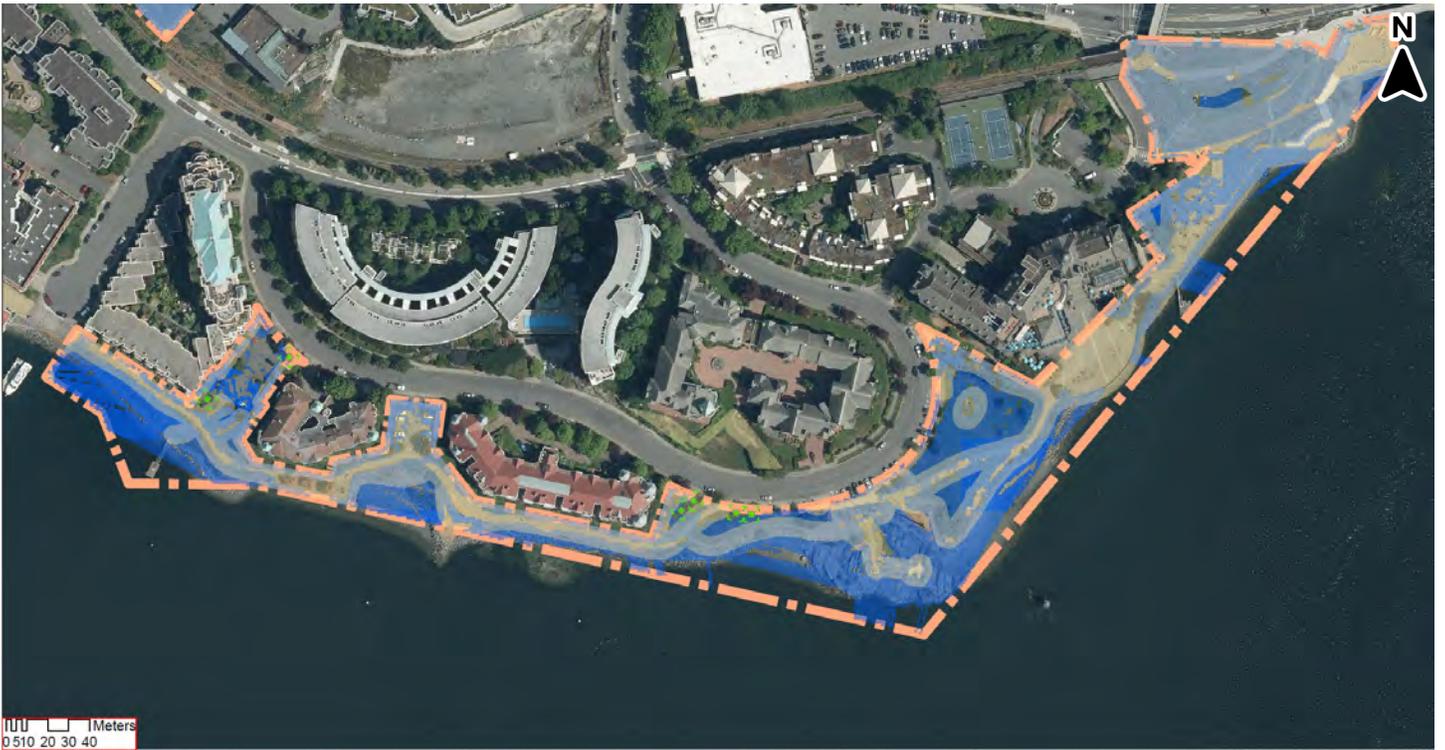
Improvements/facilities:

- Multiple paths. Stairs and railings. Retaining walls.
- Multiple benches. Picnic tables and adirondack chairs.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Horticulture – multiple beds included annual, mixed shrub as well as various raised beds, planters and hedges.
- Natural area – coastal beach.
- Drinking fountain.
- Public Art (3) including:
 - *Spirit of Lekwungen Nation - The Land of the Winds;*
 - *Signs of Lekwungen – Four Winds;* and
 - *Journey.*

Notes:

- Lands dedicated as park via Plans VIP48822, VIP48016 and VIP46682.
- PID: 014-388-171 leased to Victoria Harbour Ferry Co. Ltd. for their dock.
- Predominantly walkway and part of existing greenway.
- Multiple community events held in park including SKAMPede and Wonderment

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 6



South Park

Address: 630, 640, 650, 660 ,670 Toronto Street & 657, 667, 677, 687 697 Michigan Street

Neighbourhood: James Bay

PID: 009-381-830, 009-381-716, 009-381-724, 009-397-736, 009-381-759, 009-397-728, 009-381-783, 009-397-710, 009-397-701, 009-397-698



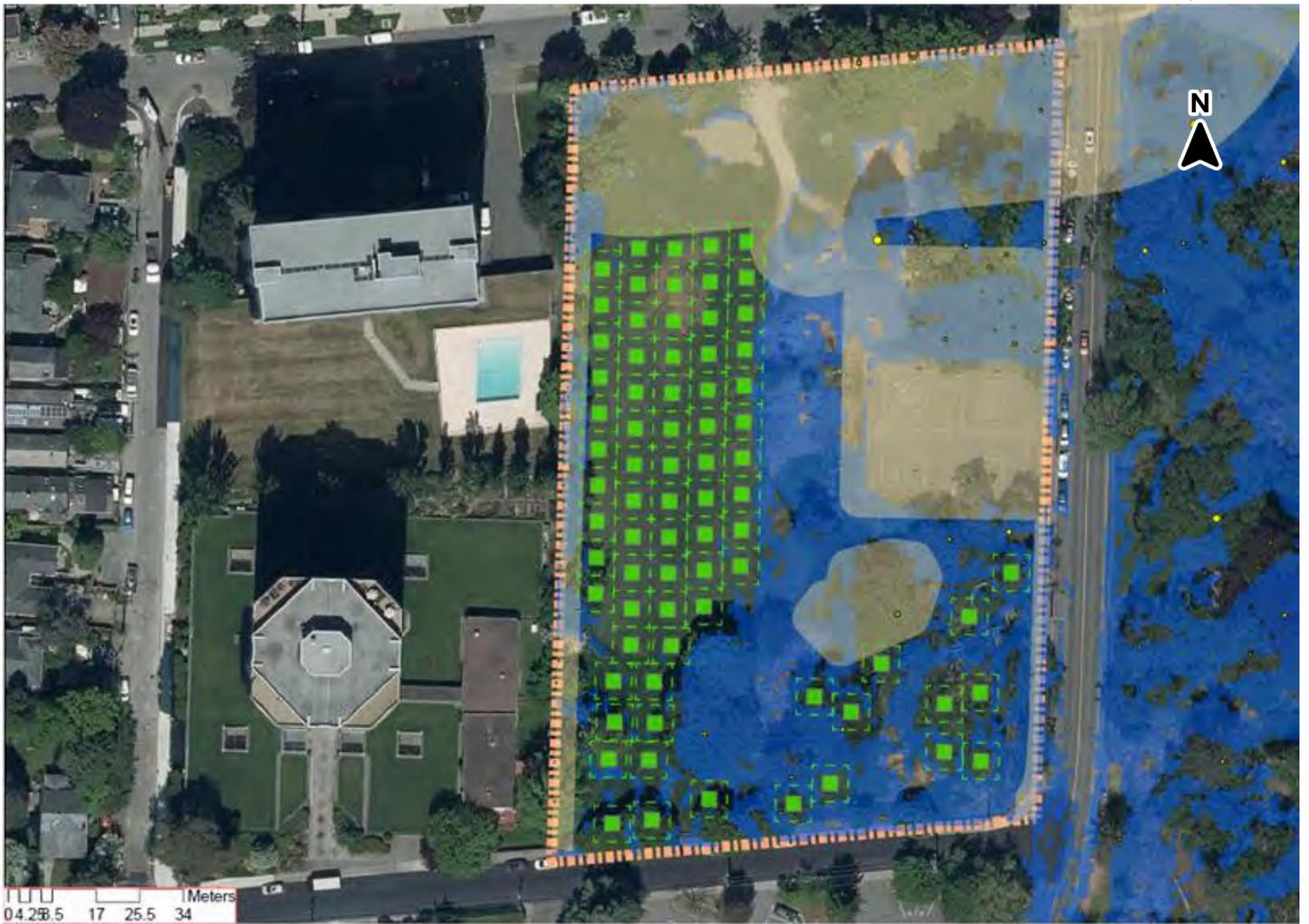
Improvements/facilities:

- Onsite infrastructure (playground) is School District asset

Notes:

- Land obtained via tax sales in 1937
- Subject to *Park Reservation (Lewis Street Park and South Park) Bylaw No. 97-81*.
- Used by School District 61.
- Beacon Hill Park located directly across Douglas Street to east.
- Site is adjacent existing greenways system on Douglas and Toronto Streets.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xxiii)*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 75

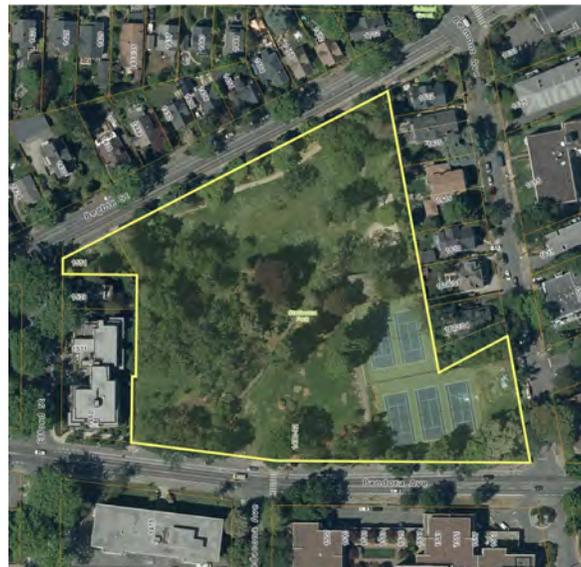


Stadacona Park

Address: 1451 Elford Street & 1490 Pandora Ave

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 006-477-674, 005-554-543



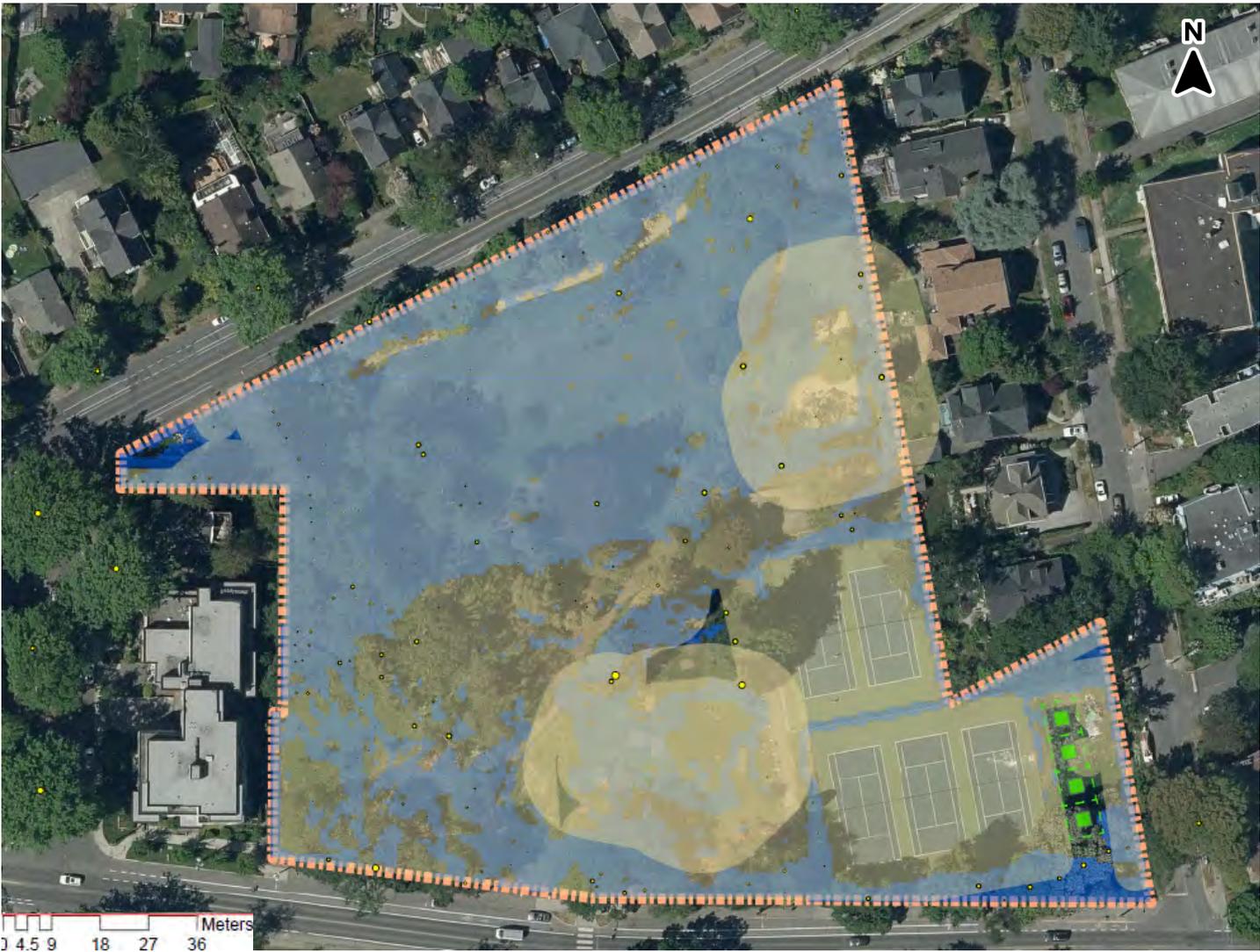
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Recent natural areas restoration and garry oak ecosystem enhancement.
- Various pathways fencing and retaining walls.
- Benches and picnic tables.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Horticulture - shrub beds and perennial bed.
- Public Art - 'Canada 150' public art.

Notes:

- Land acquired via tax sales, expropriation/purchases for road purposes and purchases for park purposes
- *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation By-law, No. 80-4*
- Sensitive Ecosystems Inventory (SEI) identifies most of the park area as woodland.
- Greenways system cuts through park.
- Used by SD61 and other organizations for tennis.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xxiv)*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 4



Sumas Park

Address: 524, 530 & 534 Sumas Street

Neighbourhood: Burnside

PID: 007-867-387, 007-867-395, 007-867-409



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Benches and picnic table.
- Pathway.
- Garbage can.
- Fencing.

Notes:

- Land obtained through tax sale proceedings 1922-1934 and is reserved as a Public Park pursuant to *Sumas Play-ground Dedication By-law, 1956, No. 4367*

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 1



Topaz Park

Address: 841 Finlayson Street & 2950 3050
Blanshard Street

Neighbourhood: Hillside Quadra

PID: 003-854-752, 003-652-297, 004-040-210,
004-487-257



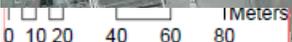
Improvements/facilities:

- All-wheels skate and bike park.
- Playground.
- Multiple sport fields (turf field & grass fields) ball diamonds and tennis court.
- Field house.
- Bleachers.
- Multiple benches, picnic tables, adirondack chairs.
- Multiple dog bag dispensers and garbage cans.
- Pathways, various retaining walls, fencing.
- Leash optional areas (2).
- Washrooms.
- Drinking fountains.
- Horticulture – annual and shrub beds. Rain garden.
- Sensitive ecosystem (garry oak meadow and woodland, terrestrial herbaceous).
- Public Art (2) - *The Rushes* and *Scenic Serentiy*.

Notes:

- *Topaz Park Reservation Bylaw, 1966, No. 5780*
- *Miscellaneous Parks Reservation By-law, No. 80-4*
- Topaz Park Improvement Plan approved June 2018. Currently Phase 2 improvements are underway including 11 pickleball courts, central plaza area, pathways and updated leash-optional area.
- Multiple community events occur in park including various skate/bike events as well as annual events including the Highland Games, One Day, and Beer Fest.
- Multiple user groups including: Bays United Soccer, VicWest FC, Castaways FC, Greater Victoria Mixed slow pitch league.
- Existing greenway cuts through site from Finlayson to Glasgow.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xxvi)*.

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 58



Victoria West Park

Address: 85 Bay Steet & 155 Wilson Street

Neighbourhood: Victoria West

PID: 001-481-177



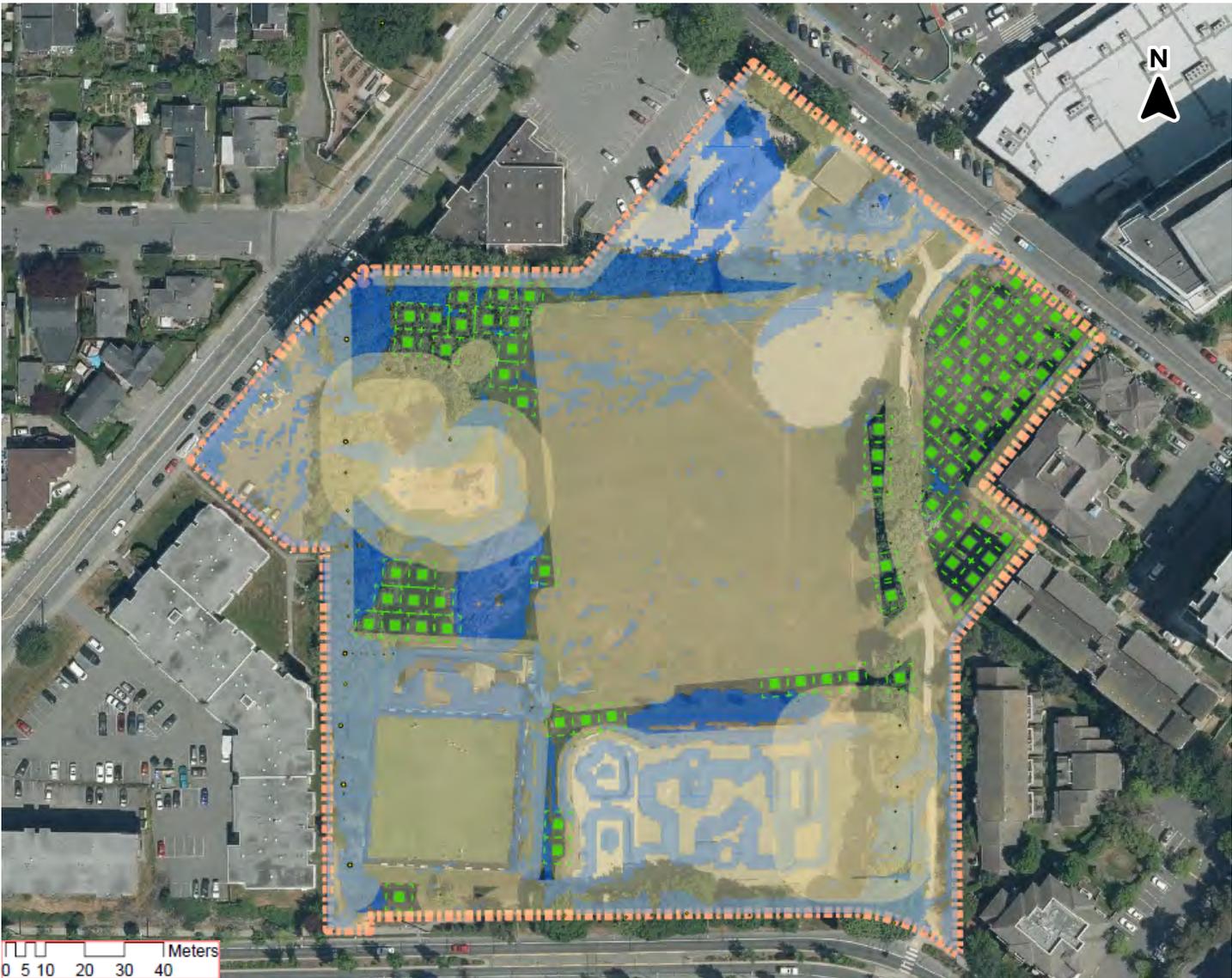
Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Skate park.
- Basketball court.
- Lawn bowling.
- Baseball backstops and sport field.
- Leash optional areas.
- Fencing.
- Pathways.
- Benches, picnic tables and adirondack chairs.
- Horticulture - shrub beds near and hedging.
- Multiple garbage cans , dog bag dispenser and sharps receptacle.
- Washrooms
- Drinking fountains (3)
- Public Art - 'Dog Planet'

Notes:

- Majority of park created by Subdivision Plan VIP48622.
- 1977 Lease with Victoria West Lawn Bowling Club and related Victoria West (Lawn Bowling Pavilion) Bylaw, 1977, No. 7238 over both portions of Victoria West Park.
- Community league use commonly slow pitch and or soccer.
- Various events including Memorial Drag Ball.
- Sheltering is restricted as per *Parks Regulation Bylaw* No. 07-059, s. 16A(2)(b)(xxvii).

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 80



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William Stevenson Memorial Park

Address: 1240 Gladstone Avenue

Neighbourhood: Fernwood

PID: 003-808-572



Improvements/facilities:

- Playground.
- Community garden, community orchard and native plant meadow.
- Sport court.
- Fernwood Community Centre & Daycare.
- Benches and picnic table.
- Pathways and stairs. Railings and retaining walls.
- Garbage cans and dog bag dispenser.
- Drinking fountain.

Notes:

- Land purchased 1922-1924 for general purposes.
- Subject to *Porter, Stevenson and Redfern Park By-law, 1925, No. 2329*
- Fernwood Community Centre located in park, includes childcare centre.
- Multiple community markets and events held in park including Fernfest and Fibrations.
- Community centre programming via Fernwood Neighbourhood House.
- Existing greenway rungs along Gladstone.
- Community well in NE section.
- Licenced to Fernwood Neighbourhood Resource Group Society (portable building, community garden and community orchard)

Potential Sheltering Capacity: 37

