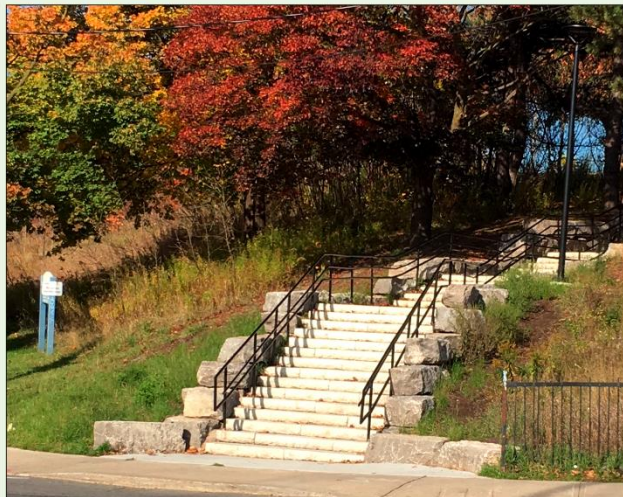


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Earlscourt Park South/West New Staircase

Phase II of the staircase replacement was completed this summer; the timeworn wooden staircase was replaced with new precast concrete steps and beautiful amour stone sidewalls. The steps lead to an interlock pathway that connects with Phase I staircase which is wheelchair accessible. Parks is in the planning stages for a new pathway to connect these steps to the rest of the Park in 2018.



Completion of New Staircase at the south/west corner of Earlscourt Park

Earlscourt Park Dog off Leash Area (DOLA)

Good news for dog owners! In collaboration with Parks, we were able to secure Capital funding to make necessary improvements to the Earlscourt DOLA. The main focus of the Earlscourt DOLA improvements will be to design a solution that will mitigate the migration of the existing wood chip surfacing to the south fence line. This will help to keep the dogs from jumping over the south fence and will improve operations, maintenance and safety. Parks is currently working on the drawings for this project for tender, so that construction can begin late spring/early summer 2018.



"Don Panos Parkette" Unveiling Ceremony

Loretto College Parkette - Update on MOU (Lease Agreement)

Earlier this year, I tabled a Notice of Motion at Toronto City Council that was seconded by Mayor John Tory, authorizing the General Manager of Parks & Recreation to take the necessary steps to execute a lease agreement between the City and the TCDSB for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a new playground structure at Loretto College. This step had to be taken to ensure this gets done more expeditiously, as the school board has sat on this critical community issue for far too long. I remain confident that this Notice of Motion will help expedite, resolve, and secure a lease agreement that is satisfactory to both stakeholders. Stay tuned!

Earlscourt Park Playground Improvements Second Public Meeting:

On November 2nd 2017, my office, in partnership with Parks & Recreation, held an open house and community consultation meeting to discuss expanding and replacing the existing playground equipment at Earlscourt Park. Parks staff provided three conceptual designs and local ratepayers groups and community leaders provided valuable input for consideration towards the grand vision for the local recreational hub within our park.

A follow up meeting will be held in early 2018, in the main lobby of the JJP Recreation Centre, so please make every effort to attend as your input is essential before any final decision is made. Stay tuned for meeting date.



Charles Caccia Park

On August 14th, the much anticipated Charles Caccia Park came to fruition! After extensive planning, community meetings and input, the vision became a reality. This park offers lots of new playground equipment & swings sets to entertain and challenge children of all ages. There is ample seating around the playground area, as well as plenty of green space to enjoy a family picnic. The splash pad has engaging water features such as shower heads and spray jets that will keep your children laughing and cool for hours. This vibrant park will be a welcoming recreational hub for our community to enjoy for years to come!

St. Nicholas of Bari School –Two NEW Playgrounds Coming Soon

I successfully moved a motion at City Council to authorize the release of Section 37 funds in the amount of \$50,000 to the TCDSB for much-needed capital improvements to create two NEW school playgrounds at St. Nicholas of Bari Catholic School.

This initiative will help to foster a stronger community. New playgrounds will help our youth remain healthy and active. I believe, new recreational facilities and green spaces will bring more life and vitality to the area and also create a "win/win" for the school community and community-at-large to enjoy.

Special thanks, to the students and school faculty of St. Nicholas of Bari Elementary School for working in partnership with my office, to bring this project to fruition.



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