



BUSINESS CASE

Recreation Department
Johnstown Play Structure Replacement

2025 Budget

Parks & Facilities Johnstown Play Structure Replacement

Executive Summary

Our current Play Structure at Johnstown Park is over 20 years old and by far our most used within our department. Some of the structures pieces show signs of wear and deterioration. This poses both a safety risk and a potential accessibility issue for children and families using the park. The proposed budget allocation will allow for the complete replacement of outdated equipment with modern, safe, and accessible play structures. The renovation will ensure compliance with current safety standards and make the park more inclusive for children of all abilities.

Business Need

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Options or Solutions Analysis

Having to block off one of the larger slides will certainly create more congestion at the one end, where having the new system in place will allow for:

1. Incorporates a mix of slides, climbing structures, and interactive elements like music panels, tactile walls, or sensory activities.
2. Modular systems can be customized to fit the space and meet safety standards.
3. Non-toxic, durable materials such as high-density polyethylene (HDPE) or recycled plastic for sustainability.

Financial and/or Non-Financial Benefits

The benefits of replacing the older unit with a new state of the art system which we would be purchasing through our Canoe Procurement plan would also be cost savings and allow us the ability to have it ready for the summer programs.

Risk Analysis

Removing the play structure and just having the swings in place is an option.
[Recommendation](#)

Proceed with issuing a tender document for the replacement of the play structure and have new one installed for early June.

[Implementation Plan](#)

Project would start in early spring and be ready for the start of summer season.

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