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### **Have Your Say on A New Park at Pazarena Place Using Engage Maple Ridge**

**Maple Ridge, BC:** The City of Maple Ridge is looking for community input on the design and amenities of a new one-acre neighbourhood park located at the end of Pazarena Place, just east of downtown. This park is located beside the Provenance by Polygon multi-family development off Lougheed Highway.

Residents can explore background information, view a context map, and follow the project timeline on the City's new community engagement platform: Engage Maple Ridge. The project is currently in its first phase of community engagement during which citizens are encouraged to attend an open house and share their ideas through a survey to inform the design of this neighbourhood park space.

"This is a great opportunity for the residents to have their say using our new platform, Engage Maple Ridge," said Mayor Ruimy. "Parks provide places for us to connect with our neighbours, get out into nature and be active. Council looks forward to seeing the community's vision shape the design of this new park."

The survey on Engage Maple Ridge will be open until February 28. The community is also invited to attend the open house on February 9 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Thomas Haney Secondary School (23000 116 Avenue) in the rotunda where City staff will be available to collect feedback and answer questions. After this first phase of community engagement, staff will develop a concept plan that will be presented back to the community for review in Summer 2023.

Neighbourhood parks are intended to serve residents within a five-minute walk, or 500 meters, of the park. Citizens are encouraged to register for Engage Maple Ridge so they can opt-in for updates as the project moves through the concept, design and construction phases with an anticipated park opening in 2024. All those who register for Engage Maple Ridge before March 31, will be entered to win a \$100 gift card to a local business of their choice.

For full details on the new park at Pazarena Place and to explore other opportunities on Engage Maple Ridge, visit [engage.mapleridge.ca/ppp](https://engage.mapleridge.ca/ppp).

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Below is the site and context map that is part of the Engage Maple Ridge project page.

