

June 8, 2022

Dear Saanich Resident;

Re: Hampton Park lighting project information / Invitation to information night

We are writing to inform you that some aging, inefficient lights on the sports playing surfaces at Hampton Park will be replaced this summer. This is a joint project with Saanich Parks and Gorge Soccer Association. Existing tungsten-halide bulbs will be replaced with modern LED lights which are a more sustainable technology and higher quality of light for sports. A new control box will also be installed giving operators more control over light operations with zones and dimming. The result will be reduced light spill outside of the playing surfaces, more control of light use appropriate for activity, significant energy savings, and improved safety for various sports. A comparable project was successfully completed earlier this year at Braefoot Park.

Project Information:

The areas where the lights will be replaced are the two artificial fields and natural sports field (subject to budget).



Hampton Park: New lightbulbs placement

The installation is anticipated during the period between July and September 2022 and will take approximately one week. Following installation, lighting consultants and the installer will monitor and adjust lights to ensure minimal overspill of light outside of the field. The installation will involve some machinery and truck movement in the park and parking lot adjacent to the playing fields. We expect any disruptions to be minor, if any, and we thank those affected neighbours for their patience and understanding as we work to improve these assets.

We welcome your feedback. If you have any questions or concerns, we invite you to write Saanich Parks and/or attend the information meeting.

Virtual Information Night – Wednesday June 29 – 7 to 8 p.m.

You are invited to attend an information session with Saanich Parks, Gorge Soccer Association and the lighting consultant.

Virtual information night information:

A link to the virtual meeting will be posted online the day of the event. Please visit: <u>www.saanich.ca/hamptonfieldlights</u> and/or <u>www.gorgesoccer.ca/hamptonfieldlights</u> for this link and more information on this project.

Feedback:

If you have any questions or feedback regarding the project, please contact the Saanich Parks office at 250-475-5522 or <u>parks@saanich.ca</u> by Monday June 27, 2022.

Sincerely,

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cc Suzanne Samborski, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Nathalie Dechaine, Manager, Community Development and Business Systems Paul de Greeff, Parks Planning and Development Manager Jason Youngren, Park Operations Manager Graham Thomson, Manager, G.R. Pearkes Recreation Centre Aaron Walker-Duncan, President, Gorge Soccer Association Brad Hlasny, General Manager, Gorge Soccer Association Gorge Tillicum Community Association