



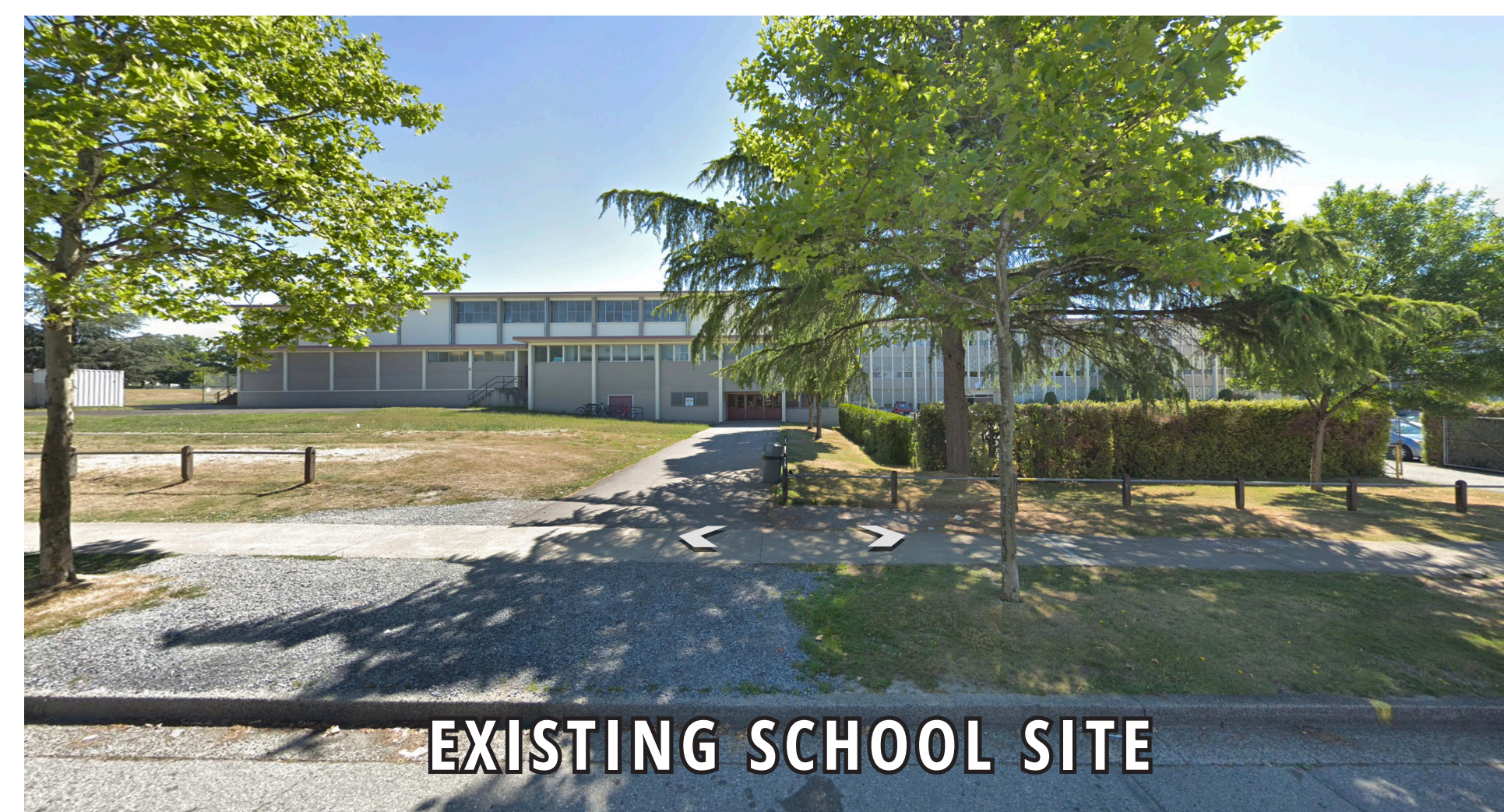
David Thompson Secondary Potential Land Exchange **PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION**

David Thompson (DT) Secondary is undergoing a feasibility study as part of the province's Seismic Mitigation Program. The District is engaging with the Vancouver Park Board to explore a potential land exchange with Gordon Park as part of this Study.



Key features of the potential land exchange:

- Gordon Park relocated to existing school site.
- New DT School constructed on Gordon Park.
- New and improved sports field and park space.
- Gordon Park will be partially open during construction.
- The total area of Gordon Park will remain unchanged.
- DT students and staff are able to remain in the existing school during construction.



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David Thompson Secondary Potential Land Exchange **PURPOSE**

It is a top priority of both the Vancouver School District and the Ministry of Education to ensure all students attend seismically safe schools as quickly as possible.

As part of the province's Seismic Mitigation Program, the Ministry has asked the Vancouver School District to begin a seismic feasibility study for David Thompson Secondary.

The following options are being considered as part of the feasibility study:

1



Upgrade the **existing** school within the same building structure.

2



Replace **portions** of the school on existing site.

3



Replace the **entire school** on the existing site.

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Working with the **Park Board** to explore **exchanging land** between DT and Gordon Park **to build a replacement school** on the existing Gordon Park site.

A preferred option has not been selected yet.

To continue the feasibility study on Option 4, we are seeking input from the school community to learn if a land exchange should be explored.

Note: A replacement school will follow current area standards set by the Ministry, which are different than the areas at the existing David Thompson School site.

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David Thompson Secondary Potential Land Exchange **BENEFITS**

The potential land exchange creates many opportunities for students, teachers, and the broader community.

PARK:



- ✓ Potential for new and improved park facilities for students and park users through a Park Board led park renewal process.



- ✓ Alternate fields will be available during the construction process to accommodate park users.



- ✓ Park activity will be moved to the southern edge of the site along East 55th Ave, away from the traffic on East 49th Avenue.



- ✓ The size of the park will remain unchanged.
- ✓ Trees on the south side of the current school will be preserved.

REPLACEMENT SCHOOL:



- ✓ New, seismically safe school that meets current building codes and standards.



- ✓ 21st century learning design where the rooms are built to create flexible spaces that allow for both formal and informal learning opportunities.



- ✓ A facility that will optimize sustainable design by being built to Leadership in Energy and Environment Design (LEED) Gold standards.



- ✓ Students and teachers can remain at the existing David Thompson Secondary during construction, eliminating the need for temporary school accommodation elsewhere.
- ✓ Replacement school will be along East 49th Avenue, making it more accessible to public transit.

4A

David Thompson Secondary Potential Land Exchange **EXISTING SITE**



4B

David Thompson Secondary Potential Land Exchange **CONSTRUCTION STATE**



*Alternative softball fields will be available to park users during construction, such as Tupper Secondary (12-minute drive from DT) and John Oliver Secondary (9-minute drive from DT).

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David Thompson Secondary Potential Land Exchange **FINAL STATE**



*New Gordon Park to be delivered through a Vancouver Park Board led design and engagement process.

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU



We want to hear from you!

One option to achieve a seismically safe school is constructing a replacement school through a land exchange of David Thompson Secondary School and Gordon Park.

Do you support the idea of a potential land exchange between the Vancouver School District and the Park Board?

Please complete our survey in person or online at:
govsb.ca/thompsonseismic

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David Thompson Secondary Potential Land Exchange **NEXT STEPS**

Thank you for attending the public information session.

The District will review feedback from the school community and park users to help inform the decision regarding the potential land exchange of David Thompson Secondary and Gordon Park.

A summary of tonight's feedback will be shared with the District's Board of Education and the Park Board.

Once the feasibility study is complete, the Ministry and the District will jointly decide which option would best serve the needs of David Thompson students and staff.

If the land exchange option is selected, the park design will be determined through a Park Board led design and engagement process.

