

Bin Placement Pilot Program

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Project Description

- Objective: To reduce the amount of waste in public spaces
- A better system needs to be employed to dispose and collect trash in an appropriate manner

Project Tasks

- Observational research on the placement of bins at 4 local Vancouver parks
- GPS location of all the waste bins
- Observing areas of high foot traffic, and litter



The Problem

Preliminary Data shows:

- Redundant garbage cans and recycling bins
- Recyclables and Organic waste
- Litter
- Overflowing bins
- High traffic areas with no form of garbage disposal
- Domestic waste



Queen Elizabeth Park

- Improper disposal of waste. organics, recyclables and waste mix in the same bins
- Many of them of empty, placed in areas with low traffic.
- Different amount of bins from week to week



Hillcrest Park

- Decrease in bins from week to week
- Varying location of bins
- High amount of organic waste
- Redundant garbage cans
- Moderate amount of recyclables



Memorial South Park

- Mixed waste in almost all of the bins
- Animal waste and domestic waste were a problem along the main paths
- Large areas without disposal methods
- Litter along high traffic paths





John Hendry Park (Trout Lake)

- Bins concentrated near south-end fieldhouse, community centre and parking lots.
- Approx. 52 bins, 1 recycling bin
- Large gaps in bin placement along western and eastern sides of lake.



Our Solution

- Removal of inefficient bins
- Redistribute existing bins
- Implementation of additional garbage, recyclable, and organic bins
- Maximize pickup by having bins in convenient and permanent positions

Our Solution

Criteria for efficient bin placement:

- near entrances and exits
- near points of consumption
 - benches & tables
- high traffic walkways
- toilets and utilities
- parking lots
- sports facilities
- playgrounds

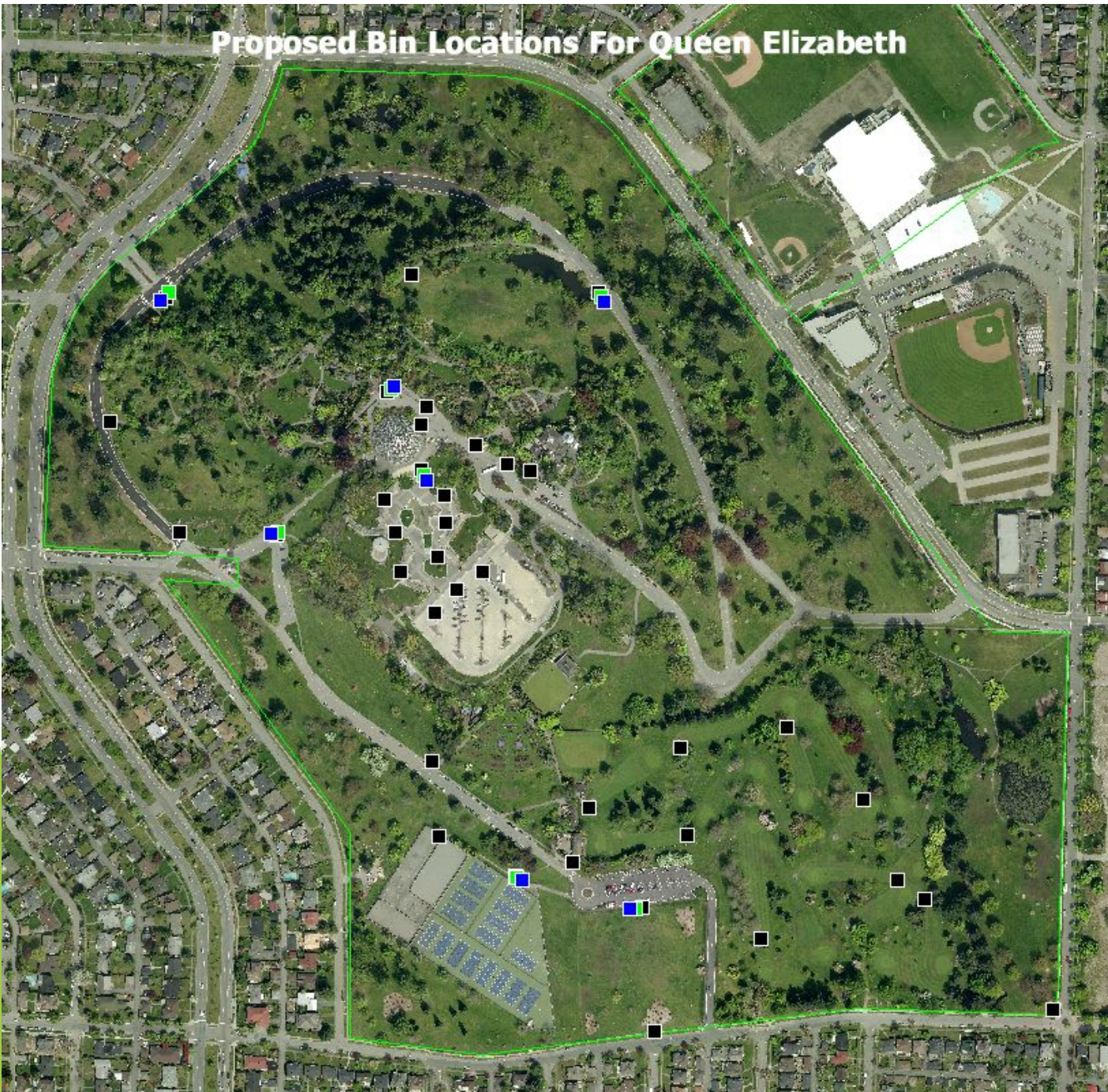
Queen Elizabeth & Hillcrest

Problem Queen Elizabeth & Hillcrest



Proposed Bin Locations For Queen Elizabeth

Solution
Queen Elizabeth
Proposed bins: 51
Current: 56 (-5)



Proposed Bin Locations For Hillcrest



Solution

Hillcrest

Proposed bins: 11

Current: 7.33 (+3.67)



Problem Memorial South

Memorial South

Picnic & BBQ

Tennis Court

Playground

Track

Parking Lot

East Soccer Field

SW Corner

Solution
Memorial South
Proposed bins: 15
Current: 17.67
(-2.67)



Solution

John Hendry

Proposed bins: 61

Current: 51.33

(+9.67)

Conclusion

- Improvements need to be made to the current system
 - reinventing current system minimizes costs
 - \$60 / bin
- Can easily be expanded into other parks
- Streamlines waste collection