Connectivity	Accessibility
Surrounding land uses Street views Transportation Greenways Legibility	Physical accessibility Transportation and parking Amenities Safety

## **ANALYSIS**

Each criterion was evaluated and given a qualitative ranking based on how well the park and proposed design met the criteria. The following four point scale was used:

Poor

Fair

Good

Excellent

The following table indicates how well the park and its proposed design met each of the criteria.

Criteria		Current Park	Proposed Park
	Surrounding Land Uses		
Connectivity	Street Views		
	Transportation		
	Greenways		
	Legibility		
Accessibility	Physical Accessibility		
	Transportation and Parking		
	Amenities		
	Safety		

## CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The proposed design for Lake Ontario Park has the potential to build a very successful waterfront park in the City of Kingston as it improves upon many of the shortcomings observed in the current park.

The proposed design will strengthen connectivity by improving the design and visual interest of the greenway into Elevator Bay Park and investing in its connections to the Lake Ontario Waterfront Trail and the City of Kingston's Waterfront Pathway through added signage and aesthetics. New fencing and an arrival plaza at the main entrance will add to the attractiveness of the park from nearby properties. A new parking lot, an increased number of paved roads and paths, and bicycle facilities will allow more options for park visitors when entering and travelling through the space. Finally, more effective signage and a more understandable pathway system will improve upon the illegibility of the current park.

Weaknesses in the proposed design related to connectivity include a lack of connection to properties northeast of the park on the Lake Ontario Waterfront Trail/City of Kingston **Recommendation 1:** Place a large map of the entire park at all entrances.

**Recommendation 2:** Educate visitors about significant sites near Lake Ontario Park.

**Recommendation 3:** Encourage persons at Providence Continuing Care and St. Lawrence College to visit the park on a regular basis.

**Recommendation 4:** Features along the perimeter of the park should permit clear views into and out of the park.

**Recommendation 5:** Focal points should divide the park into identifiable subsections to increase orientation.

**Recommendation 6:** Provide information about accessibility on all buildings and paths.

**Recommendation 7:** Transit routes serving Lake Ontario Park should be wheelchair accessible.

**Recommendation 8:** Provide a safe means of crossing King Street West to enter the park.

**Recommendation 9:** Build unisex or individual washrooms.

**Recommendation 10**