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Further to the proposed changes to the Encampment Protocol I would like to suggest the following, as these are observed encampments that impact public use of park spaces.

Suggested restricted areas should include:

1. Museums, particularly the Children's Museum in Gage Park.
2. The inclusion of bicycle pump track in the list of athletic facilities.
3. Public/City maintained garden areas. Currently a large encampment has decimated a bulb garden near the Gage Park greenhouse, an area enjoyed by many in the spring but now unviable.
4. The Children's garden area in Gage Park. Community gardens have been included as places on which tents cannot be established, but the Children's Garden is a resource that should have a perimeter similar to schools and playgrounds. It is a source of enjoyment for families as well as a wonderful educational resource.

Thank you for consideration of these specific locations to be included in the Protocol.

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