

Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

Park Board Committee Meeting September 29, 2014

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Bloedel Conservatory







Plaque Celebration - Frances E. Willard





German National Day







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Healthy City Strategy

September 29, 2014

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A Healthy City for All

Healthy City Strategy 2014-2025

Presentation to Board of Parks and Recreation

September 29, 2014

Healthy City Strategy Presentation Overview



- 1. Background
- 2. Framework
- 3. Strategy development
- 4. Park Board Strategic Alignment
- 5. Next Steps

Background





- Growing and aging population number of seniors expected to double by 2036 BC Statistics, 2012
- Second highest low income rate compared to other large Canadian cities (21%) statistics Canada, 2010
- 35% of kindergarten children are vulnerable in Vancouver UBC Human Early Learning Partnership Early Development Instrument, 2011-13
- Growing gap between rich and poor conference Board of Canada, 2011
- Health inequities avoidable inequalities in health between groups of people неаlth Officers Council of BC, 2008



Framework

One Vision, Twelve Goals







Strategy development **Timeline**







PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

HEALTHY CITY FOR ALL LEADERSHIP TABLE

HEALTHY CITY STRATEGY
TECH TEAM

LITERATURE AND BEST PRACTICE REVIEW

CONSULTATION WITH KEY DEPARTMENTS AND KEY PARTNERS

HEALTHY CITY
SUMMIT
with VCH
(June 2012)

CITY-VCH
MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING
SIGNED
(March 2013)

HEALTHY CITY
SUMMIT
with VCH
(June 2014)

Strategy development Public Engagement







Create green spaces that are open and encourage social interaction as well as physical activity

We need more education opportunities for newcomer adults at community centres

We need more public art and public poetry that represents the diverse groups in a neighbourhood

Ensure that licensed quality childcare is available for all families that want it

Think of streets as if cars didn't control them

Healthy City Strategy Park Board Strategic Alignment







2015 - 2018 Short Term Actions

Active Living and Getting Outside





LONG-TERM OUTCOME:

Vancouverites are engaged in active living and have incomparable access to nature



TARGETS:

By 2020: All Vancouver residents live within a 5 minute walk of a park, greenway, or other green space

By 2025: **Increase** the percentage of Vancouver residents aged 18 and older who meet the Canadian Physical Activity

Guidelines by 25% over 2014 levels

BASELINES:

92.7%

of the city's land base is within a 5 minute walk of a green space (2013)

44.8%

of Vancouver residents aged 18 and older are meeting the Canadian Physical Activity Guidelines (MHMC, 2014)

Active Living





the **BIG** shift:

Bring active living into people's everyday lives through a focus on improving people's knowledge of the importance of regular/daily physical activity and providing a wide range of facilities and amenities.



CITY actions planned:

Implement the Physical Literacy recommendations of the Vancouver Sport Strategy to **promote physical** activity and fundamental skill development citywide in children ages 0-12.

Create, adopt, and implement active design guidelines

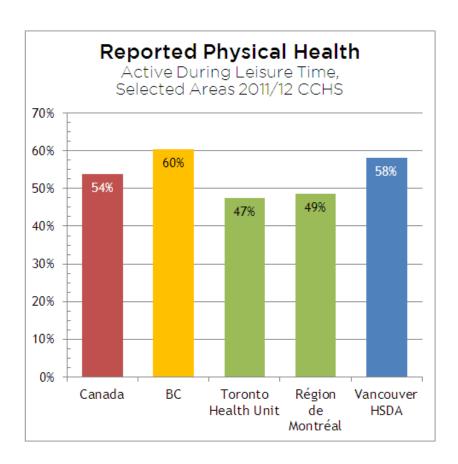
Implement the Active and Healthy Living recommendations of the **Age- Friendly Action Plan.**

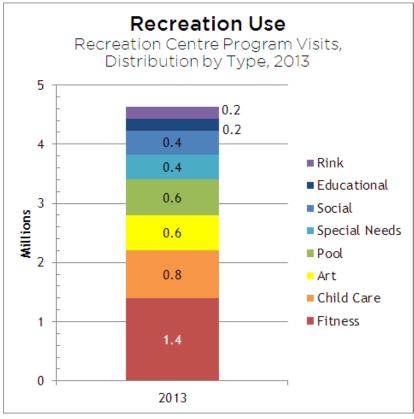
Active Living











Getting Outside





the **BIG** shift:

Bring nature into people's everyday lives; creating a city where **people and nature flourish together.**



CITY actions planned:

array of high quality parks, green spaces, and other public spaces that are designed to respond to the needs of a diverse population.

Implementation of the Rewilding Vancouver Plan

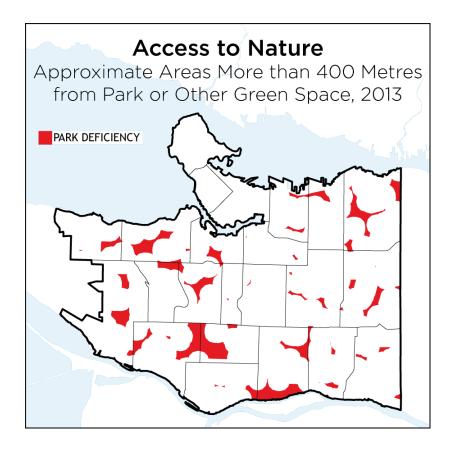
Explore the feasibility of utilizing City infrastructure to support place-based environmental education

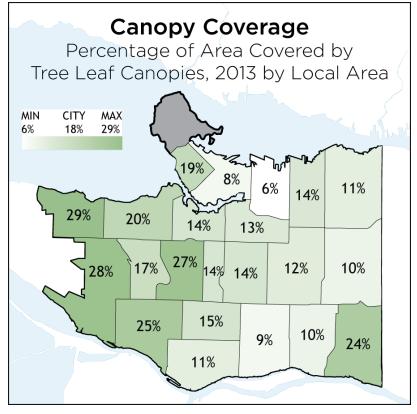
Getting Outside











A Good Start





LONG-TERM OUTCOME:

Vancouver's children have the best chance of enjoying a healthy childhood



2025 TARGET:

At least 85% of Vancouver's children are developmentally ready for school when they enter kindergarten

CITY actions planned:

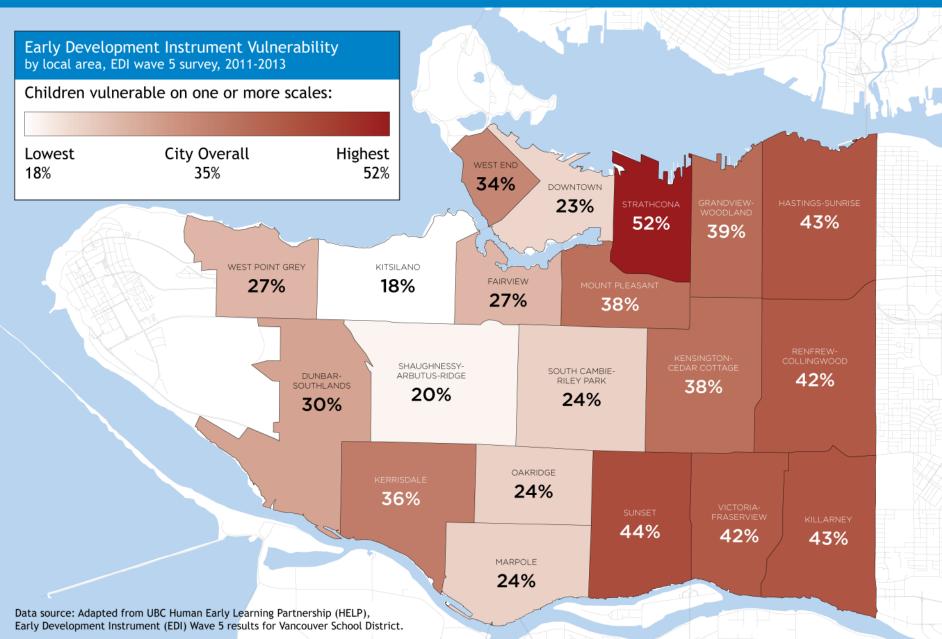
Facilitate the creation of 1,000 new licensed non-profit group childcare spaces in Vancouver

Explore mechanisms to facilitate improved quality for licensed childcare programs in City facilities

A Good Start







Feeding Ourselves Well





LONG-TERM OUTCOME:

Vancouver has a healthy, just, and sustainable food system



2020 TARGET:

Increase city-wide and neighbourhood food assets by a minimum of 50% over 2010 levels

CITY actions planned:

Create an **Urban Farming policy** to increase capacity for food production in the city.

Building on the City's Food Strategy and the Board of Parks and Recreation's Local Food Action Plan, **increase food literacy workshops and programs** by at least 25% over current levels

Healthy Human Services





LONG-TERM OUTCOME:

Vancouverites have equitable access to high-quality social, community, and health services



2025 TARGETS:

Increase the percentage of Vancouverites who report have access to services when they need them by 25% over 2014 levels

CITY actions planned:

Increase access to recreation for low income residents via the OneCard, by increasing the percentage of low-income residents using the Leisure Access subsidy program by 25%

Ensure that relevant City staff receive competency training to work with vulnerable populations using an intersectional approach

Being and Feeling Safe and Included





LONG-TERM OUTCOME:

Vancouver is a safe city in which residents feel secure



2025 TARGETS:

Increase Vancouver residents' sense of safety and sense of belonging by 10%

CITY actions planned:

Develop implementation plan for other Vancouver facilities based on recommendations from Building a Path to Parks and Recreation for All: Reducing Barriers for Trans* and Gender Variant Community Members.

Work with existing community groups to enable the **animation of existing public spaces** to facilitate both a feeling of inclusion and increased 'eyes on the street'

Expressing Ourselves





LONG-TERM OUTCOME:

Vancouver has a diverse and thriving cultural ecology that enriches the lives of all residents and visitors



2025 TARGET:

Increase public participation and community engagement in arts and culture by 25% over 2014 levels

CITY actions planned:

Create more temporary and permanent outdoor public spaces to encourage and enable creative uses, expand special and public space programs.

Use available mechanisms to increase the number of sustainable, affordable, and right-sized indoor culture spaces.

Next Steps



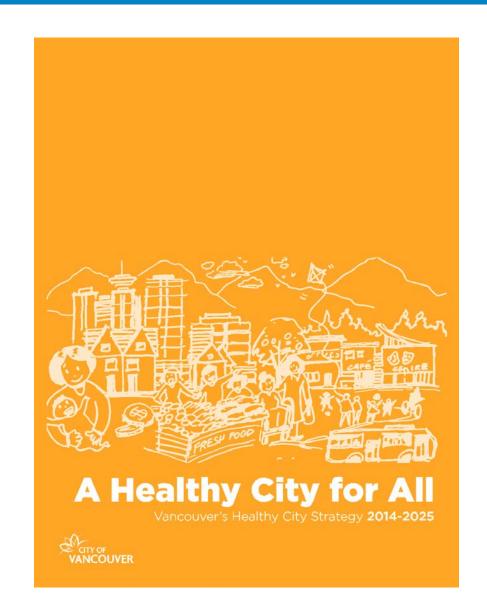


Council Report October 14, 2014

Develop **implementation plan** for 2015-2018

Develop monitoring and reporting systems for indicators and targets

Report back every two years, starting in 2016.







Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

Jericho Beach Park Pier Partnership

September 29, 2014

Visit the Park Board website at: vancouverparks.ca

THAT the Board approve staff develop a memorandum of understanding with the Disabled Sailing Association of BC (DSA) that outlines roles and responsibilities for community engagement, planning, design, funding, procurement, construction and operations of the Jericho Beach pier and accessible floating dock.

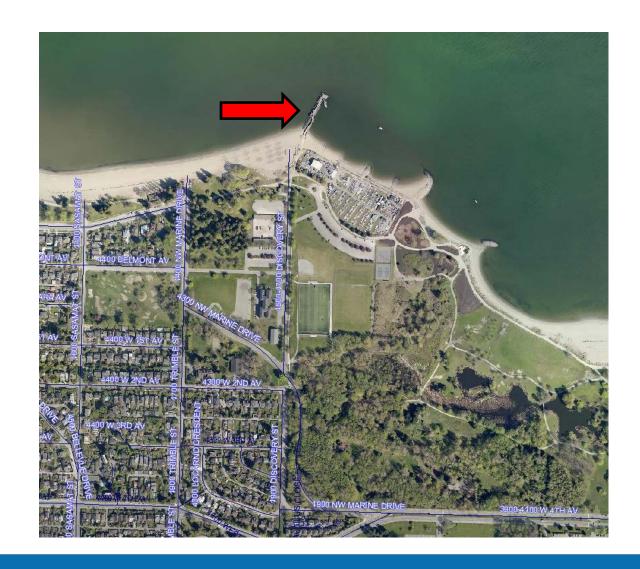


Presentation Overview

- 1. Background
- 2. Previous Decision
- 3. Study Findings
- 4. Analysis
- 5. Memorandum of Understanding
- Engagement and Environmental
- 7. Financial
- 8. Next Steps

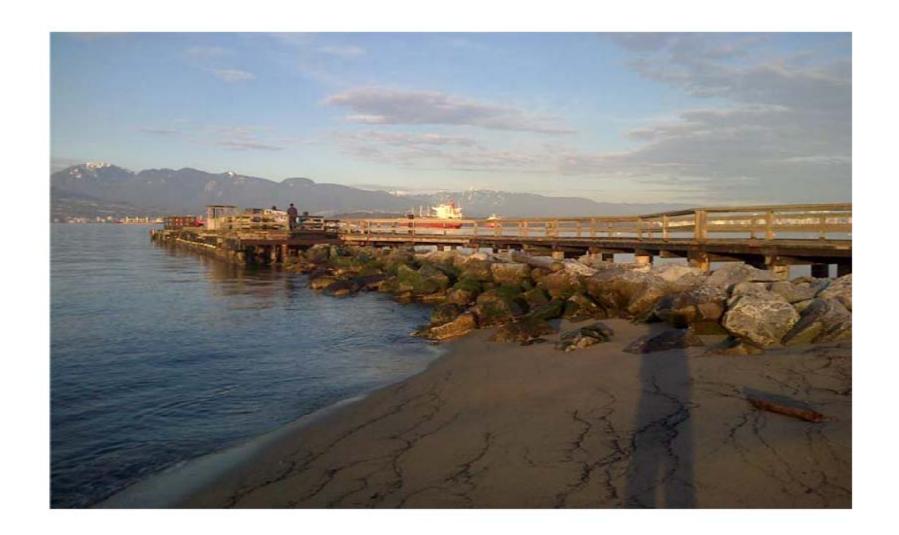


1. Background - Location





1. Background - Existing Pier





1. Background - Existing Pier





1. Background - DSA

- The Disabled Sailing
 Association (DSA)
 provides sailing
 opportunities
 (recreational and
 competitive) for people
 with physical
 disabilities.
- The DSA leases space from the Jericho Sailing Centre Association where the program has been located since its inception over 25 years ago.

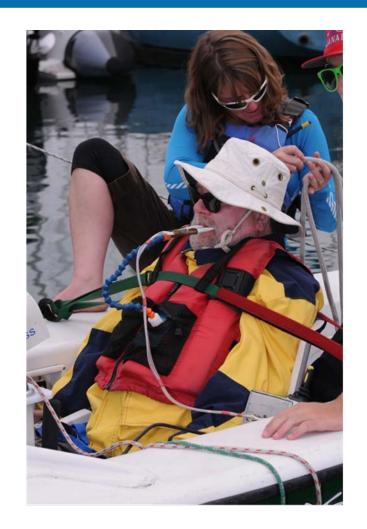




2. Background

 Presently 800-1,000 sails are done manually at the Jericho Sailing Centre, with a winch

 The development of a separate accessible floating dock will allow the DSA to increase its capacity by an estimated 400-500 sails annually





2. Background - DSA





Boat launch using winch at Jericho



2. Background - DSA



Hoist in operation at Jericho – in public area



3. Previous Board Decision - February 2013

- The (DSA) may undertake a feasibility study for an accessible floating dock at the Jericho Sailing Centre (JSC), in Jericho Beach Park, with input and advice from staff
- Staff should report back to the Board on the findings of this study and possible next steps.



3. Study Findings

- In 2013 a report was prepared by Worley Parsons (a marine structural engineering firm) funded by the DSA
- 2 options were presented:
 - an expansion to the existing pier
 - a new pier at the location of the Jericho Beach restoration project
- Neither option is viable

 Staff and the DSA then looked at alternate locations for the facility but no alternate locations were found

 Dialogue ensued, and the parties agree that the age and condition of the Jericho Beach Pier presents an opportunity for redevelopment including a needed accessible floating dock



4. Analysis

 A new pier at this location can incorporate an accessible floating dock and provide an accessible and scenic waterfront experience for all residents and visitors





4. Analysis - Strategic Plan Alignment

- Providing Parks and Recreation for All (increase accessibility and inclusivity)
- Excellence in Resource
 Management (provide new
 well managed
 infrastructure and include
 partner funding)
- Aligns with DSA values also





5. Memorandum of Understanding

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the DSA will outline how to move forward.

It will define roles and responsibilities in community engagement, planning, design, funding, procurement, construction and operations of the Jericho Beach pier and accessible floating dock.





6. Engagement and Environmental

Engagement

- Will follow our standards for this type of facility including meetings with local stakeholders, public open houses for residents, on-line surveys and social media.
- A separate First Nations engagement will occur.

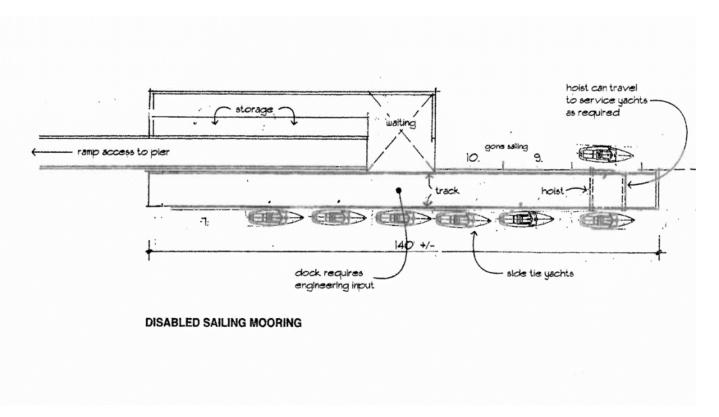
Environmental

- Habitat restoration and enhancement opportunities.
- Removal of creosote from the marine environment.
- Opportunity to explore alternative energy in the design.

- Funding for the first phase of construction (conceptual design, community engagement, and costing) in the 2015-18 Capital Plan, and the DSA will provide \$10,000 for this effort
- DSA is well positioned to source Federal and Provincial grants

7. Financial

The City's 2015-18 Capital Plan includes an emerging priorities fund, and this project is a candidate for this fund.



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Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

Special Event Approval: Changes to Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon

September 29, 2014

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- A. THAT the Board approve a request from the Competitor Group, organizers of the Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon, for a post-race event at Devonian Harbour Park on October 26, 2014, from 7:45am to 1:00pm.
- B. THAT the Board approve a request from the Competitor Group for a Public Special Occasion License at Devonian Harbour Park from 9:30am to 1:00pm.





Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

2015 - 2018 Final Capital Plan

September 29, 2014

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Recommendation

That the Board endorse the 2015-2018 Parks, Open Spaces and Recreation Capital Plan as outlined in this report.

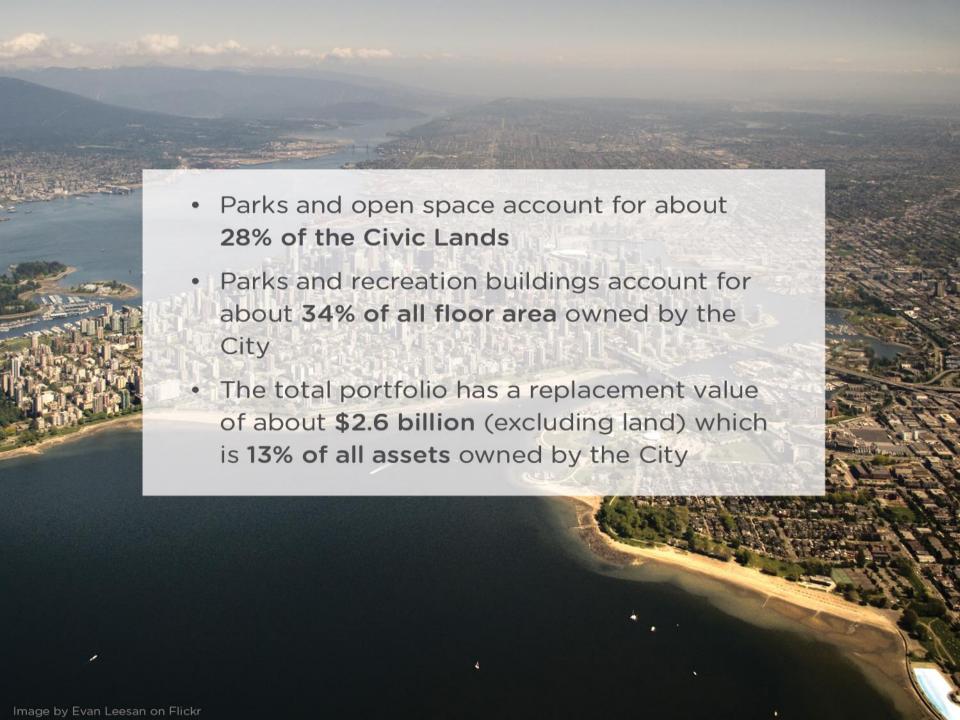
Total \$154.5M:

- Parks and Open Space: \$91.25M
- Public Art: \$5M
- Recreation Facilities: \$44.5M
- Entertainment and Exhibition Facilities: \$13.75M



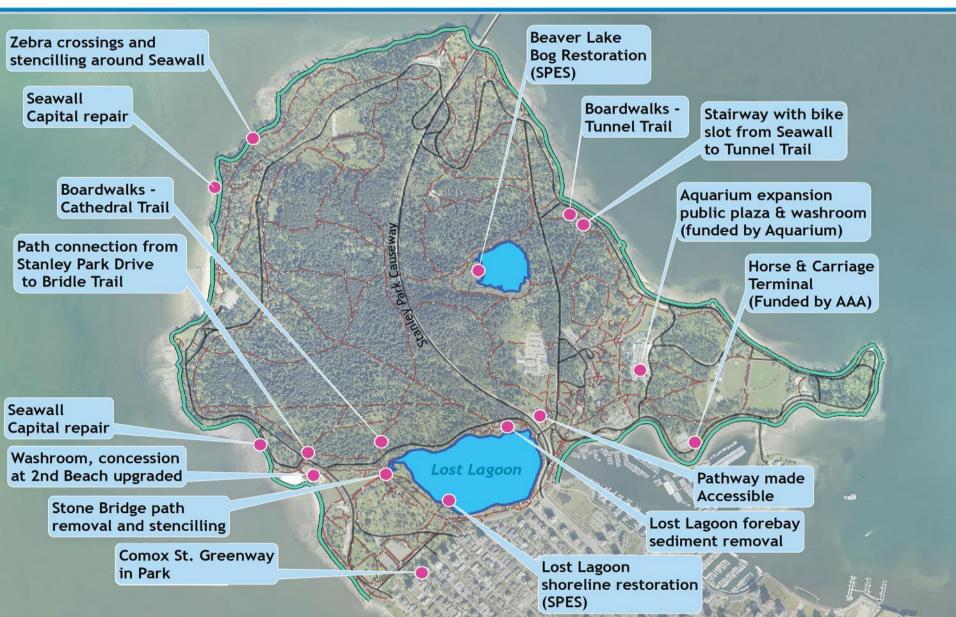
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Achievements: Stanley Park

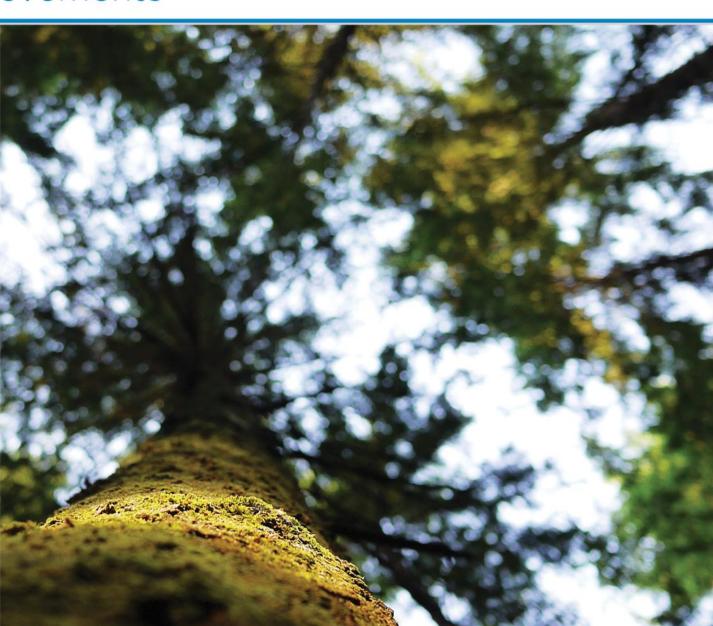




Achievements

URBAN FOREST AND NATURAL FEATURES

- Planting 27,000 trees on public and private lands
- Pollinator projects

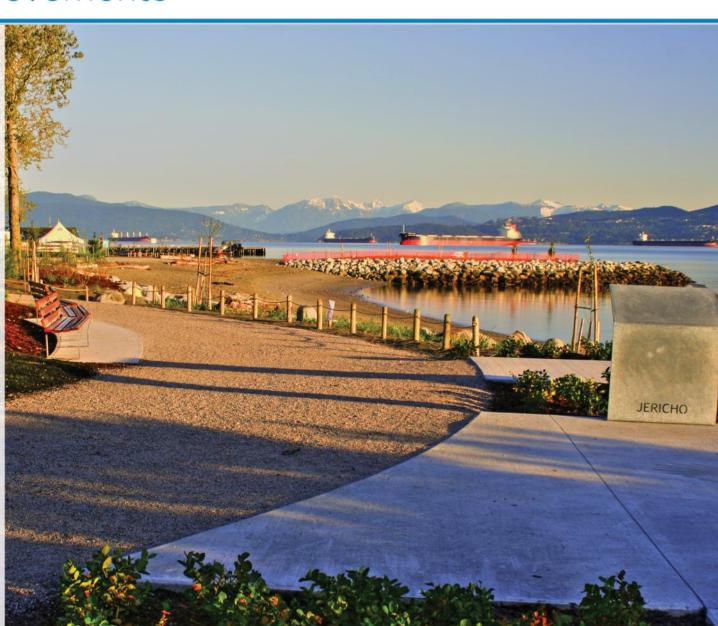




Achievements

URBAN FOREST AND NATURAL FEATURES

Jericho Park
 won the 2014
 Urban Design
 Award for
 Landscape,
 public space and
 infrastructure





Achievements

URBAN FOREST AND NATURAL FEATURES

 15 new or expanded community gardens





Achievements

ACTIVITY FEATURES

Playground replacements at:

- Charleson
- Carleton
- Creekside
- False Creek
 Community
 Centre
- Hastings Mill
- John Hendry
- McBride
- Nanaimo
- · Pandora
- Prince Edward

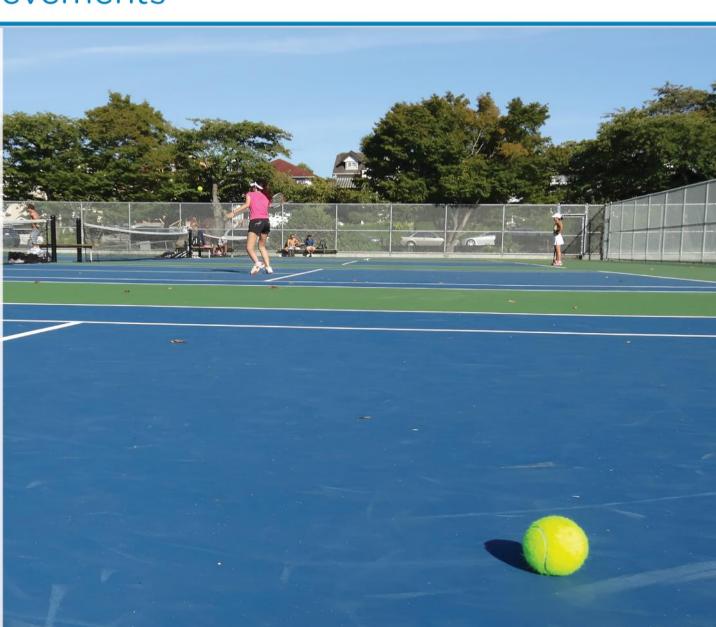




Achievements

ACTIVITY FEATURES

- Tennis courts at Kitsilano Beach
- 20 courts resurfaced
- Pier and dock upgrades:
 - · Jericho Beach
 - Vanier Park
 - · Burrard Marina
- Hastings
 Community Park
 Little League
 field renovation





Achievements





Achievements

NEW PARKS AND RENEWALS

 Main at 18th won a 2014 Canadian Society Landscape Architects Honour Award





Achievements

NEW PARKS AND RENEWALS

 New park at 6th and Fir

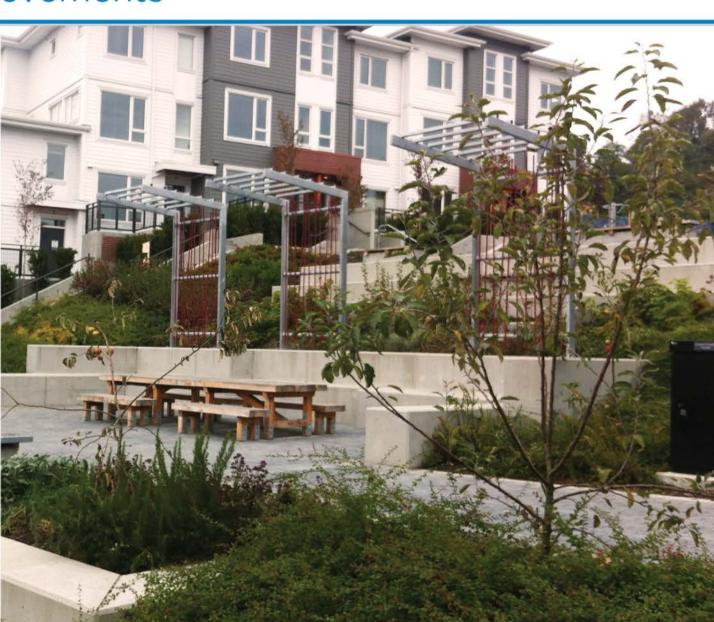




Achievements

NEW PARKS AND RENEWALS

 Neighbourhood Park North in East Fraserlands





What's Been Achieved

NEW PARKS AND RENEWALS

 Land acquisition at 17th and Yukon



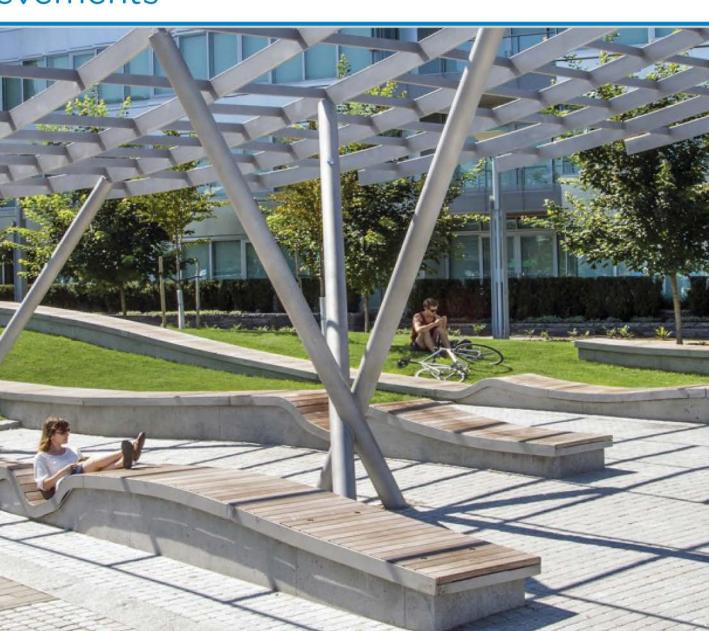




Achievements

NEW PARKS AND RENEWALS

 Triangle Park in Olympic Village

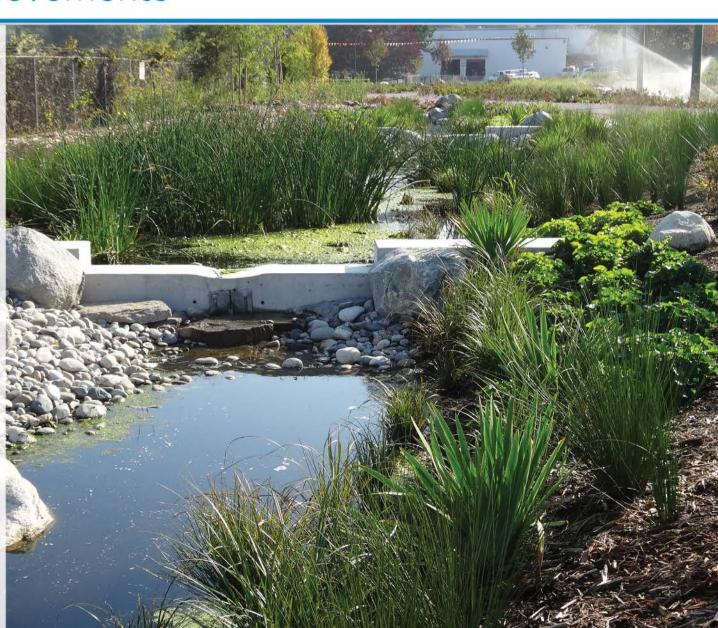




Achievements

NEW PARKS AND RENEWALS

Creekway
 Park (Located between Hastings and New Brighton Parks)

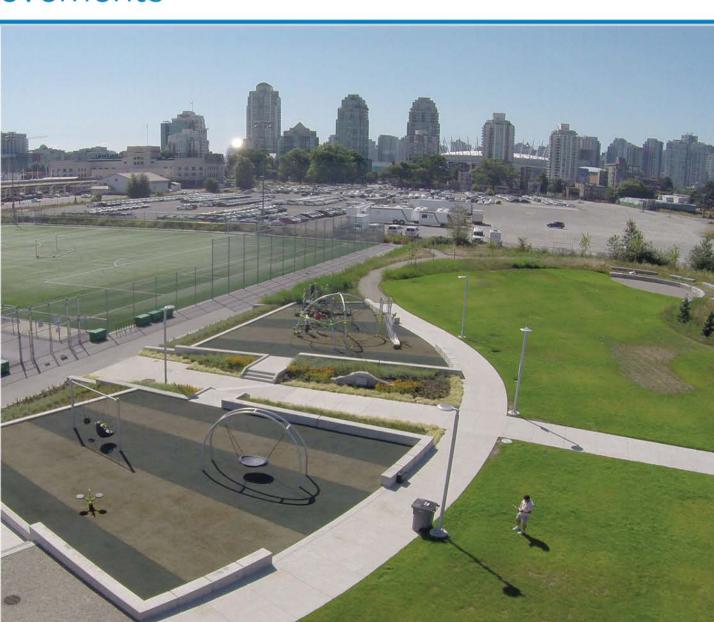




Achievements

NEW PARKS AND RENEWALS

 Trillium North Park

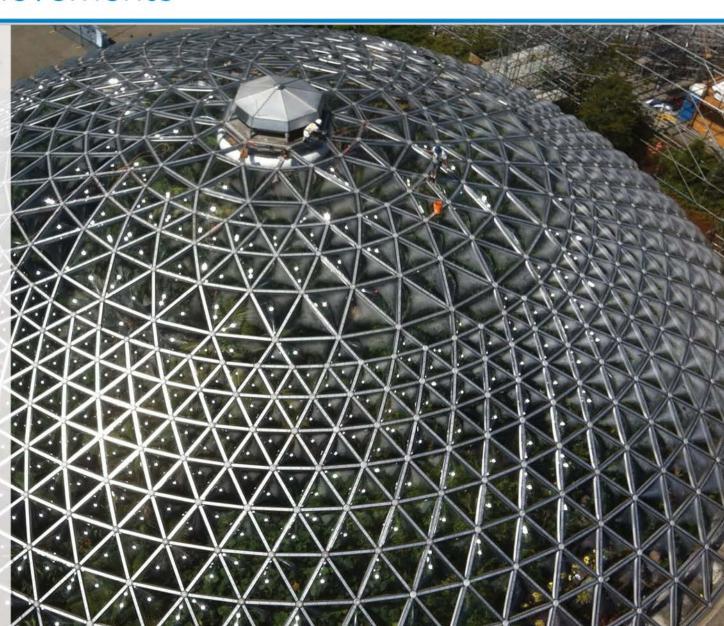




Achievements

PARK BUILDINGS

- Bloedel
 Conservatory at
 Queen Elizabeth
 Park: roof
 replacement
- Sport field and fieldhouse improvement program
 - Artist in residence conversions





Achievements

PARK BUILDINGS

- Various reroofing including Dr. Sun Yat-Sen and Dunbar CC
- VanDusen

 Gardens
 lighting
 audit and
 construction
- McCleery Golf Course
- Stanley Park power upgrade
- Kerrisdale
 Arena ammonia detection system upgrade





Achievements

PUBLIC ART

22 new art installations





Achievements

ENTERTAINMENT AND EXHIBITION: HASTINGS PARK

- Empire Fields renewal
- Livestock
 Building at
 Hastings Park
 (Phase 1)
- Garden
 Auditorium at
 Hastings Park
 (Phase 1)





2012 - 2014 Capital Plan Achievements

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

- Paddling centre in East False
 Creek
- New Skate

 Facility in Mt
 Pleasant
- Andy Livingstone playground
- Creekside playground





2012 - 2014 Capital Plan Achievements

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

 Sunset Park Master Plan



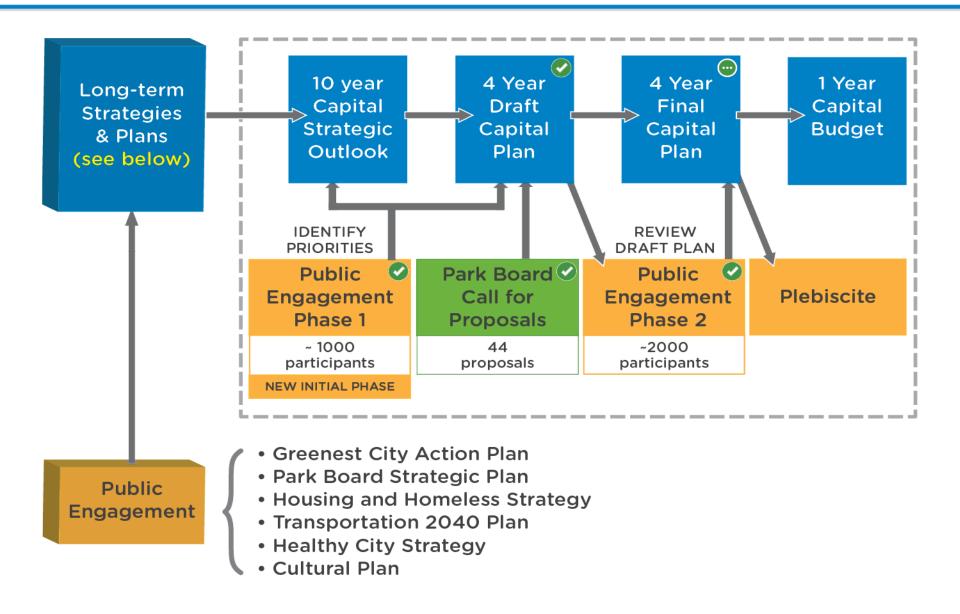


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Capital Planning Framework





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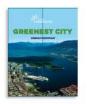
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2015 - 2018 Objectives and Strategic Priorities



Park Board Strategic Plan



Greenest City Action Plan



Vancouver Sport Strategy



Healthy City Strategy (in progress)



Greening of Parks



Undertake Asset Management and Service Level Planning



Maintain and Renew Recreation Infrastructure



Maintain and Renew Parks



Build New Parks and Recreation Facilities/Park land Acquisition



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City Public Engagement Video

What the City does in 90 seconds:



vancouver.ca/capitalplan



City Public Engagement Summary Phase 1

What we heard when we went out in May, prior to draft plan:

RENEWAL

Top five city infrastructure

- 1. Waterworks
- 2. Sewers
- 3. Sidewalks
- 4. Seawall and trails
- 5. Natural Areas

NEW

Top three investment priorities

- 1. Rapid transit (TransLink)
- 2. Affordable housing
- 3. Childcare
- 4. Community Facilities
- 5. Parks





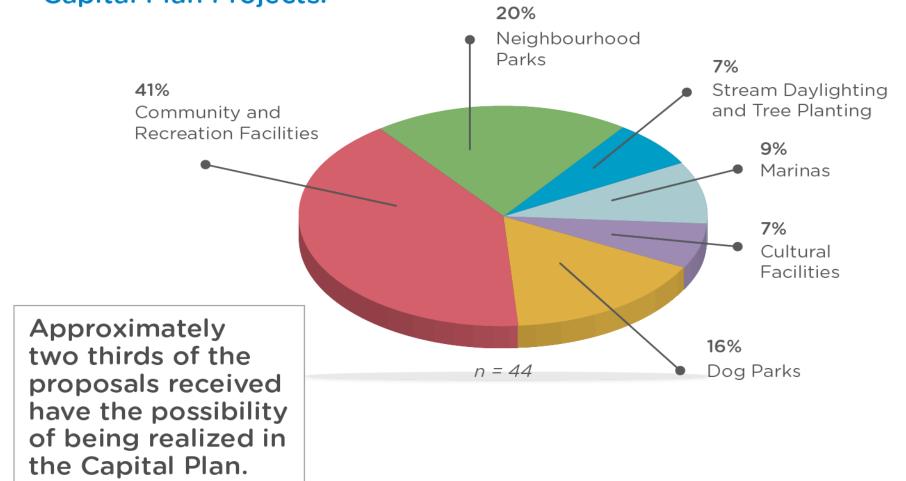




Phase 1: Park Board Public Engagement

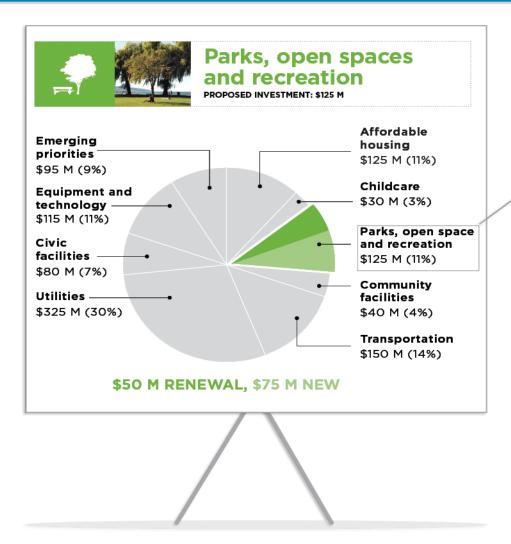
Summary of Proposals

During our outreach in May, we received 44 proposals for Capital Plan Projects:

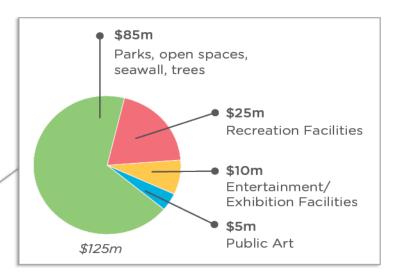




Phase 2: City Public Engagement Draft Capital Plan



Snapshot from display board shown at phase 2 open house - August, 2014



Who we heard from:

- 1,882 survey participants
- 186 participants at open houses and meetings

What we heard:

Prioritize investments in:

- recreation and community facilities over civic facilities and emerging priorities
- asset renewal over new infrastructure and facilities



Phase 2: City Public Engagement Summary Phase 2 Feedback

Comment Themes

Community Facilities

- Build Mt. Pleasant Outdoor Pool
- Renew Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre
- Renew community facilities in West End

Parks and Open Space

- More/improved dog off-leash areas
- Improvements to waterfront walkwaysbikeways
- Renew/upgrade
 Sunset Park



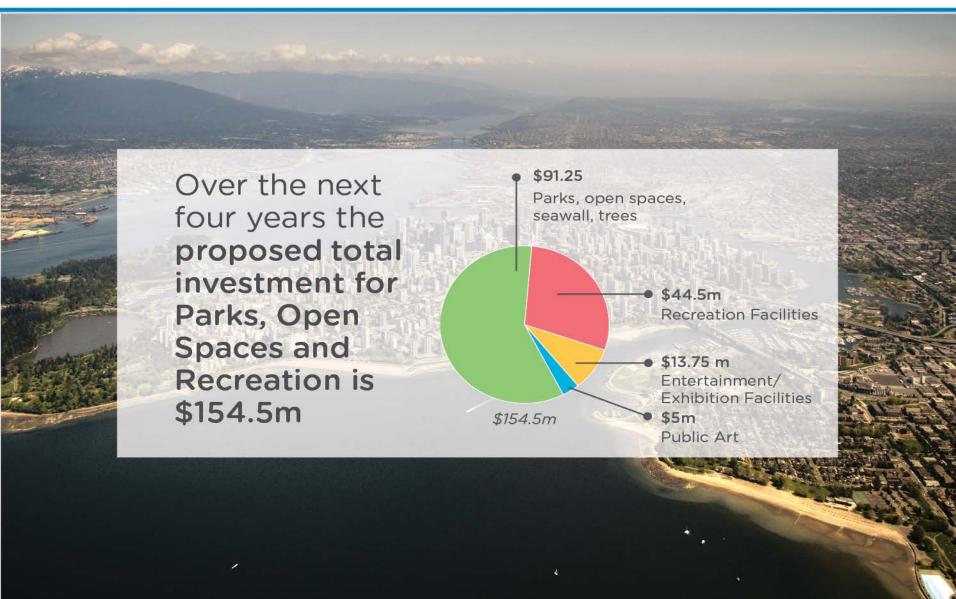
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2015 - 2018 Capital Plan





PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

\$91.25m

Urban Forest and Natural Features \$10.19M

- Urban Forest Strategy Implementation and Urban Forest Inventory
- Planting of 40,000 - 50,000 trees





PARKS AND OPEN SPACES



Urban Forest and Natural Features \$10.19M

 Biodiversity Enhancements (e.g. Tatlow, Spanish Banks, New Brighton Park)





PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

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Urban Forest and Natural Features \$10.19M

- Local Food Plan implementation
- Environmental Education and Stewardship Task Force Implementation



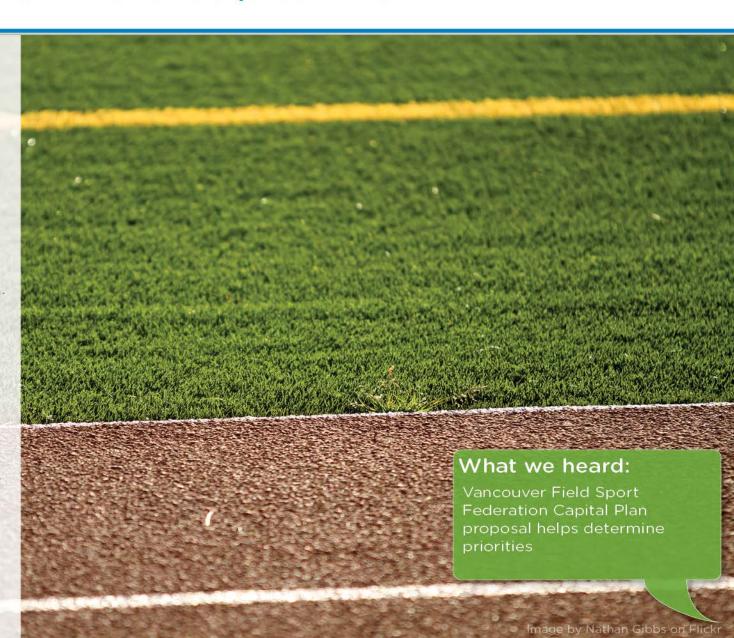


PARKS AND OPEN SPACES



Activity Features \$22.69m

- Outdoor track and field facility
- New synthetic turf field and turf replacement
- Major grass field upgrades and improvements





PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

\$91.25m

Activity Features \$22.69m

- Playground upgrades
- New skate or bike park
- Wading pool conversions



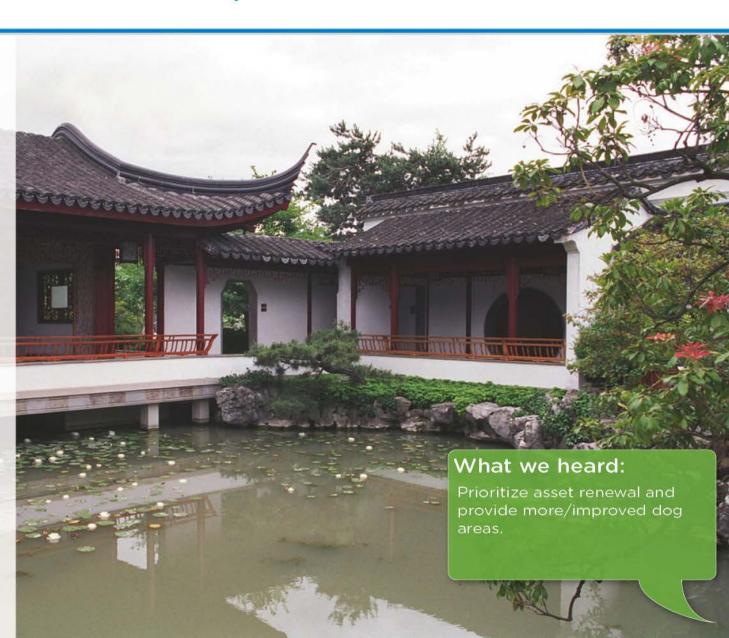


PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

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Activity Features \$22.69m

- Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Gardens / Park pond renewal
- Dog parks
- Golf course improvements
- Mountain View Cemetery Improvements



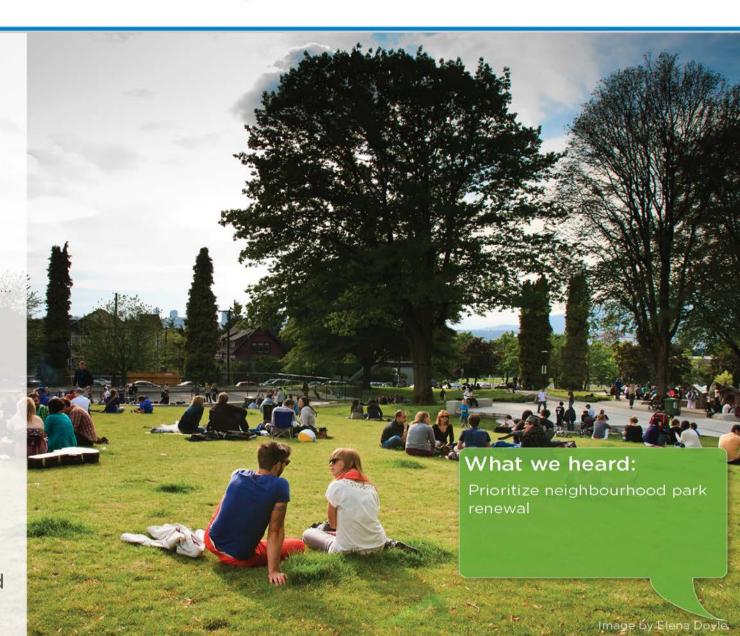


PARKS AND OPEN SPACES



New Parks and Renewals \$37.49m

- Neighbourhood park renewal
- Hillcrest and Riley Parks: Phase 2
- Andy
 Livingstone
 Park Playground
 Renewal



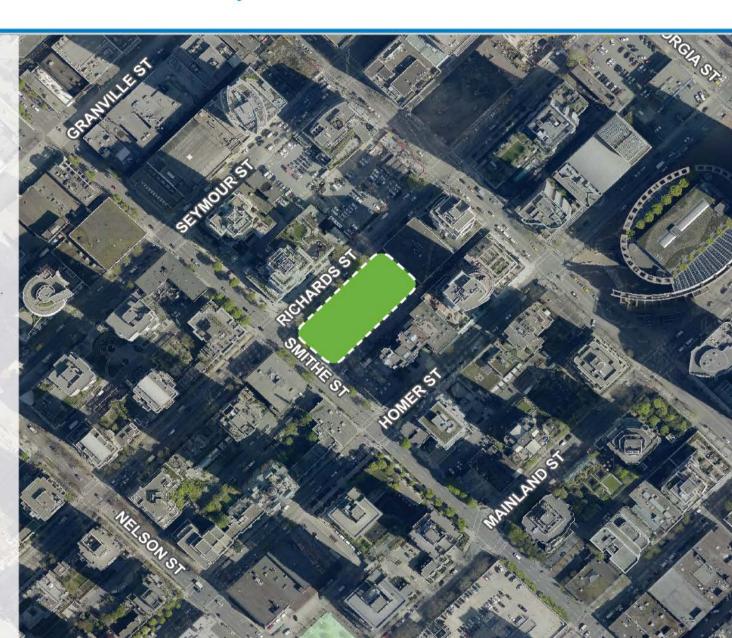


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New Parks and Renewals \$37.49m

- Richards at Smithe
- SEFC park preliminary design







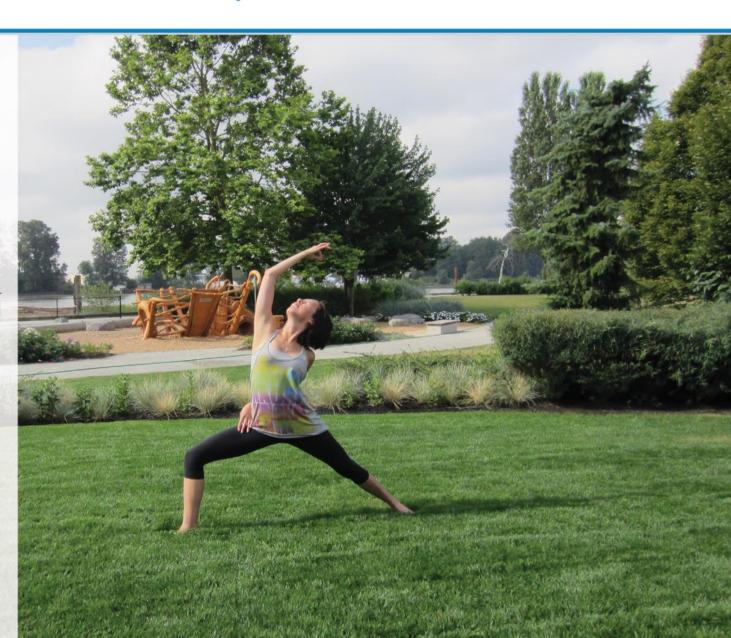


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New Parks and Renewals \$37.49m

Fraser River
 Park and Trail in
 East Fraserlands



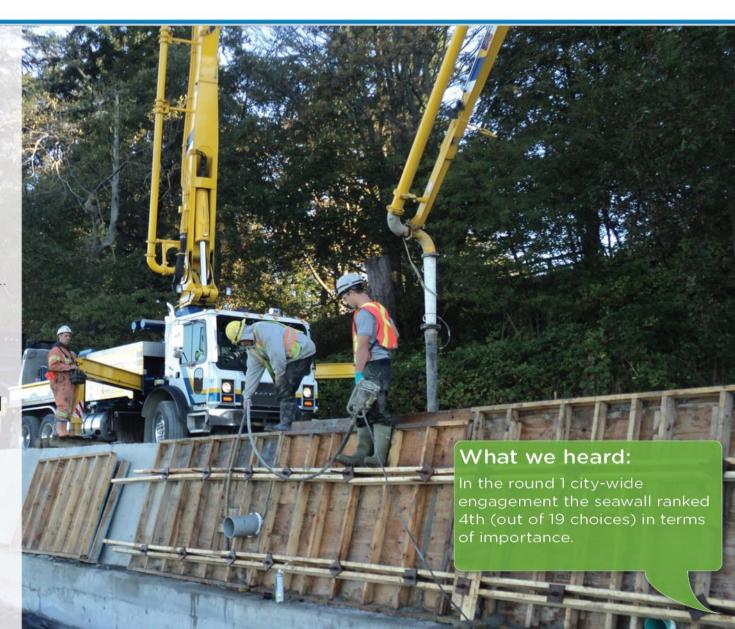


PARKS AND OPEN SPACES



Seawall and Waterfront \$9.08m

- Stanley Park and other seawall renewal
- Climate Change Adaption Study
- Shoreline Erosion Study



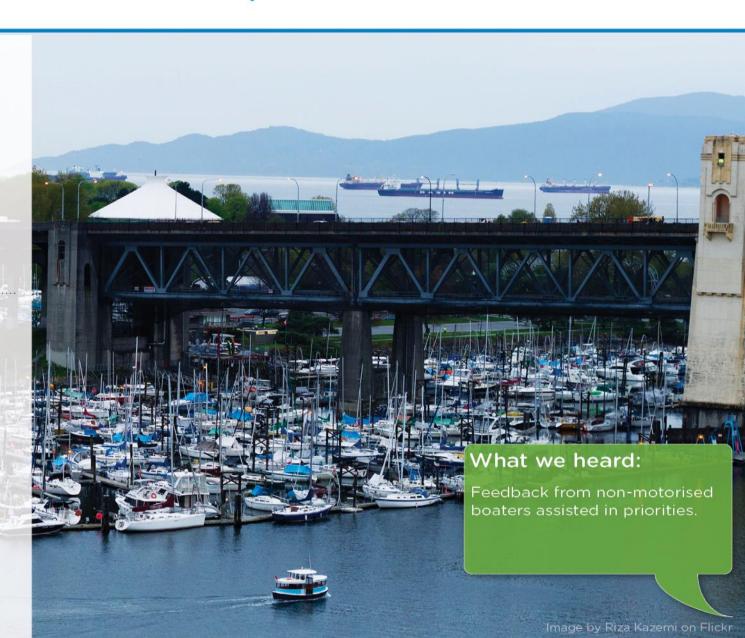


PARKS AND OPEN SPACES



Seawall and Waterfront \$9.08m

- · Burrard Marina
- Vanier Public Docks & Ramps
- Alder Bay Renewal Study
- Marine Facility Condition Assessment





PUBLIC ART



- 5-6 local area artworks
- 2 major
 Signature
 Project artworks
- Hastings Park public art master plan
- Capital repair/ maintenance of public art









Britannia Centre Renewal \$25m

 First phase of renewal at Britannia





RECREATION FACILITIES



Capital
Maintenance and
Upgrades
\$19.5m

- Various maintenance:
 - re-roofing
 - mechanical
 - electrical
- English Bay Bath house

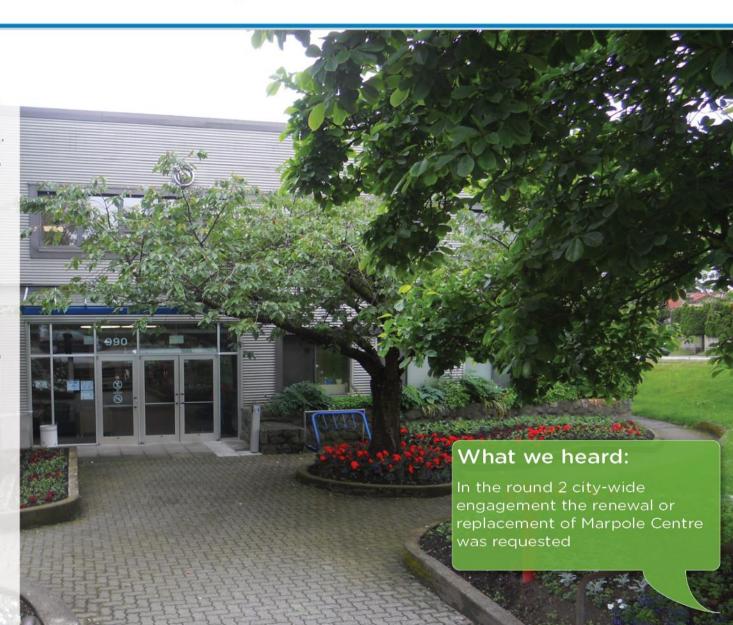




RECREATION FACILITIES

Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre:

- Funding earmarked in the Emerging Priorities
- Amount subject to project scope, location, facility planning and design
- Consultation to proceed as soon as practical





& EXHIBITION FACILITIES



Hastings Park/ PNE Renewal \$13.75m

- Hastings Park Renewal
- Replacement of building components





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Summary

The Capital Plan proposes to invest \$154.5m over the next four years.

- Asset Renewal: \$82.2M
- New, Upgrade & Expansion: \$72.3M

This will enable the advancement of the following Park Board Priorities:

- Greening, renewing and maintaining park and recreation infrastructure
- Building new park and recreation infrastructure
- Acquiring new park land



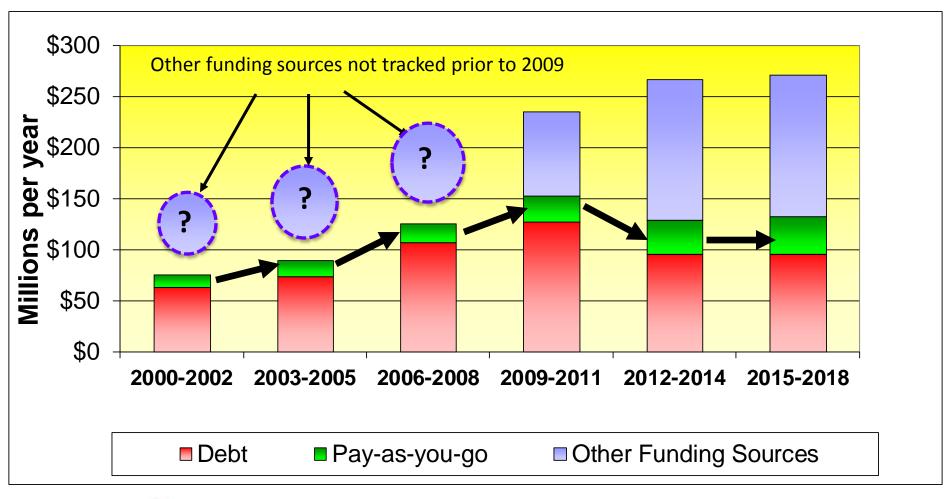
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Funding Strategy





Managing Capital Plan Growth: Impact on Debt, Property Tax & User Fees







Managing Capital Plan Growth

Debt

- reduced by 5% from Draft Capital Plan (\$18M)
- flat at 2012-14 level (\$96M/yr)

Capital from Revenue + Other Operating Funding

flat at 2012-14 level (\$27M/yr)

Public Feedback Funding Strategy (Phase 2)

- 52-54% supported
- 26-34% opposed
 - comments referenced debt and developer contributions



Final Plan

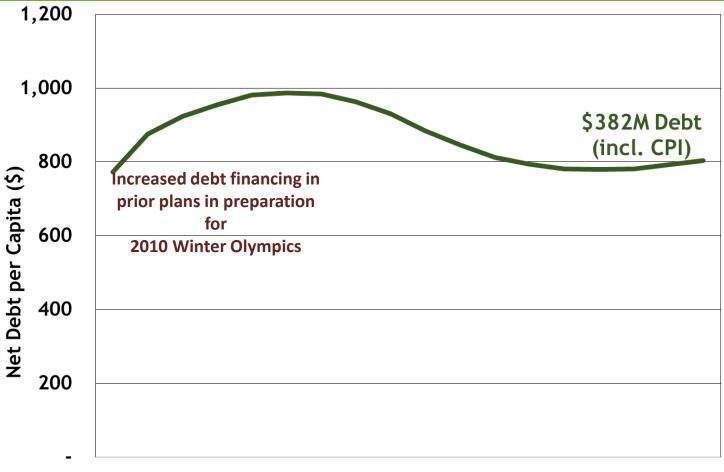
reduce debt by 5% (\$18M)





CITY OF VANCOUVER

Financial Indicator #1: Net Debt per Capita



Recommendation

That the Board endorse the 2015-2018 Parks, Open Spaces and Recreation Capital Plan as outlined in this report.

Total \$154.5M:

- Parks and Open Space: \$91.25M
- Public Art: \$5M
- Recreation Facilities: \$44.5M
- Entertainment and Exhibition Facilities: \$13.75M

That the 2015 -2018 Capital Plan specifically state and include funding for the new Marpole Community Centre to be delivered before the end of 2018.





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