



SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR 2016

PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING

March 7, 2016





RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Board receive the 2016 Calendar of Major Special Events for information.



BACKGROUND

- Park Board assembles an annual list of major special events scheduled to take place over the coming year
- Major special events require:
 - Exclusive use to a location
 - Variance to one or more Park Board by-laws
- Park Board reviews and approves new major special events as well as changes or revisions to existing major special events





BACKGROUND

- Major events involving spaces outside of Park Board jurisdiction are coordinated through the City's Festival Expediting Staff Team Committee
 - VPD, VF&RS, BC Ambulance Service, BC LC&LB, City Special Events, Traffic Management and Park Board
- Events excluded from 2016 Calendar of Major Special Events are brought to the Board for consideration on a case-by-case basis

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Major special events:
 - Activate public spaces
 - Enhance the vibrancy of our city
 - Provide enriching cultural experiences
- Many events also:
 - Generate important economic benefits
 - Enable fundraising opportunities for non-profit organizations
 - Leave lasting community legacies





2016 CALENDAR OF MAJOR SPECIAL EVENTS

- Contains 100 major special events
- Events are distributed throughout the year and throughout the Park Board network:
 - Seasonal summer peak
 - Concentration of activity in Stanley Park
- Calendar specifically sets out some of the required Stanley Park road closures necessary to accommodate marquee events



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