

# GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Regular Park Board Meeting Monday, September 18, 2017



### Park Development: East Fraser Lands Park (EFL) Update





- 25.2 acres or approximately 20% of land area will be developed into a park
- 8 acres of parks in the western third of EFL expected to be designed and built between 2017 to 2019
- Additional input from First Nations and Park Operations required

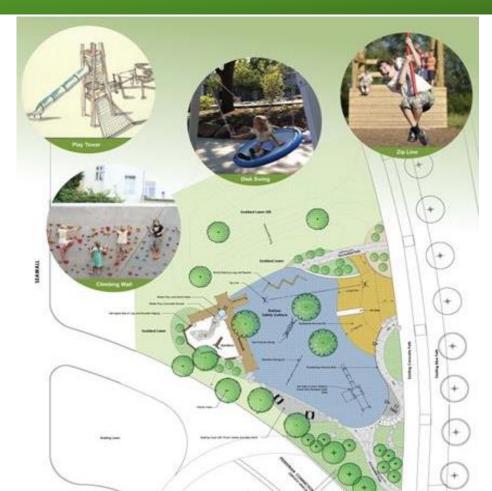
### Park Development: New Park at Smithe and Richards Street





### Park Development: Playgrounds (Creekside Playground)





- Opened in August
- Operations team to add more security to address safety concerns
- Portable washrooms to be added

# Park Development: Playgrounds (Douglas Park)







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#### Clark Park:

 Construction tender closed over budget and is under review for scope reduction and possible tender re-issue

# Douglas Park:

 Project is delayed, need to redesign some custom wood features in collaboration with the Douglas Park Community Center

# Park Planning and Research: VanPlay (Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan)



- Phase 1 Consultation
   Summary completed
- Phase 2 to be launched on September 20 with a 5-date seminar series called "VanPlay Smart City Talks"

Park Planning and Research: North East False Creek Parks and Open Spaces





# Park Planning and Research: North East False Creek Parks and Open Spaces



- Consultation period being extended to engage the Musqueam,
   Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and urban aboriginal communities on the park concept design
- Extension will also give opportunity to check in with Chinatown stakeholders
- Engagement summary is being finalized and will be made available at the next round of public consultation anticipated in mid-November (will include update on the park design process, final NEFC Area Plan and rezoning applications)

# Park Planning and Research: North East False Creek Parks and Open Spaces





# Park Planning and Research: Marpole-Oakridge Community Center Renewal

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- Staff finalizing consultant selection
- Project team in place within two weeks
- External Advisory Group to meet with consultant and staff at a project start-up meeting anticipated to be within three weeks
- Staff will continue to provide updates once project milestones have been established



### Park Planning and Research: People Parks and Dogs Strategy





- Draft strategy and consultation summary completed
- Implementation strategy being finalized

# Park Planning and Research: VanSplash (Aquatic Strategy)





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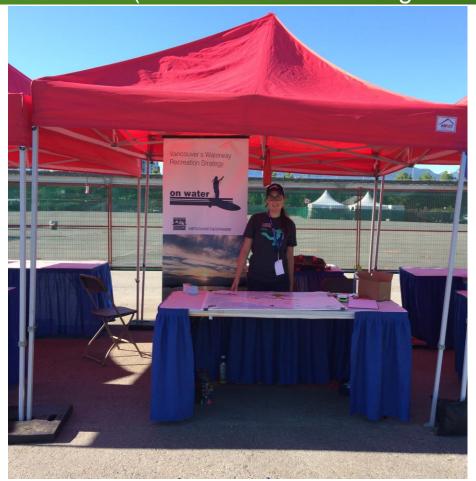


# Phase 2 public consultation will launch online Sep 18:

- Residents and stakeholders to confirm whether they believe the draft recommendations are right for them and for Vancouver;
- Online survey Sep 18 Oct 8;
- 2 open-house events (Sep 27 & 30) with Mandarin and Cantonese translators onsite;
- Meeting with CCA representatives (date TBD)

# Park Planning and Research: On Water (Non-Motorized Boating Strategy





- 1st phase of public engagement completed over the summer
- Review and analysis of survey results underway
- Stakeholder working group being established to provide input on the development of strategy and public engagement

# Park Planning and Research: <a href="Indigenous/Non-Indigenous Reconciliation">Indigenous/Non-Indigenous Reconciliation</a> Art Program





- Outlines principles and lessons from Indigenous advisors on working with Aboriginal people
- The project specifications were presented to the Stanley Park Cultural Heritage Sub-Committee for review

# Park Planning and Research: New Brighton Park Salt Marsh & First Nations Cultural Project



- Project opening scheduled for September 21, 2017
- Representatives from the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations, Park Board, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority and the local community will be attending
- Interpretive kiosk chosen as vehicle for educating the public on Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations presence on the land to be installed in New Brighton Park



# Park Operations: Park Safety & Security



Summary of public complaints received via 311, VanConnect, emails and social media

3-1-1 Ranger Enquiries	2016 -10	2016 -11	2016 -12	2017 -01	2017 -02	2017 -03	2017 -04	2017 -05	2017 -06	2017 -07	2017 -08
Dogs in Parks Bylaw		1			3	4	4	3	2	4	3
Herons	1	1							4	21	3
Homeless	136	182	52	75	67	72	72	160	275	375	373
Park Bylaw	7	4	1	10	5	5	6	11	10	9	10
Park Bylaw - Smoking	1		1	2		3	5	5	7	12	5
Parks - Ranger Case	66	124	76	115	106	151	187	304	376	511	427
TOTAL	211	312	130	202	181	235	274	483	674	932	821
Calls per day	6.8	10.4	4.2	6.5	6.5	7.6	9.1	15.6	22.5	30.1	26.5

# Park Operations: Park Safety & Security



Emerging concerns related to Creekside Park playground,
 Trillium Park homelessness, Hinge Park dogs off-leash,
 Stanley Park encampment

#### Fall season:

Two 7:00 am and Two 3:00 pm trucks with 2 Rangers per truck – will operate out of Stanley Park Ranger Station and Andy Livingstone Park each day

#### Recreation: Accessible Beach Mats

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- Pilot program launched in August 2017 with the installation of a Mobi-mat, a non-slip beach access pathway that allows people with mobility issues to access the beach
- Installed just above the tide line at English Bay
- Will be removed in the Fall
- If successful, will install more mats in beaches in 2018
- Initial feedback very positive



# Recreation: Outdoor Aquatics



- Approximately 260,000 visits, exceeding attendance of last year by 60,000, an increase of 23%
- Lifeguards performed 81 water rescues, 26 of which required ambulance transfers



#### Recreation:

#### Artists in Communities Program - "Kerrisdale Arena Rock"





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# Commercial Operations: Prospect Point Café Restaurant



- Improvements of over \$3.5M completed
- Focused on upgrading the existing 200 seat restaurant, developing a west coast inspired culinary and retail experience
- Created new licenced café with adjoining patio
- Soft launch occurred on August 5, 2017
- Formal opening scheduled Spring of 2018



### Commercial Operations: Burrard Marina Upgrades





- Work is near completion; and connecting electrical work to the marina is scheduled October 2017
- New docks that will be built off site projected to start end of September
- Project completion continues to be set for the end of 2017

### Commercial Operations: Marina Dock Ladder Enhancements





- 64 fixed ladders on the docks at Heather and Burrard Marina are being replaced
- Work expected to be completed end of September 2017

# Business Development: Stanley Park Brewing



- A limited Primary Liquor Licence has been applied for, with a total occupancy of 50 seats inside and 53 on the patio
- This is to facilitate the brewery, growler fill station and tasting uses outlined in the November 2016 Board report.
- The remaining occupancy of 147 will be designated under the Restaurant Primary, with Accessory Retail, Liquor Licence category





#### Business Development: Water Bike Rental Service at Vanier Park



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Operations of Water Bike Rental Service by BC Water Bikes Ltd. is now fully operational at Vanier Park.

# Business Development: Marketing Program - VanDusen Garden &





- It includes Spring and Summer promotional campaigns, street banners, signage, marketing brochures, branded merchandise, website improvements, along with increased advertising and social engagement.
- Throughout July, Bloedel saw a 9% increase in attendance and a 23% increase in revenue, and VanDusen saw an 18% increase in attendance and a 36% increase in revenue.

### Other: Workplace Safety Practices





The Organizational Safety Team is providing an additional resource until year end to partner with the Park Board to facilitate a review of safety processes at the Evans Yard trade shops.

# Other: Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee



On September 11, 2017, a motion was unanimously passed recommending Council and Park Board support an annual festival similar to the Canada 150+ celebrations, and other events appropriate to advancing Reconciliation, including but not limited to the Mother's Day Pow-Wow and National Indigenous Peoples' Day.



# **Council Topics**



 An amendment to the East Fraser Lands Official Development Plan By-Law is on Tuesday's Public Hearing agenda. The purpose of this amendment is to allow the development of the Town Square Precinct to proceed concurrently with the Waterfront Precinct.

 On Wednesday, the Contract Award for the Kitsilano Outdoor Pool Rehabilitation is going before the Finance and Services Standing Committee. The recommendation is also seeking approval to increase the multi-year capital project budget from

\$1.5M to \$3.3M.



# List of Briefing Memos Issued from August 11 to September 14



Date Issued	Issued By	Topic				
Aug 11, 2017	Malcolm Bromley – General Manager	Water Taxi/Ferry Service at Harbour Green Dock (Coal Harbour Marina)				
Aug 14, 2017	Malcolm Bromley – General Manager	2026 FIFA World Cup Candidate Host City Process				
Aug 14, 2017	Donnie Rosa – Director, Recreation	Kerrisdale Community Center Society (KCCS) Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) Campaign				
Aug 18, 2017	Malcolm Bromley – General Manager	Prospect Point Café Opening				
Aug 31, 2017	Donnie Rosa – Director, Recreation	Outdoor Aquatic Services - End of 2017 Season Update				
Sep 1, 2017	Donnie Rosa – Director, Recreation	CCA JOA Update – Kerrisdale and Killarney CCA JOA Campaign				
Sep 12, 2017	Tiina Mack – Manager, Park Development	Park Washroom and Change Room Upgrades and Cleanliness Update				
Sep 14, 2017	Tiina Mack – Manager, Park Development	Lost Lagoon Fountain – Renovation Update				
Sep 15/17	Tiina Mack – Manager, Park Development	2017 Park Washrooms Update				

