



## Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

Special Event Approval:  
KitsFest 2015

February 2, 2015

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## Recommendations

- A. THAT the Board approve a request from the Canada One Foundation, organizers of the KitsFest event, for three Public Special Occasion Licensed areas, with a total combined capacity of 800 guests, at Kitsilano Beach Park from Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015, from 11:00am to 9:00pm.
- B. THAT the Board approve a request for exclusive use of the 10 tennis courts at Kitsilano Beach Park on Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm to 8:00pm and on Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 7:00pm.



# Background

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- Beach-sport focused three-day festival featuring basketball, volleyball, tennis and other activities
- Event has grown considerably over the past five years (participants, spectators and activities)
- Event goals/objectives include:
  - Engaging men, women and children of all ages in outdoor sports
  - Engaging and building community connectedness
  - Raising funds to support community initiatives



# Event Overview

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- Location:
  - Kitsilano Beach Park
- Event details:
  - Setup August 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Event August 7<sup>th</sup> to August 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Takedown August 10<sup>th</sup>



# 2015 Event Proposal

- Activate three public licensed areas
  - Existing licensed areas have a capacity of 500 guests
  - Organizers have applied to increase this capacity to 800 guests in three separate locations
    - 500 in the volleyball area, 200 in the basketball area and 100 in the tennis area
- Exclusive use of 10 tennis courts
  - 2014 event utilized 8 tennis courts
  - Tournament was successful and organizers are looking to expand this part of the festival by using all 10 tennis courts in 2015
  - Enable organizers to accommodate more matches/better manage courts
  - Signage will be posted well in advance of the event to advise potential users of the closure and inform them of alternate courts nearby



# Site Plan – KitsFest

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sports & healthy living festival





## Key Considerations

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- Event is supported by key stakeholders, including:
  - Kitsilano Residents Association, Kitsilano Community Centre Association and Kits Beach Tennis Club
- Subject to Board approval, staff will work with the organizer to finalize and submit outstanding plans for City approval
  - Safety, security, traffic and waste management
- Event has historically been well-organized and executed without any major issues



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