



February 25, 2016

TO: Park Board Chair and Commissioners
FROM: General Manager - Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT: Special Events Calendar 2016 - Major Events

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Board receive the 2016 Calendar of Major Special Events as information (see Appendix A).

POLICY

The Park Board compiles an annual list of major special events scheduled to take place over the coming year. In addition, the Park Board reviews and approves new major special events as well as changes or revisions to existing major special events. The organization's current Special Event Guidelines were approved by the Board in December 2003.

BACKGROUND

Major special events are defined as events which can have a significant impact on public access to park space or the surrounding neighbourhood. The Special Event Guidelines outline the application process for event organizers and define the process for evaluation and selection priorities, such as consultation requirements, revenue generating activities, etc. (e.g. gated events, sponsorship, vending and consumption of alcohol).

Large scale events which impact locations outside of Park Board jurisdiction are also forwarded to the City's Festival Expediting Staff Team Committee (FEST Committee) for consideration. FEST Committee members include the VPD, VF&RS, BC Ambulance Service, BC Liquor Control and Licensing Branch, City Special Events, Traffic Management and Park Board staff. The FEST Committee also reports to City Council with an annual calendar of major special events.

Applications for major special events which do not meet the deadline for inclusion in the annual Calendar of Special Events are forwarded to the Board for consideration as they are received.

DISCUSSION

The 2016 Calendar of Major Special Events has been included for the Board's information (see Appendix A). The Calendar is based on event applications received to date by event organizers. Also included in the Calendar are annual special events which have been approved in past years but which do not yet have confirmed dates for 2016.

SUMMARY

Large scale special events activate public spaces, enhance the vibrancy of our city and provide enriching cultural experiences. The numerous festivals and celebrations held each year attract hundreds of thousands of residents and visitors to our local parks and beaches. Many of these events also provide significant economic benefits by supporting increased tourism and enabling fundraising opportunities for many non-profit organizations.

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VANCOUVER BOARD OF PARKS & RECREATION
2016 CALENDAR OF MAJOR SPECIAL EVENTS

** events denoted in bold text require road closures in Stanley Park; additional details are provided at the end of Appendix A*

EVENT	SITE	ORGANIZATION	START DATE	END DATE	VENDING (V)
					SOL (S)
					TICKETED (T)
Polar Bear Swim	English Bay	Vancouver Aquatic Centre	1-Jan	1-Jan	
City Tree Chipping Event	Kerrisdale Park Kitsilano Park John Hendry Park English Bay	City of Vancouver	9-Jan	10-Jan	
Winter Farmer's Market	Hillcrest Parking Lot	Local Farmers Market Society	4-Jan	26-Apr	V & S
Oppenheimer Christmas Dinner	Oppenheimer Park	Oppenheimer Park Xmas Dinner Fund	30-Jan	30-Jan	
MEC Vancouver Race ONE	Devonian Park	Mountain Equipment Coop	7-Feb	7-Feb	
2016 Spring Festival Celebration	Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Garden Plaza	Chinese Benevolent Association	13-Feb	14-Feb	
First Half Half Marathon	Roundhouse Turntable Plaza English Bay Seawall Stanley Park Seawall McBride Park	Pacific Roadrunners	14-Feb	14-Feb	
Vancouver Rugby Festival	Brockton Fields	BC Rugby	10-Mar	11-Mar	
St. Patrick's Day 5km Run	Stanley Park East	The Running Room	12-Mar	12-Mar	
Modo Spring Run Off 8km	Lumberman's Arch Stanley Park Seawall Ceperley Area	Canada Running Series	20-Mar	20-Mar	
Bard on the Beach	Vanier Park Fest Site	Bard on the Beach	21-Mar	31-Oct	V & S & T
Vancouver Sun Run	Stanley Park Ceperley Area	Vancouver Sun	17-Apr	17-Apr	
Earth Day Celebration	Grandview Park	Youth for Climate Justice Now	24-Apr	24-Apr	
BMO Vancouver International Marathon	Stanley Park	Vancouver International Marathon Society	30-Apr	1-May	

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Junior & Sprint Regatta	Creekside Park	Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society	7-May	8-May	V
Mother's Day Fun Run & Walk	Stanley Park	Life Sport Coaching	7-May	8-May	
Trout Lake Farmer's Market	Trout Lake Parking Lot	Local Farmers Market Society	7-May	22-Oct	V & S
Kitsilano Farmer's Market	Kitsilano Parking Lot	Local Farmers Market Society	8-May	23-Oct	V & S
Khalsa Diwan Sports	Memorial South Park Moberly Park Ross Park Gordon Park	Khalsa Diwan Society	20-May	22-May	V
Vancouver International Children's Festival	Sutcliffe Park	Vancouver International Children's Festival Society	21-May	10-Jun	V & T
World Partnership Walk	Lumberman's Arch Stanley Park Seawall	Aga Khan Foundation	28-May	29-May	V
Women's Dragon Boat Regatta	Creekside Park	False Creek High Performance DB Team	28-May	28-May	V
Salmonberry Days	Memorial Park West	Dunbar Community Centre	29-May	29-May	
Fair in the Square	Victory Square	Central City Foundation	29-May	29-May	V
River District Farmer's Market	Riverfront Park	EFL Properties Ltd Partnership	28-May	8-Oct	V & S
PMC-Sierra Science Fun Run	Creekside Park David Lam Park	Science Fair Foundation	29-May	29-May	V
Thornton Park Farmer's Market	Thornton Park	Local Farmers Market Society	1-Jun	5-Oct	V & S
Dragon Zone Regatta	Creekside Park	Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society	4-Jun	5-Jun	V
RBC Run for the Kids	Queen Elizabeth Park	BC Children's Hospital	5-Jun	5-Jun	V
Boat for Hope	Hastings Mill Park	Variety - The Children's Charity	10-Jun	10-Jun	V
TELUS Walk to Cure Diabetes	Stanley Park	Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation	11-Jun	12-Jun	V & T
Summer Fair	Champlain Parking Lot	Champlain Heights Community Centre	11-Jun	11-Jun	
Douglas Park Community Day	Douglas Park	Douglas Park Community Assoc	11-Jun	11-Jun	

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Italian Day on the Drive	Grandview Park	Italian Day Festival Society	12-Jun	12-Jun	V
Pacific Rim Kite Festival	Vanier Park	BC Kite Fliers Association	11-Jun	12-Jun	V
The Gathering Festival	Emery Barnes Park	The Gathering Place Community Centre	17-Jun	20-Jun	V
Point Grey Fiesta	West Point Grey Park	Point Grey Fiesta	17-Jun	19-Jun	V
Summer Sizzle	Killarney Park	Killarney Community Centre	18-Jun	18-Jun	
Paddlefest Vancouver	Jericho Sailing Centre	MEC/Jericho Sailing Centre	18-Jun	18-Jun	
Rio Tinto Alcan Dragon Boat Festival	Creekside Park	Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society	17-Jun	19-Jun	V & S
National Aboriginal Day	Oppenheimer Park	Carnegie Centre	25-Jun	25-Jun	
Clean up the Ocean Concert	Brockton SW Diamond	Upgyres Society	25-Jun	25-Jun	V & S & T
Eastside Pride	Grandview Park	Vancouver Pride Society	25-Jun	25-Jun	V
Ride Don't Hide	QE Park	Canadian Mental Health Assoc	26-Jun	26-Jun	
Scotiabank Vancouver Half Marathon	Ceperley Park Stanley Park Seawall	Canada Running Series	26-Jun	26-Jun	
Vancouver International Jazz Festival	David Lam Park	Coastal Jazz & Blues Society	30-Jun	3-Jul	V & S
False Creek Canada Day Celebration	Sutcliffe Park	False Creek Community Centre	1-Jul	1-Jul	
Sunset Canada Day Celebration	Sunset Park	Sunset Community Centre	1-Jul	1-Jul	V
Britannia Canada Day Celebration	Victoria Park	Britannia Community Services Centre	1-Jul	1-Jul	
Renfrew Youth Celebrate Canada Day	Renfrew Park	Renfrew Park Community Centre	1-Jul	1-Jul	V
Canada Day Community Celebration	Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Garden	Chinese Benevolent Society	1-Jul	1-Jul	
Hillcrest Summer Festival	Hillcrest Parking Lot 2	Hillcrest Community Centre	2-Jul	2-Jul	V
Vancouver International Soccer Festival	Empire Fields	One Team United for Peace & Development	8-Jul	9-Jul	V & S
Stanley Park Open	Stanley Park Tennis Courts	Tennis BC	1-Jul	21-Jul	V & S

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Summer Cinema Series	Ceperley Park	Cinema 4 Change	5-Jul	23-Aug	V & T
Clearly Contacts.ca Open	Kitsilano Park	Volleyball BC	7-Jul	9-Jul	V & S
Subaru 5150 Vancouver Triathlon	Harbour Green Park	Ironman Canada Inc.	10-Jul	10-Jul	V
Vancouver Folk Festival	Jericho Beach Park Locarno Picnic Site	Vancouver Folk Festival Society	15-Jul	17-Jul	V & S & T
Easter Seals Charity Regatta	Hastings Mills Park	BC Lions Society	16-Jul	16-Jul	
Walk with the Dragon	Lumberman's Arch Stanley Park Seawall	SUCCESS	17-Jul	18-Jul	V
Pride Sports Day	Brockton SW Field	Vancouver Pride Society	23-Jul	23-Jul	V & S
Honda Celebration of Light	English Bay Beach Park Vanier Park Alexandra Park Sunset Beach Park	Vancouver Fireworks Festival Society	23-Jul	30-Jul	V & S & T
Powell Street Festival	Oppenheimer Park	Powell Street Festival Society	29-Jul	1-Aug	V
Vancouver Pride Festival	Alexandra Park English Bay Beach Park Sunset Beach Park Stanley Park	Vancouver Pride Society	31-Jul	31-Jul	V & S
Vancouver Dyke March	McSpadden Park	Vancouver Dyke March & Festival Society	31-Jul	31-Jul	V
Taiwanese Day	Bobolink Park	Greater Vancouver Taiwanese Canadian Assoc	1-Aug	1-Aug	
KitsFest	Kitsilano Park	Canada One Foundation	5-Aug	7-Aug	V & S
Soccer Express/Umbro Beach Soccer Blast	Spanish Banks Park	Kerrisdale Soccer Association	5-Aug	7-Aug	V
Festival of India	Ceperley Park Second Beach	ISKCON of Western Canada	5-Aug	7-Aug	V
Subaru Iron Girl Sprint Triathlon	Spanish Banks	Ironman Canada Inc	? -Aug	? -Aug	V
Moberley Mela	Moberley Park	Sunset Indo Canadian Senior Society	7-Aug	7-Aug	V
Filipino Fiesta	South Memorial Park	Pinoy Fiesta Association	9-Aug	9-Aug	V

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SeaWheeze Run & Festival	Stanley Park	Lululemon Athletica	13-Aug	13-Aug	V & S & T
Summer Multicultural Festival	Victoria Park	Victoria BIA	13-Aug	13-Aug	
Latin Summer Festival	John Hendry Park	Latinos in Action Vancouver Foundation	14-Aug	14-Aug	V
PNE Donut Dash	Empire Field	PNE	21-Aug	21-Aug	
Picnic in the Park/Outdoor Movie	David Lam Park	Roundhouse Community Centre	21-Aug	21-Aug	
MEC Vancouver Race FIVE	Devonian Park	Mountain Equipment Coop	28-Aug	28-Aug	
Unbuckled Ultimate Backyard BBQ	Stanley Park	Wet Ape Productions	2-Sep	3-Sep	V & S & T
Endless Summer Community Carnival	Maclean Park	Carnegie Centre	3-Sep	3-Sep	
Vancouver Triathlon	Ceperley Park	Multisport Canada	5-Sep	5-Sep	V
Labour Day Picnic	John Hendry Park	BC Federation of Labour	5-Sep	5-Sep	
Paws for a Cause	Lumberman's Arch	BC SPCA	10-Sep	10-Sep	V
RBC GranFondo Whistler	Stanley Park	GranFondo Canada	10-Sep	10-Sep	
Scotiabank AIDS Walk for Life	Sunset Beach English Bay Seawall	BC Persons with AIDS Society	25-Sep	25-Sep	V
Terry Fox Run	Ceperley Park Stanley Park Seawall	Four Seasons Hotel	17-Sep	18-Sep	V
Ismaili Walk	Lumberman's Arch David Lam Park	Ismaili Council for BC	17-Sep	18-Sep	V
Renfrew Ravine Moon Festival	Renfrew Park Slocan Park	Renfrew Park Community Centre	15-Sep	17-Sep	V
Day of the Longboat	Jericho Sailing Centre Beach Area	UBC Recreation	24-Sep	25-Sep	V
Night Race	Stanley Park	Flow Marketing	23-Sep	23-Sep	V & S
Aids Walk for Life	Sunset Beach	Positive Living Society of BC	25-Sep	25-Sep	V
Granville Island Turkey Trot	False Creek Seawall Coopers Park Seawall Creekside Seawall	Toit Events	12-Oct	12-Oct	

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Light the Night	Lumberman's Stanley Park Seawall East Lost Lagoon	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society	14-Oct	16-Oct	V
James Cunningham Seawall Race	Ceperley Park Stanley Park Seawall	Lions Gate Road Runners	22-Oct	22-Oct	
Rock 'n' Roll Vancouver Half Marathon	Devonian Park Stanley Park	Competitors Group	23-Oct	23-Oct	V & S
Great Climate Race	Stanley Park	Great Climate Race	30-Oct	30-Oct	
Remembrance Day Ceremony	Japanese War Monument	Japanese Canadian Memorial	11-Nov	11-Nov	
Remembrance Day Ceremony	Memorial South Park	South Vancouver Veterans Association	11-Nov	11-Nov	
Remembrance Day Ceremony	Victory Square	Vancouver Park Board - Special Events	11-Nov	11-Nov	
MEC Vancouver Race 7	Devonian Park	MEC	15- Nov	15-Nov	

- Vending requests are subject to standard terms and conditions, unless otherwise approved by the Board.
- Special Occasion Licenses are subject to VPD, VF&RS and BCLC&LB approval.
- Ticketed events are subject to Board approval.

Stanley Park Road Closures

The following recurrent annual events require a morning road closure in Stanley Park. Historically, traffic closures in Stanley Park have been limited to once a month between 6:00am and 10:00am during the months of March, April, May, June and September, and between 6:00am and 11:30am during the month of October. Closures are generally not permitted in July and August; there are no restrictions during other months of the year. Early morning road closures prior to 10:00am tend to have minimal impacts on Stanley Park operations. Organizers are strongly encouraged to ensure their events have concluded by 10:00am and Park Board staff work closely with event organizers to inform all Park stakeholders in advance of event dates.

Run/Walk Events

Mar 12, 2016	St. Patrick's Day 5km 9:30am to 10:30am Limited closure - Road closures on the east side of Stanley Park, from the Georgia Street entrance around Brockton Point to Pipeline Road	Running Room Attendance - 2,000
Apr 17, 2016	Sun Run 6:30am to 10:00am Limited closure - City street road closures will delay access to Stanley Park - Race route starts on Georgia Street, turns left onto Denman Street, right on Lagoon Drive and enters Stanley Park along the road adjacent to the Park Board Administration Building and exits via the English Bay entrance	Vancouver Sun Run Attendance - 50,000
May 1, 2016	BMO Vancouver International Marathon 6:30am to 10:30am - Road closure on West Side	Vancouver International Marathon Society Attendance - 17,500
Jun 26, 2016	Scotia Bank ½ Marathon & 5km 5:30am to 12:00noon Limited closure - Event organizers require a road closure from the Second Beach crosswalk to the Beach Avenue entrance of Stanley Park; this portion of Park Drive will be closed to vehicle traffic	Canada Running Series Attendance - 6,000
Jul 10, 2016	Subaru 5i50 Vancouver Triathlon 5:30am to 10:30am Full closure	Ironman Canada Attendance - 2,000

September 5, 2016	Vancouver Triathlon 6:00am to 10:00am Full road closure	Multisport Canada Attendance - 1,000
September 10, 2016	RBC GranFondo Whistler 3:00am to 10:00am Limited closure	GranFondo Canada Attendance - 4,000
October 22, 2016	James Cunningham Seawall Race 6:00am to 9:00am Limited closure - Road closure on Park Drive from the Second Beach crosswalk to the Beach Avenue entrance of Stanley Park and on South Lagoon Drive	Competitor Group Attendance - 1,300
October 23, 2016	Rock 'n' Roll Vancouver Half Marathon 6:00am to 11:30am Full closure	Competitive Group Attendance - 15,000

Concert Events

The following large concert event requires a road closure in Stanley Park at the end of the event (post 10:00pm). Park Drive east will be closed to traffic from the roundabout to Brockton Fields to allow for safe pedestrian egress out of the park. The road will re-open after the egress has been completed. This closure has very little impact on park operations and staff will work closely with event organizers to inform all stakeholders in advance of the event.

August 13, 2016	SeaWheeze Run & Festival Post 10:00pm Limited closure	Lululemon Athletica Attendance - 15,000
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