



Park Board Liaison Report February 2018

The following information is intended to provide a brief overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Committee and Board and meetings held in February 2018. The meetings this month were held on February 19. The complete and official minutes can be found on the [Park Board website](#).

FEBRUARY 19, 2018

CHAIR'S REPORT

Park Board Chair Mackinnon highlighted the participation of Park Board Commissioners at the following community events:

- Feb 01: Proclamation of February as Black History Month
- Feb 06: Media launch of the Positive Ticket initiative at the Killarney Community Centre
- Feb 07: Presentation of 25-year Service Awards for 17 Park Board staff
- Feb 08: Presentation of Awards of Excellence for youth, individuals and organizations that are making Vancouver a greener, healthier and more inclusive and prosperous city
- Feb 10: Marpole Community Centre renewal pop-up event
- Feb 18: Chinese New Year Temple Fair at the Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Garden
- Feb 18: Chinese New Year parade that travelled down West Pender under the Chinatown Millennium gate, up Gore Street, and then back up along Keefer Street.

STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

United 2026 Bid (FIFA) - Training Site Agreement

The Board unanimously approved to support the bid to have Canada, Mexico and the USA jointly host the FIFA 2026 Men's World Cup in North America. The 2026 FIFA World Cup will be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to host another global event in Vancouver. This is an opportunity to present our beautiful and diverse city, and promote what is unique about Vancouver and the people who live, work and play here. The City of Vancouver and the Park Board, along with Host City Bid Advisory Group members are excited to be a part of this process, and staff will continue to work with partners to deliver the ultimate objective of hosting official matches of the FIFA World Cup in 2026.

Douglas Park Playground Replacement - Construction Contract

The Board agreed enter into a contract with Canadian Landscape and Civil Services Ltd. for the playground renewal at Douglas Park. The project will be funded through the 2018 Capital Budget and supported in part by a donation from the Douglas Park Community Centre Association. The history of the park site is symbolically woven into the design of the new playground. A sand play area is bordered by a low fence and a rubberized berm with a log climbing structure. The logs and berm represents the beaver dam that began the evolution of the Douglas Park landscape following the last ice age. The design also includes a water/sand play table, as well as an accessible playhouse, wooden deck and digger to cater to younger children. The playground replacement is scheduled for substantial completion in July 2018.



Renfrew Ravine & Renfrew Community Park Renewals - Construction Contract

The Board agreed to enter into a construction contract with Rust Investments Ltd. (dba Shangri-La Landscaping), for work at Renfrew Ravine and Renfrew Community Parks. The scope of work identified for the 2018 renewal for Renfrew Community Park includes the enhancement of existing walking trails, the addition of an accessible connection to the trail system, new sets of stairs, a new creek crossing, and the addition of native vegetation and trees to enhance the character of the site and protect the waterway. The scope of work for the 2018 renewal of Renfrew Ravine Park includes the addition of a staircase and a boardwalk to provide limited access into the sensitive Still Creek environment, the addition of native planting and trees, and the enhancement and strengthening of the western park edge with fencing and a natural vegetative border.

Oakridge Redevelopment: New Park Concept - Overview & Phase 1 Engagement Results

Staff presented an overview of the park planning and design process, early design work and high level feedback from the first round of public engagement for the new 9 acre park as part of the redevelopment of Oakridge Centre. Staff provided site context and background, an overview of draft principles and programming as well as highlighting next steps.

GM'S REPORT

The General Manager provided his report to the Board highlighting current Park Board projects and initiatives. The full GM's report is available on the [Park Board website](#).

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of March, the Park Board will be meeting on March 12, at 2099 Beach Avenue.