

Park Board Liaison Report June 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 June 2018. The two meetings scheduled for this month are June 4 and June 18. The complete and official minutes can be found on the <u>Park Board website</u>.

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STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Horticultural Excellence in Vancouver Parks

The Board received an update on the <u>work done by the Park Board's horticultural department</u>. A team of 36 gardeners maintains over 1,020,217 square meters of annuals, perennials, roses, naturalized areas, shrubs, water features, and vegetable gardens. Every year, over 428,000 plants are grown at the Sunset Nursery for spring and summer flowerbed displays. The horticultural team's work supports important initiatives such as the <u>Local Food Action Plan</u>, <u>Biodiversity Strategy</u>, and <u>Urban Forest Strategy</u>.

Vancouver Mural Festival Celebration Concert – Special Event

The Board approved an application for the <u>Vancouver Mural Festival Celebration Concert</u> to host an outdoor music concert at Jonathan Rogers Park on Saturday, August 11, 2018, from 6:00pm to 9:30pm which includes a licenced area. The Festival will be a family-friendly concert event which celebrates the creativity and culture of the Mount Pleasant community, and which is produced by a local team who live and work in the neighbourhood.

Draft 2019-2022 Park Board Capital Plan

The Board received a <u>report reference on the Draft 2019-2022 Park Board Capital Plan</u> that reviewed the Capital Plan development process, high-level priorities impacting capital planning and results of phase 1 public engagement. The Park and Open Spaces budget of \$264 million proposed to be allocated as follows:

- Park land acquisition budget of \$80 million (30%)
- Urban forests and natural areas budget of \$14.4 million (6%)
- Seawall and waterfront budget of \$24.4 million (9%)
- Programmed activity areas budget of \$24.4 million (9%)
- Park amenities budget of \$89.4 million (34%)
- General features and infrastructure budget of \$10.9 million (4%)
- Park buildings budget of \$21 million (8%)

The Community Facilities and Civic Facilities budget of \$332 million is proposed to be allocated as follows:

- Recreation facilities budget of \$114 million
- Service yards budget of \$9 million
- Reminder to non- Park Board related areas

Staff have been holding stakeholder meetings asking for submissions on up to 3 capital project ideas involving any Park Board facility or park for consideration in the 2019-2022 Capital Plan. This information will be considered in the process to finalize the Capital Plan, and will inform the prioritisation of projects over the four year period as annual capital budgets are developed. The final report will be coming back to the Board for a decision in the coming weeks.



GM'S REPORT

The General Manager provided his report to the Board highlighting current Park Board projects and initiatives. The full <u>GM's report</u> is available on the Park Board website.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of July, the Park Board will be meeting on July 9 and July 18, at 2099 Beach Avenue.