



Park Board General Manager's Report October 1, 2018

The following report is intended to provide an overview and update on recent and upcoming activities within the Park Board.

PARK DEVELOPMENT

Alder Bay Dock Replacement Project - Engagement Summary and Final Concept Plan

Staff have reviewed and summarized the online survey that indicates 77% of the respondents liked the proposed dock design. The engagement process included a public information event on July 17, 2018 in Sutcliffe Park and an online survey.

The next step is to retain a consultant to prepare detailed designs for the [new dock](#) and develop a funding strategy with possible partners. This work is anticipated to begin in 2019, subject to 2019 budget approvals.

Beaver Lake

There has been ongoing work since the [Ecological and Culturally Sensitive Enhancement Plan](#) was adopted in late 2014. The consultant team is now finalizing construction drawings and budgets for project implementation. The beaver dam and accumulated vegetation around the outlet was recently removed in order to improve water flow and to keep the pathway from flooding in heavy rain events. Additional phased work will begin in early 2019, starting with the bog boardwalk.

RECREATION SERVICES

Positive Ticket Initiative

The Positive Ticket partnership initiative between the Vancouver Police Department and the Park Board that was launched in February 2018 has had a positive impact to date. 200+ tickets have been given to vulnerable youth who displayed pro-social behaviours. There have been 121 youth visits to Park Board facilities (Fitness, Pool and Rink) as a direct result of this initiative. 46% of these visits were redeemed during the hours of 3:00 to 6:00pm when youth are traditionally most "at risk" and susceptible to negative influences.

State of the Practice: Local Threads

From September 17 to 29, 2018, the "State of the Practice" annual exhibition took place at the Roundhouse community centre. This year "Local Threads" transformed the Roundhouse into a buzzing studio for fibre, weaving, tools and dying projects. Materials were sourced from the two artists materials garden projects in Vancouver parks – "Means of Production Garden" in China Creek Park and the "EarthHand Gleaners Garden" in Trillium North Park.

Wild Salmon Caravan and Sustenance Festival Launch

The Park Board's Arts, Culture and Engagement (ACE) Team collaborated on the annual Wild Salmon Caravan, which launched on September 22, 2018. It marked the beginning of the Sustenance Festival, which celebrates arts, food, and culture in Vancouver. The caravan acknowledges and celebrates wild salmon as an ancient and important indigenous food as well as a cultural and ecological keystone species in BC. The parade and celebration saw



community members showcasing art, banners, and costumes created over the last year at Douglas Park, Hastings, Britannia, Strathcona, Sunset, and Killarney community centres.

Fieldhouse Studio Activation Call

The [Fieldhouse Studio Activation](#) call for new participant groups in Arts, Local Food, Environmental Stewardship and Community Sport closed on September 17, 2018. Six Fieldhouses are available for new activations. The call garnered 14 applicant artists and groups and the selection committee will meet on October 15. New fieldhouse activations begin on January 1, 2019.

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