



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Regular Park Board Meeting
Monday, October 29, 2018





- Received a Gold rating under the *Stewardship Centre for BC's Green Shores for Coastal Development Program*, the highest possible achievement for project environmental goals and leadership in shoreline stewardship
- Award was based on factors including excellence in rehabilitation of coastal habitat, innovation and climate change adaptation

Park Development – Douglas Park Playground



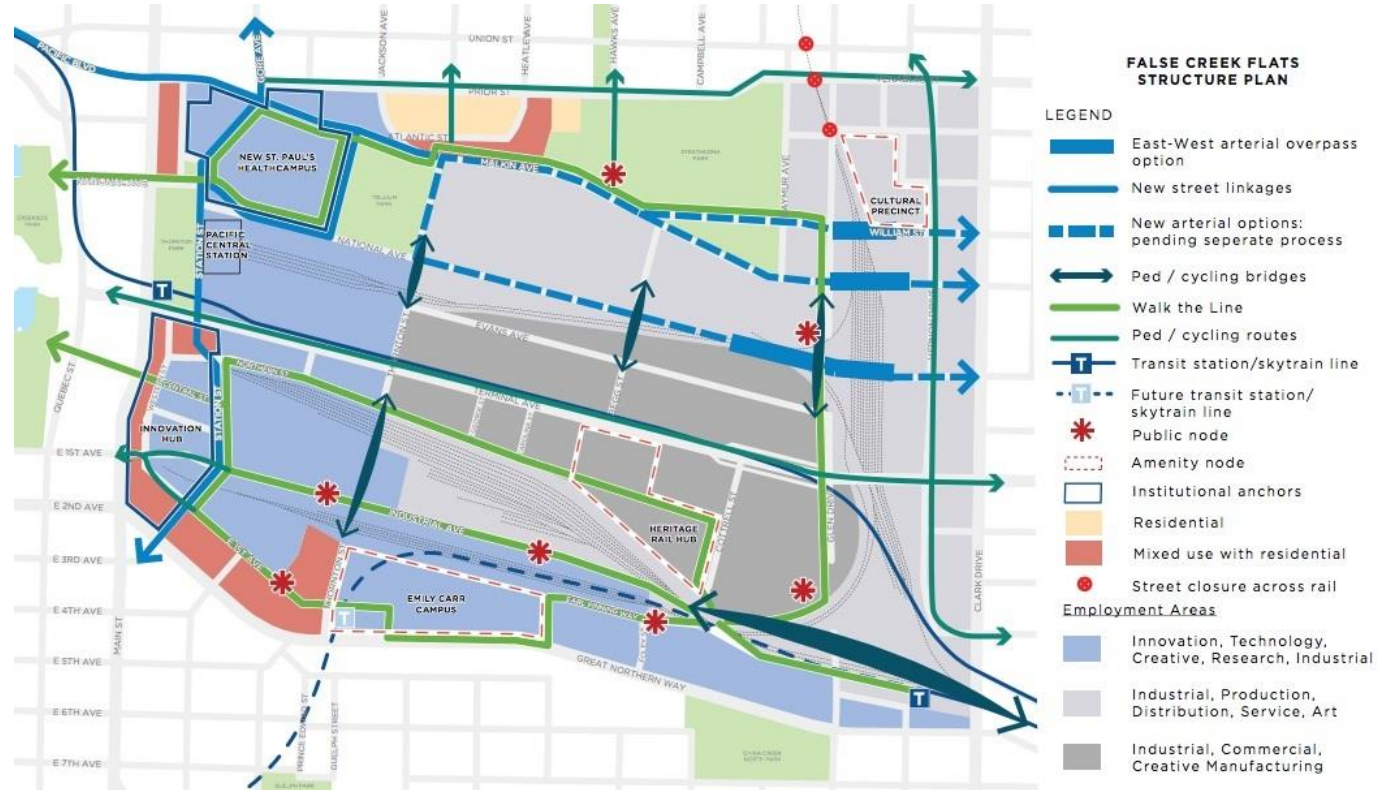
Construction proceeding well; expected completion date is in November 2018



- New dog off leash area is now open
- Amenities include: drinking fountain with a dog drinking bowl, lighting, pathways, informal seating, tree plantings, double-dated entry and full enclosure, sports field and playground

Park Planning – False Creek Flats East-West Arterial

- COV's process for a community panel to select a preferred route for the East-West arterial connection is in progress
- Panel recruitment will begin in Nov 2018



Park Operations – International Urban Forestry Congress



The conference was hosted by the Vancouver Park Board, City of Surrey and the University of British Columbia. It combined three forestry conferences into one, and was attended by over 700 delegates from six continents. It featured a tree climbing competition in Stanley Park, lectures, networking and field trips, six of which were led by our Park Board employees.



The Urban Forest - Diverse in Nature

September 30th - October 3rd, 2018 | Vancouver, BC

Recreation Services – Service Extension of Outdoor Pools



- Park Board provided service extension last September 2018: additional 5 days at New Brighton Pool and additional 7 days at Kits Pool
- Service extension was well received and resulted in just over 4000 additional visits

Recreation Services - Sunset Arena Closure

Closed as of September 25, 2018; solutions currently being developed by Park Board and REFM; A portable solution has been sourced as an interim option, with a target to re-open the rink by the end of the year if possible.





- Bacio Rosso Gourment Cabaret Cirque opens on October 29 at Queen Elizabeth Park and will run until end of December 2018
- Performances feature an immersive 3-hour entertainment experience plus a 4-course gourmet meal

- New mayor, councillors, commissioners and trustees will all be sworn in on Nov 5, 2018
- Inaugural Park Board meeting will be held on Nov 5, 2018 at VanDusen Botanical Garden.



Date:	Issued By:	Topic
Sep 20	Shauna Wilton – Deputy General Manager	Response to Oakridge Centre Redevelopment Park Maintenance Enquiry

