



COMMISSIONER ENQUIRIES - SUMMARY REPORT

Date Received	Topic	Summary of Request	Board Update	Status
Jan 28/19	BC Hydro Substation in Nelson Park	A Board member asked about the progress of the BC Hydro Substation planned for Nelson Park, and when it might come before the Park Board.	A briefing memo on the BC Hydro Substation Project at Nelson Park was sent to Commissioners on February 1, 2019. Park Board staff are commissioning a "Park Impact and Mitigation Study" to better understand the impacts of the substation and cabling on the park and park users during the site's lengthy construction period and ongoing operation period. This study will be paired with a public consultation process seeking feedback on the study and level of public support for the project. It is expected that the findings of the engagement and study will be presented to the Board in the fall of 2019, and will be paired with a Council Report as there is shared jurisdiction of Nelson Park.	COMPLETE
Jan 28/19	Oppenheimer Park Campers	A Board member asked if the Park Board has jurisdiction to remove residents who are camping in Oppenheimer Park due to homelessness.	The Park Board has the authority to enforce its Parks Control By-law, which includes prohibitions on individuals remaining overnight or erecting shelters in parks (temporary or otherwise). However, recognizing that homelessness often involves a myriad of complex factors, the Park Board's primary approach is to treat all park users with dignity and respect. When confronted by encampments such as the current situation at Oppenheimer Park, Park Rangers do everything possible, together with outreach and mental health workers, to encourage those camping to take advantage of the community services available. Staff will always consider the need for public access, use of lands, and overall safety in each situation.	COMPLETE
Jan 28/19	Harbour Green Walkway and Recreational Boat Dock	A Board member asked if there is a plan to repair the Harbour Green walkway and public boat dock and approximately when might it be repaired.	Park Board staff are continuing to explore options to address the repairs and ongoing maintenance requirements of the Harbour Green dock and walkway. A report back to the Board with recommendations is planned for early 2019.	IN PROCESS
Jan 28/19	Seaside Greenway	A Board member enquired about the current status, process, and timeline of the Proposed Concept to make improvements on the Seaside Greenway at Kitsilano Beach that was referred back to staff at the March 12, 2018 Park Board meeting.	Park Board staff are continuing to work collaboratively with City Engineering staff to identify options that would improve the Seaside Greenway at Kitsilano Beach. A report back to the Board with recommendations is planned for late 2019.	IN PROCESS