



PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

— April 1, 2019 —

The following information is intended to provide a brief overview of the Board's governance work at the Committee and Board meetings. The full agenda, meeting materials, video clips and official minutes can be found on the [Park Board website](#).

STAFF REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS

Stanley Park Bright Nights Firefighters Burn Fund - Cheque Presentation

The Board received a presentation on the [2018 Stanley Park Bright Nights](#) event, which raised \$132,685 for the BC Professional Fire Fighters' Burn Fund, and watched the [20th anniversary video](#) created in 2017 to celebrate this partnership. Following the update, Commissioners joined Burn Fund representatives for a cheque presentation ceremony.

Neighborhood Matching Fund – 2018 Projects

The Board received a report summarizing the [eleven \(11\) Neighbourhood Matching Fund projects](#) approved in 2018, which reflect the expanded program scope to include environmental and local food initiatives. Over the past 25 years, 256 projects have been supported through this fund, including weaving projects, Indigenous plant demonstration gardens, pollinator plantings and apiaries, digital storytelling and murals.

VanPlay - Parks & Recreation Master Plan: Draft Implementation Actions

The Board received an update on the Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan – VanPlay project. Staff shared a first look at [Report 4 - The Playbook](#), which will provide a set of approaches for action using the Strategic Big Moves “Tool Box” from Report 3, along with implementation activities for short, medium, long-term & ongoing tasks. Commissioners and staff will be hosting an open-house from 1pm-4pm on Sunday, April 7 at CityLab (511 West Broadway) to discuss “VanPlay Big Moves for a More Equitable and Connected Future”. Final drafts of Reports 3 and 4 will be presented to the Board in June 2019.

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE REPORT

The Deputy General Manager presented an overview of the following topics that were included in the [GMO's Report](#):

- Japanese Beetle Treatment Plan – larvicide treatment in David Lam Park, West End, Downtown, Strathcona, Mount Pleasant, Fairview and Kitsilano neighbourhoods will commence April 7th to eradicate the invasive Japanese beetle;
- Heron Cam Update – the 2019 live-stream launch on March 20 was covered by local TV stations and there were more than 7,000 visits to the Heron Cam webpage;
- Council will be considering a Motion on Notice titled [Shore to Shore Greenways Plan](#) on April 2. The recommendations include clarifying the Park Board's role in the service delivery of greenways.

BOARD MOTIONS

Accessibility Improvements to the Memorial South Park Cenotaph

The Board approved the motion to [upgrade Memorial South Park Cenotaph to be fully accessible](#) as soon as possible.

Request that Port of Vancouver Extend the Area of the Crab Park Lease

This motion was withdrawn by the mover.



NEXT MEETINGS

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for April 15, 2019, and will be held at 2099 Beach Avenue.

