



Park Board General Manager's Office Report – May 27, 2019

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

Slocan Park - Still Creek Community Garden

The Park Board has been working closely with the Still Creek Community Garden group to establish a new community garden in Slocan Park. The new garden includes 45 standard and 8 accessible planting boxes, a large communal garden plot, hose-bibs for irrigation, a central gathering area, fruit trees and an apiary. The space is scheduled to open soon.

Slocan Park - Sport Field Upgrades

The Park Board is upgrading the existing grass fields located at Slocan Park and providing new drainage and irrigation systems for expanded sport field use. All 3 grass fields will be upgraded to an 'A' level field, increasing playing capacity by as much as 50%. The design of the fields was completed through consultation with the Vancouver Field Sports Federation (VFSF). A neighbourhood information session about the project is scheduled for Saturday, June 8, in the park and staff will provide an update on the project and seek approval for a construction contract award from the Board early this summer.

BC Hydro at Nelson Park

Staff have hired Lanarc Consultants (Landscape Architects) and a team of sub consultants to lead the impact assessment and public engagement related to the BC Hydro request for rights-of-way through Nelson Park. The impact assessment will begin in June, along with stakeholder meetings (e.g. Gordon Neighbourhood House, West End Seniors Network, West End BIA, West End Families in Action, Molehill Housing Society, Lord Roberts Annex PAC, Nelson Park Community Garden Society, West End Farmers Market, West End Community Centre Association, St. Paul's Hospital, and the Dr. Peter Centre). The first public open houses are scheduled for October 2019, once a draft of the impact report has been completed and will be followed by more public consultation in January of 2020.

Council Business

Council will be receiving the following reports at the May 28 meeting that have relationship with the Park Board:

1. [Proposed Amendments to City Sponsorship Policy Review](#)
2. [Regulating Clothing Donation Bins](#)
3. [2019 Downtown Eastside \(DTES\) Capital Grant Program Allocation](#)

Items of interest to the Park Board at the May 29 meeting of the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services:

1. [Women's Equity and Trans, Gender Variant and Two-Spirit Inclusion](#)

Board Briefing Memos & Emails: May 14 to 27, 2019

Date	Topic
May 14	Concessions Operations Update – 2019 Season
May 14	Outdoor Aquatic Services – 2019 Season



May 15	2019 Budget Document
May 15	VanSplash Advisory Group - Midway Update
May 17	Women Deliver Conference
May 22	Vancouver Parks & Recreation Foundation CRA Approval