



PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

— February 24, 2020 —

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

The Board approved all three staff reports on consent.

Neighborhood Matching Fund - Policy and Terms of Reference

The Neighbourhood Matching Fund (NMF) facilitates community cultural development and the stewardship of park land and public spaces in Vancouver. The newly approved [NMF Policies and Procedures and the NMF Advisory Committee Terms of Reference](#) were updated to reflect changes in scope, clarifies commitments, and creates alignment with the new guiding policies and strategies.

Special Events Calendar 2020 - Major Events

The [2020 Calendar contains 111 major special events](#), including:

- 10 Park Board organized and delivered events;
- 4 events delivered by external partners at VanDusen Botanical Garden; and
- 97 events delivered by external partners across Vancouver parks and plazas.

These events are distributed throughout the year and throughout the Park Board network, with a noticeable seasonal peak during the spring and summer months, and a concentration of activity in Stanley Park.

Vancouver Vegan Festival - Special Event

The [Vancouver Vegan Festival](#) is an emerging and recurring summer event that promotes and educates Vancouverites on veganism, while simultaneously connecting residents and activating public spaces. The Board approved the addition an all-ages licensed area with a maximum capacity of 400 guests to their event in Creekside Park.

Arts & Culture Planning

The Board received a presentation on the cultural planning portfolio which includes the management of the Park Board's public art, monuments and memorials program and the development cultural policies to support a place-based and decolonized approach to arts and culture.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Dumont highlighted the following events in [his report](#):

- Feb 15: National Flag of Canada Day, Bloedel Conservatory
- Feb 16: 10 Year Anniversary of the Vancouver Olympic Winter Games, Creekside Community Centre



GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE REPORT

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

- RFP for Master Plan and Preliminary Design Concepts for Alberta Street Blue-Green System and Columbia Park Renewal.
- Items of interest to the Park Board on upcoming Council meeting agendas include
 - A report regarding [Quarterly Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts](#)

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for March 9, 2020, and will be held at 2099 Beach Avenue.

