



January 29, 2021

TO: Park Board Chair and Commissioners
FROM: General Manager – Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT: Special Events & Filming – 2020 Year in Review

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Vancouver Park Board receive for information, the Special Events & Filming – 2020 Year in Review, which examines the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on operations within this business area.

REPORT SUMMARY

Park Board open spaces are popular sites for entertainment and celebrations of all shapes and sizes, and used regularly for filming activities. Under normal market conditions, the Park Board's Special Events & Filming Office issues approximately 1,800 permits annually for approved uses of its open space network (events, activities, and filming). However, in 2020, operations within this business area were significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The purpose of this report is to review the impact of the pandemic on this service area, describe the important social and economic impacts that accrued to Vancouverites from the permitting that occurred this past year, and present some insights into what to expect in 2021.

BOARD AUTHORITY / POLICY / PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Per the [Vancouver Charter](#), the Park Board has exclusive jurisdiction and control over park land use in the City of Vancouver, including any structures, programs, activities, fees, and improvements that occur within designated parks.

As informed by the [Special Event Policy & Guidelines](#) approved by the Board in December 2003, as well as current practices, Park Board approval is required for special events not included in the Annual Calendar of Major Special Events and/or that are in variance with one or more Park Board by-laws.

On May 13, 2019, the Board [directed staff to update the aforementioned policy and guidelines](#). Concurrent with this direction, the Board also instructed staff to maintain and support the Park Board's current portfolio of commercial events and activities, but issued a moratorium on the introduction of any new commercial initiatives until after the Special Event Policy & Guidelines have been updated and approved by the Board.

[VanPlay](#), the Board's Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan (2020) sets priorities and provides tools and policies to support the pursuit of equity, connectivity and access to parks and recreation for all. The organization's special events and filming operations support and align with VanPlay's directions to "Welcome Everyone" (parks and recreation experiences that improve quality of life) and "Deliver Services Equitably" (a fair and effective parks and recreation system).

BACKGROUND

Park Board open spaces such as parks and plazas are popular sites for entertainment and celebrations of all shapes and sizes. These activities fall within the Park Board's mission of providing a wide variety of leisure opportunities for Vancouverites, and include community festivals, arts and cultural events, music concerts, sports activities, and various celebrations. These initiatives activate public spaces, foster community connectedness, enhance the vibrancy of our city, provide enriching arts and cultural experiences, and deliver important economic benefits by supporting tourism and enabling fundraising activities for many not-for-profit/charitable organizations.

Locations throughout the Park Board network are also used regularly for filming activities, including motion picture productions (feature films, television series, and commercials), student filming, and photography. In addition to showcasing our spaces and fostering civic pride, these initiatives produce economic activity and investment, support community improvements, and generate important revenues that are used to offset costs across other Park Board service areas and/or fund unbudgeted initiatives.

The Park Board Special Events & Filming Office issued over 1,800 permits in 2019 for approved use of its open space network (events, activities, and filming).

DISCUSSION

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused unprecedented economic and social turmoil. Across the city, businesses have closed (temporarily and permanently), public services have been disrupted, and social impacts such as isolation and mental wellness have been exacerbated. Consistent with other Park Board business areas, the pandemic's impact on the organization's special events and filming operations in 2020 was significant. In fact, the live event and entertainment industry was one of the hardest hit sectors, both globally and locally, and the pandemic resulted in the complete shutdown of the Park Board's permitting activities in March 2020. In the months that followed, Park Board staff worked closely with the City of Vancouver's Emergency Operations Centre, City staff, and both provincial and regional health authorities to develop a new special events process which supported the re-start of permitting activities in June 2020. Throughout 2020, staff also assessed and reworked operational practices to better respond to changing public and marketplace needs. Some of the key changes included:

- Expanding the definition of private recreation to accommodate more activities, including physical therapy and rehabilitation, ballet classes, music classes, and dance;
- Extending the seasonality of the Park Board's picnic locations until the end of December 2020 in response to increased demand for the use of these safer outdoor spaces (picnic sites are traditionally open from May to September);
- Introducing a new fee structure for wedding sites to better align with public safety directives and guidance, and provide better value/reduce costs to the public; and
- Introducing a temporary expanded patio program to assist Park Board restaurant partners in their restart and recovery efforts.

Unfortunately, the many public health directives aimed at limiting the spread of the virus, including physical distancing requirements, limits on public gathering sizes, and far-reaching travel restrictions, resulted in the cancellation of all but the smallest events in 2020. As a result, permit volumes declined 60% in 2020 compared to 2019 (720 permits vs 1,806 permits). While the total number of permits dropped substantially, the time and resources required to process event and

filming initiatives in 2020 increased noticeably due to the introduction of new risk and safety protocols.

Notwithstanding the decline in permit volumes, the Park Board's special events and filming operations delivered a suite of valuable services in 2020, especially in the context of the pandemic, by enabling the safe hosting of events and gatherings in physically distanced and safer outdoor spaces. The sections below summarize the impact of the pandemic on key permitting categories.

Special Events

The volume of special events in 2020 fell 65% compared to the same period in 2019 (148 events vs 428 events). The public health directives aimed at limiting the spread of COVID-19 led to the cancellation of most major events, including seasonal favourites such as Bard on the Beach, Theatre Under the Stars, Honda Celebration of Light, Vancouver Folk Music Festival, Kitsfest, RBC GrandFondo Whistler, and the Park Board's Symphony at Sunset to name a few. In total, 97 major special events were cancelled outright, while 14 moved forward in a revised format compliant with public health requirements (a copy of the Park Board's 2020 Calendar of Major Special Events, indicating the status of each event, is attached as Appendix A).

Major events aside, the majority of medium-sized events were also canceled as most organizers lamentably determined that COVID-19 requirements had rendered their events unviable.

On a positive note, permits were issued for 148 small events (those with 50 people or less), including a number of important recurring initiatives such as the Battle of Britain Commemoration, Japanese-Canadian Remembrance Day, National Indigenous Veterans Day, Sonic Summer Nights, and VSO Pop-Up Concerts. Public lighting art initiatives, such as Lumière, also moved forward with the requisite COVID-19 protocols.

Private Recreation

Private recreation was the only event category that experienced an increase in activity relative to 2019 (44% increase). Twenty-three permits were issued in 2020 (compared to 16 permits in 2019) for activities such as fitness classes, boot camps, yoga classes, open water swim, stand-up paddleboard yoga, dog obedience and agility training, and fly fishing. Under the expanded definition for this category, sheltered outdoor areas and plazas were used to accommodate activities such as VSO music classes for children, Youth in Action outdoor programs, and cultural folkdance classes.

Picnic Events

Despite falling 67% over the same period in 2019 (232 permits in 2020 vs 713 permits in 2019), picnic events represented the second highest permitted activity in 2020. The range of activities using picnic sites expanded considerably from previous years. In addition to traditional picnic-style events, Park Board picnic sites also welcomed baby showers, gender reveal parties, birthday parties, outdoor school programs, and other activities. In addition to extending the seasonality for picnic locations in 2020 until the end of December, picnic sites will also open earlier than usual in 2021 (March) in response to public demand.

Weddings

The number of weddings in park locations decreased 56% compared to the same period in 2019 (39 weddings vs 88 weddings). More importantly, however, the availability of Park

Board wedding sites enabled numerous couples to celebrate their special day as planned after their original venues were forced to close and/or substantially reduce attendance capacity at the last minute. A new four level tiered fee structure, introduced in 2020, will continue to be offered in 2021.

Farmers Markets

Farmers markets are considered essential food distribution locations, and as a result, have remained open throughout the pandemic. The number of farmers markets permitted at Park Board locations, five, remained unchanged from 2020 to 2019. Early on in the pandemic, Park Board staff worked with regional and provincial health authorities and the operators of farmers market to ensure public health directives were understood and that markets were operating in compliance with public health requirements. In order to ensure proper physical distancing at the popular Riley Park Winter Farmers Market (which takes place in the Nat Bailey Stadium/Hillcrest Centre parking lots), operations at the adjacent Riley Park Farmers Market were extended until December 2020, and commenced early in 2021 (opened in January rather than May).

Information received from the Vancouver Farmers Market Society indicates that market attendance in 2020 was roughly half that of previous years, however, the amount of food sold was equivalent to 2019, which is a tremendous accomplishment. Market staff believe that the lower attendance in 2020 was the result of restrictions limiting market attendance to one person per household.

Food Services

Restaurant Use of Adjacent Spaces Program – This longstanding program allows Park Board restaurant partners to utilize adjacent grass areas for special events such as weddings, receptions, and other small activations. In 2020, 28 permits were issued compared to 77 in 2019 (64% decrease). Of note, the Stanley Park Brewing Restaurant & Brewpub was added to the program in 2020, and used it to successfully celebrate their one-year anniversary with a variety of outdoor activations including yoga, live music, and picnics.

Mobile Food Permits – Despite the increased use of parks by Vancouverites, only half of the Park Board's mobile food partners operated in 2020. A total of 4 permits were issued for a shortened season, compared to 7 in 2019 (43% decrease).

Temporary Expanded Patio Program – Four permits were issued under this new program, introduced in July 2020, as a pandemic restart and response initiative. Park Board partners participating in the program – Tap & Barrel Restaurant Olympic Village, Stanley Park Brewing Restaurant & Brewpub, The Teahouse Restaurant, and Discovery Café – expressed strong appreciation and support for the initiative.

Filming

COVID-19 resulted in the complete shut-down of Vancouver's thriving motion picture film industry in mid-March 2020. Industry operations resumed several months later in July, and filming activities in Vancouver parks resumed and slowly started ramping up in August. By the end of 2020, 236 permits had been issued for filming compared to 472 permits in 2019 (reduction of 50%). Thanks to British Columbia's relatively low COVID-19 case count, the agility of its veteran crews, and the cooperation between provincial health authorities and industry players, the local film and TV industry has been able to weather the effects of the pandemic better than many other global film hubs, and is now experiencing record activity.

WHAT DID THIS MEAN FOR VANCOUVERITES?

While the permitting volumes in 2020 for special events and filming initiatives in Vancouver parks was less than half that of a normal year, the events and initiatives hosted in Park Board locations had important social and economic impacts for Vancouverites. Some of the key benefits are summarized below:

- **Providing safer spaces** – For those wishing to move forward with their initiatives in 2020, Park Board locations allowed for the hosting of more physically distanced events in a safer outdoor setting;
- **Fostering community connectedness** – The current pandemic has increased loneliness and social isolation for younger and older age groups alike. Events and activities at Park Board sites brought people together, fostered improved community connectedness, and helped bridge the social isolation gap for thousands of Vancouverites;
- **Enabling children’s programming** – With the closure of Park Board community centres and other indoor venues, many children’s programs suddenly found themselves without a venue. Many of these programs were accommodated at various Park Board outdoor locations. Without this collaboration, many of these programs would have been significantly disrupted or cancelled altogether.
- **Celebrating life’s important moments** – As the pandemic ran its course, many indoor wedding venues closed and others significantly reduced their capacity. As a result, many Vancouver couples looking to celebrate an important life moment had to come up with an alternate plan under trying circumstances. Many opted to move their weddings outdoors to Park Board locations, enabling them to successfully celebrate their special moment as intended.
- **Aiding farmers markets** – Park Board staff worked hard to ensure farmers market operations were not disrupted by the pandemic. As a result, thousands of Vancouverites had access to fresh and healthy food, and connected with both their neighbours and the farmers who grow their products. Shoppers also contributed directly and indirectly to the local and regional economy, most notably by supporting the livelihood of local food growers.
- **Supporting Park Board restaurants** – The temporary expanded patio program played an important role in restaurant restart and recovery efforts. The introduction of this program in Vancouver parks was welcomed by many of the Park Board’s restaurant partners. It also enabled thousands of park users to enjoy food services in a safe and convenient manner, and also helped preserve jobs for food service employees.
- **Filming** – The film industry is a crucial economic pillar in British Columbia – the industry has invested \$22.7 billion into the provincial economy since 2012 and supports more than 70,000 jobs across the province. The Metro Vancouver anchors the provincial industry, and generally accounts for more than three-quarters of its annual activity, jobs and spending. By assisting and supporting the re-mobilization of this important sector, the Park Board contributed to saving and creating important employment for thousands of Vancouverites.

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2021

Permitting activity during the first six months of 2021 is expected to look very similar to the range and scale experienced during the last 2 to 3 months of 2020, since public health directives related to gatherings and events will likely not be relaxed to mid-2020 levels (50 people or less) until June. As more and more British Columbians get vaccinated, it's quite possible that restrictions on gatherings and events sizes will be incrementally increased in July, August and September, however, a return to large scale live events, festivals, and entertainment is not expected until the last three months of 2021. As a result, Park Board special event and activity permitting volumes will continue to experience downward pressure, and likely remain at levels similar to 2020 during the first six to nine months of 2021, before picking up momentum during the final three months of the year and outpacing 2020 permitting activity for that period.

Permitting volumes associated with filming, on the other hand, are expected to rebound in 2021. Unlike 2020, when the entire industry experienced a lengthy production shutdown due to the pandemic, the provincial film and television industry is now busier than ever and is expected to continue uninterrupted in 2021. Supported by strong safety protocols that go above and beyond provincial guidelines, it's quite possible that filming activity could return to pre-pandemic levels in the coming year.

As a result, with the exception of filming, 2021 is expected to be another difficult year for the event industry. However, the Park Board will continue to support residents, clients, and partners in hosting and executing events and activities that are compliant with public health directives so that Vancouverites can continue to enjoy the important social and economic benefits accruing from these initiatives. In collaboration with other industry partners and stakeholders, the Park Board will also be ready to play an important role in supporting a successful restart and recovery of this sector as public health restrictions are lifted in the future.

CONCLUSION

Large scale special events in Vancouver parks, plazas, and facilities activate public spaces, foster community connectedness, enhance the vibrancy of our city, and provide enriching cultural experiences. The COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on the Park Board's special event and filming operations in 2020, with volumes decreasing 60% relative to 2019. Staff worked hard to pivot and respond to both changing health regulations and market needs. Although permit volumes decreased significantly, the Park Board's Special Event and Filming Office delivered many social and economic benefits, including providing safe event spaces, connecting residents and communities, enabling at-risk programming, providing access to fresh and healthy food, and supporting the local and regional economy. The challenges facing the event industry will persist in 2021, however, the Park Board will continue to welcome initiatives that are compliant with public health regulations and be ready to support a successful restart and recovery of this sector in the future as public health restrictions are lifted.

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**VANCOUVER BOARD OF PARKS & RECREATION
2020 CALENDAR OF MAJOR SPECIAL EVENTS – COVID-19 IMPACTS**

Park Board Organized Events						
EVENT	SITE	ORGANIZATION	START DATE	END DATE	V – Vending L – Licensed T - Ticketed	EVENT STATUS
Polar Bear Swim	English Bay	Vancouver Park Board	1-Jan	1-Jan	V	Delivered
Easter Train	Stanley Park Railway	Vancouver Park Board	9-Apr	13-Apr	V & T	Cancelled
Eggciting Easter Hop	VanDusen Botanical Garden	Vancouver Park Board	10-Apr	12-Apr	V & T	Cancelled
Symphony at Sunset	Sunset Beach	Vancouver Park Board & Vancouver Symphony Orchestra	4-Jul	4-Jul		Cancelled
Vancouver Symphony Orchestra in the Garden	VanDusen Botanical Garden	Vancouver Park Board	TBD	TBD	V & L & T	Cancelled
Ghost Train	Stanley Park Railway	Vancouver Park Board	9-Oct	31-Oct	V & T	Cancelled
Glow in the Garden	VanDusen Botanical Garden	Vancouver Park Board	16-Oct	31-Oct	V & T	Cancelled
Bright Nights	Stanley Park Railway	Vancouver Park Board & BC Professional Firefighters Burn Fund	26-Nov	3-Jan	V & T	Cancelled
Festival of Lights	VanDusen Botanical Garden	Vancouver Park Board	27-Nov	3-Jan	V & L & T	Cancelled
Holiday Heights	Bloedel Conservatory	Vancouver Park Board	11-Dec	3-Jan	V & T	Cancelled

Events at VanDusen Botanical Garden and Bloedel Conservatory						
EVENT	SITE	ORGANIZATION	START DATE	END DATE	V – Vending L – Licensed T - Ticketed	EVENT STATUS
Sakura Days Japan Fair	VanDusen Botanical Garden	Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival & Japan Fair Assoc. of Vancouver	18-Apr	19-Apr	V & L & T	Cancelled
Plant Sale	VanDusen Botanical Garden	VanDusen Botanical Garden Assoc	26-Apr	26-Apr	V & T	Cancelled
All British Field Meet	VanDusen Botanical Garden	Westco Marketing Ltd	22-Aug	22-Aug	V & T	Cancelled
Luxury Supercar Weekend	VanDusen Botanical Garden	Luxury Alliance Group Ltd	12-Sep	13-Sep	V & L & T	Cancelled

Events in Parks and Plazas						
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EVENT	SITE	ORGANIZATION	START DATE	END DATE	V – Vending L – Licensed T - Ticketed	EVENT STATUS
City Tree Chipping Event	Kerrisdale Park Kitsilano Park John Hendry Park English Bay	City of Vancouver	4-Jan	5-Jan		Delivered
Winter Farmer's Market	Hillcrest Parking Lot	Local Farmers Market Society	4-Jan	25-Apr	V & L	Delivered with modifications
Spring Festival Celebration	Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Garden Plaza	Chinese Benevolent Association	25-Jan	26-Jan	V	Delivered
First Half Half Marathon & 5K	Roundhouse Turntable Plaza English Bay Seawall Stanley Park Seawall McBride Park	Pacific Roadrunners	9-Feb	9-Feb		Delivered
BMO St. Patrick's Day 5km Run	Stanley Park East	The Running Room	14-Mar	14-Mar		Cancelled
Bard on the Beach	Vanier Park Festival Site	Bard on the Beach	19-Mar	6-Nov	V & L & T	Cancelled
RecycleFest	Kerrisdale Overflow Lot	City of Vancouver Engineering	21-Mar	21-Mar		Cancelled

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EVENT	SITE	ORGANIZATION	START DATE	END DATE	V – Vending L – Licensed T - Ticketed	EVENT STATUS
Pacific Populaire	Riley Park	BC Randoneurs	5-Apr	5-Apr		Cancelled
Spring Light Illumination & The Big Picnic	Queen Elizabeth Park	Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival Society	8-Apr	12-Apr		Cancelled
Riley Park Farmers Market	Riley Park Plaza	Local Farmers Market Society	18-Apr	31-Oct	V & L	Delivered with modifications
Vancouver Sun Run	Ceperley Area, Stanley Park	Vancouver Sun	19-Apr	19-Apr		Cancelled
Earth Day Celebration	Grandview Park	Youth for Climate Justice Now	18-Apr	18-Apr		Cancelled
Jericho Baseball League Midway Championship Days	Carnarvon Park	Jericho Little League Baseball Association	2-May	2-May	V	Cancelled
FCRCC Knockout Dragon Boat Regatta	Creekside Park	False Creek Racing Canoe Club	2-May	2-May	V	Cancelled
BMO Vancouver International Marathon	Stanley Park	Vancouver International Marathon Society	2-May	3-May		Cancelled
Trout Lake Farmer’s Market	Trout Lake Parking Lot	Local Farmers Market Society	2-May	19-Dec	V & L	Delivered with modifications
Kitsilano Farmer's Market	Kitsilano Parking Lot	Local Farmers Market Society	3-May	25-Oct	V & L	Delivered with modifications
Khalsa Diwan Sports Day	Memorial South Park Oak Park Kensington Park Moberly Park	Khalsa Diwan Society	15-May	18-May	V	Cancelled
Vancouver International Children’s Festival	Sutcliffe Park	Vancouver International Children’s Festival Society	21-May	5-Jun	V & T	Cancelled
Womens Dragon Boat Regatta	Creekside Park	False Creek Women’s Dragon Boat Team	23-May	23-May	V	Cancelled
PMC-Sierra Science Fun Run	Creekside Park David Lam Park	Science Fair Foundation	23-May	24-May	V	Cancelled
Salmonberry Days	Memorial Park West	Dunbar Community Centre	24-May	31-May	V	Cancelled
Fair in the Square	Victory Square	Central City Foundation	26-May	26-May	V	Cancelled

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EVENT	SITE	ORGANIZATION	START DATE	END DATE	V – Vending L – Licensed T - Ticketed	EVENT STATUS
Collingwood Days Festival	Gaston Park	Renfrew Community Centre	30-May	30-May	V	Cancelled
RBC Run for the Kids	Riley Park	BC Children's Hospital	2-Jun	2-Jun	V	Cancelled
Thornton Park Farmer's Market	Thornton Park	Local Farmers Market Society	3-Jun	7-Oct	V & L	Delivered with modifications
National Health and Fitness Day	David Lam Park	National Health and Fitness Foundation	6-Jun	6-Jun	V	Cancelled
Marpole Oakridge Community Day	Oak Park	Marpole Oakridge Community Association	6-Jun	6-Jun	V	Cancelled
World Partnership Walk	Lumberman's Arch Stanley Park Seawall	Aga Khan Foundation	7-Jun	7-Jun	V	Cancelled
Boat for Hope	Hastings Mill Park	Variety - The Children's Charity	12-Jun	13-Jun	V	Cancelled
Dragon Zone 500M Regatta	Creekside Park	Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society	12-Jun	13-Jun	V	Cancelled
Summer Fair	Champlain Parking Lot	Champlain Heights Community Centre	13-Jun	13-Jun	V	Cancelled
The Awesome Grand Prix	Jonathan Rogers Park	Cycling BC/Bicicletta	13-Jun	13-Jun		Cancelled
Italian Day on the Drive	Grandview Park	Italian Day Festival Society	13-Jun	14-Jun	V	Cancelled
ICSF Soccer Tournament	Adanac Field	Italian Canadian Sports Federation	12-Jun	14-Jun	L	Cancelled
Ride Don't Hide	Queen Elizabeth Park	Canadian Mental Health Association	14-Jun	14-Jun		Cancelled
JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes	Stanley Park	Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation	14-Jun	14-Jun	V & T	Cancelled
Point Grey Fiesta	West Point Grey Park	Point Grey Fiesta	17-Jun	19-Jun	V	Cancelled
Vancouver Dragon Boat Festival	Creekside Park	Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society	19-Jun	21-Jun	V & L	Cancelled
The Gathering Festival	Emery Barnes Park David Lam Park	The Gathering Place Community Centre	19-Jun	24-Jun	V	Cancelled

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Douglas Park Community Day	Douglas Park	Douglas Park Community Association	20-Jun	20-Jun	V	Cancelled
Zero Waste Reuse and Recycling Drop off Hillcrest	Hillcrest South Gravel Parking Lot	Hillcrest Community Centre	20-Jun	20-Jun		Cancelled
Eastside Pride	Grandview Park	Vancouver Pride Society	20-Jun	20-Jun	V	Cancelled
Paddlefest Vancouver	Jericho Sailing Centre	MEC/Jericho Sailing Centre	20-Jun	20-Jun		Cancelled
Jericho Little League Midway	Carnarvon Park	Jericho Little League Baseball Association	20-Jun	20-Jun		Cancelled
Hillcrest Summer Festival	Riley Park	Riley Park-Hillcrest Community Centre Association	20-Jun	20-Jun	V	Cancelled
National Indigenous Peoples Day	John Hendry Park	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	21-Jun	21-Jun	V	Cancelled
National Indigenous Peoples Day	Oppenheimer Park	Carnegie Centre	21-Jun	21-Jun		Cancelled
Vancouver International Jazz Festival	David Lam Park	Coastal Jazz & Blues Society	26-Jun	28-Jun	V & L	Cancelled
Strawberry Festival	Barley Heritage Square	West End Seniors Network	27- Jun	27 Jun		Cancelled
Scotiabank Vancouver Half Marathon & 5K	Ceperley Park & Stanley Park Seawall	Canada Running Series	28-Jun	28-Jun		Cancelled
False Creek Canada Day Celebration	Sutcliffe Park	False Creek Community Centre	1-Jul	1-Jul	V	Cancelled
Sunset Canada Day Celebration	Sunset Park	Sunset Community Centre	1-Jul	1-Jul	V	Cancelled
Canada Day Drumming	Creekside Park	Choice Communication	1-Jul	1-Jul	V	Cancelled
Stanley Park Open	Stanley Park Tennis Courts	Tennis BC	1-Jul	20-Jul	V & L	Cancelled
Summer Cinema Series	Ceperley Park	Cinema 4 Change	7-Jul	25-Aug	V & T	Cancelled
Vancouver Open Pro Beach Volleyball	Kitsilano Park	Volleyball BC	10-Jul	12-Jul	V & L	Cancelled

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Vancouver International Soccer Festival	Empire Fields	One Team United for Peace & Development	10-Jul	12-Jul	V & L	Cancelled
Union Gospel Mission BBQ	Portside Park	Union Gospel Mission	11-Jul	11-Jul		Cancelled
ILWU Pensioners Picnic	New Bright Park	ILWU Local 500	16-Jul	16-Jul		Cancelled
Vancouver Folk Music Festival	Jericho Beach Park Locarno Picnic Site	Vancouver Folk Festival Society	17-Jul	19-Jul	V & L & T	Cancelled
African Descent Festival	Thornton Park	African Descent Society	17-Jul	19-Jul	V & L	Cancelled
Punjabi Mela	Moberly Park	Vancouver Punjabi Mela Society	19-Jul	19-Jul		Cancelled
Beedie Presents	Malkin Bowl Area	BrandLIVE	24-Jul	26-Jul	L & T	Cancelled
Celebration of Light	English Bay Beach Park Vanier Park Alexandra Park Sunset Beach Park Ceperley Park	Vancouver Fireworks Festival Society	25-Jul	1-Aug	V & L & T	Cancelled
Powell Street Festival	Oppenheimer Park	Powell Street Festival Society	2-Aug	4-Aug	V	Cancelled
Vancouver Dyke March	McSpadden Park Granview Park	Vancouver Dyke March & Festival Society	1-Aug	1-Aug	V	Cancelled
Vancouver International Pride Tennis Tournament BBQ	Stanley Park	Vancouver Tennis Association	2-Aug	2-Aug	L	Cancelled
Vancouver Pride Sunset Beach Festival	Alexandra Park English Bay Beach Park Sunset Beach Park Stanley Park	Vancouver Pride Society	2-Aug	3-Aug	V & L	Cancelled
Creekside Movie Night	Milton Wong Plaza	Creekside Community Centre	6-Aug	6-Aug		Cancelled
The Park Show	Jonathan Rogers Park	Live Nation	7-Aug	8-Aug	V & L & T	Cancelled
KitsFest	Kitsilano Park	Canada One Foundation	7-Aug	9-Aug	V & L	Cancelled

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Beach Soccer Blast	Spanish Banks Beach Park	Beach Soccer Blast	7-Aug	9-Aug	V	Cancelled
SeaWheeze Run & Festival	Stanley Park	Lululemon Athletica	15-Aug	15-Aug	V & L & T	Cancelled
Festival of India	Ceperley Park Second Beach	ISKCON of Western Canada	14-Aug	15-Aug	V	Cancelled
Cascade Ride	David Lam Park	Cascade Bicycle Club	22-Aug	22-Aug		Cancelled
Roundhouse Fun Fair	David Lam Park	Roundhouse Community Arts and Rec. Centre	23-Aug	23-Aug	V	Cancelled
Pinoy Fiesta	South Memorial Park	Phillipine Canadian Cultural Society	23-Aug	23-Aug	V	Cancelled
Victory Square Concert Festival	Victory Square Park	The Student Radio Society Of UBC (CiTR 101.9FM)	6-Sep	6-Sep		Cancelled
Vancouver Triathlon	Ceperley Park	Multisport Canada	7-Sep	7-Sep	V	Cancelled
Westward Street Party	Yaletown Park	Yaletown BIA	11-Sep	12-Sep	V & L	Cancelled
RBC GranFondo Whistler	Stanley Park	GranFondo Canada	12-Sep	12-Sep		Cancelled
Paws for a Cause	David Lam Park	BC SPCA	13-Sep	13-Sep	V & L	Cancelled
McSpadden Country Fair	McSpadden Park	McSpadden Country Fair	13-Sep	13-Sep	V	Delivered with modifications
Terry Fox Run	Ceperley Park Stanley Park Seawall	Four Seasons Hotel	15-Sep	15-Sep		Cancelled
DTES Pow Wow	Portside Park	PHS Community Services Society	19-Sep	19-Sep		Cancelled
Renfrew Ravine Moon Festival	Renfrew Park Slocan Park	Renfrew Park Community Centre	24-Sep	26-Sep	V	Delivered with modifications
Day of the Longboat	Jericho Sailing Centre Beach Area	UBC Recreation	26-Sep	4-Oct	V	Cancelled
Grandville Island Turkey Trot	Creekside Park	Vancouver International Marathon Society	12-Oct	12-Oct		Cancelled

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Light the Night	Lumberman's Stanley Park Seawall East Lost Lagoon	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society	16-Oct	18-Oct	V	Cancelled
James Cunningham Seawall Race	Stanley Park Ceperley Park Seawall	Lions Gate Road Runners	1-Nov	1-Nov		Cancelled
Remembrance Day Ceremony	Japanese War Monument, Stanley Park	Japanese Canadian Memorial	11-Nov	11-Nov		Delivered with modifications
Remembrance Day Ceremony	Memorial South Park	South Vancouver Veterans Association	11-Nov	11-Nov		Delivered with modifications
Remembrance Day Ceremony	Victory Square	Vancouver Park Board	11-Nov	11-Nov		Delivered with modifications
Burn Fund Santa Run	Stanley Park Seawall	BC Professional Firefighters Burn Fund	28-Nov	28-Nov		Cancelled
Santa Shuffle	Lumberman's Arch, Stanley Park	The Salvation Army	5-Dec	5-Dec		Cancelled
Winter Solstice Festival	Various Locations	Secret Lantern Society	21-Dec	21-Dec		Cancelled

Definitions & Notes

- Events that were delivered complied with applicable provincial health directives and guidelines on the event date.
- Vending requests are subject to standard terms and conditions, unless otherwise approved by the Park Board.
- Licensed areas are subject to VPD, VF&RS, and BCL&CRB approval.
- Ticketed events are subject to Park Board approval.