

PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

— May 17, 2021 —

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 <u>Park Board website</u>.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager had the Senior Leadership Team provide an overview of the projects and updates in their business areas for the <u>GM Report</u> (link to <u>video clip of presentation</u>):

- Vancouver Youth Week May 1 to 8, 2021 The team offered four youth only skating sessions and one youth only swim out of Hillcrest and Britannia Community Centres. Staff also organized COVID-safe activities, hosted a COVID-19 safe 3-Point Contest, a Movie and Graffiti Art Night. Overall, 125 youth took part in these activities.
- **Golf Operations Update** The golf industry has continued to be a safe, healthy alternative for residents during this pandemic. All COVID-19 protocols that were implemented last season continue to be in place and have been well received by customers.
- **Food and Beverage Services** Clubhouse, concession and mobile food vending permit updates were provided.
- Tree Planting at Jericho Park The Urban Forestry, Environment, and Sustainability teams provided 12 trees for the Bayview Community Preschool to plant at approved locations in Jericho Beach Park with the help of ethno-botanist, T'uy'tanat Cease Wyss.
- **Brewers Park Renewal** The full park re-opening is planned in the summer, after all lawn areas are fully established.
- Templeton Park Track Renewal Issue for Tender The project includes replacing the
 existing track surface with low-impact, rubberized surfacing and designated lane markings to
 improve leisure and recreational opportunities for the community and promote participation in
 physical activity.
- Vancouver Bird Celebration May 8 to 16, 2021 A weeklong series of events to inspire a
 love of Vancouver's birds for all ages and abilities. This year highlighted Indigenous ways of
 knowing through events such as:
 - <u>Inspired by Birds</u>, a panel exploring how birds have inspired arts, stories & Indigenous language revitalization;
 - <u>The Teachings of Birds</u>, with Talaysay Tours hosting events for both Indigenous community members and the public; and
 - Coast Salish Plant Talk, with Squamish ethnobotanist Cease Wyss.
- VanSplash Implementation Outdoor Pool Study A public Request for Quotes (RFQ) for consultant teams for an Outdoor Pool Study is expected to be posted within the next week.
- Council Agenda Items of interest to the Park Board include:
 - 2021 Alcohol Consumption in Public Plazas Pilot report seeking Council approval for amendments to the City Land Regulation By-law No. 8735 to designate certain public spaces over which the City has jurisdiction as places where liquor may be consumed. The report also outlines the approach and proposed locations for the 2021 Alcohol Consumption in Public Plazas Pilot. This second phase pilot is an opportunity to provide



- continued support to local businesses and communities through the COVID-19 pandemic, particularly in light of PHO restrictions for indoor dining.
- Quarterly Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts report seeking Council approval for capital budget and funding adjustments, which will result in an increase of \$18.9 million to the 2019-2022 Capital Plan, an increase of \$26.4 million to the Multi-Year Capital Project Budgets, and no change to the current Citywide overall 2021 Capital Expenditure Budget. Council will also vote on the closeout of one capital project that was completed with surplus exceeding \$200,000.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for May 31, 2021.

