

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Regular Park Board Meeting Monday, July 19, 2021



Alcohol in Parks Pilot – Launch Update

Bill 8 Amendment Updates:

- May 31 Bill passed
- June 17 Royal Assent
- June 30 Bill in force

Pilot Launch Update:

- July 12- pilot launched to public
- Digital materials, public survey, and notifications were released

Implementation Updates:

- Additional waste totes installed
- Signs installed starting July 12
- Rangers begin visiting/monitoring every site once to multiple times/daily
- Operations will begin monitoring cleanliness of parks and washrooms
- VPD and VCH will assist in monitoring and data collection







Gourmet Cabaret Cirque

- Board approved Gourmet Cabaret
 Cirque initiative on February 22, 2021
- Staff have worked with the organizer since late-May on planning for the 2021/2022 event
- Unfortunately, event will not be proceeding due to pandemic impacts:
 - Potential public health restrictions later in the year, increased costs, crew visa difficulties, and investor confidence
- Staff will work with the organizer to deliver the event in 2022/2023



Special Events Calendar – 2021 Major Events



- Vast majority of 2021 major special events have been cancelled
- Step 3 of BC's Restart Plan introduced July 1, 2021
 - 5,000 people or 50% of capacity, whichever is greater, for seated outdoor events
 - No restrictions on festival/flow through style events
- Staff working closely with event community to determine plans and opportunities for remainder of year
- Will report back in the fall as needed



Ash Park Playground Renewal

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- New playground features a swing set, slides, a play structure, rope pull climber, and a wooden play hut.
- The project also includes picnic tables, benches, lounge chairs, bike racks and new trees.
- Construction commenced in late November 2020 and the park opened in early July 2021.



Beaconsfield Park Playground Renewal

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- New playground features: a large climbing dome, swings with an accessible harness seat, trampolines, multiple spinners, a wooden play hut and tables and chairs.
- The project also includes: picnic and bench seating, pathways, bike racks and new trees.
- Construction commenced in November 2020 and the park opened in June 2021.



Winona Park Playground Renewal

- New playground features a swing set, slides, a play structure, in-ground trampoline, spring rider, spinner/climber feature, and sand table.
- The project also includes picnic tables, benches, bike racks and new trees.
- Construction commenced in late January 2021 and the park opened in early July 2021.







Kerrisdale Park – Point Grey Secondary Track and Field Upgrades - RFP



- Upgrades to existing track and field facility recommended as part of the Track and Field Strategy approved in September 2019.
- Existing facility regarded as highest-level facility in Vancouver but in need of upgrades.
- Project includes replacement of existing track surface, upgrading field sport amenities, enhancing storage and seating and improvements to accessibility.
- Request for Proposal (RFP) process is currently underway to obtain a consultant team to lead the project. Staff anticipate updating the board on contract award in the Fall.





Kitsilano Beach Park Seaside Greenway Improvements - Engagement



- Public engagement on a separated cycling path between Balsam Street and Ogden Avenue, including a section within Kitsilano Beach Park, will launch in August.
- Three rounds of engagement: Aug 2021 -Values and Priorities Oct 2021 – Cycle Path Route Options Feb 2022 – Preferred Option
- Create a safer and more comfortable route for all users, including children, families, and people with reduced mobility while reducing conflicts between park users.





Regular Council Meeting: July 20, 2021

- A report on Equity Framework that provides background on the creation of the City of Vancouver's Equity Framework, summarizes key concepts and outlines a plan for implementation.
- A report on Vancouver Community Sport Event Grants Summer Intake 2021 recommending Council approval of seven new sport event grants totaling \$33,450.
- A report on Quarterly Budget Adjustments and Closeouts where one of the adjustment is \$400K for deconstruction of the closed Grays Park fieldhouse/lawn bowling clubhouse that is no longer active due to structural and environmental issues.



Date	Торіс
July 8	CRAB Park Temporary Shelter Restrictions
July 19	CRAB Park Improvements & Washroom Update
July 19	Urban Forestry Watering Program - Heat Wave Impacts/ Summer Irrigation

Please note the following communications were missed from the last GM's report (will be updated)

Date	Торіс
June 25	Community Centre Strategy Public Engagement Launch Jun 28
June 28	Heat Wave Pop-up Spray Locations
June 30	Outdoor Lifeguard Shortage – Update
July 2	Outdoor Pool Study Update

