

ALCOHOL IN PARKS PILOT 2022 Proposed By-law Amendments

Park Board Committee Meeting Monday, May 16, 2022





The purpose of this presentation is to share with the Board the proposed amendments to the Parks Control By-Law regarding Liquor Consumption in Parks, in order to relaunch the Alcohol in Parks Pilot at select park sites in 2022 as directed by the February 7 Board Motion, "Alcohol in Parks Pilot – Extension and Next Steps".





Presentation Outline

- 1. Previous Board decisions
- 2022 pilot overview and changes
- Proposed by-law amendments

Previous Board Decisions (2020-2022)



- July 2020 22 park sites were approved for the pilot
- June 2021 BC LCLA amended;
 Park Board approved the by-law to launch the pilot
- July 2021 Pilot launches to the public; staff begin monitoring and public survey goes live
- October 2021 Pilot ends and public survey closes; staff review monitoring data

- December 2021 Staff report back to Board on the key findings from the first pilot
- February 2022 Board directs staff to extend the pilot in 2022, and to report back with recommendations beyond the pilot
- May 2022 (Today) Staff present 2022 pilot to Board, with proposed changes to designated drinking areas and by-laws.



When is the pilot Beginning as early as June 3 – depending on Board running? enacting by-law amendments – until October 16, 2022

Where will the pilot Within updated designated drinking areas at the same 22 sites be? parks as the first pilot; within the same hours of 11:00am and 9:00pm daily

How will we • implement the • pilot? •

- On-site signage
- Online communications (webpage, socials, info bulletin)
- On-site monitoring and ongoing maintenance
- Public feedback via 3-1-1 and project inbox
- Additional waste totes and servicing
- Health (VCH) and safety (VPD) data monitoring



What's different?

Proposed updates to designated drinking areas

- Last year's boundaries were challenging to identify when on-site
- Proposing to update designated drinking areas by also communicating where it is not appropriate for liquor to be consumed.

Where liquor cannot be consumed, or 'no alcohol zones':

- a) within 20m of a playground, school, or natural area
- b) within 5m of a pool or water park
- c) in, on or within a:
 - A. beach, pond, lake or dock;
 - B. seawall, roadway, parking lot, or building entrance area;
 - C. garden or horticultural display area;
 - D. sports field, sports court, skate park, or fitness amenity
 - E. community centre, fieldhouse, or washroom; or
 - F. designated off-leash dog area.

Boundary Updates





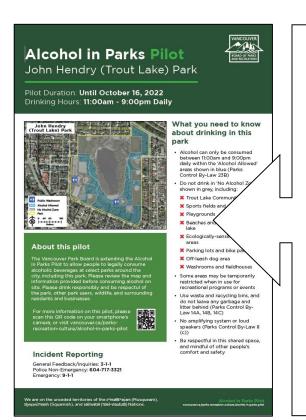
John Hendry (Trout Lake) Park Public Washroom Designated Area

Figure 1: John Hendry Park – 2021 Pilot Sites

Figure 2: John Hendry Park – 2022 Pilot Site

Boundary Updates





- Do not drink in 'No Alcohol Zones' shown in grey, including:
 - X Trout Lake Community Centre
 - X Sports fields and sports courts
 - **X** Playgrounds
 - ★ Beaches and in and around the lake
 - Ecologically-sensitive natural areas
 - X Parking lots and bike paths
 - ✗ Off-leash dog area
 - X Washrooms and fieldhouses
- Some areas may be temporarily restricted when in use for recreational programs or events

Simplified boundaries:

- easier for park
 users to remember
 where not to drink
 across entire park,
- versus
 remembering
 specific boundaries
 within each park



Proposed by-law amendments for Board consideration

For staff to implement the 2022 Alcohol in Parks Pilot, the Parks Control By-law must be updated to reflect:

- Effective dates (June 3 October 16, 2022)
- Updates to designated drinking area boundaries to improve clarity

Recommendation



- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the proposed amendments to the Parks Control By-Law Regarding Liquor Consumption in Parks, as set out in Appendix A of this report, to temporarily designate the park sites listed in the by-law as places where liquor may be consumed during the 2022 Alcohol in Parks Pilot;
- B. FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward a by-law for enactment by the Park Board generally in accordance with Appendix A.





Division/Department	Name & Title	Concurrence Date
Planning, Policy, Environment	Doug Shearer	
[impacted depts/division]	GM (or designate)	
Decolonization, Arts & Culture	Rena Soutar, Manager	
Planning & Park Development	Dave Hutch, Director	
Recreation Services	Steve Kellock, Director	
Park Operations	Amit Gandha, Director	
Finance (FP&A)	Natalie Froehlich, Director FP&A Parks & Rec	
Strategic Ops & Board Relations	Sarah Iacoe/John Brodie, Director	
Business Services	Steve Jackson, Director	
GM's Office	Donnie Rosa, GM	GMO to obtain

⁻ Should generally align with concurrences required for report; adjust as needed.

⁻ ALL concurrences up to Park Board GM level to be obtained prior to submitting to PBGMO for final review & GM concurrence.