

PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS — February 13, 2023 —

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>.

STAFF REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS

COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccination Policy for Contractors - Suspension

The Board approved the <u>COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccination Policy for Contractors – Suspension</u> report recommendations, suspending the vaccination policy for contractors, aligning with the City of Vancouver's decision. This decision was made given the level of immunization for COVID-19 available.

Stanley Park Temporary Bike Lane Options – Report Back

The Board approved the <u>Stanley Park Temporary Bike Lane Options – Report Back</u> recommendation <u>Option C with amendments</u>. Staff presented several options on ways to move forward with the partial or near full removal of the Stanley Park Bike Lane. This bike lane was put into place as <u>a temporary measure to support social distancing in summer 2020</u>. This Board decision directs staff to remove the bike lane on Park Drive and return the Stanley Park to its pre-COVID-19 traffic flow and conditions with added safety measures.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The Leadership Team <u>presented</u> an overview of the <u>GM's Report</u>:

- VanDusen Botanical Garden's Festival of Lights 2022 over 100 staff worked to put on this event that attracted thousands of visitors and raised money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.
- Family Day Activities free activities and programs will be occurring at recreation facilities across the city for Family Day weekend, February 17-20. Register online at ActiveNet.

Pink Shirt Day – or Anti-Bullying Day, will occur on February 22. In partnership with Community Centre Associations, the Park Board is committed to inclusion on Pink Shirt Day and year round.

- Promontory Park construction began in December 2022 and is aiming for completion by Fall 2023.
- Sunset Beach Jervis Parking Lot Improvement the accessible parking area was relocated next to the access ramp to the seawall in addition to other accessibility changes.
- Seawall Repairs English Bay rip rap was placed along the damaged seawall to repair the washed out areas from the January 2022 storm.
- Upcoming Council Business:
 - Council to receive a report titled '<u>Appointment of Childcare Operators, Lease Approvals, Childcare Grant Approvals, and Approval of Funding for Maintenance of Licensed Childcare Centres at West Fraser Lands, Henry Hudson Elementary School, and Marpole Community Centre'. Staff recommendations in the report include approving several non-profit organisations to be operators for new-licensed childcare centres, and that council concur with the Park Boards lease with a childcare operator at Marpole Community Centre.
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CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Jensen <u>presented</u> an overview of Park Board partnered events recently attended by Commissioners.

- BC Parks Foundation Wishing Tree Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, and Digby and Councillor Zhou joined Chair Jensen for the BC Parks Foundation's Wishing Tree Launch Event at English Bay Beach. The initiative encourages British Columbians to share a wish for nature that can help keep BC and Vancouver beautiful and clean.
- Vancouver Magazine's 22nd Annual Power Fifty Mayor Ken Sim and our General Manager Donnie Rosa were honoured at the 22nd Annual Vancouver Magazine's Power Fifty event.
- Associations Presidents Group Social Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Howard, Virdi, and Christensen joined Chair Jensen at the Community Centre Associations Presidents Social.
- Trout Lake Community Centre 11th Anniversary Trout Lake CCA Liaison Commissioner Christensen and Chair Jensen joined staff and CCA Members at the 11th Anniversary event for Trout Lake Community Centre

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for February 27, 2023.

