



## PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS — February 27, 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 [Park Board website](#).

### STAFF REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS

#### Naturally Managed Park Plan – Gibby's Field

The Board approved the [Naturally Managed Park Plan – Gibby's Field](#) report recommendations, including the draft concept plan for the park. While a relatively small and sloped site, this park the concept plan offers improved access and through path, rainwater retention and infiltration (also known as green infrastructure), ephemeral wetland habitat, urban forest, and environmental education.

#### Urgent Report on Park Board Preparations for the 2023 Summer Season – Update

The Board received an update on [preparations for the 2023 summer season](#), along with details of the aquatic service recruitment strategy addressing the staffing issues the Park Board is currently facing. Staff provided an update on Kitsilano Pool, spray parks, drinking fountains, summer concession activations, and cooling centres.

### GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The Leadership Team [presented](#) an overview of the [GM's Report](#):

- East Park – Engagement Update – phase 2 of engagement is planned for Q2 2023 with an online survey and an onsite event.
- Branch Out Tree Giveaway – 118 out of 250 free trees have been claimed by residents to support the citywide tree canopy goal.
- Upcoming Council Business:
  - Council to receive a report on February 28, 2023 regarding the [2023 Draft Operating Budget](#), recommending that council approve the Park Board's 2023 Draft Operating Budget.

### CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Jensen [presented](#) an overview of Park Board partnered events recently attended by Commissioners.

- Wushu BC 22nd Anniversary Banquet – Chair Jensen and Commissioner Bastovanszky attended the 22nd Anniversary Celebration for Wushu BC. Wushu BC is a Martial Arts organization with a mission to promote Chinese Martial Arts in BC.
- Family Day Celebration at Trout Lake Community Centre - Chair Jensen and Commissioner Christensen attended the Family Day Celebration at Trout Lake Community Centre on February 20.



- Ken Sim's First 100 Days in Office - Downtown BIA hosted an event to honor Mayor Ken Sim's First 100 Days in Office.
- Pink Shirt Day – 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Park Board Staff and Commissioners honored Pink Shirt Day and wore beautiful 'Kindness is Power' shirts designed by Cost Salish artist Francis Horne at the last Board Meeting.

## **NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2023.

