



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Regular Park Board Meeting
Monday, March 27, 2023



Park Rangers - Update

- In January alone, the Park Rangers responded to 1098 calls; from 829 in comparison. Increased by 25%
- Homelessness calls totaled 332: up from 186 for the same period last year. (56% increase)
- Park Rangers continue to address illegal parking, dog off-leash, fire, and wildlife reports.
- Park Rangers completed 507 park patrols.



NIF Grant for Green Infrastructure and Rainwater Integration in Parks

On March 16 Chair Jensen and Mayor Sim received official confirmation from MP Noormohamed of up to \$30M in federal grant funding to support green infrastructure, and rainwater integration into park projects



Green Infrastructure and Rainwater Integration projects already support two Park Board policies, including VanPlay and the Rain City Strategy.



#	INITIATIVES
N.2.1	Identify, acknowledge, uncover and connect freshwater features, and historic streams , to both help manage and filter stormwater and increase their visibility.



- Eligible projects, including Tatlow/Volunteer Park and the new park design for Gibbys Field, have already been approved by Park Board
- Signage will soon be erected in other candidate sites for wetlands in Falaise Park, Slocan Park, and Beaconsfield Park
- NIF grant support funding is only available for costs incurred by the end of 2024

- Council to receive a report on 2023 Community Services and Other Social Grants.
- Council to receive a report on Vancouver Community Sport Event Grants – Spring 2023 Intake on March 28.



Board Briefing Memos and Emails: March 6 to 27, 2023



Date	Topic
March 8	Señákw Development Overview
March 9	Stanley Park Temporary Bike Lane, Parking & Aquarium Interior Renovation Project
March 9	Sport Field Maintenance
March 15	Aberthau Playground – Grant Notification Letter PBC
March 17	Childcare in Parks and Community Centres
March 20	Temporary Structures in Vanier Park
March 20	Status of Stanley Park Train

