



KITSILANO OUTDOOR POOL

Current State Update

Regular Park Board Meeting
Monday, April 8, 2024





RECONCILIATION MISSION, VISION & VALUES

MISSION

Decolonize the Vancouver Park Board

The Park Board recognizes the institution's colonial history and upholds the Board's commitment to the 11 Reconciliation Strategies.

VISION

An evolvable organization in which every employee and Commissioner recognizes the humanity in themselves by recognizing and respecting the humanity of First Peoples; and an organization that sets a worldwide example in treating Reconciliation as a decolonization process.

VALUES

These values are your compass to help guide the way you work, interact with colleagues, external partners and the public.



PATIENCE

Colonialism didn't happen overnight. Untangling it takes time. We will pace ourselves for the marathon, not the sprint. We will adjust deadlines to ensure things are done well and respectfully.



CLARITY

We will focus on how colonialism functions to exclude, not on how to include.



PRAGMATISM

All staff are inheriting a system not of our making. The Park Board Reconciliation Team (PBRT) is here to assist colleagues with examining the ways colonialism continues to damage others. Blame is unproductive.



LEADERSHIP

We will nurture and sustain each other, demonstrating Indigenous principles in the way we function as a team.



LEARNING

We consent to learn in public. We will make mistakes. We will sit with those mistakes, be transparent about them, and use them both to learn and to teach. Our mistakes will be diagnostic tools.



- To provide an update to the Board regarding the ongoing maintenance and repair work occurring and the 2024 operating plan for Kitsilano Outdoor Pool; and
- To identify next steps and considerations to inform future Park Board decisions.

Current State



- REFM leading extensive investigations to identify sources of water loss (30,000 L/hour);
- Highlights include:
 - Concrete removal and pipe scoping
 - Challenges with camera scoping



Main water supply & 200 ft video scope

- Investigation identified water loss occurring at multiple locations, i.e.:
 - expansion joint;
 - pipe joint (deep end);
 - supply head (consolidated debris); and
 - supply head (collapsed pipe)

- Repairs underway

- Preparation for May opening, *weather dependent*

Additional required work (*September/October 2024*):

- Pool drain repairs
- Expansion joint and pipe joint repairs
- Clean outs in pool basin installed and scoped



- Approximately \$5M spent over past 8 years for capital works (planned as well as unplanned)
- Maintenance costs increasing year over year
- Storm and King Tide damage highlighted vulnerabilities

Considerations



- Pool opening to meet community needs
- Anticipated drought
- Capital funding
- 2024 season planned to commence in May, close Labour Day weekend
 - Additional repairs required in Fall
 - Weather dependent



Public enjoying Kitsilano Outdoor Pool

Next Steps



- MTU Funding Request for:
 - Custom Pool Liner to reduce annual maintenance to basin;
 - Saltwater Treatment to reduce dependency on potable water; and
 - Feasibility Study for renewal



Aerial view of Kitsilano Outdoor Pool

