



SPANISH BANKS PARKING Update

Regular Park Board Meeting
Monday, April 8, 2024



- To provide an update to the Board on considerations to implement paid parking at Spanish Banks

Spanish Banks Parking - Background



- Spanish Banks Beach includes 4 lots with 744 free parking spaces
- It is the only beach in the Park Board network to provide free parking
- Parking demand in the peak season has a serious impact on the road network and surrounding neighbourhood
- Earlier plans to implement paid parking in 2018 were delayed after receiving public feedback



Rationale to Introduce Paid Parking at Spanish Banks

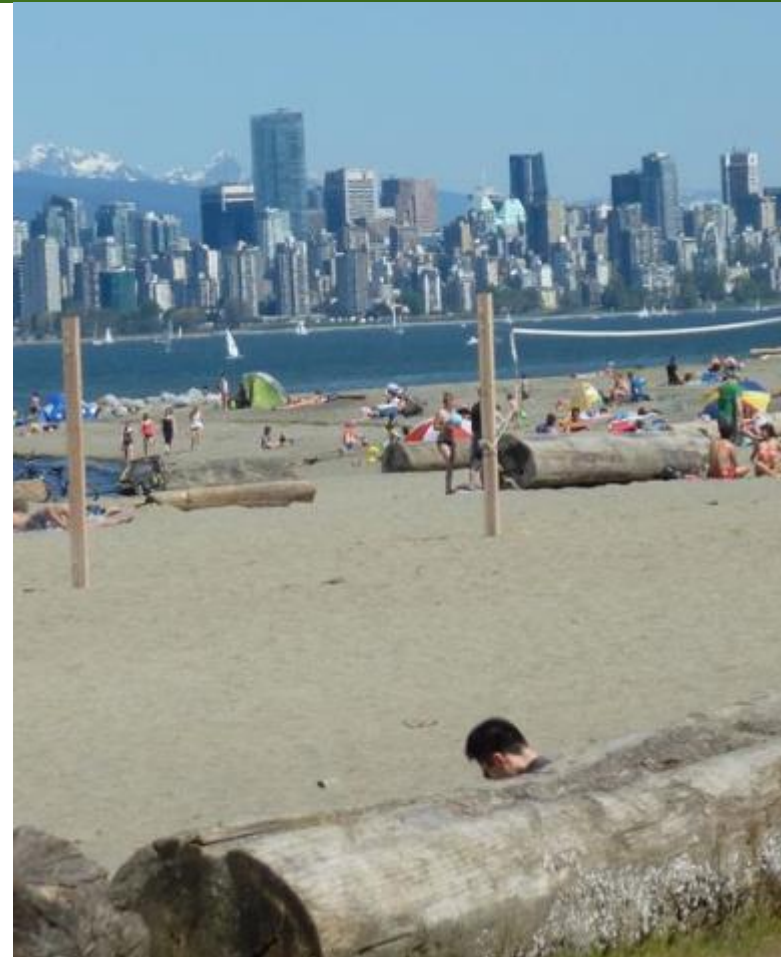
- Paid parking is intended to help improve the visitor experience and minimize impacts to the surrounding area
- Parking data collected in 2023 found that parking was over 85% full for both on-street and parking lot areas
- Desire to standardize parking practices within the Park Board beach network and align with regional destination beaches
- Help implement the Park Board's Think Big Revenue Strategy



Spanish Bank Parking Considerations



- Collaborate with City of Vancouver to also have paid parking on-street
- Paid parking at Spanish Banks can be seasonal (e.g. April 1 to September 30)
- Parking can be priced to maintain accessibility
- Paid parking both on-street and in Park Board lots can be implemented as early as June 2024



- Staff to report back on paid parking implementation for Board decision in Q2 2024.