

# PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS — November 4, 2024 —

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

## T100 Vancouver Multisport Festival 2025 – Special Event

The Board approved the <u>T100 Vancouver Multisport Festival 2025</u> special event at Jericho Beach Park and Locarno Beach Park. The event will take place over three days, from June 13 to June 15. Elite and amateur athletes from around the world will attend and participate in the activities, with the Elite triathlon being broadcast globally. In addition, the event will feature a sports expo, VIP hosting, and entertainment. The event will be open to the public and free for spectators.

## East Park Phase 1 – Proposed Concept Plan

The Board approved the <u>concept plan for the first phase of East Park</u>, 1.2 hectares of new waterfront parkland in Olympic Village. Staff completed public engagement on the concept plan in April 2024 and received favourable feedback. The concept plan features a central lawn, and active zone adjacent to Creekside Community Centre, a songbird tree grove, diverse seating and gathering areas, and a network of paths to support rolling and walking.

## **CAP 5 Water Main in Stanley Park - Update**

The Board received an update on the <u>Stanley Park Water Supply Tunnel</u> from Metro Vancouver. The current watermain was built in the 1930's and has experienced a break in the main in 2016, and a leak in 2023. The new main will increase capacity to meet growing demand, ensure high-quality drinking water delivery, and meet current seismic standards. Metro Vancouver outlined what to expect in the first 6 months of construction, including traffic management around the Chilco street shaft site, Centre shaft site, and Burrard inlet shaft site, fence installation, temporary paths, and a community garden ramp.

## Kitsilano Pool - Update

The Board received an update on the <u>Kitsilano Outdoor Pool</u>, outlining the ongoing maintenance and repair work, to provide an overview of the 2024 aquatic operations, and to provide the Board with an overview of the renewal process and expected milestones. Approval of the ongoing renewal plan is expected to be brought to the Board for approval in Q4 2025.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Bastyovanszky <u>highlighted</u> recent events attended by Commissioners:

- Chair Bastyovanszky delivered welcoming remarks at the Society for Ecological Restoration's North American Conference.
- Commissioner Digby attended the Kerrisdale CCA board meeting on October 23.
- Commissioner Jensen attended the Kitsilano Batch Halloween Party alongside VSB Chair Jung and John Negrin
- Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Jensen visited John Hendry Park to observe the beginning states of the field renewal.
- Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Jensen, alongside former Commissioner Aaron Jasper and Kyle Sanderson, President of Trout Lake Little League, visited the Trout Lake



Little League baseball diamond to observe the progress of the renewals of the two little league diamonds.

- Commissioner Jensen attended the Community Mural painting project at the pop-up dog park in Mount Pleasant
- Chair Bastyovanszky attended a blessing ceremony by Christy Charles at Connaught Park in memory of her father, Henry Charles, also known as "Ten Bears" for having the strength of ten bears, a long-time member of the Meralomas.
- Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Digby attended the fall planting event at Everett Crowley Park, organized by the Lower Mainland Green Team and Everett Crowley Park Committee, where they removed invasive Himalayan blackberry and planted native species.
- Commissioners attended the Disc Golf The Ghidora Challenge Doubles Invitational and Finals at QE Park. Christensen played for the first time as a participant in the event.
- Chair Bastyovanszky attended the Vancouver Tennis Association's AGM and congratulated the incoming Board
- Chair Bastyovanszky attended the Diwali Festival at Roundhouse Community Centre with Councillor Bligh, VSB Chair Jung, and School Trustee Faridkot
- Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Jensen attended the 2024 FIM World Supercross Championships Season Opener at BC Place

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

The General Manager <u>presented</u> an overview of the <u>GM's Report</u>:

- New Dog Off-Leash Areas Construction Start Construction of the Heather Park Off Leash Area is underway. The Granville Park Off Leash Area is scheduled to begin in Q1 2025.
- Annual Beach Log Removal The annual removal and storage of beach logs is underway. Logs are removed to mitigate the risk of logs being washes out during winter storms. The logs will return for May Long Weekend 2025.

### **NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Special Meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2024

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for December 9, 2024



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