



PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS — February 3, 2025 —

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

Special Events Calendar 2025 – Major Events

The Board approved the [Special Events Calendar 2025 – Major Events](#). The calendar includes events which have confirmed their intentions to move forward in 2025, as well as annual special events that have been approved in past years. The calendar contains 104 major special events, including six Park Board organized and delivered events, two events by external partners at VanDusen Botanical Garden, and 96 events delivered by external partners across Vancouver parks and plazas

Killarney Park Track and Field Upgrades – Civil Works Contract Award

The Board approved the [Killarney Park Track and Field Upgrades – Civil Works Contract Award](#), which authorizes staff to enter into a contract with Wilco Civil Inc., for a term of eighteen months or until services are completed, with an estimated contract value of \$8.28M, plus applicable taxes, to be funded through the 2023-2026 Capital Plan

Killarney Park Track and Field Upgrades – Synthetic Track Surfacing Contract Award

The Board approved the [Killarney Park Track and Field Upgrades – Synthetic Track Surfacing Contract Award](#), which authorizes staff to enter into a contract with Ocean Marker Sports Surfaces Ltd., for a term of one year or until services are completed, with an estimated contract value of \$1.28M, plus applicable taxes, to be funded through the 2023-2026 Capital Plan

Alcohol on Beaches 2024 Re-Pilot and 2025 Program

The Board approved the [Alcohol on Beaches 2025 Summer program](#) with [amendments](#) to direct staff to review and report back with a potential change to beach closing times in summer months. The program runs from the first week of June to the last week of September, on a permanent basis at Jericho Beach, John Hendry Beach, Kitsilano Beach, Locarno Beach, Spanish Banks, and Second Beach, subject to the availability of operating funds from City Council and support from the Vancouver Police Department.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Christensen [highlighted](#) recent events attended by Commissioners:

- Commissioner Jensen attended the Hastings CCA Board meeting in his role as liaison
- Commissioners attended a walking tour in Stanley Park and received an update on the work being done to mitigate the impact of the Hemlock Looper moth
- Commissioner Digby attended a celebration of the residents from the Memorial South Park area, who thanked the Park Board for understanding their concerns about the proposed FIFA training site
- Commissioner Digby attended meetings for the Thunderbird Neighbourhood Association, Kerrisdale CCA, and Mount Pleasant CCA in his role as liaison
- Commissioners Haer and Jensen attended the Lunar New Year parade alongside VSB Chair Jung and Jordan Ng of Chinatown BIA.



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager presented an overview of the GM's Report:

- Hillcrest Mini Field Sports Lighting – Construction for the Hillcrest Mini Field Sports Lighting project is now complete and has been open for public use as of January 18, 2025.
- Rupert & Renfrew Station Area Planning – The final phase of public engagement begins February 3, 2025, with open houses and community survey available on [Shape Your City](#).
- Council Agenda Items
 - Council to receive a report on February 4, 2025, titled "[Mayor's Budget Task Force Implementation Oversight Committee Transmittal Report](#)".
 - Council to receive a report on February 5, 2025, titled "[Childcare Strategy and Policy Harmonization](#)".
 - Council to receive a report on February 5, 2025, titled "[Contract Award for Construction Services for Killarney Park Track and Field Civil Works](#)".

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for February 24, 2025

