



PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS — February 24 & 25, 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

Memorial Park West – Statutory Right of Way Change

The Board approved the [Memorial Park West – Statutory Right of Way Change](#) on consent. This approves new sub-surface sewerage infrastructure in Memorial West Park and authorizes the modification or replacement of the existing right of way agreement as required for the development and operations of the new sewerage infrastructure.

Vancouver Aquatic Centre Renewal – Recommended Program

The Board approved the [Vancouver Aquatic Centre Renewal – Recommended Program with amendments](#) to include a 50-meter training pool to ensure compliance with the BC and Federal Accessibility Act, as well as the Rick Hansen Gold Standard. The amendment also directed staff to report back within one month with related program details for further Board approval.

Unsolicited Proposal Process – Report Back

The Board approved the extension of the [Unsolicited Proposal Process](#) pilot, which would extend until the end of Q1 2026, with enhancements to the process as outlined in Appendix B of the report. The Board also directed staff to continue monitoring the Unsolicited Proposal Process and report back to the Board on its performance through the Service Plan Report. A subsequent report back will recommend next steps in Q2 2026.

VanPlay Implementation Update

The Board received a presentation on the [VanPlay Implementation Update](#), which provided an annual update on the implementation of [VanPlay: Vancouver's Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan](#), which was approved by the Board in 2020. Staff highlighted the 2024 implementation updates, including completed projects, in-progress initiatives, and delayed projects. The presentation also provided key takeaways in advancing initiatives and setting the vision for Parks and Recreation spaces.

CHAIR'S REPORT

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

- Chair Bastyovanszky attended meetings with community groups in his role as liaison
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- Chair Bastyovanszky visited the Vancouver Aquatic Centre
- Commissioners attended the opening ceremony for the Invictus Games
- Chair Bastyovanszky attended the cauldron lighting for the Invictus Games
- Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Jensen attended the wheelchair rugby finals for the Invictus Games
- Chair Bastyovanszky and VSB Chair Jung met Rick Hansen
- Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Digby attended the Vancouver Rugby SVNS game at BC Place



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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

- Council Agenda Items
 - Council to receive a report on February 25, 2025, titled "[Uplifting the Downtown Eastside and Building Inclusive Communities that Work for All Residents Motion: Progress Update](#)".
 - Council to receive a report on February 26, 2025, titled "[Contract Award for Construction Services for Permanent Plazas](#)".

MEMBER'S MOTIONS

Support for Sustainable Transportation

The Board approved the member's motion titled "[Support for Sustainable Transportation](#)", which directs staff to report back on the next steps for a change of use at the Harbour Green Dock. Staff were also directed to collaborate with regional municipal government and commercial partners to evaluate potential opportunities for sustainable transportation options, and that staff be open to potential funding partners for the required facility upgrades at Harbour Green Dock to facilitate commercial operations.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for March 10, 2025

