



# GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Regular Park Board Meeting  
Monday, June 16, 2025





- Strathcona Food Security Programs support their community through food access, food skills and opportunities for community connection.
- Breakfast Program - Serves an average of 250 breakfasts every school day, approximately 44,000 breakfasts each school year.
- Backpack Program – Provides food boxes to 135 Families and 600 Individuals. Over \$500,000 in donated food in 2024.



*Celebrating three new gardens in parks for Indigenous Peoples' Day June 21*





# Chaythoose A-Frame Garden - Stanley Park

*"This garden here to me is about asserting that this is an Indigenous space... We need more Indigenous gardens like this in the city [where] we're just allowed to come in and be ourselves. Without that, we're struggling every day. I'm just trying to make a space that welcomes the community... because people will come in and do what they need to for themselves."*





# Indigenous Women Rise Drum Circle - Beaconsfield Park

*"the group provides good medicine for each other, and some women have found their voice through the power of the drum"*







*"The eagle's teaching of love can be found in the core of all teachings, therefore an eagle feather is considered the highest honor and a sacred gift. To know love is to know peace."*



# 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts & Health Exhibition and Showcase

- 150 seniors and Elders gathered for the 19th annual Arts & Health Exhibition and Showcase at Roundhouse on May 30
- A joyful demonstration of the Arts & Health project goal to support strong, healthy communities that engage seniors as full and active participants and value the arts as a key contributor to health.

Creative Collaborative Dance for Older Adults. West Point Grey & Trout Lake CCs. Photo Riz Herbosa



- This renewal project is complete!
- Repairs restored 6 pedestrian light poles along the English Bay promenade and paving of a new asphalt ramp
- Low-level lighting luminaires were installed to reduce light pollution to protect coastal wildlife
- The asphalt ramp has improved accessibility and safety for pedestrians







- On May 29, staff hosted a delegation from the South Korean Forest Services to share insights on urban forest and park management
- Highlighted Vancouver's strategic approach to urban forestry management, biodiversity conservation, and community stewardship
- Followed with a tour of Stanley Park, showcasing the Hemlock Looper work and Forest Management

- Council to receive a report on June 17, 2025, titled “[2025 Homelessness Services Grants](#)”, which would approve 18 Homelessness Services grants totaling \$43,000 from the 2025 Arts, Culture and Community Services Housing Services Operating Budget.
- Council to receive a report for information on June 18, 2025, titled “[2026-2030 Budget Outlook](#)”, which outlines the City’s projected Operating and Capital financial outlook based on current state service levels.
- Council to receive a report on June 18, 2025, titled “[2025 Quarterly Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts](#)”, which would approve an increase of \$25.4M to the 2023-2026 Capital Plan, and an increase of \$32M to the Multi-Year Capital Project Budgets.



| Date    | Topic  |
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| June 3  | Community Centre Strategy Implementation – High-Level Functional Program |
| June 11 | Jericho Pier Rehabilitation Project – Status Update                      |
| June 12 | Andy Livingstone Park Playground at Crosstown Elementary School Update   |
| June 13 | Reimagine Kitsilano Pool Feasibility Study                               |

