

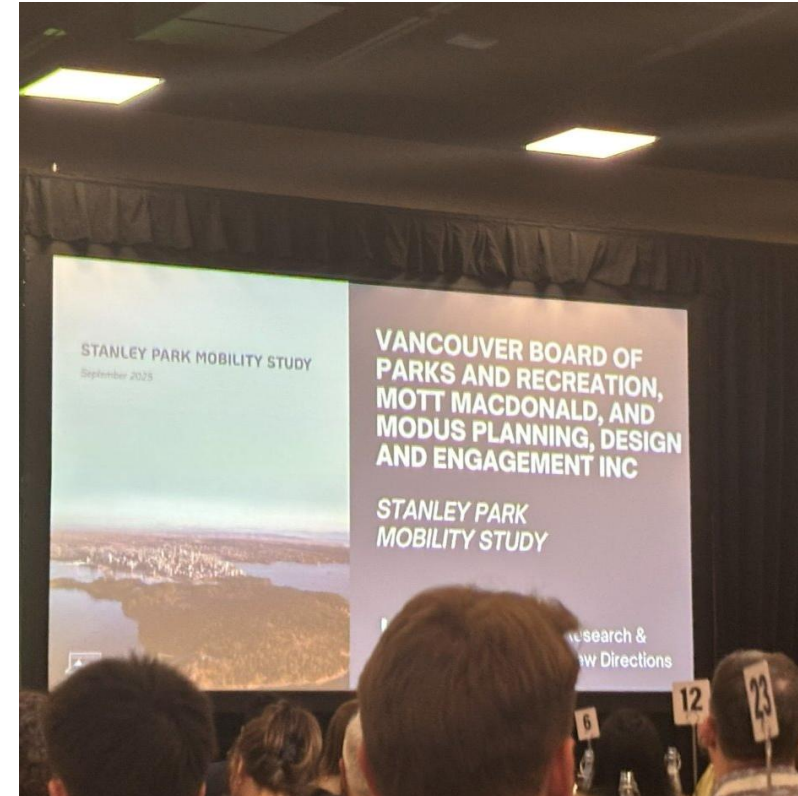


GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Regular Park Board Meeting
Monday, July 27, 2026



- On June 4, 2026, the **Stanley Park Mobility Study** was awarded **Honourable Mention** in the Research & New Directions category by the PIBC.
- Earlier, on September 15, 2025, the Park Board approved the study, which outlines a 20-year strategy to transform transportation within Stanley Park. The plan is informed by technical analysis as well as input from the community and key stakeholders.
- This recognition highlights our staff's leadership and innovation in shaping the future of park mobility.



- On June 4, 2026, the City announced completion of the Little Mountain City Building and Public Plaza.
- The site includes childcare, a neighbourhood house, social housing, and a public plaza
- The plaza will be maintained and operated by the Park Board as a care, custody and management park parcel.
- The delivery of Public Plaza and City Building is a key public benefit delivered through the 2016 Little Mountain rezoning.



VanDusen Membership and Respite Fund



- The new Joint Operating Agreement has led to a 14.25% increase in 2025.
- Membership growth in 2026 is on track to surpass 2025 significantly.
- The Respite Fund distributes Garden Memberships to organizations at the forefront of mental health care.
- By the end of 2026, and expected 3,000 individuals, and 15,600 experiences are expected.





- In 2024, Park Opps provided a list to ARC of “high-graffiti” parks to explore creative options to prevent vandalism by creating community ownership and connection to “place”.
- Trillium Park site was chosen for an introductory mural project which could lay the foundation for a multi-layered approach to graffiti-management in parks.
- West wall mural completed July 2026 by artist Rachel De Freitas.

- July 9 Opening Celebration
- Welcoming by Musqueam Elder Mary Point
- Speeches by Elder Marr Dorvault and Elder Les Nelson
- Performance by the Carnegie's lexwst'i:lem Drum Group
- Art in the Park runs Thursdays and Sundays from 2pm – 6pm in Andy Livingstone Park until September 17.



- In July 2025, the CRAB Park playground renewal and splash pad refresh, including the integration of artwork throughout both amenities.
- In partnership with the Arts, Reconciliation, and Culture (ARC) team, artists representing xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh), and Urban Indigenous communities worked with youth from Ray-Cam Community Centre to inform artwork design.
- Artwork is incorporated into select playground panels and painted directly onto the splash pad surface, increasing cultural visibility within the park.
- Project supported by financial contributions from the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority and DP World



- A new email contact has been created to receive inquiries for fires in parks:
culturalfire@vancouver.ca.
- PB developed an internal process to permit fires in partnership with the VFRS and under the direction of Park Operations.
- This process has proven effective for internal coordination and communication.
- **Fire Permitting Stats in parks:**
 - 2025 – 16 cultural fires
 - 2026 – 8 cultural fires so far



New Artwork at sθəqəlxenəm ts'exwts'áxwi7 Rainbow Park

- sθəqəlxenəm ts'exwts'áxwi7 (Rainbow), was the first park in Vancouver to be gifted a name by the three local Nations in hə́ŋqəmiṇə́m and Skwxwú7mesh Snichim.
- Sky frame banners feature rotating artwork by xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) artists, with new banner installations taking place this summer.
- New park signage featuring the gifted park name and original banner artwork will be installed later this year.
- Learn more about the park, the naming process and how to pronounce the name [here](#).



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Council Items related to Parks & Recreation



- Council to receive a report on July 28, 2026, titled “[Auditor General Committee Recommendations Transmittal Report](#)”, which would direct staff to annually compile and publicly report to Council on the value of the City’s financial contributions to each operator (maintenance, lease grant, operating grants) to support fulsome accountability to the public.
- Council to receive a report on July 28, 2026, titled “[Rezoning: 906-982 West 18th Avenue, 907-975 West 19th Avenue and 3403-3415 Laurel Street](#)”, which proposes a 374 square meter park, alongside small-scale housing options. This rezoning is an example of how park board staff work collaboratively with city staff to achieve park provision through development processes.
- Council to receive a report on July 28, 2026, titled “[1905 Ogden Avenue: New Lease Agreement for the Vancouver Maritime Museum, and Sublease Agreement for the Operation of a Floating Barge with Hydrotherapy Activities, to be Located at the Heritage Harbour Marina](#)”, which would execute a new agreement with the Vancouver Maritime Museum and authorize a sublease for the operation of a floating barge in Heritage Harbour.

Board Briefing Memos and Emails: July 13 to July 27



Date	Topic
July 16	Trout Lake and New Brighton Concessions – New Operators
July 17	City-wide Development and Design Guidelines – Parks and Recreation Components

