



CHAIR'S REPORT

Regular Park Board Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2023



Orange Shirt Day Walk for Truth and Reconciliation



Commissioner Digby attended the Orange Shirt Walk for Truth and Reconciliation. Attendees walked from Strathcona Community Centre to Grandview Park, and heard music from the Indigenous Women Rise Society.

National Truth & Reconciliation Day



Commissioners recognized National Truth & Reconciliation Day on September 30. This was an opportunity for us all to contemplate the profound impact left by Canada's residential schools. The Park Board remains committed to reconciliation with the Musqueam, Squamish, and Sleil-Waututh First Nations, as well as First Nations across Canada, Metis, Inuit, and Urban Indigenous communities.

Orange Shirt Day at Arts Umbrella



Commissioner Bastyovanszky and Councillor Bligh attended Orange Shirt Day at Arts Umbrella. This was an opportunity to learn and reflect on the history of the land we now call Canada. Activities and talks were led by Indigenous artists and knowledge keepers.

LMS Cricket Finals



Commissioner Bastovanszky attended the finals and grand award ceremony of the first-ever LMS Canada University Cricket League and LMS BC EarlyRisers League alongside dignitaries from across the Lower Mainland. This was the most significant cricketing event in BC's amateur cricket history with over 600 participant.

Meraloma Club 100th Anniversary



Commissioner Bastyovanszky attended the Meraloma Club 100th Anniversary celebration. The Meraloma Club have been sponsors of amateur sports since 1923 and the Meraloma name is known and respected around the world.

Denman Car Free Day



Commissioner Bastovanszky attended Car Free Day on Denman. Since 2008, Car Free Vancouver Society has hosted Car Free Days along various streets to nurture and grow car free culture. This event is a community-led and created festival that showcases diversity, sustainability, localization, and car-free culture.

Banksyland Pop-Up



Chair Jensen attended the Vancouver Banksyland Pop-Up as a guest of the British Consulate-General Vancouver Thomas Codrington. This one of a kind event includes original and studio works, salvaged street artworks, and never-before-seen immersive installations.

2030 Gay Games Bid



Chair Jensen and Commissioner Bastovanszky attended the launch of the Gay Games 2030 bid. The Gay Games is a worldwide sport and cultural event that promotes the acceptance of diversity, featuring LGBT athletes, artists, and other individuals.

