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Sent: Friday, August 14, 2020 4:43 PM
To: PB Commissioners
Cc: PB Communications; PB SLT (Senior Leadership Team) - DL
Subject: Stanley Park Temporary Traffic Management Plan Clarification

Dear Commissioners,

The purpose of this email is provide the Board with an update and clarification on the recent statement in the media regarding transitioning from the current temporary traffic management plan (TMP) in Stanley Park to pre-existing traffic patterns. The timeline for this process will be determined based on a number of factors including park visitation and the COVID-19 pandemic situation. Staff have only recently began reviewing next steps and no update is available at this time with regards to timing or outcome.

As per the [April 6, 2020](#) Board briefing memo, Stanley Park was closed to motor vehicles on April 8th, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and recommendations from health officials to enable physical distancing. The seawall was closed to cyclists, diverting them onto Park Drive so that all users could safely physically distance while maintaining access for ongoing mental and physical health.

Under Board Direction of June 18th, the Park Board implemented a temporary traffic management plan on June 22nd, to open the park to vehicles and dedicate one lane of Park Drive to cyclists, to continue to enable physical distancing for all users while responding to restaurants reopening and improve access to those with mobility needs. The temporary plan was continually evolved throughout the summer in response to conditions in the park.

As previously communicated to the Board, this was not intended to be a permanent solution and would be evaluated as the pandemic and season progressed. Staff will continue to provide updates to the Board as these plans are developed and prior to any implementation. If you receive any further media requests, you can forward them to Park Board Communications.

Regards,
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