

September 5, 2025

MEMO TO: Park Board Commissioners

FROM : Director, Park Planning & Development

SUBJECT : Disc Golf Plan Public Engagement Launch - Board Briefing Memo

Dear Commissioners,

The purpose of this memo is to notify the Board that public engagement for the Disc Golf Plan will launch on September 8, 2025.

Background

In September 2024, the Board approved the <u>scope of work</u> for a disc golf plan. An update was shared in a GM report on July 7, 2025, notifying the Board that staff had begun work on the plan.

Work completed to date includes:

- Preliminary site analysis;
- Precedent research including meetings with City of Burnaby, District of North Vancouver, and City of North Vancouver staff;
- Preliminary meeting with Squamish Nation and online touchpoints with Musqueam and Tsleil-Waututh referral and archaeology staff, and
- Establishment of and initial meetings and course site visits with the Disc Golf Plan Community Liaison Group, a small advisory group established for the duration of the project, comprising of VanCity United Disc Golf Club and BC Disc Golf Association Board members.

Public Engagement Overview

Public engagement will start on September 8, 2025. The purpose of this engagement is to gather community input to understand the experiences at disc golf courses in Queen Elizabeth and Quilchena parks, identify barriers that prevent people from playing the sport, and gather insights into the experiences of multi-use park spaces shared with disc golf. It will build on learnings from site visits and correspondence with the Disc Golf Plan Community Liaison Group to date, public and club input provided at the time of the September 2024 Disc Golf Plan report back to the Board, as well as preliminary research on best practices for disc golf courses.



Public Engagement Activities

- **Online survey**: Open from September 8 29, 2025: the survey will be available at shapeyourcity.ca/disc-golf
- **In-person events**: Park Board staff will host two on-site events to connect with disc golfers and park visitors, share project information, and assist with survey access:
 - Sept 16 | 5:00 PM 7:00 PM Queen Elizabeth Park Little Mountain Disc Golf course near Ontario St & 33rd Ave (VanCity Disc Golf Club night)
 - Staff will host a pop-up at a disc golf event to be determined with the VanCity Disc Golf Club

Participation in the survey will be encouraged through a Park Board social media campaign; postering throughout Quilchena and Queen Elizabeth parks, adjacent neighbourhoods, community centres, libraries, disc golf-supporting businesses, and other key community hubs; and through the VanCity United Disc Golf Club and the BC Disc Golf Association. Project staff are working closely with the Community Liaison Group to ensure project information is communicated to the broader disc golf community.

Public Engagement Next Steps

- Public Engagement will help identify community interests and priorities, which will guide staff recommendations for Phase 2, including improvements to existing courses that would improve playability and user experience, and opportunities for disc golf events/activations at Park Board facilities.
- An engagement summary will be shared on the project website later in 2025.
- Project staff will continue working closely with the Disc Golf Plan Community Liaison Group.

Regards,

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