



January 12, 2026

MEMO TO : Park Board Commissioners

FROM : Director, Recreation Services
Director, Facilities Management and Operational Excellence

SUBJECT : **Kitsilano Outdoor Pool – Status Update – Board Briefing Memo**

Dear Commissioners,

The purpose of this memo is to provide Commissioners with a status update on the Kitsilano Outdoor Pool from recent weather impacts. The information contained in this memo is also being shared with Council

A series of king tides (high-water), and subsequent low-tide events which significantly increase water levels have taken place in and around the lower mainland during the week of Jan 4 to Jan 7, 2026.

Following these extreme weather events, REFM staff identified additional water loss at the Kitsilano Outdoor Pool, which resulted in pool water levels dropping approximately 6 ft over a 2-day period (approx. ~2.6 million liters of water loss). The unexpected water loss is likely caused by a break(s) in the under-slab water supply piping resulting from the weather events.

The full extent of the repairs to the expected pipe fracture is currently under investigation. Once the king tides season is over, a full review of the piping system can be completed, and a repair strategy will be developed and communicated

As a reminder to Commissioners, work is currently underway to plan for the renewal of Kitsilano Outdoor Pool. The feasibility study scope is nearing completion. Staff expect to present information and recommendations to Park Board and Council early this year to support funding decisions in the upcoming 2027-2030 Capital Plan

Regards,

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Steve Kellock (he/him)
Director, Recreation Services

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carrie Hughes".

Carrie Hughes (she/her)
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