



VANCOUVER  
BOARD OF  
PARKS AND  
RECREATION

May 2, 2022

MEMO TO : Park Board Commissioners

FROM : Donnie Rosa - General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT : **Trillium Park Boundary & Right-of-Way Changes - Board Briefing Memo**

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Dear Commissioners,

The purpose of this memo is to outline the Park Board's jurisdiction over Trillium Park as it relates to the attached memo from the City's Engineering Department regarding changes to the park's boundary and right-of-way area.

Trillium Park is currently under the Park Board's care, custody and management; it has not been designated as either a permanent or temporary park per the Vancouver Charter. For parks under the Park Board's care, custody and management, the City retains all authority to:

- 1) take land out of park use (i.e. repurpose it for a utility corridor or road),
- 2) grant licences for utility purposes; and
- 3) construct and maintain non-park works.

Typically, a boundary change to a park under Park Board custody and management requires either City Manager or City Council support. Park Board is to be consulted but is not a decision maker. At this time, it is unknown if changes to the park boundary will require Council approval. Engineering staff will consult with Legal Services and will provide an update to Park Board staff. If Council approval will be required for the boundary change the Board will be updated.

The changes to current park use, as outlined by Engineering, will not impact active park programming. The area is currently an open lawn area north of any planting beds. Park Board staff will continue to engage with Engineering staff on their proposed changes. If the road design impacts any existing trees Park Board will seek to relocate them. Park Board staff are also continuing to work with the City on the ongoing project to review and designate all parks without confirmed permanent or temporary public park status per the Charter.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Donnie Rosa', written over a circular scribble.

Donnie Rosa *(they/she)*  
General Manager - Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

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## MEMORANDUM

April 27, 2022

TO: Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

FROM: Raghav Grover, P.Eng., Assistant Branch Manager  
Sebastian Huang (EIT), Project Engineer

SUBJECT: Trillium Park - Change in Park Boundary and Upcoming Construction Works in Engineering right of way (Northern Edge)

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This memo provides an update on the change in park boundary and a summary of construction works and associated timelines in the northern edge of Trillium Park.

### **Change to Park Boundary**

The northern area of Trillium Park has been identified as an Engineering right of way to accommodate the future arterial and realignment of Malkin Avenue since 2012.

The road network has evolved in recent years and the ultimate road network has been designed to meet several of the City's transportation objectives, False Creek Flats Area Plan (2017) requirements, access requirements for future land developments and existing land uses, and the recent arterial decision on Prior-Venables (2019).

Road A, which goes through a portion of this Engineering right of way in Trillium Park will be the primary access to the emergency centre for New St. Paul's Hospital from Prior St including ambulance and public access. It also has pedestrian and bike connections, landscaped boulevard, and an underground watermain to service the hospital development

The Trillium Park concept plan approved by the Park Board in 2012 shows this 30m right of way (refer Figure 1 in Appendix A). The report and concept plan note that the park design takes this right of way into account by ensuring major and significant park features are not located in this area of the park.

The updated right of way area required for road purposes with the new design and Prior-Venables arterial alignment has decreased compared to that shown in 2012. Engineering will follow up to provide Park Board staff with a survey plan to indicate the new park boundary. The sketch plan shown in Figure 2 (see Appendix A) approximately shows the new (in red) park boundary along Road A and the 2012 right of way (in dotted black lines). The subdivision process required to establish this road dedication and updated Trillium Park boundary will be led

by Engineering and Real Estate Services later this year. We will be providing a subsequent update on this process along with the timelines to Park Board staff.

### Short Term Construction

New St. Paul's has phased the construction schedule for Road A as per their development requirements. Underground works to install the Watermain are planned to start in early May 2022. Park access will be impacted within the work zone in the northern edge of Trillium Park and the contractor will be working under an approved traffic management plan. Following completion of the water main works park access through this right of way will be reopened to the public. The remainder of works are planned for future as per the table below:

Activity	Current Schedule
Watermain Construction	May 4 <sup>th</sup> – June 4 <sup>th</sup> ,2022
Roadworks including street lighting	Q4 2023
Landscaping and Paint Works	Q4 2025

Engineering will continue to work closely with Park Board staff to ensure there are no impacts to other areas of Trillium Park as a result of this work. Some recent photos of this portion of the park are shown in Figures 3 & 4 (see Appendix A).

For further information please refer to the following links:

- [Trillium Park Concept Plan Approval Report \(2012\)](#)
- [New St. Paul's Development Progress](#)
- [False Creek Flats Area Plan](#)
- [Council Report Prior/Venables Arterial Decision \(2019\)](#)

Regards,

Raghav Grover, P.Eng.  
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Trillium Park Boundary Changes – Engineering Right of Way



Figure 1: Engineering Right of Way Trillium Park (Park Board approved Park Concept, 2012)



Figure 2 Sketch showing the updated Engineering Right of Way for road purposes

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**Figure 3:** Trillium Park – Area with Engineering Right of Way Looking East



**Figure 4:** Trillium Park – Area with Engineering Right of Way Looking West