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**Subject:** Upcoming NR: Olympic Village School Site

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Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to let you know that after a positive vote by the Vancouver School Board at their Monday night meeting, **VSB has agreed to proceed with developing** a 99-year lease of City land for a future public elementary school in Olympic Village. You will recall that Council had previously voted in camera to proceed with this land lease, and that the proposed agreement includes a lease back to the City for on-site childcare facilities.

With a site identified, VSB is now able to apply to the Ministry of Education for capital funding.

You may recall this site is adjacent to Hinge Park, however it is not within the boundaries of the park and the Park Board is currently initiating the design phase for a new park east of the Olympic Village neighbourhood. The Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan (ODP) calls for more park space in the SEFC neighbourhood, including expanding Hinge Park, but the timing of that work is unknown at this time.

We plan to announce this in a joint media release on Wednesday, so I would ask that you keep this information confidential until it is publicly announced.

We expect it could be several months before a lease agreement is finalized, but this is a significant and positive step forward in securing a new public school for this growing neighbourhood.

Best,  
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