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Good afternoon Mayor and Councillors,

With the arrival of summer (finally), we are facing our first hot weather alert of the year. Environment Canada is calling for highs of 26 on Saturday and 28 on Sunday, respectively, with cooling temperatures on Monday. Those projections, as well as consultation today with Vancouver Coastal Health, are sufficient to trigger the first phase of the City's heat response plan.

As you may have seen, the City has issued a media release with key messages to assist the public in coping with the increased temperature. Along with the many drinking fountains and bottle filling stations around the City, a temporary drinking station has been installed on the DTES at 58 West Hastings. All of these water sources are mapped on vancouver.ca and the VanConnect app.

Park Board is posting signage at all designated cooling centres; Carnegie Centre is also making arrangements for provision of drinking water and additional cooling space.

VPD, VFRS and Park Rangers will be watching for at-risk members of the public and referring people to fountains and cooling centres as appropriate. Community Services staff are also reaching out to SRO operators and other partners with heat awareness information and recommendations for cooling spaces and increased checks on at-risk tenants.

Please let me know if you require any additional information at this time.

Thanks,
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