Happy Canada Day Mayor and Councillors.

We are seeing large crowds in the vicinity of Canada Place. The numbers are larger than were anticipated for this time in the afternoon and there have been some challenges with pedestrian movement, particularly in and around Waterfront station. VPD is working with Translink to manage pedestrian flow and train timing to Waterfront. Cruise ship traffic is contributing to the congestion, but will resolve as passengers make their way onto the two ships departing this evening.

We have activated the EOC a few hours early and have key personnel in the centre to support coordination efforts. Traffic closures and vehicle barricades around Canada Place will be implemented earlier than originally planned also.

We will provide further updates over the course of the evening. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Best,
Paul