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Subject: Memo - Places for People - Downtown Public Space Strategy

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached memo from Gil Kelley. A short summary of the memo is as follows:

- Planning, Engineering, and Park are delivering a strategy to guide the delivery and improvements of public spaces in the Downtown
- Council Briefing:** There will be a Council Briefing with details on the data and strategy on October 7th.
- Public Engagement:** Staff have started asking for the public's feedback on the strategy's directions and data analysis beginning on September 26th.
- Material:** The Strategy and public engagement boards are available at this link [[Places for People](#)].

Should you have any questions, please contact Gil Kelley at 604.873.7456 or Gil.Kelley@vancouver.ca.

Best,
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MEMORANDUM

October 1, 2019

TO: Mayor and Council

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FROM: Gil Kelley
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SUBJECT: Places for People – Downtown Public Space Strategy

This memo provides information on Places for People – Downtown, an interdepartmental strategy to manage and deliver public spaces in the Downtown Peninsula, and precedes a Council Briefing on October 7th.

In 2017, Council approved the preparation of the Places for People Strategy. Since then, the process involved more than 400 volunteers and over 13,000 participants in walking tours, pop-up public engagement events, outreach, and online surveys. This initiative responds to several recently approved policies including the Climate Emergency Response (2019), and Resilient Vancouver Strategy (2019). Together, these initiatives give policy direction for staff to: support walkable, complete communities; cultivate community connections; provide stewardship and instill pride; strengthen social and cultural assets; and, elevate the voices of underrepresented groups to improve resilience outcomes.

