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Mayor and Council,

Today, Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) issued a Special Weather Statement, indicating that our region will experience the first hot temperatures of the season. Special Weather Statements are routinely issued for unseasonal weather and the first event of the season.

For the Southwest region, hot weather is forecast for Friday May 12 to Tuesday May 16, with daytime high temperatures of high 20s to low 30s, with overnight lows in the low to mid-teens. At this time, temperatures are **not** expected to reach the [BC Heat Alert Response System \(BC HARS\) \[bccdc.ca\]](#) threshold to declare a Heat Warning (Level 1) or an Extreme Heat Emergency (Level 2), but the City is prepared if the forecast changes.

City Staff across multiple departments are planning for the potential of a Heat Warning as a result of this weather. A coordination call is being held Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> to confirm that we are ready to implement our response plans, including activating cooling centres at community centres, should it be necessary. In addition, heat preparedness messaging is about to go out on our City social media channels and information has been sent out to community partners. More information on heat preparedness and response will be available here: [www.vancouver.ca/hotweather](http://www.vancouver.ca/hotweather)

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks  
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