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**Subject:** RE: Pride Parade 2023 - Mayor and Council Final Details - Sunday, August 6

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Just one more note: You're all welcome to bring along your family/friends.

Thanks,

Karen

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**From:** Levitt, Karen <karen.levitt@vancouver.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 1, 2023 5:04 PM  
**To:** Direct to Mayor and Council - DL  
**Cc:** City Manager's Correspondence Group - DL Penney, Tina <Tina.Penney@vancouver.ca>  
**Subject:** Pride Parade 2023 - Mayor and Council Final Details - Sunday, August 6

Dear Mayor and Council,

The Pride Parade is on the horizon ... **this email contains** important details on how you can take part on Sunday, August 6th.

This year's theme is #Reconnect, a reminder of the Vancouver Pride Society's commitment to amplify QTBIPOC voices and nurture community care. Elected officials and staff across various departments will march together, embracing this spirit.

We'll have two City fully electric vehicles: An electric DJ truck led by Lon LaClaire, General Manager of Engineering, and an electric SUV driven by John Odong. This year, instead of t-shirts, we'll carry 'VanProud' signs.

#### **Key Details for August 6th:**

- **Staging Area:** Pendrell Street, between Bidwell and Denman. **Exact Location: B on Pendrell, just east of Denman (see maps below).** To access the staging area please walk west down Pendrell or south down Bidwell as there is no access from Denman or Davie streets.
- **Arrival Time:** Between 11:00-11:30am sharp. Note that access becomes challenging after 11:30 am due to fencing.
- **Parade Route:** Approximately 3.1km, lasting 45-60 minutes.
- **Parade End:** Vehicle traffic disperses on Pacific and Griffiths Way (South Side) and marchers on Carrall Street.
- **Day of contacts:** Hrisa Soumpassis 604-754-7621 or Natti Schmid at 604-679-6527.

#### **Considerations:**

If you have any accessibility needs, please let us know. We'll have 'VanProud' hand fans and sunscreen packets to give away - please remember to hand these out, not throw.

#### **What to Bring:**

- 'Van PROUD' t-shirts from previous years or a pink/purple outfit
- A full non-disposable water bottle
- Sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat
- Comfortable shoes

#### **Travel:**

- Limited parking available
- Impacted Bus routes: #2, #5, #6, #23
- Free Mobi bikes on Parade Day with code 'ridetopride' if you register on Aug 5th or 6th
- Uber/Lyft drop off: Lord Roberts Elementary
- 20-minute walk from Burrard Station or Yaletown Roundhouse Station

**Joining Us:**

- Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation
- Vancouver Public Library
- BC Health and Emergency Services
- Animal Services
- Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services
- Strathcona Community Center
- The Gathering Place
- Other City departments

Attached is the safety-briefing package for your reference. Please contact Hrisa Soumpassis at 604.754.7621 or [hrisa.soumpassis@vancouver.ca](mailto:hrisa.soumpassis@vancouver.ca) with any questions.

Thanks,

Karen

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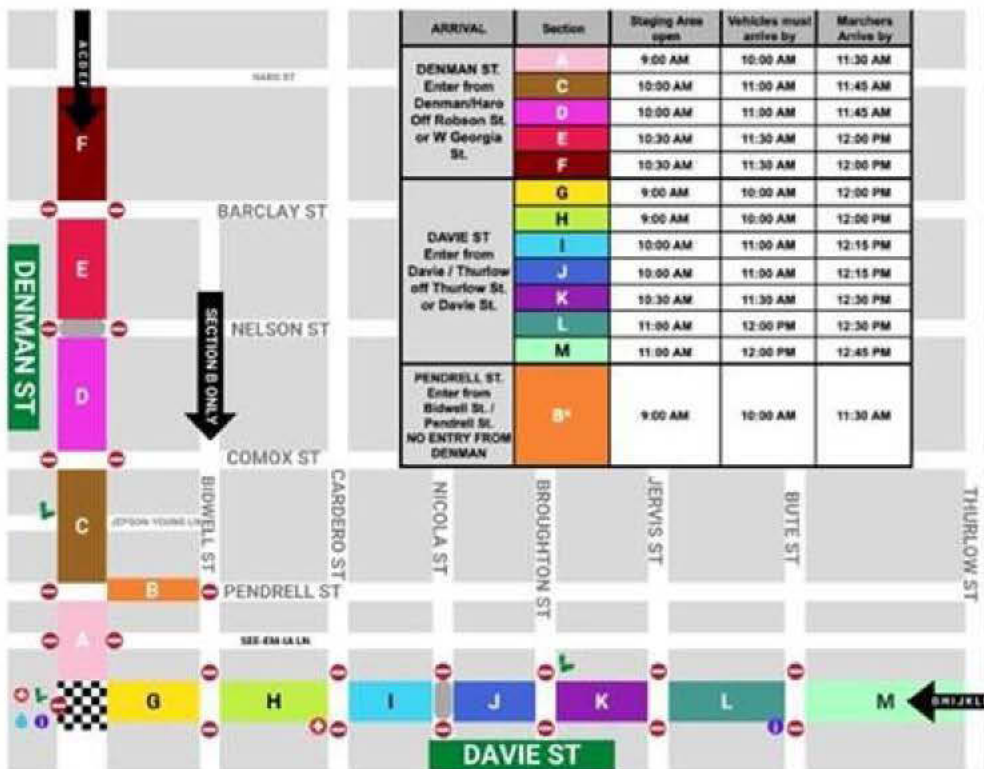
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## 2023 PARADE STAGING MAP



## 2023 PARADE ROUTE MAP



# 2023 PARADE DISPERSAL MAP

