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To: "Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"

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Subject: WC26 Match Schedule Release Date Announced

Dear Mayor and Council,

FIFA has announced that it will reveal the FIFA World Cup 26™ Official Match Schedule during a special live broadcast on **Sunday, February, 4 2024, beginning at 3pm ET**, noting that this is public information.

The Host City allocations for the 104 matches of the game-changing tournament in 2026 will be announced during the special 30-minute program. The broadcast will also reveal the location of the tournament's opening match, details of the first match in each Host Country, the group-stage (early rounds of matches) locations for each Host Country's national team, and the venue for the FIFA World Cup™ 26 Final, which is scheduled for Sunday, July 19, 2026.

We encourage you to reshare the posts on our Host City channels (<u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> accounts @FWC26Vancouver) starting today, to help spread the word and build excitement around the February 4th announcement.

We anticipate that this announcement will generate substantial interest in the event among the public and the media, and we will likely receive a number of questions concerning the event funding. In advance of February 4th, we will provide you key messages you can use should you be approached by media and/or members of the public concerning the match schedule release. As always, we encourage you to refer media inquiries to media@vancouver.ca.

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Karen Levitt, Deputy City Manager (she/her)	

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