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Subject: Update: Andy Livingstone Park Playground at Crosstown Elementary School Update – Board Briefing Memo
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Hello Mayor and Council,

Please find below and attached a memo General Manager of Parks and Recreation Steve Jackson sent to the Park Board yesterday regarding fencing at Andy Livingstone Park playground at Crosstown Elementary School.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me and I will connect with Steve about a response through the weekly Q&A.

Thank you,

Sandra

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From: Park Board GM's Office
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2025 2:14:35 PM
To: Park Board Commissioners - DL
Cc: PB LT (Leadership Team) - DL
CMOffice
Subject: Andy Livingstone Park Playground at Crosstown Elementary School Update – Board Briefing Memo

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Playground Temporary Fence:

Following an on-site meeting with Vancouver School Board ("VSB") staff, Park Board staff have prioritized and completed the installation of a new fence located at the northern edge of the existing playground. The fence is intended as a pilot and will allow for future improvements pending feedback from park and playground users. This fence complements the existing operational measures at this location including daily safety inspections,

on-site supervision by VSB school staff, and frequent cleaning.

The new fence will better delineate the space for children and enable the school to better define the playground area during school hours. The fence is not intended to fully enclose the space or prevent access to the space by park users. In addition to the new fence, Park Board Operations Staff have also completed improvements to the existing Andy Livingston water feature to support an enhanced park experience.

The expansion of the existing playground towards Pacific Avenue was also discussed with VSB staff during the meeting, with VSB staff expressing the preference to keep the current extents of the playground along the southern edge. Accordingly, Park Board Staff will not prioritize the expansion of the playground outwards towards Pacific Avenue into the Street Right-of-Way.

Park Board staff along with VSB staff will evaluate the impact of the temporary fencing initiative. Staff will report back to the Board prior to making any permanent improvements, which may require reprioritizing capital funds in the 2026 capital budget.

Regards,

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Director, Park Planning and Development (Acting) – Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation



August 25, 2025

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