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Subject: Memo to Mayor and Council - 722 Gore Ave - Permanent Park Designation - Report Back (05-01-2026)

Attachments: REFM - Memo to Mayor Council - 722 Gore Report Back - 05-01-2026.pdf

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please find attached a memorandum addressing Council's motion requesting the most appropriate and expeditious manner to designate 722 Gore as permanent park (722 Gore being that triangular road dedication at the NE corner of Gore St and Union St, previously identified for temporary fire hall purposes). There has been a resolution to the temporary fire hall matter, which provides Staff the opportunity to bring this property forward for permanent park designation, as outlined in the attached memo.

Should you have any questions, please contact Andrew Newman, Director Real Estate Services

Best,
Armin

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MEMORANDUM

May 1, 2026

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Donny van Dyk, City Manager
Karen Levitt, Deputy City Manager
Sandra Singh, Deputy City Manager
Katrina Leckovic, City Clerk
Lon LaClaire, General Manager, Engineering Services
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FROM: Armin Amrolia
General Manager, Real Estate, Environment and Facilities Management

SUBJECT: 722 Gore Avenue – Permanent Park Designation

Further to the Members Motion passed on October 23, 2024 (Vote No. 10288), reading:

“THAT Council direct staff to report back with recommendations for park designation of the city-owned sites inclusive of 722 Gore and adjoining right of way to Keefer Street, and with considerations for the most appropriate and expeditious form of designation under the authority of the Vancouver Charter”

Staff can confirm the following:

- 722 Gore Avenue (the “Property”) was considered for a temporary firehall annex to support Firehall #2 at Main & Powell Street. The Property remains dedicated City-street, with plans to close the road and formally raise Title (creating a legal property) following determination of it's final use.
- Due to public concerns with the loss of public greenspace, the City looked for other site options and has now secured an alternative location to support the temporary firehall annex and can confirm that the Property is no longer needed for a firehall.

Permanent Designated Park Process:

- City land can be designated as Permanent Park via a resolution of Council;
- City Staff undertake an intradepartmental review before making a recommendation to Council for sites to be designated Permanent Park;

Next Steps:

- Based on the Members Motion, Staff will commence an intradepartmental review of the Property for Permanent Park Designation and subject to this being supported, bring the Property to Council in the Fall 2026 to simultaneously raise title and seek permanent park designation

Sincerely,



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Deputy City Manager

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