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Dear Commissioners,

As part of our COVID-19 update at our last regular Park Board Meeting, Staff highlighted continued work towards restart plans, which included a prioritization of arenas and indoor pools.

In response to the many enquiries and letters received on these key services, the below notes were sent to our arena and pool user groups this evening to inform them of our formal submission of our arena and pool restart proposals to the City's Business and Process Oversight Committee (BPOC). Our proposal is scheduled to be reviewed by BPOC on Thursday (Aug6). If we are able to receive approval on Thursday, our plan is to release a formal information bulletin on Monday.

We will continue to work on our communications strategy to the broader public to ensure our valued customers and communities are informed and aware of these restart plans, and will keep Commissioners informed through the summer as we continue to move forward with restart plans.

Thank you for your support and patience.

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Dear Aquatics Program Representative:

The Vancouver Park Board thanks you for your patience and understanding as we navigate the uncertainties related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and its impacts on the operations of our indoor pools.

This update is to advise you that the recreation management team has completed and submitted the required **indoor pools reopening proposal** to the City's Business Planning and Oversight Committee (BPOC) for review and approval. We hope to hear back from the committee and to share the results with you as early as next week.

Under the assumption all current internal timelines are met, and in anticipation of federal and provincial funding support, the proposed plan aims to enable a phased reopening of indoor pools beginning as early as mid-September. Staff will also reach out to community sport organizations to discuss next steps.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding as we work through this, and we look forward to speaking with you soon.

Kind regards,

Recreation Management Team

Dear Arena Program Representative:

The Vancouver Park Board thanks you for your patience and understanding as we navigate the uncertainties related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and its impacts on the operations of our arenas.

This update is to advise you that the recreation management team has completed and submitted the required **arenas reopening proposal** to the City's Business Planning and Oversight Committee (BPOC) for review and approval. We hope to hear back from the committee and to share the results with you as early as next week.

Under the assumption all current internal timelines are met, and in anticipation of federal and provincial funding support, the proposed plan aims to enable a phased reopening of arenas beginning as early as late-September. Staff will also reach out to community sport organizations to discuss next steps.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding as we work through this, and we look forward to speaking with you soon.

Kind regards,

Recreation Management Team