

September 6, 2019

MEMO TO : Park Board Commissioners

FROM : Malcolm Bromley

General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Track & Field Strategy Update - Board Briefing Memo

## Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to notify you that the Vancouver School Board (VSB) will be receiving an update on the Park Board Track & Field Strategy at their Facilities Planning Committee meeting scheduled for September 11, 2019. The VSB staff information report (copy attached) outlines the purpose of the strategy along with the preliminary ideas for facility improvements and programming that were shared through the public engagement process for the project.

As noted in the <u>Track & Field Strategy Update presentation</u> to the Board last December, Park Board staff, in collaboration with VSB, have been developing a plan to improve track and field facilities across the city. The strategy will provide guidance for programming and facility investments, including locating a new 8-lane rubberized track for training and competitions.

The final round of public engagement, which wrapped-up in early July, sought feedback on the proposed classification of the existing 14 tracks, and included consideration of Vancouver Technical Secondary and Churchill Secondary as potential future sites for competition facilities. Staff expect to have the final proposed strategy ready for the Board's consideration in early fall.

Regards,

Malcolm Bromley

General Manager - Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

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