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November 24, 2021

MEMO TO : Park Board Commissioners

FROM : Donnie Rosa - General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT : **VanSplash Annual Update Follow-Up – Board Briefing Memo**

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Dear Commissioners,

The purpose of this memo is to clarify the capital planning and funding process in response to questions that arose at the [VanSplash Implementation Update & Outdoor Pool Study](#) presentation to the Board on November 15, 2021.

In September 2020, during the [2019-2022 Capital Plan - Midterm Update](#), and in November 2020, at the [2021 Service Plan, Operating & Capital Budgets Special meeting](#), staff confirmed that funding is available for the scoping and planning work for a Mount Pleasant Outdoor Pool. Through the [General Manager's report](#) presented in May 2021, the Board was informed about plans for an Outdoor Pool Study to complete this scoping and preliminary planning work. The Board was sent an [Outdoor Pool Study Update](#) on July 2, 2021, which included the study scope along with an outline and timeline of the capital planning and VanSplash approval process. The [Outdoor Pool Study](#) was completed in October 2021, with outcomes included in the VanSplash presentation to the the Board on November 15, 2021. This study completed the scoping and planning for the Mount Pleasant Outdoor Pool and the renovation of Hillcrest Outdoor Pool, both projects approved as part of the VanSplash strategy in October 2019.

VanSplash does not specifically prioritize recommendations for pools. Prioritization for pools will occur concurrently with the recommendations from other Park Board approved strategies during the 2023-2026 Capital Planning process. This process will work within a single funding envelope and conclude in decisions by the Board and Council in 2022. The Board will consider aquatic facilities along with other facilities, including community centres, rinks, specialty recreational spaces and other parks and open space capital projects.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Donnie Rosa', written over a circular scribble.

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