

September 23, 2016

Distributed via email

Dear CCA Presidents and Directors,

**Re: CCA JOA Consultation Process & Timeline Update**

I am writing to you today to provide a status update on the JOA Consultation process and timeline.

As indicated in my previous email, our meeting on the Draft 2 JOA this Saturday, Sep 24<sup>th</sup> has been shortened - it will be from 9am to approximately 11am at Kensington Community Centre. Since we have agreed with the request from a number of CCAs for a shorter meeting in order to allow Associations more review time, we will focus on identifying priority areas that Associations would most like to discuss so the Park Board has some topline feedback from everyone.

As a result of the shorter meeting this Saturday, our facilitator - Raymond Penner - has advised that we will want to make sure that the sessions following this Saturday are used to focus on areas where the CCAs feel open discussion and dialogue would be the best way to provide feedback. Raymond has advised that in the event there is not sufficient time in the upcoming meetings to discuss all the areas that the CCAs would like, the online survey provides another channel for giving the Park Board your feedback. As well, it provides a means for those of you who cannot attend the feedback sessions to provide your feedback. As a reminder, the online survey has been available since September 10<sup>th</sup> and will remain open for a month, until the end of day October 7<sup>th</sup>. So you have it handy, the [link for the survey](http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3023771/VPB-JOA-Draft-2-Consultation-Input) is: <http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3023771/VPB-JOA-Draft-2-Consultation-Input>.

During tomorrow's session we will:

1. Review the amended schedule between now and the process completion date for the CCAs to sign the new JOA.
2. Identify priority areas in the Draft JOA that CCAs would most like to discuss in the upcoming two evening meetings.

Following tomorrow's meeting, based on your survey responses (thank you everyone), Park Board staff have identified the following dates for two feedback sessions (locations to be determined):

- Wednesday, September 28, 6:30-9pm
- Wednesday, October 5, 6:30-9pm

These two sessions will focus on gathering feedback on the priority areas that the CCAs identify at this Saturday's meeting. Again, the online survey will remain open after the October 5 session to capture any remaining feedback.



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As the Park Board team has been doing to date, they will carefully consider all feedback to determine if there are tweaks that need to be made or issues to consider before the final JOA is generated.

Our target is to send you the final JOA by the end of October. Park Board staff are making plans for a special public meeting in early November so Commissioners can hear from speakers and formally vote on the final new JOA. CCAs will then have a further month to review and sign the agreement.

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners we appreciate the spirit that has characterized this process and your participation and honest feedback.

We look forward to seeing many of you Saturday.

Thank you,

Sarah Kirby-Yung  
Chair, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation