

July 24, 2020



# Village Update

Your weekly news & updates

## Updates from the Municipality

### From the Mayor's Desk

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Hello Lions Bay.

**You can watch the video above by clicking on my picture!**

#### Topics covered:

- Rezoning our 35 Kelvin Grove lot to multi-residential. Full message and financial logic in the video!
- Kelvin Grove cliff jumping strategy.

#### Recent Kelvin Grove & Cliff Jumping information:

- New signage in place. Kelvin Grove is entirely permit parking only.
- On the 11th the CN Police were in the Village. No tickets issued but 40 were turned away.
- On the 15th, off duty public works staff wrote 17 parking tickets in 1 hour and 15 minutes before going to fire practice.
- Last Saturday the CN Police wrote 15 tickets.
- Last Sunday there was a serious incident. Fire Chief Oliver's [report](#) states "24yo male on Ketamine and Alcohol, jumped off a 70ft cliff."
- Another, less serious incident occurred the following day. Our Fire Department attends these calls and are paid by us. The Village does not get Provincial compensation for these calls as they would for highway incidents.

Our enforcement battle is not only at Kelvin Grove. Last weekend, our Bylaw Enforcement Officers (BEO's) wrote 72 tickets throughout the Village. Last year from April to July 23, 2019 we wrote 377 tickets. For the same period this year we have written 427 tickets. Our BEO's are exhausted from the volume of work and are continually being confronted during the performance of their duties. Calling the Bylaw Officer phone number is a good thing, sending an email to [bylaw@lionsbay.ca](mailto:bylaw@lionsbay.ca) is a better thing, but residents need to manage their expectations. Our BEO personnel are run off their feet and are doing the best they can to provide effective enforcement. They may not be able to respond to you in a timely manner as they make independent decisions about prioritization.

During their regular work week our public works department will write up infractions if they are able to. Earlier this week, over 30 tickets were written between Public Works Staff and the Building Inspector.

We really are putting all hands on deck to send the strongest message we can. We will have a BEO on Thursday and Friday afternoon/evening, 2 on Saturday from morning till night and 3 on Sunday from morning till night.

I hope you, and your loved ones, are safe and healthy.

Ron

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CN Police at Kelvin Grove Crossing



The 2019 (draft) Annual Report is now available for review. It can be viewed on the Village website [here](#), or at the Village Office.

Council will consider the Annual Report at the regular Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 28 at 7:00 p.m. This is your opportunity to ask questions or provide comments on the report.



The Village of Lions Bay is a Bear Smart Community and has bylaws in place to help mitigate human-bear conflicts. One of the key measures enacted requires residents to place their waste at the street on collection days between 5:00 am and 7:30 am. This limits the time waste is left out before being collected. For full details on other measures, please see the [Village of Lions Bay Garbage and Recycling Collection Bylaw No. 455, 2013](#).



**Bear Season Has Begun.** Typically, bears tend to den between late November and February – during this time they generally don't need to drink, eat, or even go to the bathroom. Their activity ramps up in early March as they emerge from their dens in search of food. Managing bear attractants is key to reducing human-bear conflicts and each resident of the Village of Lions Bay has a responsibility to manage attractants on their property. Improperly managed garbage, bird seed, unpicked fruit on trees, beehives, and other attractants are the primary cause of human-bear conflict. To help mitigate some of the risks see the helpful tips in the [“Bear Season is Here”](#) infographic.

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### No Extended Summer Hours for Shuttle Service

Translink has confirmed that the planned increases for summer extended hours did

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS BEACH, PARKS AND TRAILS AMBASSADORS

The Village of Lions Bay is looking for energetic, friendly and diplomatic ambassadors to provide residents and visitors with gentle reminders and education about the ongoing risks of COVID-19 and the need to protect



each other from the virus by practicing physical distancing and respecting one another in our public places as we re-open some facilities under Phase 3 of the BC Restart Plan.

As you will have seen elsewhere in this edition of the Village Update, the Lions Bay Beach Park will be re-opened on July 1<sup>st</sup> and we will need to monitor use and occupancy limits to maintain safe and healthy enjoyment of the park and its amenities. This may require manning entry points, just like you experience at the grocery store and other locations, as well as carrying tools to help demonstrate 2 metres of distancing, such as a kayak or canoe paddle of that length.

Beaches and trails within Lions Bay and at trailheads to points beyond could also use the friendly help and guidance of volunteer ambassadors to provide reminders, parking directions, and general information to the public visiting our nature areas.

Volunteers will report to Municipal staff, receive training on their roles and responsibilities, be provided with non-medical masks and safety vests to readily identify them to the public, and will provide brief information reports to staff. Volunteers are covered against liability for transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus under Ministerial Order 120 and for general 3<sup>rd</sup> party liability by the Municipality's insurers, along with receiving basic medical coverage for any defined injuries (excluding sickness and disease).

Applicants should be fit and in good health and aware of the risks of COVID-19, especially in a role that requires interaction with the public. All applicants will be required to sign an acknowledgement of risk in relation to their roles and responsibilities and COVID-19.

*If you are interested in joining our team, please email [cao@lionsbay.ca](mailto:cao@lionsbay.ca) as soon as possible with your name, physical and mailing address, email address and phone number(s), and answer the following:*

(1) Please describe why you are interested in becoming a Village of Lions Bay Volunteer Beach, Trails and Parks Ambassador.

(2) Please provide a brief summary of your relevant experience and how it fits with the roles and responsibilities outlined above.

*\*\*Please note that participation is in a volunteer capacity – there is no remuneration for serving as a Beach, Trails and Parks Ambassador. If appointed, your name may appear on the Village of Lions Bay website and your contact information will be provided to staff and other appointed Ambassadors.*

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## COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Regular Council Meeting - July 28, 2020 at 7 p.m. via [Zoom](#)

Meeting Calendar

*Note: We are changing the way we do Council meetings to meet physical distancing requirements. Video conferencing is available for public participation via [Zoom](#). Instructions on how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found [here](#).*

*We thank you for your patience as we learn new ways of conducting Council meetings and navigate through new technologies.*

### **Public Viewing Etiquette**

- *Public participation is still available on Zoom, during the Public Participation section of the agenda. Please read the instructions*
- *Silent viewing only, until you are called upon to speak (if desired). Please do not interrupt Council discussion*
- *Limit background distractions by muting your microphone and keeping video turned off until such time as it's your turn to speak (if applicable).*
- *If interruptions are repeated, the participant will be removed from the meeting*

*It is still possible to attend meetings in-person but please be advised that seating is limited to five (5) seats maximum for the general public in order to meet physical distancing in Council Chambers, and will be offered on a first come, first served basis.*

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## What's Happening in Lions Bay

### **Turmeric Trailer Food Truck in Lions Bay Today!**

**THE TUMERIC TRAILER - July 24 from 5-8pm.**

Walk up orders - please be patient and don't forget to observe physical distancing.

Two hot options:

**1. 'Buffalo Cauliflower Wings with herbed**



couscous & ranch dressing (Ve/V)

and

2. Potato & Chickpea Curry with rice,  
coconut yoghurt & katchumba salad  
(Ve/V/GF)

Lions Bay Arts presents...

## Art in the Park

Fun, inspired art lessons from local artist Barb San Severino



**DATE:** Friday, August 7, 2020 (Rain Date:  
Friday, August 28, 2020)

**TIME:** Ages 3-5 years old: 11-11:30 a.m.  
Ages 6-8 years old: 11:45 a.m -12:45p.m.

**Location:** Wade Park (Isleview Avenue,  
Lions Bay)

**Cost:** \$5/child age 3-5; \$10/child age 6-8  
for family members of Lions Bay Arts

**Not already a Lions Bay Arts family member?:** \$35 will buy a lifetime membership for your whole family, which will enable you to participate in this and all future ArtSpark programs going forward. Visit [lionsbayarts.ca](https://lionsbayarts.ca) for more info.

**Registration:** Please email [robinspano@gmail.com](mailto:robinspano@gmail.com) to secure a spot for your kids.

**COVID Safety:** Because we're all in family bubbles right now, we'll need one supervising adult to be present for each child. (It can be one parent for multiple kids within your family bubble.)

We will limit registration to 6 children per time slot to ensure adequate spacing between children. We will fully sanitize tables, chairs, and art supplies. If your child or a family member has cold or flu-like symptoms, or has recently been in contact with anyone who's tested positive for COVID-19, please stay home and we will refund your fee or give you credit toward another ArtSpark initiative, whichever you prefer.

**Questions?** Email [robinspano@gmail.com](mailto:robinspano@gmail.com) for more info.



Effective at noon, Friday, July 24, 2020, most open burning activities will be prohibited throughout the Coastal Fire Centre's jurisdiction.

For more information check out the [BC Wildfire Service](#) website

## Use Travel Etiquette When Visiting Local Communities

Vancouver, BC – Vancouver Coastal Health believes travel within B.C. this summer – including destinations in our region such as the Central and Sunshine coasts and Sea-to-Sky communities – can be done in a way that reduces the risk of transmission and keeps communities safe.

“Our coastal communities are renowned for their natural destinations and attract people from all over the world. These communities might not see international travellers this summer, but we know there are many people from other parts of B.C. and Canada looking to visit our region this summer,” said Dr. Geoff McKee, VCH Medical Health Officer for the Coastal Community of Care. “Visitors have a responsibility to respect the communities they’re coming to, follow public health advice and prevent the spread of COVID-19 to these smaller communities.”

In order to manage the risk, residents and visitors need to take precautions. Tourism operators and other businesses are required to develop and implement COVID-19 safety plans that adhere to WorkSafeBC guidelines. We encourage people to [notify VCH Health Protection](#) if businesses are not following guidelines. Environmental Health Officers will respond to complaints from the public and take the appropriate enforcement action, if necessary. Residents should continue to take precautions, practicing good hygiene and physical distancing, as well as staying home if sick (and getting tested if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms).

Visitors are expected to respect community practices and restrictions and take precautions during their visit. Follow the [Travel Manners](#) set out by Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry:

- Check before you go
- Fewer faces in bigger spaces
- If sick, stay home
- Wash your hands
- Keep a safe physical distance
- Come prepared, bring supplies
- Respect travel advisories

Travel to Canada for non-essential reasons, such as for tourism, is currently prohibited. Visitors arriving from international destinations for essential reasons are required to self-quarantine for 14 days upon arrival.

VCH continues to monitor cases throughout our region and will alter recommendations as necessary. While there can be cases anywhere in B.C., if we follow the public health guidance and continue working together, we will be better

prepared.

COVID-19 is spread by respiratory droplets when a person who is sick coughs or sneezes. It can also be spread when a healthy person touches an object or surface (e.g. a doorknob or a table) with the virus on it, and then touches their mouth, nose or eyes before washing their hands. Most people who get COVID-19 have only mild disease, but a few people can get very sick and may need to go to hospital. The symptoms of COVID-19 may include fatigue, loss of appetite, fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, loss of smell and/or diarrhea. Visit [vch.ca/covid19](http://vch.ca/covid19) for more information.

Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) is responsible for the delivery of \$3.6 billion in community, hospital and long-term care to more than one million people in communities including Richmond, Vancouver, the North Shore, Sunshine Coast, Sea to Sky corridor, Powell River, Bella Bella and Bella Coola. VCH also provides specialized care and services for people throughout B.C., and is the province's hub of health care education and research.



## Calling all Lions Bay residents age 12-18

UNESCO has extended the short story contest called Once Upon A Time in My Future.

Climate change, human rights violations, conflicts, racism and discrimination are among many threats to our present and future. In the face of adversity and the manifold consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic, creative young minds need to be encouraged to find innovative solutions.

**Extension of deadline for submission: 15 October 2020 at midnight (CET).**

Write a very short story (250-500 words) to win some awesome prizes. Details are [here](#).

Lions Bay Arts is offering three local prizes to encourage local entries. The top Lions Bay entry will win \$100 from Lions Bay Arts, and two runners up will win \$50 each. Details for this contest, including some short story writing tips to get you started, are [here](#).

The deadline for both contests is OCTOBER 15, 2020. Good luck to all entrants!