

Stanley Park for All

If you care about Stanley Park express your concern! We are a group of concerned citizens dedicated to keeping awareness up on the threats to Stanley Park.

Again, and without sufficient consultation with citizens, user groups, or business tenants, the Vancouver Park Board has resurrected a resolution to “temporarily” convert a Stanley Park Drive vehicle lane and several parking lots into a dedicated bicycle path that is not reasonable, safe, rational, or logical. It has nothing to do with climate change or the COVID pandemic.

Thousands of park users, members of the public and advocacy groups have expressed ongoing concerns and objections over the past year regarding Stanley Park’s accessibility for families with young children, seniors, disabled and visitors. The Park Board continues to ignore public opinion, facts, and the democratic process.

The Park Board claim these road changes are only temporary: exactly what was said last year, but here we are again. The Beach Avenue access/exit has been blocked for over a year. We are concerned the restricted access into and through Stanley Park will be permanent as the Park Board pushes ahead with their undisclosed internal vision for **your** park.

How will this impact YOU?

- The climate! This plan is contrary to reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Lane restrictions slow traffic, cause idling and lengthens vehicle travel time and distances within the Park.
- One lane through the Park will push out traffic congestion into Vancouver along Georgia Street and the West End.
- Causeway exit/entrance closures to/from the North Shore, and the Beach Avenue closure, further restricts access. All traffic is forced to exit the Park via Lost Lagoon Drive, compounding congestion on Georgia and the West End.
- Businesses with long term leases and large financial investments have and will continue to suffer from the lane restrictions and loss of essential parking spaces. Visitors will lose these amenities so crucial for enjoying the park.
- Park Board revenue will drop from lost parking fees and reduced Park based businesses’ lease revenues. Public parks need funding. Will property taxes increase to make up the short fall to maintain park services across the city?
- People with limited mobility, like the disabled, seniors, families with children and grandparents, will no longer be able to easily access Stanley Park.

A dedicated bike lane has deep and long-term effects. A comprehensive, inclusive, and consultative plan is needed where citizens and stakeholders have input to ensure roadway changes benefit all users, not just one user group, now and into the future.

Stanley Park for All needs your help to keep the pressure on this issue to ensure the public is heard and the park remains accessible for all.

Please write all the following NOW and vote in the surveys to express your concerns before it is too late:

- Park Board Commissioners: PBcommissioners@vancouver.ca
- Donnie Rosa, General Manager, Parks & Recreation: donnie.rosa@vancouver.ca
- City of Vancouver Mayor and Council: Click [here](#)
- City Manager: paul.mocharie@vancouver.ca

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/stanley-park-businesses-bike-lane-bc-supreme-court-petition>
<https://www.change.org/p/vancouver-park-board-keep-stanley-park-open-for-all>

Stanley Park for All is an organizing committee comprised of several engaged and connected private citizens and groups, as well as Prospect Point Bar & Grill, Teahouse Restaurant, Stanley Park Horse-Drawn Tours, Spokes Bike Rentals, and the Sylvia Hotel. Our sole purpose is in our name.



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