

ABC VANCOUVER PARK BOARD PLATFORM

OUR VISION

Every Vancouverite deserves access to clean, safe, affordable and welcoming parks and recreation facilities. An ABC Park Board will work closely with City Council to invest in the spaces and programs that bring families together, expand recreation opportunities and keep Vancouver's parks among the best in the world.



DOUBLE VANCOUVER'S DOG PARKS

Vancouver's dog owners need more places to exercise and enjoy time with their pets, safely. An ABC Park Board will be hyper-focused on expanding off-leash areas and doubling the number of dog parks, ensuring every neighbourhood has access to quality spaces for residents and their dogs. We are also committed to keeping drugs out of our parks to protect everyone, including our four-legged friends.



MAKE SWIMMING LESSONS FREE FOR KIDS

Every child should have the opportunity to learn how to swim. An ABC Park Board will deliver on the ABC Council-passed Joe Fortes Learn-to-Swim program, providing free access to the first three levels for children ages 3-12, while expanding capacity so more children can get a lesson. Likewise, an ABC Park Board will work with an ABC Vancouver School Board to get kids into school-time swimming lessons.



INVEST IN CLEANER, SAFER PARKS

Parks should be clean, safe and welcoming for everyone (including our pets). An ABC Park Board will keep parks, playgrounds, gardens, boulevards and public spaces mowed, clean, family-friendly and needle-free, so Vancouverites can enjoy them with confidence.



RESTORE THE STANLEY PARK TRAIN

The Stanley Park Train is a beloved Vancouver tradition for generations of families and visitors. An ABC Park Board will restore the Stanley Park Train, bringing this iconic attraction back to life and will work to bring back Bright Nights and the Halloween train immediately.



BUILD MORE POOLS AND EXPAND RECREATION

An ABC Park Board will build new public pools at Sunset and Marpole, develop the Aquatic Centre as a 50-metre pool and expand recreation and youth programming. We will invest in more opportunities for Vancouverites of all ages to stay active and connected. An ABC Park Board will also create a year-round, public, covered pickleball facility, giving residents more opportunities to stay active in every season.



KEEP PARKS AND RECREATION AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE

Vancouver's parks and recreation facilities should be accessible to everyone. An ABC Park Board will remove paid parking at Jericho, Spanish Banks and all community centres and restore open access at Kitsilano Pool.