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# Memorandum

Date:	May 14, 2024
Submitted by:	Community Services Department – Parks Division
Subject:	Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places, Bylaw No. 3456 – Three
	Readings

At the Regular Council meeting held on April 23, 2024, Council considered a report from the Acting General Manager of Community Services regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Pilot Program – Next Steps (**Attachment 1**) and passed the following resolution:

### <u>RC24/106 and 107b</u>

THAT staff be directed to implement a permanent program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in identified public places as recommended in the report dated April 23, 2024, from the Acting General Manager of Community Services regarding Responsible Liquor Consumption in Public Places Pilot Program – Next Steps;

AND THAT staff report back at the next Regular Council meeting with a new draft Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw for consideration of first three readings;

AND THAT Pioneer Park be removed from the list of permitted public places for the responsible consumption of liquor.

City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2024, No. 3456 (**Attachment 2**)—a bylaw to designate certain public places for the responsible consumption of liquor outdoors—will be before Council for consideration of first three readings at the Regular Council meeting of May 14, 2024. The recommended resolution is:

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2024, No. 3456 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the memo dated May 14, 2024, from the Community Services Department – Parks Division regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places, Bylaw No. 3456 – Three Readings.

Attachment(s)

- 1. Report considered at the April 23, 2024, RC meeting Responsible Liquor Consumption in Public Places.
- 2. Draft City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2024, No. 3456.

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Stephanie Lam, City Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services - May 2, 2024

Lindsay Todd, Manager of Communications and Engagement - May 2, 2024

Paul Rockwood, General Manager of Finance and Technology - May 3, 2024

Anna Mathewson, City Manager - May 3, 2024

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Report/Recommendation to Council

Date:April 23, 2024Submitted by:Acting General Manager of Community ServicesSubject:Responsible Liquor Consumption in Public Places Pilot Program – Next Steps

### Purpose

To seek Council direction on next steps for responsible liquor consumption in public places.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT staff be directed to implement a permanent program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in identified public places as recommended in the report dated April 23, 2024, from the Acting General Manager of Community Services regarding Responsible Liquor Consumption in Public Places Pilot Program – Next Steps;

AND THAT staff report back at the next Regular Council meeting with a new draft Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw for consideration of first three readings.

### Background

Public parks and spaces play a critical role in the mental and physical wellness of the community. During the COVID-19 pandemic, there was a significant increase in the use of the Port Moody parks system as the community sought activity through outdoor spaces. As COVID-19 restrictions eased, parks continued to be popular as they provide a safe environment for the community to reconnect and engage socially. Some Metro Vancouver municipalities have in recent years introduced bylaws allowing for the responsible consumption of liquor in parks; their experience has been reported to be generally positive and supported by residents and local businesses.

At the Council meeting held on June 28, 2022, Council passed the following resolution directing staff to report back on the potential implementation of a pilot program for responsible liquor consumption in public places:

### RC22/217-220

THAT staff report back with a proposed bylaw for a pilot project that allows for the responsible consumption of alcohol in public spaces;

AND THAT this bylaw not include any School District No. 43 joint parks;

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AND THAT there be a 'no-go' zone established of 10 meters from playground equipment;

AND THAT staff implement this bylaw for summer 2022 and report back in January 2023 regarding impacts, and recommendations for any potential amendments;

AND THAT staff report back with options for discreet consumption of alcohol.

Staff reported back with a bylaw for Council consideration at the Council meeting held on July 26, 2022; the following resolution was passed:

### RC22/261

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2022, No. 3375 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated July 13, 2022, from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement a pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3375;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back in January 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and recommended next steps.

Bylaw No. 3375 was adopted at a Special Council meeting held on July 28, 2022. The Bylaw included an expiry date of April 30, 2023.

At the Regular Council meeting held on February 28, 2023, staff proposed an extension to the pilot program until the end of December 2023 to better assess the pilot program and to conduct public engagement (Attachment 1) over the summer months. The following resolution was passed:

### RC23/036

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated February 15, 2023, from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement an extended pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3392;

AND THAT an allocation of \$36,500 for Parks Division maintenance support and signage requirements for the pilot program extension be funded from CM220001 -Council Strategic Plan Goals;

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AND THAT staff be directed to report back in late 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and to seek Council direction on next steps.

Bylaw No. 3392 was adopted at the Regular Council meeting held on March 14, 2023, with a program expiry date of December 31, 2023 (**Attachment 2**). Council endorsed the public engagement approach at the June 13, 2023, Regular Council (**Attachment 3**).

### Discussion

For the 2022 pilot program, the following public places were approved for responsible consumption of liquor from 11am to dusk:

- Rocky Point Park;
- Old Orchard Park;
- Pioneer Memorial Park (excluding the Labyrinth Healing Garden);
- Kyle Centre pop-up park;
- Trasolini Field spectator stands;
- Inlet Field spectator stands; and
- Queens Street Plaza.

These sites provided a range of geographic locations across the City, and proximity to washrooms was a key consideration. Neighbourhood parks were not recommended, particularly because the tight timeline did not allow for resident engagement. The pilot program also excluded property owned, leased, or licensed to the City by School District No. 43. Based on legal advice and input from the Port Moody Police Department (PMPD), permitting liquor in all public spaces, such as sidewalks and trails, was not considered. Schedule A of the Bylaw included maps that outlined the permitted spaces in the above sites within which responsible consumption of liquor could occur. A 10m buffer zone was provided around children's play areas, except for Old Orchard Beach due to the inclusion of the picnic shelter area. New signage was installed at each of the sites showing the boundaries of the permitted spaces and the hours that liquor could be consumed. The pilot program began in early August 2022.

Given that the pilot program ran over the late summer months of 2022 – a relatively limited timeframe for conducive weather – in early 2023 staff recommended that the pilot program be extended through the end of 2023. This was to provide for a full summer season in these spaces (including in conjunction with major events taking place in Rocky Point Park), to allow staff more time to evaluate the program and gather data, and to allow engagement with park users and other stakeholders, including local businesses over the high usage summer months. Staff later developed a public engagement plan prior to the intended summer engagement.

For the duration of the extended pilot in 2023, two locations were removed:

- Old Orchard Park beach area, while still allowing consumption within the remainder of the park area previously identified. This was to remove any concerns about alcohol in a swimming beach area and address challenges related to cleaning up beach sand with respect to broken glass.
- Inlet Field spectator stands, as the park is closed with no public access while under construction.

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As feedback on the early implementation stage of the pilot, PMPD and Bylaws staff recommended additional signage in some locations, including to provide greater clarity on boundaries. As part of the pilot extension, additional resources were approved for new signage (put in place spring 2023), along with parks maintenance support for litter removal and recycling through to the end of 2023.

Staff met with Fraser Health to review indicators and considerations for how best to evaluate alcohol consumption in public places, for example, a suggestion to engage with park users as well as those who may have avoided these spaces as a result. This feedback was integrated into the public engagement process.

Council endorsed the extension of the pilot program to December 31, 2023. As before, the Bylaw provided definitions of key terms, the Liquor Control and Licensing Act and Regulations, details on the permitted public spaces, and the posted notice requirements. The Bylaw was in accordance with section 73 of British Columbia's *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and section 197 of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation*.

#### Public Engagement and Results

The public engagement approach that was approved in June 2023 sought feedback from key audiences on their experiences in the outdoor spaces included in the pilot program, how these experiences might influence their future use of the park spaces, the range of spaces included in the pilot program, and suggestions for changes.

Public engagement was conducted from July 5 to September 5, 2023, using a survey and mapping tool on Engage Port Moody, the City's online public engagement hub. The engagement opportunity was promoted using the following tactics: media release, eNewsletter, digital billboard, Newport digital sign, galleria TVs, social media, newspaper ad, email invitation to the Citizen Advisory Group (CAG), and on-site signage.

Detailed results of the public engagement are included in the attached Public Engagement Summary (**Attachment 4**). Key findings are as follows:

- Most respondents who visited locations where public consumption of alcohol was permitted reported having generally positive experiences, ranging from 68% positive at Queens Street Plaza to 80% positive at Rocky Point Park; no more than 10% reported having a generally negative experience at any of the locations.
- Most (74%) respondents do not think any areas need to be removed from the Bylaw. Of the 17% who would like to remove an area from the Bylaw, there was no single area that generated the most concern requests to remove areas were distributed fairly evenly across all six pilot locations.
- Respondents are divided on whether they think more outdoor public places should be included in the Bylaw.
- Rocky Point Park received the most reports of visits because the pilot was in effect (64%) and the most reports of avoidances (10%) due to the pilot. The most common reasons reported for avoiding one or more location(s) include:
  - o assumed or experienced disruptive behaviour and irresponsible drinking;
  - o concerns about kids seeing or being around people who are drinking; and

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- waste management (littering, garbage over capacity, or broken glass).
- When asked to provide general comments or recommendations for staff or Council in their consideration of whether to make the pilot project permanent, the most common themes mentioned were:
  - expressions of support for making the pilot project permanent (mentions in 58% of comments);
  - litter, waste pickup, or a need for improved recycling availability (mentions in 17% of comments);
  - o increasing Bylaws or Police enforcement (mentions in 16% of comments); and
  - expressions of opposition to making the pilot project permanent (mentions in 16% of comments).

Staff also directly reached out to obtain input from stakeholder groups. Input from PMPD, City Bylaw Enforcement staff, and Fraser Health is included in the Summary and Results section below.

At the Parks and Environment Committee meeting held on March 18, 2024, staff gave a presentation on the pilot program and summary of public engagement results. In general, committee members shared some positive experiences. There were concerns about the need for additional Bylaw enforcement support, management of garbage in the parks, and drinking in parks that were excluded from the program similar to the feedback received from the public engagement. The committee also expressed concerns about an increase in smoking associated with the consumption of alcohol and that signage needed to be clear that smoking is not allowed in parks.

Targeted engagement also included 32 local businesses that were identified to be near the designated alcohol consumption sites. Businesses were asked to comment on effects, positive or negative, of the pilot program; whether they thought changes were needed to the areas included in the Bylaw; and if they had any additional comments for staff or Council. One business responded that they did not notice any impacts on their business and expressed support for making the pilot permanent.

### Pilot Program Summary and Results

Early in the implementation, staff refined an existing Collector App to track impacts and integrate observation notes and photos. One of the primary impacts from the pilot program was a notable increase in park maintenance efforts related to litter, which was consistent with findings from other cities. While the program allowed consumption until dusk, staff also observed that park users stayed beyond this time, leading to more frequent early morning cleanups. Beyond the waste impact, Parks noted no other major issues or concerns for the duration of the pilot program.

The normal enforcement tools available to Police and Bylaws were utilized to deal with any infractions related to liquor consumption. From July 27, 2022, to December 31, 2023, PMPD had a total of 10 calls related to the public spaces where the consumption of alcohol was permitted. No tickets were issued by the City's Bylaw Division for any alcohol-related violations in the Parks during the pilot. The Park Ranger – Bylaw Enforcement Officer (which is different from the Park Host Program) did note a marked increase in the number of inquiries from park

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patrons about the new program, and where and when individuals were permitted to consume alcohol in City Parks. As a result, staff mostly provided education and clarification. Besides these questions seeking clarification or more information on the program, Bylaw Enforcement staff did not see any other increase in the number of calls for service in the parks, or any increases in alcohol-related issues within the parks themselves.

### Pilot Program – Proposed Next Steps

Staff have reviewed all the pilot program impacts and results of the public engagement. Evaluation and discussion have taken place with Bylaws and PMPD, as well as with Fraser Health who commended the City on the extension of the pilot program and undertaking the public engagement process. Overall, the recommendations from Fraser Health were that, should the pilot program be made permanent, the City should consider prohibiting consumption near water and maintain the 10m boundary from the healing garden in Pioneer Park, and that signage and boundaries remain very clear. They noted that alcohol-free parks and public places remain very important and suggested potential health messaging for signage.

The current bylaw lapsed on December 31, 2023. With the coming summer months, staff are seeking Council direction on next steps for responsible liquor consumption in public places. Staff recommend that the pilot program be made permanent, in the existing locations provided for in Bylaw No. 3392, with one exception: remove the spectator stands at Inlet Field given that the new Fieldhouse is anticipated to provide for inside alcohol consumption (e.g., through facility rentals) and thus will allow for better waste management. The spectator stands at Trasolini Field are proposed to remain as an allowable public space. No additional parks are recommended to be added to the allowed public places, as public feedback did not strongly identify any locations. Staff do not recommend that liquor consumption be allowed in all City parks, nor that boundaries be eliminated in parks where consumption is allowed. This is to support enforcement by Bylaws and effective waste management efforts, and to align with recommendations from Fraser Health.

In terms of the primary impact of waste in Parks, a request for additional parks maintenance support was included in the 2024 budget but not approved as an additional service. Staff propose to evaluate the park maintenance service levels in 2024 to determine if additional recommendations for funding are required for 2025 operating budget.

It should be noted that staff are currently advancing a Zero Waste Plan for Parks, Facilities, and Events with approved capital funding and pursuant to the Climate Action plan implementation, which will assess opportunities around waste and recycling in parks although the need for additional maintenance resources is expected to continue with the high visitor volumes in parks. This Plan will be presented for Council consideration later in 2024.

Should the program be made permanent, staff will conduct an audit of each location to determine an implementation plan for permanent aluminum signage in coordination with a review of no smoking signage.

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### Other Option(s)

- 1. THAT staff report back with additional information or Bylaw amendments as directed by Council.
- 2. THAT the report dated April 23, 2024, from the Acting General Manager of Community Services regarding Responsible Liquor Consumption in Public places – Next Steps be received for information.

### **Financial Implications**

In terms of the primary impact of waste in Parks, a request for additional parks maintenance support was included in the 2024 budget but not approved as an additional service. Staff propose to evaluate the park maintenance service levels in 2024 to determine if additional recommendations for funding are required for the 2025 operating budget.

Installation of permanent aluminum signage is estimated to be \$2,000-\$3,000, pending site audits to determine requirements for each location.

### Communications and Public Engagement Initiatives

Should Council direct staff to implement a permanent program, staff will inform the community through the City's typical communication channels, such as the website, social media, and signage.

### Council Strategic Plan Objectives

The recommendations in this report align with the following Council Strategic Plan Goal(s):

- Strategic Goal 2.3 Enhance and expand parkland and open spaces, particularly the objectives of optimizing the park user experience and enhancing urban parks; and
- Strategic Goal 4.3 Leverage public spaces, particularly the objective of enhancing places where people naturally gather.

### Attachment(s)

- 1. Report considered at the February 28, 2023, Regular Council meeting.
- 2. City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liguor in Public Spaces Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392.
- 3. Report considered at the June 13, 2023, Regular Council meeting.
- 4. Summary of Public Engagement Responsible Consumption of Liquor Pilot Project.

### Report Author

Julie Pavey-Tomlinson Acting General Manager of Community Services

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City of Port Moody Report/Recommendation to Council

Date:February 15, 2023Submitted by:General Manager of Community ServicesSubject:Bylaw to Designate Certain Public Places for the Responsible Consumption of<br/>Liquor Outdoors – Pilot Extension

### Purpose

To seek Council direction on extending the pilot program and bylaw permitting responsible liquor consumption in Port Moody public places.

### Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated February 15, 2023 from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement an extended pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3392;

AND THAT an allocation of \$36,500 for Parks Division maintenance support and signage requirements for the pilot program extension be funded from CM220001 – Council Strategic Plan Goals;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back in late 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and to seek Council direction on next steps.

### Background

Public parks and spaces play a critical role in the mental and physical wellness of the community. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we experienced a significant increase in the use of our park system as the community sought activity through outdoor spaces. As COVID-19 restrictions eased, parks continued in popularity as they provided a safe environment for the community to reconnect and engage socially. Some Metro Vancouver municipalities have introduced bylaws allowing for the responsible consumption of liquor in parks and their experience has been positive and supported by residents and local business.

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At the Council meeting on June 28, 2022, the following resolutions were passed:

#### RC22/217-220

THAT staff report back with a proposed bylaw for a pilot project that allows for the responsible consumption of alcohol in public spaces;

AND THAT this bylaw not include any School District No. 43 joint parks;

AND THAT there be a 'no-go' zone established of 10 meters from playground equipment;

AND THAT staff implement this bylaw for summer 2022 and report back in January 2023 regarding impacts, and recommendations for any potential amendments;

AND THAT staff report back with options for discreet consumption of alcohol.

Staff prepared a report and Bylaw for Council consideration with these parameters (**Attachment 1**), and at the Council meeting on July 26, 2022 the following resolutions were passed:

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2022, No. 3375 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated July 13, 2022 from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement a pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3375;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back in January 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and recommended next steps.

The final reading of this Bylaw was concluded at a Special Council meeting held July 28, 2022. The Bylaw included an expiry date of April 30, 2023.

#### Discussion

Staff had recommended that the 2022 pilot program be implemented at a select number of public places in Port Moody, including key City parks, starting with a smaller number of sites as recommended by Fraser Health. Recommended sites permitting responsible consumption of liquor from 11am to dusk were approved as follows:

- Rocky Point Park
- Old Orchard Park
- Pioneer Memorial Park (excluding the Labyrinth Healing Garden)
- Kyle Centre pop-up park

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- Trasolini Field spectator stands
- Inlet Field spectator stands
- Queens Street Plaza

These sites provided a range of geographic locations across the City, in proximity to washrooms as one key consideration. Neighbourhood parks were not recommended for the pilot program, particularly because the tight timeline did not allow for the required resident engagement. The pilot program also excluded property owned, leased or licensed to the City by School District #43. Based on legal advice and input from Port Moody Police Department (PMPD), permitting liquor in all public spaces - such as sidewalks and trails – was not included. Maps were created in Schedule A of the Bylaw that outlined the permitted spaces in the above sites within which responsible consumption of liquor could occur. A 10m buffer zone was provided around children's play areas, with the exception of Old Orchard Beach due to the inclusion of the picnic shelter area. New signage was installed at each of these sites that conveyed the boundaries of the permitted spaces and the hours that liquor could be consumed. The pilot program began in early August 2022, immediately following Council approval.

#### **Pilot Program - Initial Findings**

Early in the implementation, staff refined an existing Collector App to track impacts and integrate observation notes and photos. One of the primary impacts from the pilot program has been a steep increase in park maintenance efforts related to litter. This is consistent with the findings from other cities. While the program allows consumption until dusk, staff have also observed that park users are staying beyond this time, leading to more frequent early morning clean ups.

The normal enforcement tools available to Police and Bylaws were utilized to deal with any infractions related to liquor consumption. PMPD report a total of six calls up until February 2023 that can be attributed to the pilot program. No tickets were issued by the City's Bylaw Division for any alcohol related violations in the Parks during the pilot. The Park Ranger – Bylaw Enforcement Officer (which is different from the Park Host Program) did note a marked increase in the number of inquiries from park patrons about the new program and where and when individuals were permitted to consume alcohol in City Parks. As a result, Park Hosts and Bylaws staff mostly provided education and clarification including answering the two most commonly asked questions: Are we allowed to drink (alcohol) here? And are they allowed to drink (alcohol) there? Besides these questions seeking clarification or more information on the program, Bylaw Enforcement staff did not see any other increase in the number of calls for services in the parks, or any increases in alcohol-related issues within the parks themselves.

As feedback, PMPD has suggested that additional signage is needed in some of the locations, including to provide greater clarity on boundaries. Similar feedback has been received from Bylaws staff, including the Park Ranger, who recommend that signage in the designated areas more clearly define the exact locations where alcohol consumption in the public spaces is permitted.

As well as collecting data to support pilot program evaluation, staff met with Fraser Health last fall to review indicators and considerations for how best to evaluate alcohol consumption in public places, for example, a suggestion to engage with park users as well as those who may

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have avoided these spaces as a result. This feedback can be considered and integrated into the evaluation and engagement process.

#### Pilot Program – Proposed Extension

Given that the pilot program ran over the late summer months of 2022 - a relatively limited timeframe for conducive weather - staff recommend that the pilot program for responsible liquor consumption in public places be extended through the end of 2023. This will provide for a full summer season in these spaces (including in conjunction with major events taking place in Rocky Point Park), allow staff more time to evaluate the program and gather data, and allow engagement with park users and other stakeholders including local businesses over the high usage summer months. Staff will develop and share a public engagement plan with Council prior to the intended summer engagement.

It is also proposed that two locations be removed from the Bylaw for the duration of the extended pilot:

- Old Orchard Park beach area, while still allowing consumption within the remainder of the park area previously identified. This will remove any concerns about alcohol in a swimming area and address challenges related to clean-up of beach sand with respect to broken glass.
- Inlet Field spectator stands, as the park is currently closed while under construction, with no public access.

With an extension of the pilot program, additional resources will be needed for new and improved signage as well as parks maintenance support for litter removal and recycling through to the end of 2023. For signage, it is recommended that additional signage be created to provide clarity for park users as noted above and that improved sign standards be used, moving to plastic core, aluminum signs for higher durability and semi-permanency. Signage costs would be approximately \$1,500. For parks maintenance, a 0.5 position is recommended to deal with increased clean-up and higher park volumes as a result of the pilot project. The approximate costs for this parks support are \$35,000.

An extension of the pilot program can be achieved through an extension of the timeline contained in the existing Bylaw, moving that date from April 30, 2023 to December 31, 2023. Staff has prepared a new Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw No. 3392 for Council consideration (Attachment 2), which reflects these dates and the removal of the Old Orchard beach area and Inlet Field spectator stands. As before, the Bylaw provides definitions to key terms, the Liquor Control and Licensing Act and Regulations, details on the permitted public spaces and the posted notice requirements. The Bylaw is in accordance with section 73 of British Columbia's Liquor Control and Licensing Act and section 197 of the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation and is similar to those enacted by other Metro Vancouver Municipalities.

With engagement taking place over the summer months and in these parks and spaces, staff will report back to Council in spring with the proposed public engagement plan, and again late in 2023 to provide feedback and program data and seek direction on next steps.

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Other Option(s)

THAT staff report back with additional information or Bylaw amendments as directed by Council.

### **Financial Implications**

As noted above, additional resources are required for signage and Parks maintenance to support the success of this extended pilot program. A total of \$36,500 has been identified. These expenses can be funded through CM22001 (Council Strategic Plan Goals) which was approved as part of the 2022 Financial Plan and provides funding for various new initiatives and strategic priorities of Council.

### Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives

Staff will inform the community through signage and the City's communication channels of the pilot program extension. Staff will solicit public input over the summer months in order to reach the park users and other stakeholders, including local businesses.

### **Council Strategic Plan Objectives**

Permitting the responsible consumption of liquor in public spaces meets Council's objectives in in several areas of the Strategic Plan including customer service, healthy city and community evolution.

### Attachment(s)

- 1. Report considered at the July 26, 2022 Regular Council meeting.
- City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Spaces Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392.

Report Author Anna Mathewson General Manager, Community Services

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Tyson Ganske for Paul Rockwood, General Manager of Finance and Technology - Feb 17, 2023 - 10:12 AM

Tim Savoie, City Manager - Feb 21, 2023 - 9:16 AM

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### City of Port Moody Report/Recommendation to Council

 Date:
 July 13, 2022

 Submitted by:
 General Manager of Community Services

 Subject:
 Bylaw to Designate Certain Public Places for the Responsible Consumption of Liquor Outdoors

### Purpose

To seek Council direction on the implementation of a pilot program and bylaw permitting responsible liquor consumption in Port Moody Public Places commencing the summer of 2022.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2022, No. 3375 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated July 13, 2022 from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement a pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3375;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back in January 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and recommended next steps.

### Background

Public parks and spaces play a critical role in the mental and physical wellness of the community. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we experienced a significant increase in the use of our park system as the community sought activity through outdoor spaces. As COVID-19 restrictions eased, the parks continued in popularity as they provided a safe environment for the community to reconnect and engage socially.

Some Metro Vancouver municipalities have introduced bylaws allowing for the responsible consumption of liquor in parks and their experience has been positive and supported by residents and local business.

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At the Council meeting on June 28, 2022, the following resolution was passed:

#### RC22/217-220

THAT staff report back with a proposed bylaw for a pilot project that allows for the responsible consumption of alcohol in public spaces;

AND THAT this bylaw not include any School District No. 43 joint parks;

AND THAT there be a 'no-go' zone established of 10 meters from playground equipment;

AND THAT staff implement this bylaw for summer 2022 and report back in January 2023 regarding impacts, and recommendations for any potential amendments;

AND THAT staff report back with options for discreet consumption of alcohol.

#### Discussion

The City of Coquitlam recently conducted a scan of Lower Mainland Municipalities and found that most had completed a pilot project that limited the responsible consumption of liquor to certain parks and away from playgrounds or areas primarily used by children and youth.

Although Coquitlam is permitting liquor consumption at parks city-wide, staff suggest that the 2022 pilot program be implemented at a select number of public places in Port Moody, including key City parks; starting with a smaller number of sites is also recommended by Fraser Health. Recommended sites permitting responsible consumption of liquor from 11am to dusk are as follows:

- o Rocky Point Park
- Old Orchard Park
- Pioneer Memorial Park (excluding the Labyrinth Healing Garden)
- Kyle Centre pop-up park
- o Trasolini Field spectator stands
- Inlet Field spectator stands
- Queens Street Plaza

These sites provide a range of geographic locations across the City, in proximity to washrooms as one key consideration, and can be adjusted in 2023 based upon feedback and experience with the 2022 pilot. Neighbourhood parks are not recommended for the pilot program, particularly because the tight timeline does not allow for the required resident engagement. The pilot program also excludes property owned, leased or licensed to the City by the Coquitlam School District #43. Based on legal advice, permitting liquor at all public spaces, such as including sidewalks and trails, is not practical due to signage requirements.

Maps have been created in Schedule A of the Bylaw that outline the permitted spaces in the above sites within which responsible consumption of liquor can occur. A 10m buffer zone has been provided around children's play areas, with the exception of Old Orchard Beach due to the inclusion of the picnic shelter area.

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The Port Moody Police Department did not communicate any concerns with proceeding with this pilot program but recommended that alcohol consumption not be permitted on any of the City's trails. Dealing with issues on the trail system would be a safety concern for responders. During the summer months, the City has Park Hosts and Bylaws staff that can support the implementation of this new pilot program. Ticketing by Bylaws staff will not occur during the course of the pilot program, as changes required to the Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218 (for example, to define an offence and set a fine amount) are not possible within the timeframe, however the normal enforcement tools available to Police and Bylaws will be utilized to deal with any infractions related to liquor consumption. Should additional Bylaws staff or other resources be needed to support implementation of the pilot program, staff will return to Council with that request.

Options for the discreet consumption of liquor were requested by Council. Requiring liquor be consumed discreetly would be problematic to enforce as this would require significant staffing resources to manage. Staff suggest that the messaging of the new signage request that the public consumption of liquor in the permitted spaces be done responsibly and discreetly.

New signage will be required at each of these sites that convey the boundaries of the permitted spaces, and the hours that liquor may be consumed.

Staff has prepared a new Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw for Council consideration (Attachment 1). The proposed Bylaw provides definitions to key terms, the Liquor Control and Licensing Act and Regulations, details on the permitted public spaces and the posted notice requirements. The Bylaw is in accordance with section 73 of British Columbia's Liquor Control and Licensing Act and section 197 of the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation (Attachment 2) and is similar to those enacted by other Metro Vancouver Municipalities.

It is recommended that the Bylaw expire April 30, 2023. Staff will report back on the pilot program in early 2023 and seek Council direction on next steps, including any further amendments to the Bylaw.

### Other Options

1. THAT staff report back with additional information or bylaw amendments as directed by Council.

Note that this option would impact the ability for the above described Bylaw to be adopted for summer 2022.

#### **Financial Implications**

Costs related to the implementation of this program will be tracked and absorbed in approved 2022 budgets. Potential future costs related to cleaning, litter removal, signage and safety patrols will be brought forward to Council including as part of a future budget process.

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Staff will inform the community through signage and the City's communication channels of the pilot program permitting the responsible consumption of liquor in public spaces. Staff will solicit public input near the conclusion of the pilot program.

### **Council Strategic Plan Objectives**

Permitting the responsible consumption of liquor in public spaces meets Council's objectives in in several areas of the Strategic Plan including customer service, healthy city and community evolution.

#### Attachments:

- City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Spaces Bylaw, 2022, No 3375
- Pertinent excerpts from the Liquor Control and Licensing Act, SBC 2015, c 19 (the "Act") and Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, BC Reg 244/2002 (the "Regulation")

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#### Report Author

Anna Mathewson General Manager, Community Services

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Final Approval Date:	Jul 19, 2022

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Kate Zanon, General Manager of Community Development - Jul 15, 2022 - 9:59 AM

Lindsay Todd for Rosemary Lodge, Manager of Communications and Engagement - Jul 15, 2022 - 11:16 AM

Paul Rockwood, General Manager of Finance and Technology - Jul 17, 2022 - 12:40 PM

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City of Port Moody

**Bylaw No. 3375** 

A Bylaw to designate certain public places for the responsible consumption of liquor outdoors.

WHEREAS section 73(2) of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* authorizes Council to enact a bylaw designating a public place, or part thereof, within its jurisdiction as a place where liquor may be consumed during certain hours;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Port Moody wants to designate the locations set out in this Bylaw as places where liquor may be responsibly consumed outdoors;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Port Moody enacts as follows:

- 1. Citation
  - 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as "City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2022, No. 3375".

#### Definitions

2.1 In this Bylaw:

"Children's Play Area" means any part of a Public Place that is intended to be used primarily for the recreation or amusement of minor children and includes playgrounds, climbing structures, skate parks, and spray parks;

"City" means the City of Port Moody;

"City Property" means a parcel, lot, block, strata lot, public park, or other area of land that is located in the City of Port Moody and which is either owned or occupied by the City, or in which the City has vested interest pursuant to a statute, and includes a Highway;

"Dusk" means astronomical dusk, being the dark part of twilight, when the daylight has almost gone but it is not yet completely dark;

"Highway" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Community Charter,

*"Liquor Control and Licensing Act"* means the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, SBC 2015, Chapter 19, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations" means the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, B.C. Reg. 241/2016, as amended or replaced from time to time;

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"Manager" means the General Manager of Community Services or their delegate, or the person in the City's organizational structure with responsibility for the management of parks;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that is City Property and has been designated by Council in this Bylaw as a place where Liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle, or other installation within the Public Place that has not been expressly designated by Council in this Bylaw.

- 2.2 In this Bylaw, unless a contrary intention appears, words capitalized and not otherwise defined shall be defined to have the same meaning as in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act.*
- 2.3 If a position to which powers, functions, and duties are delegated under this Bylaw is altered, modified, renamed, split, or consolidated after its enactment, each of those powers, functions, and duties are deemed to have transferred to the person holding the position most closely connected to that which existed as of the date of enactment.

#### 3. Designation of Permitted Spaces and Hours

- 3.1 The Public Places or parts thereof shown in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw as an area within which Liquor consumption is permitted and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where Liquor may be consumed in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 3.2 Every Permitted Space designated under section 3.1 excludes a 10-metre buffer zone around any Children's Play Area.
- 3.3 Despite section 14.4 of City of Port Moody Parks and Community Facilities Rules and Regulations Bylaw, 2021, No. 3321, as amended or replaced from time to time, while this Bylaw is in effect, Liquor may be consumed in Permitted Spaces, subject to compliance with the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and this Bylaw.
- 3.4 The hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are as set out in Schedule "B" of this Bylaw.
- 3.5 A person must not consume Liquor other than in Permitted Spaces, including in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signs posted in accordance with this Bylaw.

#### 4. Sign Specifications

4.1 The Manager is hereby delegated the authority to determine the placement and design of signs setting out the boundaries of each Permitted Space, provided that the signs meet the criteria set out in section 4.2.

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- 4.2 Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where Liquor may be consumed must:
  - a) be no less than four (4) Signs at the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
  - b) state the hours that Liquor may be consumed; and
  - c) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.
- 5. Offence and Penalty
  - 5.1 Every person who consumes Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw commits an offence under this Bylaw.
  - 5.2 Offences set out in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* apply to persons consuming Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw.

#### 6. Attachments and Schedules

- 6.1 The following schedules are attached to and form part of this Bylaw:
  - Schedule A Location of Permitted Spaces; and
  - Schedule B Permitted Hours of Consumption.
- 7. Expiry
  - 7.1 Subject to section 7.2, this Bylaw expires on April 30, 2023.
  - 7.2 Council may repeal this Bylaw on a date earlier than April 30, 2023.
  - 7.3 Notwithstanding section 7.1, Council may repeal this section and this Bylaw will be in effect as of the date of enactment.

#### 8. Severability

8.1 If a portion of this Bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed and the remainder of the Bylaw will remain in effect.

Read a first time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022. Read a second time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022. Read a third time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022. Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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R. Vagramov Mayor T. Takahashi Corporate Officer

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Bylaw No. 3375 of the City of Port Moody.

T. Takahashi Corporate Officer



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#### Schedule A to Bylaw No. 3375

Location of Permitted Spaces

1. Rocky Point Park





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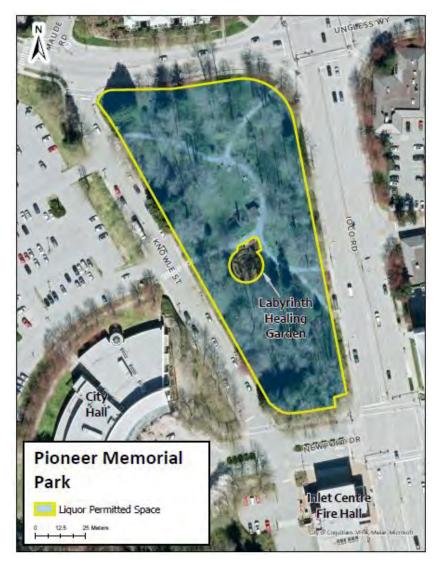
2. Old Orchard Park





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3. Pioneer Memorial Park





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4. Kyle Centre Pop-up Park

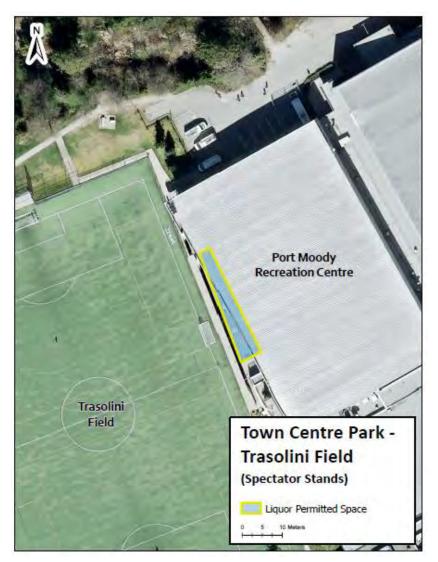


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5. Trasolini Field Spectator Stands





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6. Inlet Field Spectator Stands





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7. Queens Street Plaza



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#### Schedule B to Bylaw No. 3375

#### Permitted Hours of Consumption

Liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Spaces in the following locations from 11:00am to Dusk each day:

- 1. Rocky Point Park;
- 2. Old Orchard Park;
- 3. Pioneer Memorial Park;
- 4. Kyle Centre Pop-up Park;
- 5. Trasolini Field Spectator Stands;
- 6. Inlet Field Spectator Stands; and
- 7. Queens Street Plaza.

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#### ATTACHMENT 2

Excerpts from:

- A) Liquor Control and Licensing Act, SBC 2015, c 19 (the "Act") and
- B) Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, BC Reg 244/2002 (the "Regulation")

**A.** *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, SBC 2015, c 19 (the "*Act*") The relevant provision of the *Act* is the following:

### Unlawful possession or consumption of liquor

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- (1) A person must not consume liquor, or possess liquor in an open container, in a place other than
  - (a) a residence,
  - (b) a private place,
  - (c) a service area in respect of which a licence, authorization or permit allows consumption,
  - (d) as provided under section 11,
  - (e) as provided under subsections (2) to (4) of this section,
  - (f) an assisted living residence, community care facility, hospital or other prescribed facility as provided in section 9, or
  - (g) in a liquor store as allowed under the *Liquor Distribution Act*.

(2) Subject to subsection (3) and the regulations, a municipality, a regional district or the Park Board, established under section 485 of the *Vancouver Charter*, may, by bylaw, designate a public place over which it has jurisdiction, or part of such a place, as a place where liquor may be consumed.

## (3) A bylaw under subsection (2) must contain the hours during which liquor may be consumed.

(4) Without limiting subsection (2), regulations under that subsection may provide that a bylaw referred to in that subsection may not designate

- (a) a specified public place, or
- (b) a specified public place for a specified period of time.

The Act includes a definition of public place as follows: "public place" includes a place, building or vehicle to which the public is invited or has or is allowed access;

## **B.** *Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation,* BC Reg 244/2002 (the "Regulation")

The relevant provision of the Regulation is the following: **Content of bylaws** 

**197** A bylaw under section 73 (2) of the Act designating a public place as a place where liquor may be consumed must

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(a) require the person responsible for the public place to post signs setting out(i) the boundaries of the public place, and

- (ii) the hours that liquor may be consumed, and
- (b) describe the number and size of the signs and how they are to be posted.

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# City of Port Moody

### Bylaw No. 3392

A Bylaw to designate certain public places for the responsible consumption of liquor outdoors.

WHEREAS section 73(2) of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* authorizes Council to enact a bylaw designating a public place, or part thereof, within its jurisdiction as a place where liquor may be consumed during certain hours,

AND WHEREAS Council of the City of Port Moody wants to designate the locations set out in this Bylaw as places where Liquor may be responsibly consumed outdoors;

NOW THEREFORE, Council of the City of Port Moody, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

### 1. Citation

1.1. This Bylaw shall be cited as "City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392".

#### 2. Interpretation

2.1. In this Bylaw:

"Children's Play Area" means any part of a Public Place that is intended to be used primarily for the recreation or amusement of minor children and includes playgrounds, climbing structures, skate parks, and spray parks;

"City" means the City of Port Moody;

"City Property" means a parcel, lot, block, strata lot, public park or other area of land that is located in the City of Port Moody and which is either owned or occupied by the City, or in which the City has vested interest pursuant to a statute, and includes a Highway;

"Dusk" means astronomical dusk, being the dark part of twilight, when the daylight has almost gone but it is not yet completely dark;

"Highway" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Community Charter;

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*"Liquor Control and Licensing Act"* means the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, SBC 2015, Chapter 19, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations" means the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, B.C. Reg. 241/2016, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"Manager" means General Manager, Community Services or delegate, or the person in the City's organizational structure with responsibility for the management of parks;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that is City Property and has been designated by Council in this Bylaw as a place where Liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle or other installation within the Public Place that has not been expressly designated by Council in this Bylaw.

- 2.2. In this Bylaw, unless a contrary intention appears, words capitalized and not otherwise defined shall be defined to have the same meaning as in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act.*
- 2.3. If a position to which powers, functions and duties are delegated under this Bylaw is altered, modified, renamed, split or consolidated after its enactment, each of those powers, functions and duties are deemed to have transferred to the person holding the position most closely connected to that which existed as of the date of enactment.

### 3. Designation of Permitted Spaces / Hours

- 3.1. The Public Places or parts thereof shown in Schedule A to this Bylaw as an area within which Liquor consumption is permitted and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where Liquor may be consumed in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 3.2. Every Permitted Space designated under section 3.1 excludes a 10 metre buffer zone around any Children's Play Area.
- 3.3. Despite section 14.4 of the City of Port Moody Parks and Community Facilities Rules and Regulations Bylaw, 2021, No. 3321, as amended or replaced from time to time, while this Bylaw is in effect Liquor may be consumed in Permitted Spaces, subject to compliance with the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and this Bylaw,

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- 3.4. The hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are as set out in Schedule B.
- 3.5. A person must not consume Liquor other than in Permitted Spaces, including in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signs posted in accordance with this Bylaw.

### 4. Sign Specifications

- 4.1. The Manager is hereby delegated the authority to determine the placement and design of signs setting out the boundaries of each Permitted Space, provided that the signs meet the criteria set out in section 4.2.
- 4.2. Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where Liquor may be consumed must:
  - (a) be no less than four (4) Signs at the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
  - (b) state the hours that Liquor may be consumed; and
  - (c) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.

### 5. Enforcement

- 5.1. Every person who consumes Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw commits an offence under this Bylaw.
- 5.2. Offences set out in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* apply to persons consuming Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw.

### 6. Severability

6.1. If any part, section, subsection, clause or sub-clause of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, it will be severed and the validity of the remaining provisions of this Bylaw will not be affected. Attachment 1 Considered at the May 14, 2024, Regular Council meeting <sup>115</sup> Considered at the April 23, 2024, Regular Council meeting <sup>346</sup> Attachment 1 Considered at the February 28, 2023, Regular Council meeting

### 7. Attachments and Schedules

- 7.1. The following schedules are attached to and form part of this Bylaw:
  - Schedule A Maps of Permitted Spaces
  - Schedule B Hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces

### 8. Expiry

- 8.1. Subject to section 8.2, this Bylaw expires on December 31, 2023.
- 8.2. Council may repeal this Bylaw on a date earlier than December 31, 2023.
- 8.3. Notwithstanding section 8.1, Council may repeal this section and this Bylaw will be in effect as of the date of enactment.

Read a first time this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 20\_.

Read a second time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

Read a third time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

M. Lahti Mayor S. Lam City Clerk

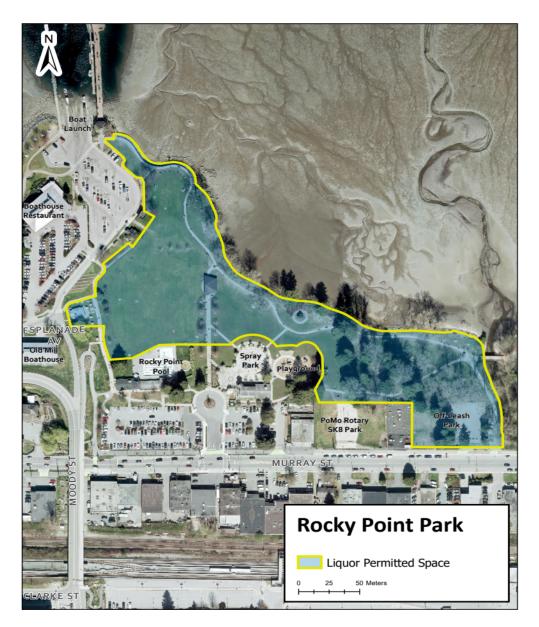
I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Bylaw No. 3392 of the City of Port Moody.

S. Lam City Clerk Attachment 1 Considered at the May 14, 2024, Regular Council meeting <sup>116</sup> Considered at the April 23, 2024, Regular Council meeting <sup>347</sup> Considered at the February 28, 2023, Regular Council meeting <sup>138</sup>

SCHEDULE "A" to Bylaw 3392

Maps of Permitted Spaces

1. Rocky Point Park



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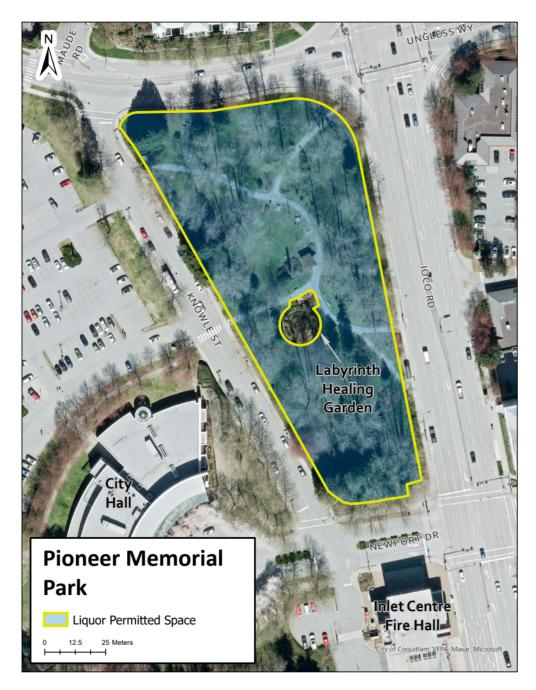
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2. Old Orchard



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<sup>3.</sup> Pioneer Park



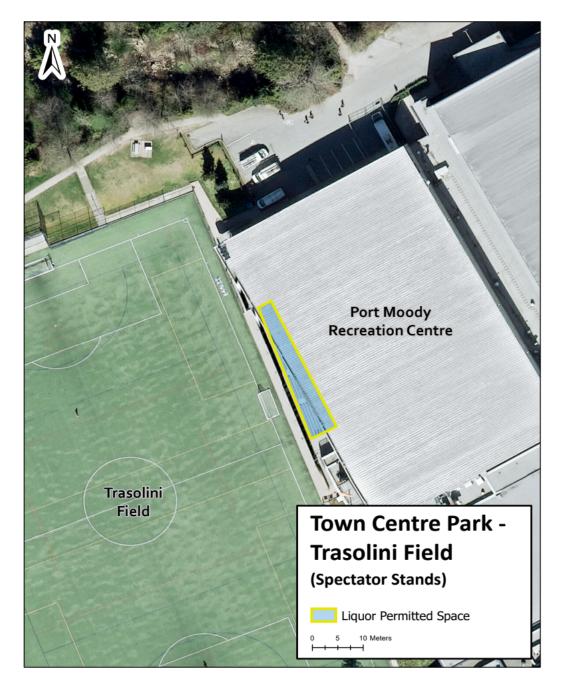
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4. Kyle Centre pop-up park



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5. Trasolini Field spectator stands



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6. Queen Street Plaza



City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392 EDMS#600455

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### SCHEDULE "B" to Bylaw 3392

Liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Spaces in the following locations from 11:00 am to Dusk each day:

- 1. Rocky Point Park
- 2. Old Orchard
- 3. Pioneer Park
- 4. Kyle Centre pop-up park
- 5. Trasolini Field spectator stands
- 6. Queen Street Plaza

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# City of Port Moody

### Bylaw No. 3392

A Bylaw to designate certain public places for the responsible consumption of liquor outdoors.

WHEREAS section 73(2) of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* authorizes Council to enact a bylaw designating a public place, or part thereof, within its jurisdiction as a place where liquor may be consumed during certain hours,

AND WHEREAS Council of the City of Port Moody wants to designate the locations set out in this Bylaw as places where Liquor may be responsibly consumed outdoors;

NOW THEREFORE, Council of the City of Port Moody, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

### 1. Citation

1.1. This Bylaw shall be cited as "City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392".

### 2. Interpretation

2.1. In this Bylaw:

"Children's Play Area" means any part of a Public Place that is intended to be used primarily for the recreation or amusement of minor children and includes playgrounds, climbing structures, skate parks, and spray parks;

"City" means the City of Port Moody;

"City Property" means a parcel, lot, block, strata lot, public park or other area of land that is located in the City of Port Moody and which is either owned or occupied by the City, or in which the City has vested interest pursuant to a statute, and includes a Highway;

"Dusk" means astronomical dusk, being the dark part of twilight, when the daylight has almost gone but it is not yet completely dark;

"Highway" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Community Charter,

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*"Liquor Control and Licensing Act"* means the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, SBC 2015, Chapter 19, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations" means the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, B.C. Reg. 241/2016, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"Manager" means General Manager, Community Services or delegate, or the person in the City's organizational structure with responsibility for the management of parks;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that is City Property and has been designated by Council in this Bylaw as a place where Liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle or other installation within the Public Place that has not been expressly designated by Council in this Bylaw.

- 2.2. In this Bylaw, unless a contrary intention appears, words capitalized and not otherwise defined shall be defined to have the same meaning as in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act.*
- 2.3. If a position to which powers, functions and duties are delegated under this Bylaw is altered, modified, renamed, split or consolidated after its enactment, each of those powers, functions and duties are deemed to have transferred to the person holding the position most closely connected to that which existed as of the date of enactment.

### 3. Designation of Permitted Spaces / Hours

- 3.1. The Public Places or parts thereof shown in Schedule A to this Bylaw as an area within which Liquor consumption is permitted and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where Liquor may be consumed in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 3.2. Every Permitted Space designated under section 3.1 excludes a 10 metre buffer zone around any Children's Play Area.
- 3.3. Despite section 14.4 of the City of Port Moody Parks and Community Facilities Rules and Regulations Bylaw, 2021, No. 3321, as amended or replaced from time to time, while this Bylaw is in effect Liquor may be consumed in Permitted Spaces, subject to compliance with the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and this Bylaw,

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- 3.4. The hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are as set out in Schedule B.
- 3.5. A person must not consume Liquor other than in Permitted Spaces, including in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signs posted in accordance with this Bylaw.

### 4. Sign Specifications

- The Manager is hereby delegated the authority to determine the 4.1. placement and design of signs setting out the boundaries of each Permitted Space, provided that the signs meet the criteria set out in section 4.2.
- 4.2. Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where Liguor may be consumed must:
  - (a) be no less than four (4) Signs at the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
  - (b) state the hours that Liquor may be consumed; and
  - (c) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.

#### 5. Enforcement

- 5.1. Every person who consumes Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw commits an offence under this Bylaw.
- 5.2. Offences set out in the Liquor Control and Licensing Act apply to persons consuming Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw.

### 6. Severability

6.1. If any part, section, subsection, clause or sub-clause of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, it will be severed and the validity of the remaining provisions of this Bylaw will not be affected.

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### 7. Attachments and Schedules

- 7.1. The following schedules are attached to and form part of this Bylaw:
  - Schedule A Maps of Permitted Spaces
  - Schedule B Hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces

### 8. Expiry

- 8.1. Subject to section 8.2, this Bylaw expires on December 31, 2023.
- 8.2. Council may repeal this Bylaw on a date earlier than December 31, 2023.
- 8.3. Notwithstanding section 8.1, Council may repeal this section and this Bylaw will be in effect as of the date of enactment.

Read a first time this 28th day of February, 2023.

Read a second time this 28th day of February, 2023.

Read a third time this 28th day of February, 2023.

Adopted this 14th day of March, 2023.

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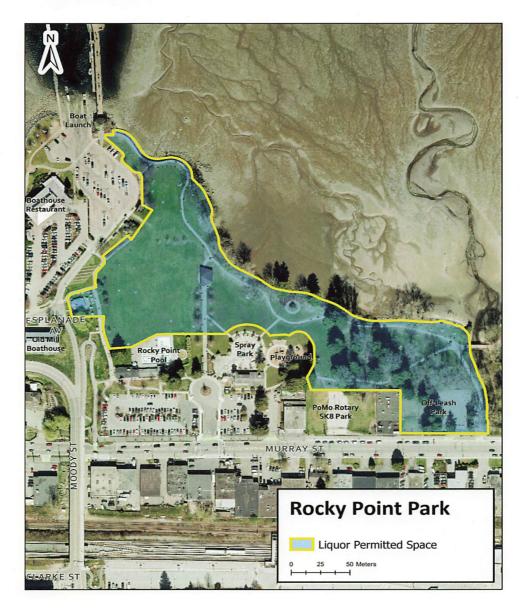
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SCHEDULE "A" to Bylaw 3392

Maps of Permitted Spaces

1. Rocky Point Park



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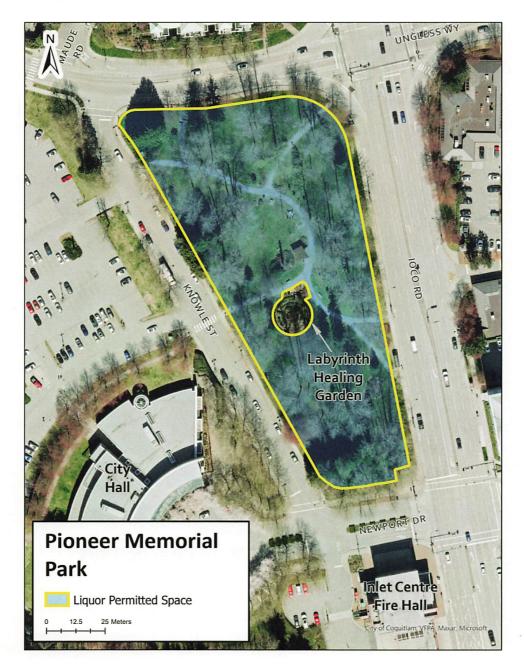
- Old Orchard Hall Playground **Old Orchard Park** Liquor Permitted Space 20 Meters
- 2. Old Orchard

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3. Pioneer Park



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4. Kyle Centre pop-up park



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- Port Moody **Recreation Centre** Trasolini Field **Town Centre Park -Trasolini Field** (Spectator Stands) Liquor Permitted Space 10 Meters
- 5. Trasolini Field spectator stands

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6. Queen Street Plaza



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### SCHEDULE "B" to Bylaw 3392

Liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Spaces in the following locations from 11:00 am to Dusk each day:

- 1. Rocky Point Park
- 2. Old Orchard
- 3. Pioneer Park
- 4. Kyle Centre pop-up park
- 5. Trasolini Field spectator stands
- 6. Queen Street Plaza

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City of Port Moody Report/Recommendation to Council

Date:June 13, 2023Submitted by:General Manager of Community ServicesSubject:Responsible Liquor Consumption Pilot Program – Public Engagement Approach

### Purpose

This report seeks Council endorsement of the public engagement approach being proposed by staff to support the evaluation of the Responsible Liquor Consumption Pilot Program.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT the Responsible Liquor Consumption Pilot Program public engagement approach be endorsed as recommended in the report dated June 13, 2023, from the General Manager of Community Services regarding Responsible Liquor Consumption Pilot Program – Public Engagement Approach.

### Background

The pilot program for responsible liquor consumption in public places was approved by Council in July 2022. At the February 28, 2023 Regular Council meeting, Council approved that the pilot program be extended to December 31, 2023 with some adjustments made to locations and signage. The extension will provide for a full summer season in these spaces (including in conjunction with major events taking place in Rocky Point Park), allow staff more time to evaluate the program and gather data, and allow engagement with park users and other stakeholders including local businesses over the high usage summer months.

Per Administrative Policy - A19-1490-2023-01 - Public Engagement Process, with this report staff are returning to Council with a public engagement approach prior to the intended summer engagement. As previously directed by Council, staff will report back in late 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and to seek Council direction on next steps.

### Discussion

To facilitate public engagement for this pilot program evaluation, staff have prepared the public engagement approach as outlined below in the Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives section, for Council review and endorsement.

## Other Option(s)

THAT Council direct staff to report back on alternative approaches to public engagement.

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## **Financial Implications**

The anticipated costs of the proposed public engagement activities are already accounted for within the approach project budget and, as such, there are no additional financial implications.

### **Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives**

City staff will conduct public engagement and share information using the following approach:

What is the scope of	Key audiences: Key audiences will be asked to share feedback on
the public	their experiences in the outdoor spaces included in the pilot
engagement?	program, including how these experiences might influence their
	future use of these park spaces.
	We will also seek their input on the range of spaces included in the
	pilot program and whether they have suggestions for changes.
	Stakeholder groups: We will ask stakeholder groups to share any
	information they feel Council should take into consideration when
	making decisions related to the pilot project.
With whom are we	Key audiences:
engaging?	Port Moody residents
	Parks users
	Stakeholder groups:
	City of Port Moody Bylaw Enforcement
	Port Moody Police
	City of Port Moody Recreation (i.e. staff who run programs
	within the permitted areas, such as the early learners play
	school at Rocky Point Park)
	City of Port Moody Parks and Environment Committee
	<ul> <li>Businesses located in or near the permitted areas</li> </ul>
	Fraser Health
How will we engage?	Key audiences: Staff will use Engage Port Moody, the City's online
now will we engage?	public engagement hub, to gather park-user experiences and
	location-specific feedback.
	Stakeholder groups: Staff will reach out to stakeholder groups
	directly to obtain input.
How will we	Key audiences:
communicate?	•
communicate?	We will promote engagement opportunities for key audiences through the City's usual communication channels, which typically
	includes website, social media, digital billboards, newspaper ads.
	We will also:
	<ul> <li>promote onsite within permitted spaces via existing or new</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>promote onsite within permitted spaces via existing or new signage; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>ensure Parks staff/hosts have information so they can</li> </ul>
	answer public inquiries.
	Stakeholder groups: Staff will reach out to stakeholder groups
	directly to obtain input.

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Key audiences: Engagement with key audiences will take place in July and August 2023. Stakeholder groups: Engagement with stakeholder groups will take place between June and October 2023. How will we share In late 2023, a public engagement summary will be shared with Council in a staff report, and with the public via a link to the staff what we heard?

report on Engage Port Moody.
Registered members of the public who participated in the engagement process via Engage Port Moody will receive an email letting them know that the summary is available for viewing online.

## **Council Strategic Plan Objectives**

The pilot program and the associated public engagement strategy aligns with a number of goals in the new Council Strategic Plan, including enhancing community well-being, enhancing parkland and open spaces, and leveraging public spaces.

### Attachment(s)

When will we

engage?

1. Report considered at the February 28, 2023, Regular Council Meeting.

## Report Author

Anna Mathewson General Manager of Community Services

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### **Report Approval Details**

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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# City of Port Moody

Report/Recommendation to Council

 Date:
 February 15, 2023

 Submitted by:
 General Manager of Community Services

 Subject:
 Bylaw to Designate Certain Public Places for the Responsible Consumption of Liquor Outdoors – Pilot Extension

### Purpose

To seek Council direction on extending the pilot program and bylaw permitting responsible liquor consumption in Port Moody public places.

### Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated February 15, 2023 from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement an extended pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3392;

AND THAT an allocation of \$36,500 for Parks Division maintenance support and signage requirements for the pilot program extension be funded from CM220001 – Council Strategic Plan Goals;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back in late 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and to seek Council direction on next steps.

### Background

Public parks and spaces play a critical role in the mental and physical wellness of the community. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we experienced a significant increase in the use of our park system as the community sought activity through outdoor spaces. As COVID-19 restrictions eased, parks continued in popularity as they provided a safe environment for the community to reconnect and engage socially. Some Metro Vancouver municipalities have introduced bylaws allowing for the responsible consumption of liquor in parks and their experience has been positive and supported by residents and local business.



At the Council meeting on June 28, 2022, the following resolutions were passed:

### RC22/217-220

THAT staff report back with a proposed bylaw for a pilot project that allows for the responsible consumption of alcohol in public spaces;

AND THAT this bylaw not include any School District No. 43 joint parks;

AND THAT there be a 'no-go' zone established of 10 meters from playground equipment;

AND THAT staff implement this bylaw for summer 2022 and report back in January 2023 regarding impacts, and recommendations for any potential amendments;

AND THAT staff report back with options for discreet consumption of alcohol.

Staff prepared a report and Bylaw for Council consideration with these parameters (**Attachment 1**), and at the Council meeting on July 26, 2022 the following resolutions were passed:

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2022, No. 3375 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated July 13, 2022 from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement a pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3375;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back in January 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and recommended next steps.

The final reading of this Bylaw was concluded at a Special Council meeting held July 28, 2022. The Bylaw included an expiry date of April 30, 2023.

### Discussion

Staff had recommended that the 2022 pilot program be implemented at a select number of public places in Port Moody, including key City parks, starting with a smaller number of sites as recommended by Fraser Health. Recommended sites permitting responsible consumption of liquor from 11am to dusk were approved as follows:

- Rocky Point Park
- Old Orchard Park
- Pioneer Memorial Park (excluding the Labyrinth Healing Garden)
- Kyle Centre pop-up park

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- Trasolini Field spectator stands
- Inlet Field spectator stands
- Queens Street Plaza

These sites provided a range of geographic locations across the City, in proximity to washrooms as one key consideration. Neighbourhood parks were not recommended for the pilot program, particularly because the tight timeline did not allow for the required resident engagement. The pilot program also excluded property owned, leased or licensed to the City by School District #43. Based on legal advice and input from Port Moody Police Department (PMPD), permitting liquor in all public spaces - such as sidewalks and trails – was not included. Maps were created in Schedule A of the Bylaw that outlined the permitted spaces in the above sites within which responsible consumption of liquor could occur. A 10m buffer zone was provided around children's play areas, with the exception of Old Orchard Beach due to the inclusion of the picnic shelter area. New signage was installed at each of these sites that conveyed the boundaries of the permitted spaces and the hours that liquor could be consumed. The pilot program began in early August 2022, immediately following Council approval.

### **Pilot Program - Initial Findings**

Early in the implementation, staff refined an existing Collector App to track impacts and integrate observation notes and photos. One of the primary impacts from the pilot program has been a steep increase in park maintenance efforts related to litter. This is consistent with the findings from other cities. While the program allows consumption until dusk, staff have also observed that park users are staying beyond this time, leading to more frequent early morning clean ups.

The normal enforcement tools available to Police and Bylaws were utilized to deal with any infractions related to liquor consumption. PMPD report a total of six calls up until February 2023 that can be attributed to the pilot program. No tickets were issued by the City's Bylaw Division for any alcohol related violations in the Parks during the pilot. The Park Ranger – Bylaw Enforcement Officer (which is different from the Park Host Program) did note a marked increase in the number of inquiries from park patrons about the new program and where and when individuals were permitted to consume alcohol in City Parks. As a result, Park Hosts and Bylaws staff mostly provided education and clarification including answering the two most commonly asked questions: Are we allowed to drink (alcohol) here? And are they allowed to drink (alcohol) there? Besides these questions seeking clarification or more information on the program, Bylaw Enforcement staff did not see any other increase in the number of calls for services in the parks, or any increases in alcohol-related issues within the parks themselves.

As feedback, PMPD has suggested that additional signage is needed in some of the locations, including to provide greater clarity on boundaries. Similar feedback has been received from Bylaws staff, including the Park Ranger, who recommend that signage in the designated areas more clearly define the exact locations where alcohol consumption in the public spaces is permitted.

As well as collecting data to support pilot program evaluation, staff met with Fraser Health last fall to review indicators and considerations for how best to evaluate alcohol consumption in public places, for example, a suggestion to engage with park users as well as those who may

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have avoided these spaces as a result. This feedback can be considered and integrated into the evaluation and engagement process.

### Pilot Program – Proposed Extension

Given that the pilot program ran over the late summer months of 2022 - a relatively limited timeframe for conducive weather - staff recommend that the pilot program for responsible liquor consumption in public places be extended through the end of 2023. This will provide for a full summer season in these spaces (including in conjunction with major events taking place in Rocky Point Park), allow staff more time to evaluate the program and gather data, and allow engagement with park users and other stakeholders including local businesses over the high usage summer months. Staff will develop and share a public engagement plan with Council prior to the intended summer engagement.

It is also proposed that two locations be removed from the Bylaw for the duration of the extended pilot:

- Old Orchard Park beach area, while still allowing consumption within the remainder of the park area previously identified. This will remove any concerns about alcohol in a swimming area and address challenges related to clean-up of beach sand with respect to broken glass.
- Inlet Field spectator stands, as the park is currently closed while under construction, with no public access.

With an extension of the pilot program, additional resources will be needed for new and improved signage as well as parks maintenance support for litter removal and recycling through to the end of 2023. For signage, it is recommended that additional signage be created to provide clarity for park users as noted above and that improved sign standards be used, moving to plastic core, aluminum signs for higher durability and semi-permanency. Signage costs would be approximately \$1,500. For parks maintenance, a 0.5 position is recommended to deal with increased clean-up and higher park volumes as a result of the pilot project. The approximate costs for this parks support are \$35,000.

An extension of the pilot program can be achieved through an extension of the timeline contained in the existing Bylaw, moving that date from April 30, 2023 to December 31, 2023. Staff has prepared a new Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw No. 3392 for Council consideration (Attachment 2), which reflects these dates and the removal of the Old Orchard beach area and Inlet Field spectator stands. As before, the Bylaw provides definitions to key terms, the Liquor Control and Licensing Act and Regulations, details on the permitted public spaces and the posted notice requirements. The Bylaw is in accordance with section 73 of British Columbia's Liquor Control and Licensing Act and section 197 of the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation and is similar to those enacted by other Metro Vancouver Municipalities.

With engagement taking place over the summer months and in these parks and spaces, staff will report back to Council in spring with the proposed public engagement plan, and again late in 2023 to provide feedback and program data and seek direction on next steps.



### Other Option(s)

THAT staff report back with additional information or Bylaw amendments as directed by Council.

### **Financial Implications**

As noted above, additional resources are required for signage and Parks maintenance to support the success of this extended pilot program. A total of \$36,500 has been identified. These expenses can be funded through CM22001 (Council Strategic Plan Goals) which was approved as part of the 2022 Financial Plan and provides funding for various new initiatives and strategic priorities of Council.

### Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives

Staff will inform the community through signage and the City's communication channels of the pilot program extension. Staff will solicit public input over the summer months in order to reach the park users and other stakeholders, including local businesses.

### Council Strategic Plan Objectives

Permitting the responsible consumption of liquor in public spaces meets Council's objectives in in several areas of the Strategic Plan including customer service, healthy city and community evolution.

### Attachment(s)

- 1. Report considered at the July 26, 2022 Regular Council meeting.
- City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Spaces Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392.

Report Author Anna Mathewson General Manager, Community Services



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City of Port Moody Report/Recommendation to Council

 Date:
 July 13, 2022

 Submitted by:
 General Manager of Community Services

 Subject:
 Bylaw to Designate Certain Public Places for the Responsible Consumption of Liquor Outdoors

### Purpose

To seek Council direction on the implementation of a pilot program and bylaw permitting responsible liquor consumption in Port Moody Public Places commencing the summer of 2022.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2022, No. 3375 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated July 13, 2022 from the Community Services Department regarding Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement a pilot program to allow for the responsible consumption of liquor in public places commencing upon adoption of Bylaw No. 3375;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back in January 2023 with an evaluation of the pilot program and recommended next steps.

### Background

Public parks and spaces play a critical role in the mental and physical wellness of the community. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we experienced a significant increase in the use of our park system as the community sought activity through outdoor spaces. As COVID-19 restrictions eased, the parks continued in popularity as they provided a safe environment for the community to reconnect and engage socially.

Some Metro Vancouver municipalities have introduced bylaws allowing for the responsible consumption of liquor in parks and their experience has been positive and supported by residents and local business.



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At the Council meeting on June 28, 2022, the following resolution was passed:

### RC22/217-220

THAT staff report back with a proposed bylaw for a pilot project that allows for the responsible consumption of alcohol in public spaces;

AND THAT this bylaw not include any School District No. 43 joint parks;

AND THAT there be a 'no-go' zone established of 10 meters from playground equipment;

AND THAT staff implement this bylaw for summer 2022 and report back in January 2023 regarding impacts, and recommendations for any potential amendments;

AND THAT staff report back with options for discreet consumption of alcohol.

### Discussion

The City of Coquitlam recently conducted a scan of Lower Mainland Municipalities and found that most had completed a pilot project that limited the responsible consumption of liquor to certain parks and away from playgrounds or areas primarily used by children and youth.

Although Coquitlam is permitting liquor consumption at parks city-wide, staff suggest that the 2022 pilot program be implemented at a select number of public places in Port Moody, including key City parks; starting with a smaller number of sites is also recommended by Fraser Health. Recommended sites permitting responsible consumption of liquor from 11am to dusk are as follows:

- o Rocky Point Park
- Old Orchard Park
- Pioneer Memorial Park (excluding the Labyrinth Healing Garden)
- o Kyle Centre pop-up park
- o Trasolini Field spectator stands
- o Inlet Field spectator stands
- Queens Street Plaza

These sites provide a range of geographic locations across the City, in proximity to washrooms as one key consideration, and can be adjusted in 2023 based upon feedback and experience with the 2022 pilot. Neighbourhood parks are not recommended for the pilot program, particularly because the tight timeline does not allow for the required resident engagement. The pilot program also excludes property owned, leased or licensed to the City by the Coquitlam School District #43. Based on legal advice, permitting liquor at all public spaces, such as including sidewalks and trails, is not practical due to signage requirements.

Maps have been created in Schedule A of the Bylaw that outline the permitted spaces in the above sites within which responsible consumption of liquor can occur. A 10m buffer zone has been provided around children's play areas, with the exception of Old Orchard Beach due to the inclusion of the picnic shelter area.

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The Port Moody Police Department did not communicate any concerns with proceeding with this pilot program but recommended that alcohol consumption not be permitted on any of the City's trails. Dealing with issues on the trail system would be a safety concern for responders. During the summer months, the City has Park Hosts and Bylaws staff that can support the implementation of this new pilot program. Ticketing by Bylaws staff will not occur during the course of the pilot program, as changes required to the Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218 (for example, to define an offence and set a fine amount) are not possible within the timeframe, however the normal enforcement tools available to Police and Bylaws will be utilized to deal with any infractions related to liquor consumption. Should additional Bylaws staff or other resources be needed to support implementation of the pilot program, staff will return to Council with that request.

Options for the discreet consumption of liquor were requested by Council. Requiring liquor be consumed discreetly would be problematic to enforce as this would require significant staffing resources to manage. Staff suggest that the messaging of the new signage request that the public consumption of liquor in the permitted spaces be done responsibly and discreetly.

New signage will be required at each of these sites that convey the boundaries of the permitted spaces, and the hours that liquor may be consumed.

Staff has prepared a new Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw for Council consideration **(Attachment 1)**. The proposed Bylaw provides definitions to key terms, the Liquor Control and Licensing Act and Regulations, details on the permitted public spaces and the posted notice requirements. The Bylaw is in accordance with section 73 of British Columbia's Liquor Control and Licensing Act and section 197 of the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation **(Attachment 2)** and is similar to those enacted by other Metro Vancouver Municipalities.

It is recommended that the Bylaw expire April 30, 2023. Staff will report back on the pilot program in early 2023 and seek Council direction on next steps, including any further amendments to the Bylaw.

### Other Options

1. THAT staff report back with additional information or bylaw amendments as directed by Council.

Note that this option would impact the ability for the above described Bylaw to be adopted for summer 2022.

### **Financial Implications**

Costs related to the implementation of this program will be tracked and absorbed in approved 2022 budgets. Potential future costs related to cleaning, litter removal, signage and safety patrols will be brought forward to Council including as part of a future budget process.

Communications / Civic Engagement



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Staff will inform the community through signage and the City's communication channels of the pilot program permitting the responsible consumption of liquor in public spaces. Staff will solicit public input near the conclusion of the pilot program.

### **Council Strategic Plan Objectives**

Permitting the responsible consumption of liquor in public spaces meets Council's objectives in in several areas of the Strategic Plan including customer service, healthy city and community evolution.

### Attachments:

- City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Spaces Bylaw, 2022, No 3375
- Pertinent excerpts from the Liquor Control and Licensing Act, SBC 2015, c 19 (the "Act") and Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, BC Reg 244/2002 (the "Regulation")

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### Report Author

Anna Mathewson General Manager, Community Services



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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Kate Zanon, General Manager of Community Development - Jul 15, 2022 - 9:59 AM

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Tim Savoie, City Manager - Jul 19, 2022 - 10:57 AM





# City of Port Moody

### Bylaw No. 3375

A Bylaw to designate certain public places for the responsible consumption of liquor outdoors.

WHEREAS section 73(2) of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* authorizes Council to enact a bylaw designating a public place, or part thereof, within its jurisdiction as a place where liquor may be consumed during certain hours;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Port Moody wants to designate the locations set out in this Bylaw as places where liquor may be responsibly consumed outdoors;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Port Moody enacts as follows:

- 1. Citation
  - 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as "City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2022, No. 3375".

#### 2. Definitions

2.1 In this Bylaw:

"Children's Play Area" means any part of a Public Place that is intended to be used primarily for the recreation or amusement of minor children and includes playgrounds, climbing structures, skate parks, and spray parks;

"City" means the City of Port Moody;

"City Property" means a parcel, lot, block, strata lot, public park, or other area of land that is located in the City of Port Moody and which is either owned or occupied by the City, or in which the City has vested interest pursuant to a statute, and includes a Highway;

"Dusk" means astronomical dusk, being the dark part of twilight, when the daylight has almost gone but it is not yet completely dark;

"Highway" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Community Charter,

*"Liquor Control and Licensing Act"* means the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, SBC 2015, Chapter 19, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations" means the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, B.C. Reg. 241/2016, as amended or replaced from time to time;

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"Manager" means the General Manager of Community Services or their delegate, or the person in the City's organizational structure with responsibility for the management of parks;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that is City Property and has been designated by Council in this Bylaw as a place where Liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle, or other installation within the Public Place that has not been expressly designated by Council in this Bylaw.

- 2.2 In this Bylaw, unless a contrary intention appears, words capitalized and not otherwise defined shall be defined to have the same meaning as in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act.*
- 2.3 If a position to which powers, functions, and duties are delegated under this Bylaw is altered, modified, renamed, split, or consolidated after its enactment, each of those powers, functions, and duties are deemed to have transferred to the person holding the position most closely connected to that which existed as of the date of enactment.

### 3. Designation of Permitted Spaces and Hours

- 3.1 The Public Places or parts thereof shown in Schedule "A" of this Bylaw as an area within which Liquor consumption is permitted and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where Liquor may be consumed in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 3.2 Every Permitted Space designated under section 3.1 excludes a 10-metre buffer zone around any Children's Play Area.
- 3.3 Despite section 14.4 of City of Port Moody Parks and Community Facilities Rules and Regulations Bylaw, 2021, No. 3321, as amended or replaced from time to time, while this Bylaw is in effect, Liquor may be consumed in Permitted Spaces, subject to compliance with the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and this Bylaw.
- 3.4 The hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are as set out in Schedule "B" of this Bylaw.
- 3.5 A person must not consume Liquor other than in Permitted Spaces, including in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signs posted in accordance with this Bylaw.

### 4. Sign Specifications

4.1 The Manager is hereby delegated the authority to determine the placement and design of signs setting out the boundaries of each Permitted Space, provided that the signs meet the criteria set out in section 4.2.



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- 4.2 Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where Liquor may be consumed must:
  - a) be no less than four (4) Signs at the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
  - b) state the hours that Liquor may be consumed; and
  - c) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.

### 5. Offence and Penalty

- 5.1 Every person who consumes Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw commits an offence under this Bylaw.
- 5.2 Offences set out in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* apply to persons consuming Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw.

### 6. Attachments and Schedules

- 6.1 The following schedules are attached to and form part of this Bylaw:
  - Schedule A Location of Permitted Spaces; and
  - Schedule B Permitted Hours of Consumption.
- 7. Expiry
  - 7.1 Subject to section 7.2, this Bylaw expires on April 30, 2023.
  - 7.2 Council may repeal this Bylaw on a date earlier than April 30, 2023.
  - 7.3 Notwithstanding section 7.1, Council may repeal this section and this Bylaw will be in effect as of the date of enactment.
- 8. Severability
  - 8.1 If a portion of this Bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed and the remainder of the Bylaw will remain in effect.

Read a first time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Read a second time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Read a third time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.



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R. Vagramov Mayor T. Takahashi Corporate Officer

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Bylaw No. 3375 of the City of Port Moody.

T. Takahashi Corporate Officer



Schedule A to Bylaw No. 3375

Location of Permitted Spaces

1. Rocky Point Park



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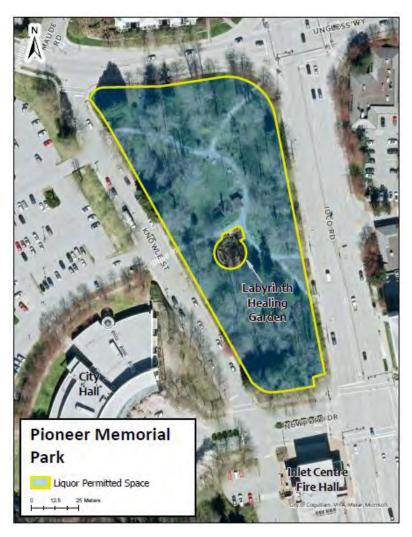


2. Old Orchard Park





3. Pioneer Memorial Park



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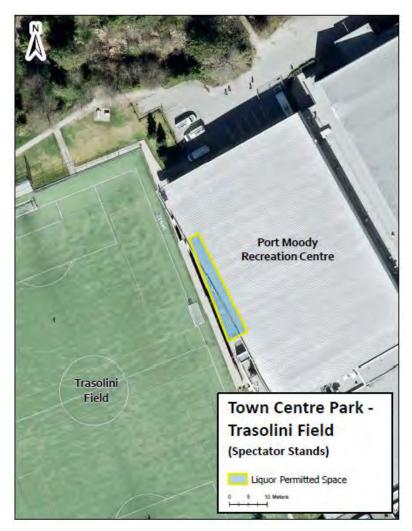
4. Kyle Centre Pop-up Park



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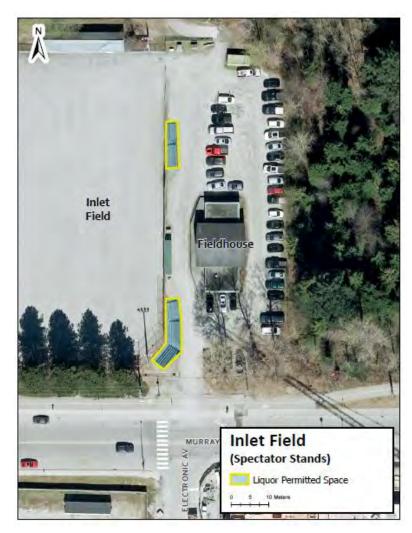
5. Trasolini Field Spectator Stands



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6. Inlet Field Spectator Stands





7. Queens Street Plaza





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#### Schedule B to Bylaw No. 3375

#### Permitted Hours of Consumption

Liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Spaces in the following locations from 11:00am to Dusk each day:

- 1. Rocky Point Park;
- 2. Old Orchard Park;
- 3. Pioneer Memorial Park;
- 4. Kyle Centre Pop-up Park;
- 5. Trasolini Field Spectator Stands;
- 6. Inlet Field Spectator Stands; and
- 7. Queens Street Plaza.



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#### ATTACHMENT 2

Excerpts from:

- A) Liquor Control and Licensing Act, SBC 2015, c 19 (the "Act") and
- B) Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, BC Reg 244/2002 (the "Regulation")

**A.** *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, SBC 2015, c 19 (the "*Act*") The relevant provision of the *Act* is the following:

### Unlawful possession or consumption of liquor

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- (1) A person must not consume liquor, or possess liquor in an open container, in a place other than
  - (a) a residence,
  - (b) a private place,
  - (c) a service area in respect of which a licence, authorization or permit allows consumption.
  - (d) as provided under section 11,
  - (e) as provided under subsections (2) to (4) of this section,
  - (f) an assisted living residence, community care facility, hospital or other prescribed facility as provided in section 9, or
  - (g) in a liquor store as allowed under the *Liquor Distribution Act*.

(2) Subject to subsection (3) and the regulations, a municipality, a regional district or the Park Board, established under section 485 of the *Vancouver Charter*, may, by bylaw, designate a public place over which it has jurisdiction, or part of such a place, as a place where liquor may be consumed.

### (3) A bylaw under subsection (2) must contain the hours during which liquor may be consumed.

(4) Without limiting subsection (2), regulations under that subsection may provide that a bylaw referred to in that subsection may not designate

(a) a specified public place, or

(b) a specified public place for a specified period of time.

The Act includes a definition of public place as follows: "public place" includes a place, building or vehicle to which the public is invited or has or is allowed access;

# B. *Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation*, BC Reg 244/2002 (the "Regulation")

The relevant provision of the Regulation is the following: **Content of bylaws 197** A bylaw under section 73 (2) of the Act designating a public place as a place where liquor may be consumed must Attachment 1 Considered at the May 14, 2024, Regular Council meeting <sup>162</sup> Considered at the April 23, 2024, Regular Council meeting <sup>393</sup> Attachment 3 Considered at the June 13, 2023, Regular Council meeting

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(a) require the person responsible for the public place to post signs setting out
(i) the boundaries of the public place, and
(ii) the hours that liquor may be consumed, and
(b) describe the number and size of the signs and how they are to be posted.

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# City of Port Moody

### Bylaw No. 3392

A Bylaw to designate certain public places for the responsible consumption of liquor outdoors.

WHEREAS section 73(2) of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* authorizes Council to enact a bylaw designating a public place, or part thereof, within its jurisdiction as a place where liquor may be consumed during certain hours,

AND WHEREAS Council of the City of Port Moody wants to designate the locations set out in this Bylaw as places where Liquor may be responsibly consumed outdoors;

NOW THEREFORE, Council of the City of Port Moody, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

### 1. Citation

1.1. This Bylaw shall be cited as "City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2023, No. 3392".

### 2. Interpretation

2.1. In this Bylaw:

"Children's Play Area" means any part of a Public Place that is intended to be used primarily for the recreation or amusement of minor children and includes playgrounds, climbing structures, skate parks, and spray parks;

"City" means the City of Port Moody;

"City Property" means a parcel, lot, block, strata lot, public park or other area of land that is located in the City of Port Moody and which is either owned or occupied by the City, or in which the City has vested interest pursuant to a statute, and includes a Highway;

"Dusk" means astronomical dusk, being the dark part of twilight, when the daylight has almost gone but it is not yet completely dark;

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"Manager" means General Manager, Community Services or delegate, or the person in the City's organizational structure with responsibility for the management of parks;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that is City Property and has been designated by Council in this Bylaw as a place where Liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle or other installation within the Public Place that has not been expressly designated by Council in this Bylaw.

- 2.2. In this Bylaw, unless a contrary intention appears, words capitalized and not otherwise defined shall be defined to have the same meaning as in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act.*
- 2.3. If a position to which powers, functions and duties are delegated under this Bylaw is altered, modified, renamed, split or consolidated after its enactment, each of those powers, functions and duties are deemed to have transferred to the person holding the position most closely connected to that which existed as of the date of enactment.

### 3. Designation of Permitted Spaces / Hours

- 3.1. The Public Places or parts thereof shown in Schedule A to this Bylaw as an area within which Liquor consumption is permitted and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where Liquor may be consumed in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 3.2. Every Permitted Space designated under section 3.1 excludes a 10 metre buffer zone around any Children's Play Area.
- 3.3. Despite section 14.4 of the City of Port Moody Parks and Community Facilities Rules and Regulations Bylaw, 2021, No. 3321, as amended or replaced from time to time, while this Bylaw is in effect Liquor may be consumed in Permitted Spaces, subject to compliance with the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and this Bylaw,

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- 3.4. The hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are as set out in Schedule B.
- 3.5. A person must not consume Liquor other than in Permitted Spaces, including in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signs posted in accordance with this Bylaw.

### 4. Sign Specifications

- 4.1. The Manager is hereby delegated the authority to determine the placement and design of signs setting out the boundaries of each Permitted Space, provided that the signs meet the criteria set out in section 4.2.
- 4.2. Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where Liquor may be consumed must:
  - (a) be no less than four (4) Signs at the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
  - (b) state the hours that Liquor may be consumed; and
  - (c) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.

### 5. Enforcement

- 5.1. Every person who consumes Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw commits an offence under this Bylaw.
- 5.2. Offences set out in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* apply to persons consuming Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw.

### 6. Severability

6.1. If any part, section, subsection, clause or sub-clause of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, it will be severed and the validity of the remaining provisions of this Bylaw will not be affected.

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### 7. Attachments and Schedules

- 7.1. The following schedules are attached to and form part of this Bylaw:
  - Schedule A Maps of Permitted Spaces
  - Schedule B Hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces

### 8. Expiry

- 8.1. Subject to section 8.2, this Bylaw expires on December 31, 2023.
- 8.2. Council may repeal this Bylaw on a date earlier than December 31, 2023.
- 8.3. Notwithstanding section 8.1, Council may repeal this section and this Bylaw will be in effect as of the date of enactment.

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M. Lahti Mayor

S. Lam City Clerk

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Bylaw No. 3392 of the City of Port Moody.

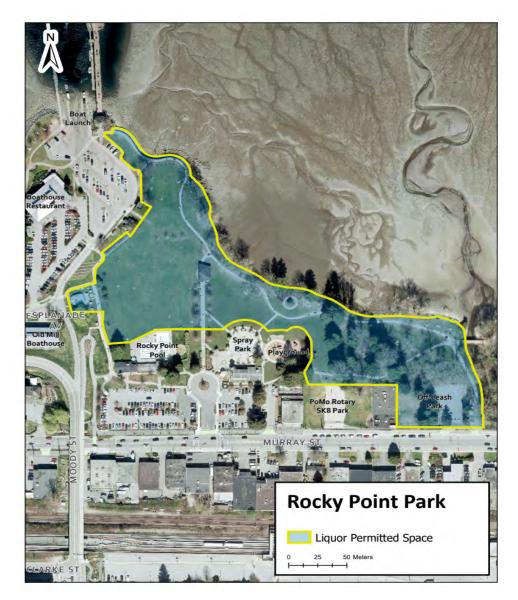
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SCHEDULE "A" to Bylaw 3392

Maps of Permitted Spaces

1. Rocky Point Park



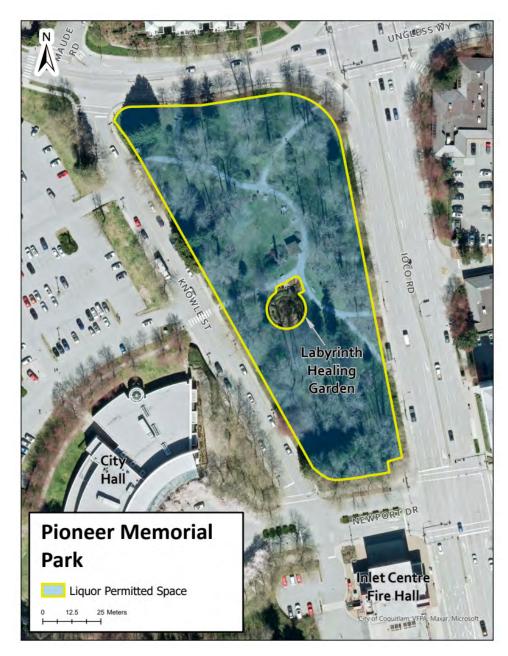


<sup>2.</sup> Old Orchard





<sup>3.</sup> Pioneer Park



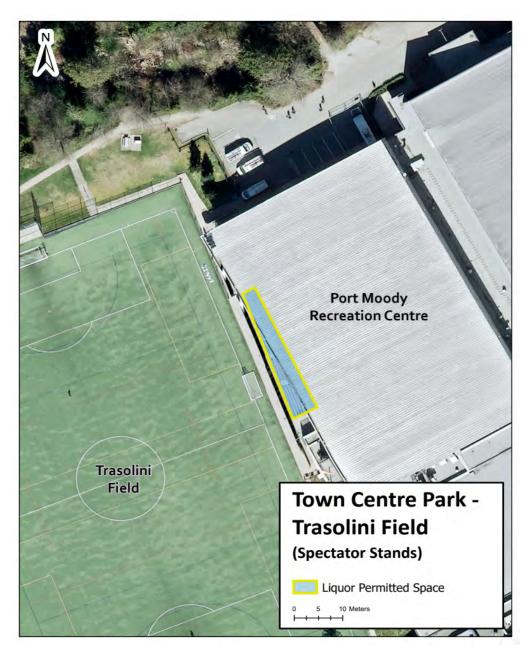


<sup>4.</sup> Kyle Centre pop-up park





<sup>5.</sup> Trasolini Field spectator stands





<sup>6.</sup> Queen Street Plaza





#### SCHEDULE "B" to Bylaw 3392

Liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Spaces in the following locations from 11:00 am to Dusk each day:

- 1. Rocky Point Park
- 2. Old Orchard
- 3. Pioneer Park
- 4. Kyle Centre pop-up park
- 5. Trasolini Field spectator stands
- 6. Queen Street Plaza

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#### Attachment 4

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### Alcohol in Parks Pilot Program

### Public Engagement Summary

Public engagement period: July 5 to September 5, 2023

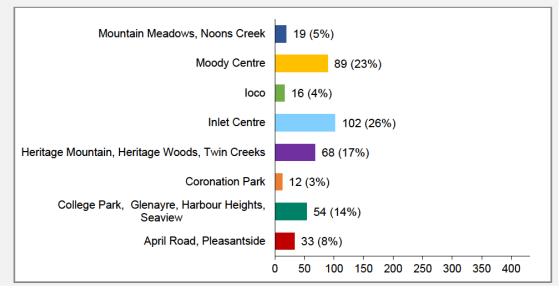
Public engagement participation from engage.portmoody.ca/alcohol-in-parks:

- 431 engaged participants contributed to one or more feedback tools
- 869 informed participants visited multiple project pages, contributed to a tool, or downloaded documents
- 1395 aware visitors viewed this project page

### Who did we hear from?

Age		
19-34	18%	020/ of respondents are Dart Maady residents
35-44 45-54	31% 17%	92% of respondents are Port Moody residents
55-64 65+	17% 18%	8% of respondents own a business in Port Moody
60 <del>+</del>	10%	

### Which Port Moody neighbourhood do you live in?



Comments are presented verbatim, including typos and grammatical errors. Profane or abusive language, or personally identifying information has been removed where indicated by "[omitted]".

While public engagement results may provide the City with valuable information, please note the views expressed do not necessarily reflect the views of all Port Moody residents.

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### Key Findings: what we heard

- Of those respondents who visited locations where public consumption of alcohol was permitted: o the majority reported having generally positive experiences, ranging from 68% positive at Queens Street Plaza to 80% positive at Rocky Point Park; and
  - no more than 10% of respondents reported having a generally negative experience at any one of the locations.
- 74% of respondents don't think any of the six areas need removed from the bylaw, and 17% do
  think one or more areas need removed. Of those who would like to remove an area from the
  bylaw, there was no one area that generated the most concern requests to remove areas
  were distributed fairly evenly across all six areas.
- Respondents are divided on whether they think we should consider adding other outdoor public places to the bylaw.
- When asked to provide general comments or recommendations for City staff or Council as we consider whether to make the pilot project permanent, the most common themes mentioned in the comments were:
  - expressions of support for making the pilot project permanent (mentions in 58% of comments);
  - litter, waste pickup or a need for improved recycling availability (mentions in 17% of comments);
  - o increasing bylaw or police enforcement (mentions in 16% of comments); and
  - expressions of opposition to making the pilot project permanent (mentions in 16% of comments).

### Survey Results (n=431): July 5 to September 5, 2023

Q1. Are you 19 years or older?

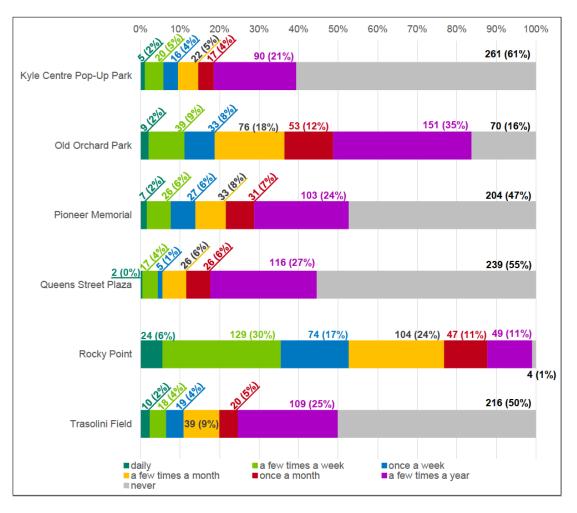
All respondents identified themselves as being 19 years or older.

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Q2. Over the last 12 months, how often, on average, have you visited the outdoor public places where adults may drink alcohol responsibly in designated areas? Select one answer for each location.

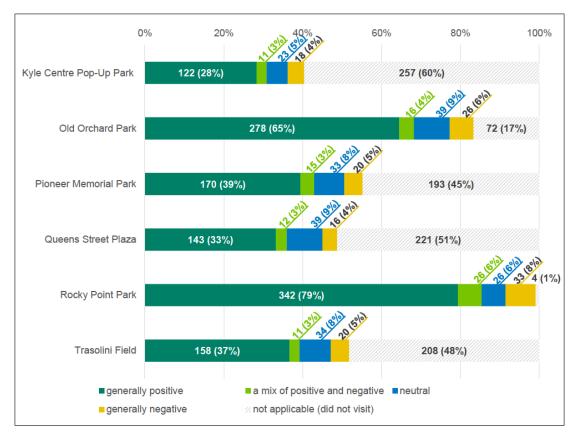


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Q3. Thinking of your visits to these outdoor public places, how would you describe your experiences as they relate to the Alcohol in Parks Pilot Project? Select one answer for each location.

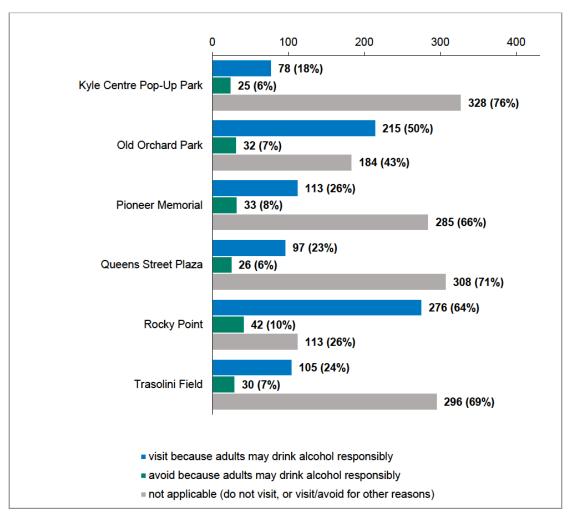


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Q4. Are there any locations you visit or avoid specifically because adults may drink alcohol responsibly in designated areas? Select one answer for each location.



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Q5. If you selected "avoid because adults may drink alcohol responsibly" as your answer for one or more location(s) in the previous question, please tell us about your specific reason(s) for avoidance as they relate to the Alcohol in Parks Pilot Project. (n=56)

### The most common themes of why respondents avoid one or more location(s) include the following:

Theme	Number of mentions
Assumed or experienced disruptive behaviour and irresponsible drinking	26
Concerns about kids seeing/being around people who are drinking	15
Waste management (littering, garbage over capacity, or broken glass)	13
Concerns about enforcement of responsible drinking or around driving under the influence	9
Health, societal, and detrimental effects of alcohol (in general)	7

Comments reflected in the themes above sounded like:

- I was harassed by a drunk group of late teens/young 20 year olds while running. They hurled slurs as I was trying to exercise along the boardwalk before I had to leave the area to avoid the situation. It was an incredibly negative experience and I don't feel comfortable running along the Rocky Point area since. I had never experienced any issue until the alchohol in parks project started.
- 2. We used to love going to the parks with our children, especially Rocky point park. It is a shame that alcohol is now allowed and we have to worry about intoxicated adults and expose our children to harm. The parks should be a family friendly environment. Now we have to be concerned about drunk drivers and people who are not in control of themselves. We don't feel comfortable anymore.
- 3. I always think Pioneer Memorial Park as a place of respect, and retrospect, where one can sit quietly with their thoughts.
- 4. As soon as the program began there was a very noticeable increase in garbage, noise and rowdiness in the parks I visited. I also spoke to home owners near Old Orchard Park and found out that in areas near the park where visitors tended to park visitors sometimes were defecating on the lawns of these homes.
- 5. So much empties, people litter 6 pack plastic holders and there is usually garbage everywhere.

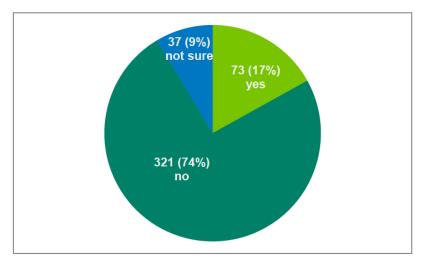
Full list of verbatim comments can be found in Appendix A.

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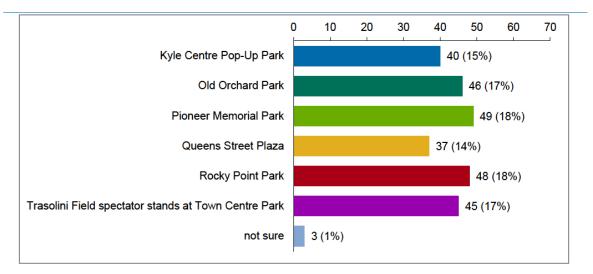
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Q6. Do you think we should consider removing any of the six outdoor public places from the Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw?



Q7. Which outdoor public place(s) should we consider removing from the bylaw? Select all that apply.

(Conditional question posed to respondents who selected 'Yes' in Q6) (n=73, total responses provided = 268)

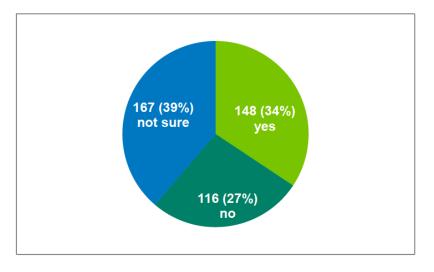


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Q8. Do you think we should consider adding any specific outdoor public place(s) to the Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw?



**Q9. Which specific outdoor public place(s) do you think we should consider adding to the bylaw?** (Conditional question posed to respondents who selected 'Yes' in Q8) (n=148)

The most common themes that emerged include the following:

Theme 1 – Expand the policy across all parks and/or public spaces (44 mentions)

Comments we heard around this theme sounded like:

- 1. Any parks with picnic tables or where people go to spend the day
- 2. pretty much any park, greenbelt, or natural area should be added to the Responsible Consumption list.
- 3. Responsible consumption should be permitted in all parks, including all areas of parks. Parents should be permitted to have a drink while watching their kids play on the playground (we're already doing it anyways).

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### Theme 2 - Specific named parks with two or more mentions

Park name	Number of mentions
Westhill Park	11
Shoreline Trail	10
Old Orchard Park Beach	6
Buntzen Lake	6
Chip Kerr Park	5
White Pine Beach	5
Belcarra Park	4
City Hall area (mentions include amphitheatre, public market area and around tennis courts)	4
Inlet Park / spectator stands	4
Murray Street	3
Art Wilkinson Park	3
Bert Flinn Park	3
Heritage Mountain	3
Sasamat Lake	2
Newport Village	2
Old Mill Site	2
Suter Brook	2

List of verbatim comments can be found in Appendix B.

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Q10. Do you have any recommendations for City staff or Council as we consider whether to make the pilot project permanent, or any general comments on the Alcohol in Parks pilot project? Please share your thoughts with us. (n=258)

The most common themes that emerged are included below. Each comment could mention multiple themes. All comments are available in Appendix C.

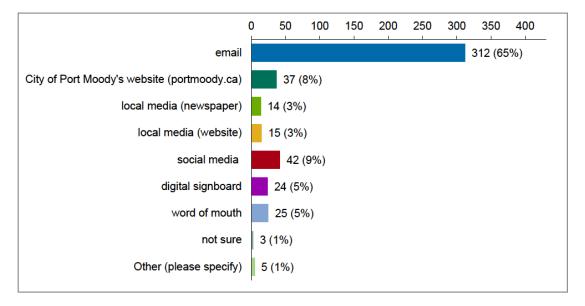
Theme	Number of mentions			
Opinions on making the pilot project permanent				
Expressions of support	150			
Expressions of opposition	41			
Waste management	61			
Comments on litter, garbage bins over capacity, broken glass	33			
Requests for increased recycling availability	28			
Enforcement	41			
<ul> <li>Bylaw enforcement (recommendations for increased presence to ensure responsible drinking, appropriate behaviour and noise compliance)</li> </ul>	23			
<ul> <li>Police enforcement (primarily concerns of driving under the influence)</li> </ul>	18			
Recommend changes to the bylaw	15			
<ul> <li>Reduce allowable areas of consumption or decrease allowable hours of consumption</li> </ul>	10			
Change guidelines (no hard alcohol, no glass containers)	5			
General concerns about				
community safety	16			
<ul> <li>facilities (washrooms, parking) and park capacity</li> </ul>	7			
health and wellness	5			

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Q11. How did you hear about this survey? Select all that apply

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#### Places Tool Results (n=6): July 5 to September 5, 2023

Comment

Details (address or description)

#### Responses to the following prompt. Respondents could add multiple pins/responses.

The areas outlined in orange indicate areas in our parks where alcohol is currently allowed. Click on the + symbol to drop a pin on our map of Port Moody to provide location-specific feedback or recommendations:

- Do you think we should consider removing any of the six outdoor public places from the Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw? Drop a red pin to suggest removing a location.
- Do you think we should consider adding any specific outdoor public place(s) to the Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw? Drop a green pin to suggest adding a location.
- Do you have any other specific recommendations for City staff or Council as we consider whether to make the pilot project permanent? Drop a yellow pin to tell us about your specific recommendation(s) for a location.

Suggested locations to add (green pins):	
Art Wilkinson Park	It's nice to have a cold drink after pickeball
City Hall/Rec Centre (pinned Inlet Theatre)	Back area beside the farmers market
City Hall/Rec Centre area pinned Port Moody Public .ibrary)	The little amphitheatre behind city hall never gets used – nice quiet place to sit with a thirst quencher after a workout. Cycling club is using Pioneer Park but seating limited there, this space would be better for the group.
eritage Woods Secondary chool Baseball Field (pinned 87 Blackberry Drive)	Baseball diamond bleachers
d Orchard Park	Expand the Old Orchard Park area to include the beach.
Orchard Park	Include the beach in the alcohol permitted area!
terbrook	Use the stage in Suterbrook for summer concerts again and permit alcohol during the shows
esthill Park	Picnic area at Westhill
Suggested location to remove (red pins):	
asolini Field	The parents watching their kids sports are already intense enough, without adding alcohol to the mix!

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#### Appendix A

Verbatim responses to Q5. If you selected "avoid because adults may drink alcohol responsibly" as your answer for one or more location(s) in the previous question, please tell us about your specific reason(s) for avoidance as they relate to the Alcohol in Parks Pilot Project. (n=56)

- 1. Pioneer memorial park is not a place for social gathering, but more for quiet contemplative activities, or flow through the park. This area should not be used for such things. There are much better locations in the City for large groups, events, and consumption of alcohol.
- 2. Have found broken bottles and empties on shoreline trail and broken glass in the sand at old orchard
- 3. there is no "responsible consumption" alcohol is poison and it's killed more people and destroyed more families and nothing positive comes from people drinking in public parks. Look up the stats on rape, violence, child abuse, etc when it comes to alcohol. It will encourage people who like to party hard to come into the area as well and produce more problems. More people now than ever smoke weed because the stores are everywhere and its encouraged to be socially acceptable leading to other drug addictions. With the staggering amount of mental health and drug abuse issues we have you'd think public officials would be responsible and not encourage drug consumption. Port Moody has an entire street full of breweries and bars is that not enough options for people who want to drink? Let's keep Port Moody safe and respectable.
- 4. I think the program is working well, I haven't seen any ill affects, and generally the Port Moody crowd are a civilized bunch
- 5. At Rocky Point, it's common to see people drinking too much, too out in the open, and leaving their empty bottles and cans behind. We have also come across broken glass regularly. It's not safe or enjoyable to take our kids there.
- 6. I don't want my kids around people drinking.
- 7. Drinking responsible is too high a bar unfortunately and there are many that are irresponsible. People drink too much, get confrontational if you mention that they should not drive home, and are generally inclined to be much more unsafe.
- 8. this very bad idea soon or later people start drink alcohol no responsibly
- This will cost our city more because of police surveillance People around Rocky Point are not drinking responsibly. We clean up after them every Sunday morning.
- 10. I won't go there after 6 pm in case there are drunks
- 11. I am finding increasing evidence of late night drinking from my visits in the morning. There is left over beer cans, broken bottles and general garbage left behind.
- 12. Port Moody already has a booze culture in Brewery Lane. It already monopolizes the parking for the most beautiful park in Port Moody. Port Moody doesn't need to promote more drinking. Absolutely ridiculous that queens street invites alcohol. I think food trucks or small artisan business pop ups would be more inclusive in Queens Street and Kyle.
- 13. I was harassed by a drunk group of late teens/young 20 year olds while running. They hurled slurs as I was trying to exercise along the boardwalk before I had to leave the area to avoid the

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situation. It was an incredibly negative experience and I don't feel comfortable running along the Rocky Point area since. I had never experienced any issue until the alchohol in parks project started.

14. I think this was a reasonable "experiment" but with rising temperatures we all ought to be drinking more water. That's the kind of hydration we all need when we will be in these places spring/summer. Anywhere 7 are children I don't think drinking is particularly necessary.

15. not family friendly, lots of drunk people and garbage left over, including broken glass

- 16. Rowdiness, noisiness, interfering with peaceful enjoyment. Inappropriate distribution of alcohol to minors.
- 17. Some younger adults will undoubtedly break glass and litter regardless of signage. It is in the nature of some risk-taking young adults to over-indulge, regardless of signs about responsible drinking. Stanley Park mounted VPD regularly encounter this behaviour, especially on, or near, the seawall from Ceperley Park to 3rd Beach. So --- will PoMo police have to increase patrolling of these areas?
- 18. I am too familiar with alcoholism and I do not think that drinking alcohol should be more common or accessible than it already is. It is a leading cause of death and affects too many people as it is.
- 19. I'm a little worried about glass on the beach at OOH despite the beach being off limits. It only takes one "abusive" person to ruin it for many people.
- 20. Rocky Point Park is next to numerous breweries. What I've noticed is people coming to the park after drinking at the breweries then continuing to drink in the park. Some are quite inebriated and it becomes uncomfortable when we are there with our children. On one occasion we observed a group taking shots and numerous disposable cups strewn about on the group. The group was very loud and made the time with the family very unpleasant. We shouldn't have to move due to a group being rowdy and not following the rules. We've also seen people consuming alcohol adjacent to the water park and close to the beach. All the times we've been there we haven't seen anyone enforcing the liquor bylaws.
- 21. It's not appropriate or necessary for people to need to consume alcohol in a public setting especially a park.

Would you consider it appropriate to also allow cannabis use? If not. Why not

- 22. I don't believe the enjoyment of some is worth the annoyance and potential difficulties for others
- 23. I am extremely disappointed with the Port Moody council and land use committee that has been approving developments but fail to appropriately address park space and transit/infrastructure. Parks were a place for wellness and mental health and not only is there insufficient space but this has now disappeared to cater only to a certain demographic.
- 24. The City does not have enough resources to manage the drinking crowds without spending extra tax dollars.
- 25. It is illegal to consume cannabis yet I can't take my son to rocky point park as all we smell is the breweries across the street. When i walk my dog I regularly find littered beer cans. I regularly encounter belligerence while at the parks these days

26. I have no problem with adults responsibly consuming alcohol in parks.

27. So much empties, people litter 6 pack plastic holders and there is usually garbage everywhere.

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- 28. I'm planning to visit parks with my two little sons, one aged 4 years old and the other under one year. I'm concerned about encountering intoxicated individuals who might approach my children, and I worry that I may not be able to handle such a situation. Therefore, I prefer to drive extra miles and go to parks in Coquitlam. Allowing alcohol in parks creates a situation where it's difficult to ensure people will behave responsibly, which, in my opinion, was a poor decision by the City, especially considering the presence of children of all ages in the park.
- 29. I don't think drinking in the parks is necessary. If and when I am in a park that allows drinking, I don't want to be around people that are drinking or are drunk. Especially when there are children around
- 30. Alcohol contributes to crime and irresponsible and negative behaviors. I am not visiting the parks as often because of concerns over irresponsible drinking. It's impossible to monitor every person who drinks in the park. Just as the public is now subjected to cannabis daily, with users ignoring the rules, drinking in the parks is the same. Bad behavior goes without consequence and the public is at risk.
- 31. sports and alcohol can be a funny mix and some adults get too involved in their team winning, calls the ref make they don't agree with, etc.
- 32. No problems that I'm aware of
- 33. Consumption of alcohol in public spaces is not a problem. If problems come up that is why we have a community police force who will not have to go looking about for offenders if there is no complaint leaving them with more time to help keep our overall community safe ].
- 34. Drinking should not be allowed in any public parks. These spaces are for families, young children and people wanting to enjoy nature in a safe space. You know that there will be some people (even a small minority) who will not drink responsibly and ruin the experience for others. People who drink too much are often beligerant, loud, and have a loss of inhibitions. There will be issues with people drinking irresponsibly because there are some people who simply drink too much for many reasons. Don't allow this pilot project to continue.
- 35. Allowing alcohol in the public venue gives the notion of promoting the harmful substance to the public, specially to young generation. Alcohol drink is very addictive substance that brings serious issues mentally and physically.
- 36. Wary of broken glass. Not a drinker. Any place where there could be larger amounts of people who could consume too much alcohol is not a place where I enjoy. There is always someone who can't handle it.
- 37. I wasn't aware of the pilot project allowing alcohol in these parks..... I've never observed any indication of visitors consuming alcohol on my visits.
- 38. I wouldn't say I avoid the pioneer park because of alcohol I just don't think it's an appropriate park for consumption of alcohol
- 39. As soon as the program began there was a very noticeable increase in garbage, noise and rowdiness in the parks I visited. I also spoke to home owners near Old Orchard Park and found out that in areas near the park where visitors tended to park visitors sometimes were defecating on the lawns of these homes.
- 40. I always think Pioneer Memorial Park as a place of respect, and retrospect, where one can sit quietly with their thoughts.
- 41. may means may not
- 42. Because some people can't drink responsibly

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- 43. I have selected this answer multiple times because I visit parks to get outdoors not specifically to drink. Bring able to have the option to drink is a nice bonus if desired.
- 44. I'm not avoiding or visiting any parks because of alcohol but I still go there
- 45. The key word is "responsibly" and so far leaving empty cans of beer behind and littering is not responsible behaviour. People need to be educated before being allowed to drink in public.
- 46. Not comfortable around people who drink alcohol as I have had bad experiences in the past.
- 47. Because I had experiences which made me believe that unfortunately adults don't follow the "responsibly" code all the time.
- 48. It is not safe for my family
- 49. I don't want my kids to be around people who drink.

And why do all the options to the survey say "because adults drink responsibly". Why are you eliminating the fact that some people are irresponsible drinkers??

I expected a much better wording of this survey.

I am a measurement specialist and I have extensive background in creating and conducting surveys. This survey is biased and not inclusive.

- 50. I have children from different ages and I don't want them to be exposed to alcohol users in public. I have had a terrible experience in a park in UBC when I was younger and I nearly got knocked down by a drunk. I don't want to be exposed to drunk people publicly. They can go to their own homes and drink alcohol but in public it has another meaning and it is encouraging for younger generations
- 51. Alcohol causes you to loose your consciousness and self identity and makes you act differently, aggressively. Please kindly leave Alcohol drinking to indoors like pub, clubs and homes rather than letting our young children seeing them in public and thinking it is fine to drink in public and get intoxicated. It's a matter of time before someone gets in real trouble while drinking in public and acting indecent because of it.
- 52. Because I go with my kids, alcohol is bad for health in general and I dont want my kids get into bad habits. Parks are not for that. They can drink at home and not parks please.
- 53. We used to love going to the parks with our children, especially Rocky point park. It is a shame that alcohol is now allowed and we have to worry about intoxicated adults and expose our children to harm. The parks should be a family friendly environment. Now we have to be concerned about drunk drivers and people who are not in control of themselves. We don't feel comfortable anymore.
- 54. Not all adults drink responsibly regardless of how much they try. I take my grandkids to these places and can't run after them in all directions to ensure just one irresponsible adult may cause them harm.

The term (drink alcohol responsibly) is understood differently by different people. Unfortunately most adults consider their drinking habits as (responsibly) regardless of the amount of alcohol they drink.

If you decide to continue with this project you should have an observer at each designated area all the time, and come up with a specific definition of (drinking responsibly) and what kind of alcohol is allowed to be consumed at the parks, beer, wine, whisky etc.

55. Well done and about time Canada match what is normal in Europe

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56. There are some adults who do respect the privilege and do drink responsibly however there are many whose behaviour changes in ways that cause bad behaviour that impacts those who enjoy the outdoors and ultimately ruin the experience of attending the parks. Alcohol consumption should be regulated to restaurants, bars. People who drink at Brewery Row then cross to Rocky Point already under the influence and continue to drink alcohol have the potential to cause conflict to which I have personally experienced especially during Summer Sundays Music events. Very disturbing and inappropriate. I don't think the pilot project should continue.

#### Appendix B

Verbatim responses to Q9. Which specific outdoor public place(s) do you think we should consider adding to the bylaw? (optional conditional question if respondents answered "yes" to Q8, n=148)

- 1. Aspenwood and Heritage
- 2. No specific places, I just don't think its reasonable to say you should not even consider adding anywhere else.
- 3. Shoreline trail
- 4. Westhill Park
- 5. the piece of greenery by the boat house of the rockey point park
- 6. The beach area of Old Orchard Park
- 7. Westhill
- 8. All of them.
- 9. All of them!
- 10. All public parks, rec centre area
- 11. Shoreline trail. I love a good walk-tail
- 12. Everywhere in Rocky Point + Shoreline trail.
- 13. Generally speaking, I'm okay with responsible liquor consumption across all parks
- 14. Westhill
- 15. All parks as per Coquitlam
- 16. Don't know
- 17. The beach area at Old Orchard Park

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18. I think adults should be able to consume responsibly anywhere, creating a public disturbance should not.

- White Pine Beach 19. 20. All parks Heritage ball field 21. All of them. 22. All areas 23. Sasamat lake and Bunsen lake 24. There should be one law/rule for all parks with the usual reasonable exclusions. Park between library and tennis courts 25. 26. Small parks Glenarye Art Wilkinson Park, Westhill park 27. 28. Westhill area 29. Any parks with picnic tables or where people go to spend the day 30. Murray Street (Entertainment District) - allow drinks "to go". 31. **Belcarra Regional Park** All parks should follow the same guidelines 32. Anywhere is fine with me 33. 34. **Belcarra Regional Park** Any remaining under consideration. 35. 36. Chip Kerr Park; Murray Street outside breweries; new inlet field stands; Shoreline Park walking path; dog parks 37. Not sure where but more responsible adult consumption could be a good thing 38. any public park 39. Our cycling club used to meet at seating area behind city hall (by tennis courts) at Port Moody Rec. Nice place for club to meet.
  - 40. All public outdoor places
  - 41. Art Wilkinson Park

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65. all other city parks

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- 87. Whitepine beach, Buntzun Lake
- 88. I think all our parks should allow responsible consumption of alcohol

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- 113. Westhill park
- 114. All large Port Moody parks
- 115. Westhill
- 116. White Pine. Buntzen Lake. BelCarra Park.
- 117. Old orchard beach
- 118. Adults should be able to drink responsibly in public
- 119. Old Orchard Beach, really not sure why this was excluded... I go there often and have never seen any irresponsible behaviour... only bylaw officers getting decent people to move on to the grass with their alcohol... these people seem responsible and respectful
- 120. Most of not all of the public parks should be included
- 121. Possibly a park up around the Heritage Mountain area.
- 122. The entire Shoreline Trail / park system from Rocky Point to Old Orchard

#### Appendix C

Verbatim answers to Q10. Do you have any recommendations for City staff or Council as we consider whether to make the pilot project permanent, or any general comments on the Alcohol in Parks pilot project? Please share your thoughts with us.

- 1. Please remove Pioneer Park as I feel it should be a quiet, family-friendly space where people can feel at peace in the Labyrinth Healing Garden or using the Phone of the Wind. If the pilot becomes permanent, please keep the regulations that prohibit drinking near playgrounds and Old Orchard Beach, and of course the Labyrinth Healing Garen.
- 2. We brought drinks down to Rocky Point during Golden Spike Days only to be turned away by security after I made a donation to enter the fenced area. It was not communicated in advance or through signage before we entered the premises that Special Events are an exception to the pilot project.
- 3. Even though I don't usually consume alcohol in parks, I do frequently walk my dog in parks and have found that this bylaw really has no negative impact on me at all. I've noticed no marked increase in inebriated people being bothersome. I have seen the odd beer can or etc left as litter in parks, but I also see other non alcohol litter from time to time, so I don't think that allowing drinking in parks correlates to increased litter. People that are going to litter are going to litter. I think it is a net good as people enjoy consuming alcohol in parks and I like having the option available if I ever want to.
- 4. I have occasionally noticed cans in pioneer park. I would recommend ensuring that adequate recycling bins are located where alcohol is allowed.
- 5. That there is both signage about where are the designated areas, as well as proper receptacles to deal with empties

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- I have not seen anyone abusing the alcohol in parks idea and love grabbing a beer to go to 6. have a picnic at Rocky Point. Would love for it to continue.
- I think it should be considered to make it permanent. 7. I do think the area around Kyle Street needs to be cleaned up a bit...
- 8. make it permanent!
- just get rid of the bylaw... people are doing it everywhere all the time anyway. You could be 9. directing resources elsewhere like improved recreation and facilities on the west side of port moody or perhaps an indoor pool so we don't have to use Coguitlam's...
- The less unnecessary regulations the better. Adults who are not harming anyone else should 10. be allowed to do as they please.
- 11. Ample recycling bins for empty cans/bottles and areas are being kept clean by the city
- 12. Honestly I haven't seen any changes to the parks I visit regularly and I think it makes for a more enjoyable experience that if we want to bring a beer or a bottle of wine with us to hang out at the park it's great! My friends and I all live in condos so being able to get together and hang out outside with a drink if we choose is wonderful.
- 13. Should be permanent
- 14. It's a great program. I've seen so many other families enjoy a beer or glass of wine. I'm glad to live in a progressive city like Port Moody.
- 15. I only see it being positive for our community. There will always be people that take things to the extreme that need to be dealt with but I know for a fact that it has brought more positive energy to the parks and to others visiting Port Moody
- 16. People that consume alcohol responsibly should be able to do so responsibly in ALL Port Moody parks and beach areas away from children's play areas. People that abuse this privilege with poor behavior should receive a hefty fine and repeat offenders charged with causing a disturbance under the criminal code.
- 17. It should become permanent as there are no issues. We live an visit the different areas and I have never encountered any incidents related to alcohol consumption.
- 18. I think its been a great success. I havent seen any problems and it is enjoyable to sit in the grass and enjoy responsibly.
- 19. Remove it from old orchard Park. Glass has been found on a number of occasions. Empties have been found and disposed of on shoreline trail.
- Monitor the situation I have travelled all over France It is never an issue there You can drink 20. alcohol in any park if you are of age
- 21. This is a great project, please consider making it permanent.
- 22. As long as the safety of all park goers is of top priority, and obnoxious or overly drunken consumers of alcohol are removed, and given a fine if need be, then all should be well
- 23. This is a great project, and should definitely be made permanent.
- This has been a huge improvement and it is great to see people able to responsibly enjoy an 24. alcoholic beverage while enjoying the beautiful parks Port Moody has to offer.

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- Alcohol in parks has been a good project.
   We go to outdoor concerts at Rocky Point Park all summer and there is not any problems as people drink responsibly.
- 26. My vote is permanent!
- 27. My only concern is wide open allowance of drinking alcohol. My preference would be that alcohol consumption be restricted to a specific area, not just away from play grounds and the beach areas
- 28. From what I've seen the vast majority of adults enjoying alcohol in public parks do so responsibly. Enjoying a glass of wine with your family at a picnic is wonderful, and doesn't negatively impact anyone's day. Those that negatively the people around them are easily addressed, and already happens regardless of whether alcohol is involved or not.
- 29. Absolutely an irresponsible idea. Port Moody is already having an increase in safety issues this will just encourage more public safety threats and the people that sign off on it could be liable personally for damages.
- 30. Recycle bins that support local charities
- 31. Honestly, I walk to Rocky Point Park all the time with my dog and around Saint Johns. The only issue I have with the pilot project is broken glass bottles littered on the streets. Obviously, the city has huge dog traffic. While I don't believe glass litter on sidewalks has increased since the pilot program kickstarted, I do have concerns that fines/bylaw officers will struggle to curb dangerous pollution. Cans/Plastic bottles will always be recycled by folks, even if they're littered. But shattered glass is just left for all to deal with. I don't think it's enforceable whatsoever, but banning the consumption of alcohol housed in glass containers in public parks would go a long way to ensuring this just doesn't lead to our streets becoming a dangerous cesspool of shattered glass.

So yeah, as a degenerate brewery fiend and alcohol consumer, push the pilot project through to reality. But, if possible, let's consider leaving out glass bottle containers as an approved item, or at least the threat of heavy fines for broken bottles/littering of that kind.

- 32. I think the park with the children's play area is near by should be removed from the program. I do not think 10 meters from a child playing area is far enough. There should not be any drinking around children's play areas at all
- 33. If people are willing to consume alcohol in reasonable amounts and not leave trash around afterwards, then it's ok by me. But if they start getting drunk, obnoxious and disregard where they leave their cans and bottles, then it's not ok by me. I don't want my taxes to pay for cleaning up the mess other irresponsible and inconsiderate people leave around. Or have other people have to put up with similar behaviours.
- 34. Add more garbage and recycling cans. Many people in the parks are generally have no manners and leave their garbage everywhere, especially those "visiting" from other cities. I see it time and time again all summer at RPP. After Canada day the parks were atrocious, including parks not mentioned here. Even the Police station visitor parking lot had empty beer cans discarded, which is obviously visitors looking for parking who don't give a rip. Studies show that humans will walk up to 30 steps to through something away, so we most certainly need more. I suppose they think they are doing people a favor by leaving them accessible for others to take for the deposit.

Question 4 is irrelevant. I don't visit the parks because you can or can not drink. I don't drink but actually don't care what others do with their own lives.

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- 35. As somebody who visits parks daily around town, I've been impressed at the lack of issues with this pilot project. Port Moody should continue leading the way helping BC step into the 21st century on this file, recognizing the downstream effects for affordability and guality of life.
- End any and all restrictions on alcohol consumption in Port Moody. 36.
- 37. I would support this being permanent.
- 38. no comment
- 39. I don't see why people find it necessary to drink alcohol in public parks it encourages poor behaviour, driving under the influence, increased garbage.
- 40. I wish there were people to monitor people at rocky point who are not behaving appropriately while under the influence of alcohol, and that discrete consumption was encouraged. Have signs that encourage not leaving a bunch of empty cans/bottles everywhere. There are respectful ways to consume alcohol in parks without it being in the face of everyone.
- 41. I have not witnessed any problems since this pilot project has been in place.
- 42. Continue with new existing guidelines. Allow alcohol
- 43. Please keep this bylaw in place. I think it was really successful. We had some wonderful picnics with a bottle of wine or bubbles.
- 44. Drinking responsible is too high a bar unfortunately and there are many that are irresponsible. People drink too much, get confrontational if you mention that they should not drive home, and are generally inclined to be much more unsafe.

where several people EACH YEAR DIED due s.22(1) Personal Privacy to alcohol. They acted unsafely and ruined the weekend for MANY people. It has been banned for a reason. The Council is simply being reckless in even considering this.

- 45. no hard liquor.
- 46. Love this initiative, as it doesn't penalize responsible adults. The vast majority of the public are responsible, so when rules like this are relaxed (and only offenders are penalized) it makes for a much more fair and pleasant society.
- 47. people should drink alcohol in the bars or at home
- There already places for people to drink responsibly. Restaurants and of course at home. Our 48. police have to setup police check points on Murray because of the over serving at the brewery's.
- 49. I think it's a good project, I don't see it being abused and I think it generally contributes to more people using parks and enjoying outdoor spaces
- Have recycle bins for bottles, do not limit the space where you can consume alcohol the 50. whole park is available
- 51. My only comment is the parking at Rocky point Park filled by Brewers row patrons.
- 52. Something needs to be done about the waste. There has been so many empty alcoholic beverage containers left in RPP and at the Queen Street Plaza. It's also odd that a children's play area (sandbox) was just created, that takes up most of the space in the QSP. It seems like

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you're encouraging parents to drink while they let their children play in an area that's right beside two very busy streets (St John's and Spring).

- 53. I think it's a great idea and it also offers people others options to going to a brewery or pub etc if they need gluten free options, cheaper options, better social distancing options. I also think it has been great having music at Rocky point park. It is really turning into a fantastic place for the whole family. It might be a great idea to allow local businesses to have off sales/food carts at the locations if they so choose.
- 54. You need to enact the same bylaws that other municipalities are to disallow ANY DRUG CONSUMPTION IN ANY PUBLIC PLACE PERIOD
- 55. I would keep it as is. I have not seen any abuse of it. I've been to many European cities where this is just the norm. I think it's good to have the option if you want a drink with your picnic or visiting with a friend.
- 56. I was already seeing evidence of left over bottles, cans and garbage in the mornings at our public spaces prior to the pilot project. Now this has become worse.
- 57. Great, progressive initiative
- 58. I've noticed no change in negative public behaviour since this was legalized, and no NIMBY'ism.
- 59. I am not sure why any city wants to promote alcohol as much as PoMo does. It has a negative impact on society. It has its place in the community and parks are not one of those places.
- 60. I haven't had an alcoholic drink in one of these pilot locations myself, but I'm generally very supportive of the program. It does rely on people treating this program responsibly, but overall I don't have any issues with people having a few drinks while outside enjoying our parks.
- 61. improved recycling bins at parks.
- 62. Being able to have a drink while picnicking or strolling in the park makes the experience much better for those who drink and does not impact those who don't
- 63. Restrict the alchohol use to certain areas and ensure there is enforcement around drinking limited amounts.
- 64. I am not a big drinker.<sup>22(1) Personal Prves</sup> have been active most of my life outdoors. I love parks but I just don't associate those locations with alcohol. There are no "safe limits" for alcohol consumption. Drinking is implicated in various cancers. Pairing it in a natural environment seems to send the wrong kind of message. I understand that others make different choices and have different lifestyles. I enjoy a drink now and then. Being outside is clearly part of a healthy lifestyle. My healthiest friends don't drink. I guess I'm thinking that allowing this compliments alcohol to a degree that it isn't worthy of.
- 65. suggest you not continue with this project
- 66. To be honest I haven't even noticed anyone consuming alcohol at the parks listed that I visit. As long as people are responsible it is not a concern and I'd definitely like to have a cold wine or beer on a sunny day. Police presence from time-to-time helps I'm sure although drinking is more of an issue at the lakes and these are not included
- 67. Please don't make this a permanent plan. The parks are getting too disruptive and noisy. We have a distillery row for drinking. Most individuals don't drink responsibly.
- 68. The parks and surrounding areas seen busier with families than before the ban. People seem to be happier and more engaged. It was a long time coming and it's nice to see that the city is treating adults like adults.

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- 69. I love this pilot and hope it expands and stays. Responsible adults deserve the freedom to act responsibly in public spaces. Thank you
- 70. I do mainly support this pilot project my only concern is that alcohol near water is never a good thing too many accidents could happen. I have traveled quite a bit and it is pretty common other countries in Europe and Asia that allow drinking in public spaces with in reason.
- 71. Making it permanent would help avoid confusion as to when the bylaw trial period ends.
- 72. Responsible consumption is fine but suggest prohibiting the use of glass bottles and vessels because they will be broken. Increased garbage pick-up will be required as well re: discarded items (cans, food containers, etc.)
- 73. I think allowing responsible alcohol consumption in the parks is a great program and should stay. That being said, even moderate alcohol consumption can negatively impact motor vehicles drivers. To avoid DUI drivers, there should be more restrictions on park visitors who choose to drive to the parks where alcohol consumption is allowed, such as reducing parking capacity or charging parking fee.
- 74. Make it permanent.
- 75. Fully support responsible alcohol consumption. Take care to ensure all are being responsible. A few rowdies will ruin it for all.
- 76. Make it permanent
- 77. there will be that few that will wreck it for others
- 78. I think the pilot project was great. It's so much nicer to sit and enjoy having a beer with picnic at the park in the summer time. Is the red fencing for events for security purposes or to contain areas with alcohol?
- 79. The project is sensible.
- 80. I have a favourable view of these parks not being subject to the public drinking bylaw, and as someone who regularly visits many of these parks I have not had any issues caused by the pilot. I've just seen some people having a nice time in the park with their friends, and I think that's lovely to see. Bylaws DO NOT stop people from drinking in public, there can be as many bylaws as we want and it's not going to stop someone from pouring a beer in a Starbucks cup and drinking it at a park - let's not be obtuse, it's very easy to get around this bylaw if you want to considering the fact we're not out checking what liguids are in someone's reusable water bottle like we're living in 1984. Considering many people live in condos/apartments with no green space to speak of. I believe these people should have the ability to enjoy an adult beverage in a pretty park to decompress should they so choose, because I'd personally like people in the community to be happy and enjoy what the area has to offer. And to be clear, I live in a single family home with a yard - access to drink in these parks isn't something I have a real need of as I am the legal owner of my own green space I can drink in whenever I would like. Someone who would be a public nuisance isn't going to care about a bylaw, let's be realistic about how many people don't even bother to follow laws/bylaws with serious reasons for existing. I'm assuming there will be those concerned that the removal of bylaws is going to attract "riff raff" or whatever they'd like to call someone with a substance abuse problem, but they need to give their head a shake, and think about how people actually act in the real world. Let people have fun and enjoy what life has to offer, there's no reason to rain on everyone's parade for fear "someone" might be an issue drinking in a park, when the vast majority of people will cause no issues whatsoever, and that "someone" will cause trouble, bylaw or not.

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- 81. Alcohol consumption increase during COVID has been directly correlated to the increase of domestic violence during COVID. Alcohol consumption generally does not lead to anything positive and should be kept out of our public parks and away from children and our youth at the very least.
- Making it permanent seems like a no brainer 82.
- Excellent idea and have observed many responsible people enjoying the parks 83.
- 84. I think it's reasonable to make it permenant. I've only been to Rocky Point but never witnessed and drunken behaviour from people bringing their own. Across the street is another matter!
- 85. Worried about teens using alcohol at the old brick factory if alcohol is allowed at OOH park. Perhaps set a limit on the amount of alcohol allowed, i.e. 3 standard drinks in possession per adult present, but how will this be enforced?
- 86. Recommend making pilots permanent
- 87. A lot of people who do this survey are going to be like online reviews- they only come on to complain. Please take into consideration this has been great for the community and small businesses
- 88. People who have an alcoholic beverage in the parks because of the pilot projects are drinking respectfully.

Those who are disrespectfully drinking in public spaces would drink disrespectfully in public places regardless of the pilot project,

- Avoid having this in any park where are is a water park or close to the beach. We have had 89. very bad experiences at Rocky Point and would suggest removing this site as a designated Alcohol in Park location.
- 90. please make permanent
- 91. There are ample places where people can consume alcohol. Why encourage it in a public place. What is the motivation?
- 92. I have not had any experience of this being a problem at all. I can't comment on Kyle Centre, but it is less public and a bit more "hidden" so if any site could become a problem that might be one where people could drink to be out of main view. But Rocky Point is certainly no issue
- 93. I'm just hopeful we still have any parks (drinks or no drinks) in the future and not just rows and rows of condos given the rapid development agenda.
- 94. Please make it permanent, unless you have feedback on issues like littler or police calls that is excessive, and that I havent heard about to date.
- The Alcohol in Parks pilot project has positively affected the manner and frequency we can 95. make plans with friends and family which is so important for maintaining valuable social connections. Everyone can enjoy the outdoor space and the choice to drink alcohol (or not) within a social setting that is inclusive and not restrictive to children, pets, group capacity, obligations to purchase goods/services, etc that would be typical at businesses. My husband and I have never had a poor experience related to the alcohol in parks pilot project and we hope it continues!
- 96. Add more garbage cans and increase the lighting! Rocky point is way to dark at night it is unsafe for women to walk around it in the evenings. More lit pathways.

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- 97. It should be permanent and we should consider allowing responsible public drinking throughout the whole city
- 98. I don't believe it is necessary or a benefit to the community of Port Moody. It should be in the same category as smoking tobacco or cannabis away from others or in a designated area only.
- 99. I think, like with other municipalities consideration, it might need to be made. We are events happen in those parks.
- 100. I have not noticed much drinking in the designated parks. Maybe people aren't aware that they can. When Inlet is complete it should be included
- 101. There are more than enough places to drink alcohol in Port Moody...breweries, restaurants etc. Do we really need to encourage more of a drinking culture? Alcohol is not a healthy choice.
- 102. More places, and make spots for smoking weed
- 103. People should be able to enjoy time at the park without needing alcohol to make it enjoyable. There is a lot of potential for irresponsible drinking and the behaviour that comes along with it, so why encourage alcohol in parks? Alcohol should not be allowed in public parks, in a similar way to smoking not being allowed. Why is it necessary to obtain a liquor licence for a private event in a private location (or rented venue) but not a public park?
- 104. We need to ensure adequate waste/recycling receptacles in the parks.
- 105. Make permanent. Thanks his survey felt biased and promoted complaining rather than positive experiences. I have had no issues with this pilot.
- 106. I think offering this as an option for adults is a great idea. I know that folks have been doing this for years so making it possible removes the need for secrecy.
- 107. Yes, please me it permanent in all parks and beaches in the TriCities
- 108. Old orchard alcohol area should be on the beach
- 109. We desperately need more park spaces before we can even consider alocating areas for drinking. Please think for the greater good of the community. Quiet park enjoyment is critical for our wellbeing.
- 110. This should be made permanent.
- 111. It should be made permanent. The people consuming alcohol irresponsibly are scarce and they do it regardless of city bylaws.
- 112. This should be permanent. People are drinking responsibly.
- 113. Go into it with eyes wide open. Recommend letting families choose the parks they spend time in and it may be worth designating areas for folks who do want to consume alcohol and provide significant additional recycling and garbage bins to accommodate, along with education and the staff hours committed to a clean up and be present in the parks. The images from sunset and kits beaches in Vancouver are a horror and folks need to know if it gets to that or even close, the program should be shut down.
- 114. Make it permanent! I visit parks in Port Moody daily and have not seen any instances of it being problematic. Add the beach back in at Old Orchard please.

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- 115. Rocky Point Park and Old Orchard Park are popular family destinations, attracting numerous children who enjoy playing in the area. However, it is essential to note that the presence of adults consuming alcohol can potentially pose concerns for parents
- 116. I support making this pilot program permanent.
- 117. I have not heard of or have seen any issues with responsible consumption of alcohol in the parks. Love this and keep it going!! As a parent sometimes it's really relaxing to have a cocktail & sit outside in the summer where everyone is welcome and cops aren't constantly watching giving tickets, etc. we don't always want to be policed.
- 118. I think the pilot project should be permanent, because people who visit the parks want to enjoy and have fun at the parks.
- 119. Make it a permanent thing, summer time cold drinks. Winter time people drink hot wine, baileys in hot chocolate etc while looking at Christmas lights. Finally we are doing something good here.
- 120. I think that in any parks where consuming alcohol is permitted, there should be ample disposal bins that accept cans, glass bottles, etc. Rocky Point Park, I know, has a few bins but I can't speak for the other parks.
- 121. Not exactly sure what was the thought process at the latest Golden Spike / Canada day event. It was certainly not a children's affair inside the cage. Less frustrating for the drinkers in this respect if well placed alcohol stands were used instead. The smart people brought their own in .

Cops, security guards at some point out numbered the people.

Next time don't block off the public sidewalks .

122. Think this is a good idea overall and have enjoyed the ability to socialize with friends in this manner.

Have noticed some abuse if this privilege by groups of younger adults late at night in some cases resulting in damage to the area(trees, etc) Specifically at Memorial Park.

Unfortunate as there seems to be no enforcement or police presence to address

- 123. I walk from Water Street to Rocky Point every day and I haven, t seen any excess litter, beer cans etc around garbage cans. I think people are being responsible and respectful of the bylaw.
- 124. I am of European descent and we don't embrace any of the draconian restrictions on the consumption of alcohol that the City feels necessary to impose on the citizens of Port Moody, yet Europeans have flourished for centuries without restrictions of this type. We are being treated like school children where big brother " the City" knows best and endeavours to impose its will on ever aspect of our lives.
- 125. We need a city beer garden for the summer
- 126. I think it has been a very successful project. From what I have seen people are very respectful and responsible. The people that aren't, would likely be consuming alcohol regardless of whether it is allowed or not.
- 127. I believe the focus on responsible drinking is absolutely key. Perhaps add a space around Glenavre

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- 128. It's a balance act to maintain PoMo's beautiful park and nature, at the same time, the extra crowds, vendors, and potentially extra tax dollar spending on the program, in my opinion, seems to bring more cons than pros
- 129. The bylaw is called responsible drinking bylaw but does not state anything about responsible drinking. There should be reference in this bylaw or in another bylaw that speaks to public decency and its rules of public drunkenness.
  I am more worried about drunk activities than wine drinking picknickers.
  The bylaw does not refer to whether bottles need to be concealed, or whether bottles need to be disposed of outside of the park. There is potential to have bottles left overnight and children

finding them in the morning.

Drunk people may also throw the bottles in the inlet at Rock Point.

- 130. The consumption of marijuana is widely used in any park and city streets and the smell of marijuana affects everyone around, why is the responsible use of alcohol (like a glass of wine during a picnic) considered a problem?
- 131. I haven't noticed any difference with having alcohol consumption in the parks. It's been a very positive experience.
- 132. Don't think alcohol needs to be in stands for youth soccer or other sports
- 133. Please make it permanent.
- 134. I believe the it is a reasonable move and promotes a positive community. I would suggest adding options for different types of recycling and improving bike access (ie protected bike lanes) to access these parks
- 135. Let us drink in parks because people are already doing it
- 136. This is long time coming and proven to be very successful
- 137. Make it permanent.
- 138. Alcohol causes cancer yet we encourage it as a society. It should be banned outright
- 139. Most adults who benefit from Alcohol in Parks pilot project in Port Moody are quite responsible. It gives Port Moody residents choices and options to drink alcohol not just at the breweries but also at the park where family time can also be enjoyed.
- 140. Too much litter of empties, this promotes people to also drink and drive not to mention I am pretty sure there are playgrounds nearby which is also not cool nor responsible. At least invest in recycling stations. Wtf
- 141. I see no problem with continuing the program
- 142. Any problems arrising with alcohol will happen no matter what. Trouble makers will drink in Paris whether it's legal or not. Rowdy people need to be dealt with by the police.
- 143. There are many pubs and bars where adults can enjoy alcoholic beverages. However, it is important to prioritize the safety of parks for children. If there is a need for designated outdoor areas for alcohol consumption, they should be exclusive to adults or restricted to specific hours, such as after 7 or 8 PM.
- 144. This has been great, I'm Rocky Point daily and have not seen any issues with alcohol. It's nice to enjoy a beer with a picnic.

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145. Adults are responsible, and liquor consumption improves the city's tourism revenue.

- 146. I support making it permanent
- 147. I think it's a positive move & I've seen no obnoxious behaviour and the like as a result of alcohol in the parks.
- 148. Monitor parks and see how people that are drinking behave themselves
- 149. Make it permanent! I don't even drink, but I'm from Europe and it's so wild to me that you're not allowed to drink in public spaces here.
- 150. Great foe brewers row amd food truck business and have more community socializing in a cost effective way.
- 151. Should be permanent
- 152. We have not encountered any bad behaviour due to alcohol. However, I would tend to agree with whatever the police department recommends, as they have to deal with it.
- 153. <u>s.22(1) Personal Privacy</u>. Rocky Point Park is the only immediate green space near my residence. I do not have a backyard. I have a small balcony that's situated across from the car sewer of St. John's.

Being able to congregate with friends and family at the parks near me has been excellent. I would be incredibly disappointed if there was no legal place to go, or if the current option was not made permanent.

I like to enjoy the occasional drink at Old Orchard Park and have witnessed others doing the same. I have not witnessed any individuals doing anything to jeopardize the arrangement for others. The bathroom across from Old Orchard Park is clean and accessible and provides peace of mind for those who are worried about public indecency.

We need more parks. We need to deprioritize the car fascination and start giving the streets back to people. Murray Street is hilariously oversized. Wouldn't it be nice if the overall size was reduced and revitalized to be a living space for the people who live in the area?

There are so few spaces for people to go and with an increasing cost of living, having a place to go outside to have a drink with others is necessary and expected, especially now.

People will continue to drink in parks regardless of the decision you make, so be on the right side of history and approve it.

- 154. The public cannot be trusted to be responsible with alcohol. Unless Zero risk to the public is guaranteed, (and it can't) this decision is a foolish one. There's no such thing as guaranteed responsible consumption. The city approved cannabis shops in Suter Brook with the promise of responsible use and rules to address objections. Of course, right on cue, since then, citizens are subjected daily to smoke, multiple times a day. This idea is no different. Allowing alcohol in parks is irresponsible and unnecessary. Public safety and security must come first. It's very disappointing that this foolish notion has gone as far as it has. This should never be made permanent, and should be canceled.
- 155. Get City staff to visit these places during periods of time considered that people may consume alcohol and log their observations.
- 156. It has been a positive change and I hope people are allowed to enjoy alcohol in public places responsibly

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- 157. Positive community reception of project
- 158. It's a good system. I am a frequent visitor to the parks and I've never experienced a problem related to alcohol before or since the change.
- 159. I've not personally come upon any trouble due to alcohol being allowed in some parks. It seems like a generally positive experience for everyone involved and I see no reason to remove the pilot project; I thin kit's worth making it permanent.
- 160. Port Moody parks are for everyone. Alcohol permanent should not determine if people would like to have a beer or glass of wine for lunch or dinner at the park."To keep it safe" Alcohol is the last thing to be concerned about in our Port Moody parks....

161. no

- 162. I think so long as people are not disruptively drinking it's fine. Perhaps there is a limit put in place considering the number of drinks available to an individual.
- 163. Drinking often expands beyond Trasolini Field area at Town Centre. If intention is to limit to the former approved area, some further "patrol" may be required.
- 164. I have not found any negative experience. 99.9% of people visiting these areas are responsible adults and do not over consume. It's great for business's on brewers row/Rocky point and contributes to Port Moodys "ambience" and appeal.
- 165. Make pilot project permit.
- 166. Make it permanent to start with and see how it unfolds. I would rather not have to look every time to see if permission is still in place rather than just going about life as a responsible citizen. Trust your population as we trusted all elected officials to do what is a mature and forward-thinking action to unfold in Port Moody my home for over 46 years.
- 167. Let's try to promote healthy living in out community. This means no smoking, vaping, alcohol in parks (I realize that there is no smoking/vaping permitted although I continue to see this practice in parks still). More health research is coming out that the safe amount of alcohol for adults to drink is less than previously thought....
- 168. This alcohol in the park pilot should be removed permanently. Because consumption of Alcohol could bring possible violence.
- 169. all locations should have proper recycling containers, to minimize littering.

I have seen broken glass on the trail near rocky point which is unsafe for animals, people, the environment

It's been a positive experience, with all park goers being respectful. It's nice to have drinks at picnics at rocky point.

- 170. Please continue the project, make it permanent and expand the area
- 171. Alcohol drinking seems associated with louder parties at parks, more noise, more leftover garbage on the beach at orchard park, as well as smoking in the parks.

It need serious enforcement to set norms for what's ok.

- 172. I feel that it is a good start to normal living.
- 173. I think there is a group like myself who can enjoy one drink 💱 n the park but I'm very concerned about the group of people that take advantage of this and drink too much and

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become loud and obnoxious. There is also the drinking and driving I'm concerned with. There is also the risk of under age drinking as someone could get alcohol for them particularly at Rocky Point where there's lots of opportunity to get alcohol close by

- 174. "It is disheartening to see the government providing drugs to addicts and allowing the widespread sale of marijuana, which can be consumed almost anywhere in the local area. However, as a responsible taxpayer and fully employed individual, when I wish to enjoy a social drink with my wife, we are quickly interrupted by police officers. It seems that the government invests more time in targeting alcohol infractions among the general public, even going as far as monitoring locations like Buntzen Lake, rather than focusing on preventing shoplifting at local retail stores. This situation gives the impression that criminals receive more respect than law-abiding citizens."
- 175. Permanent please, those who are irresponsible would break the rules anyways.
- 176. Swimming beaches with sand that families visit is an irresponsible place to allow consumption of alcohol. That is why alcohol is banned at white pine, belcarra and bunsen lake just to name 3. I have lived in pleasantside s.22(1) Personal Privacy and have found broken bottles and glass in sand from irresponsible drinkers when playing. This is since the implementation of the pilot project. I have also run into groups who think that once a few drinks have been consumed they can do and act as they like. Orchard park is also an out of the way park meaning less security for a resident who may want to speak their mind. I am hoping common sense 101 prevails after 2023.
- 177. Really loved being able to have a drink in the park. We had a really nice time.
- 178. No adverse comments
- 179. No. I think it's been a success. Even though I don't drink, I see this as a positive step.
- 180. Most notable at Rocky Point Park usually the next morning there is a fair amount of garage and alcoholic beverage containers littered around the park and overflowing garbage bins. I fully support the initiative as many people are behaving responsibly. Additional garbage and recycling bins and potentially more cleaning staff at the beginning of the day would be beneficial.
- 181. I was unaware that drinking in these public places was permitted ,so have had neither positive or negative experiences, but I believe drinking and driving will inevitably increase, which is never good.
- 182. Vast majority of people drink responsibly, I have not witnessed any negative activity except one person drinking in the meditation labyrinth. If needed, take action if a public nuisance situation occurs, but don't punish the majority for actions of a few - keep alcohol in parks legal. Crack down on smokers instead!
- 183. I run early Sunday mornings at Rocky Point. The amount of garbage and empties in Rocky Point and east towards PCT discarded is insane! We often meet binners/scavengers at the covered stage who have been there a lengthy time and are collecting deposits cans/bottles with large bags. The empties discarded continues along Murray Street. Perhaps, the City should provide more frequent garbage removal services in the area.
- 184. Pilot project for sure.

185. Having a beer in the park is a non-issue. The rent, however, is too damn high.

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- 186. Given I've never seen anyone actually drinking in any of the parks, it seems a bit curmudgeonly to oppose the practice.... BUT I kinda do. I personally don't see the need to enhance my "park experience" with alcohol, and can't understand why others would find it necessary. Permitting it opens a can of worms in a way: if alcohol, then why not cannabis?
- 187. Summer Sundays first concert was amazing with I'm going to guess thousands of people. Everyone cleaned up after themselves and I saw no issues at all. Residents just enjoying the concert and our community.
- 188. Outlawing the consumption of alcohol was one of North America's major cultural failures and has caused many deep-seeded health issues as a result.
- 189. Westhill Park Belcarra regional Park
- 190. Please make permanent. Having lived in **alternation** for a few years where this is the norm, it makes sense. As an apartment renter, I don't get a backyard to enjoy a drink. Breweries get slam-packed. Please allow for quality of life for those in this situation.
- 191. Need to have more By-law officials monitoring drunken behavior.
- 192. This pilot program is amazing, it keeps people safer, and also deters people from hiding alcohol in places where it was not allowed previously. At Rocky Point specifically, many people always drank alcohol here while having bbqs, but now are not doing this in secret, and everybody me is aware that there might be alcohol (rather than people thinking no one is drinking)
- 193. It's a sensible policy but probably should remain confined to strategically chosen parks to ensure maintenance and enforcement costs are not needlessly escalated. I think the currently selected parks are all reasonable.
- 194. Improve recycling so it's nearly impossible to miss.
- 195. Great idea. Always nice to have a beer or two on a hot day while the kids play in the area.
- 196. See cans and bottles of empty liquor on my walks along inlet trail near the Rec centre. Need some sort of deterrent in the late evening for kids to be drinking along the trail and pioneer park
- 197. It's a great idea and allows for affordable social gatherings.
- 198. I would like these areas maybe visited 2x/day to see if people not drunk and acting inappropriate or leaving litter on the ground
- 199. There is a long history of alcohol consumption causing people to become loud, rude and violent. I don't think we need to wait for the consequences like fights and broken bottles to occur before this program is stopped.
- 200. I hope this becomes a permanent bylaw. It encourages people to get outside and be more social and physically active when they are choosing venues to gather.
- 201. Please make it permanent as it is a positive addition.
- 202. Alcohol in parks has been a non-issue. At Kyle Park and at Queens Street Plaza I have seen no noticeable change in human behaviour or in the amount of discarded alcohol containers.

I'm interested to see how the situation evolves at Trasolini Field when the main soccer season resumes in September. Confrontations involving spectators are not unknown even without alcohol and the events take place on evenings and weekends when City resources other than police are less available.

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- 203. Permanent. I've seen nothing negative
- 204. I am wondering what enforcement will be in place if allowed. It seems to be working in Coquitlam so it is worth a try.
- 205. Even before the project, the garbage/recycling bins would frequently be near their capacity at Rocky Point and other parks. I would suggest additional recycle bins and/or increased garbage pickup.
- 206. Please make it permanent. Please do not base policy on worst-case scenarios, or on the behaviour of a very small number of people who inevitably misbehave.
- 207. No need to make alcohol permanent it will only get abused.
- 208. This should be made permanent. I nor anyone I have spoken to about this initiative has seen any problems arising from responsible drinking in these areas. Any concerns about irresponsible drinking in public places can be addressed by the Police as they were before this pilot project was undertaken.

This initiative adds back some of the pleasure of living in Port Moody that has been lost due to the excessive development and construction activity that is making Port Moody a difficult place to live and thrive.

- 209. Good idea. So far seems very good . I went to Rocky Point 2x Canada Day Long weekend and it was fine. Maybe more recycling. But it really was clean and a great event. Having Food trucks inside and out of venues really helps people enjoy themselves.
- 210. Need more garbage and recycling bins as people don't take their stuff with them when they leave. Have a alcohol free zone at Rocky Point.
- 211. If adults are going to drink in parks they are going to do it responsibly o

r not regardless of a bylaw in place. If the individuals are being irresponsible it probably doesn't matter if a bylaw is in place because they are not concerned regardless.

Other laws cover the over use and irresponsible consumption of alcohol already.

- 212. Additional garbage collection and added recycling receptacles. Responsible adults cannot properly cleanup their area with the current facilities provided.
- 213. I think the pilot has been really successful! I think it has been a positive force in getting people together, forming a sense of community and spending more time outdoors. In my opinion, this should be a permanent initiative.
- 214. Definitely should be permanent. Takes pressure off of breweries while also helps support local parks and economy. Nice to have a drink with a picnic or food truck meal in the park when the sun is out.
- 215. It is a good program to continue
- 216. Please kee it permanent. In Europe people drink responsibly. We don't need to treat our population as Children, nor cater to the lowest common denominator. Most adults will drink responsibly. Please let's just respect each other.
- 217. Who monitors 'responsible' drinking? Police? If yes ask them how feesible it is. I've never seen bylaws walking the parks
- 218. I think PM can help create an environment like we see in Europe, like Munich's old town where people can enjoy beer and wine in open spaces.

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- 219. My only suggestion would be to consider hiring at least one more bylaw officer if the project is going to become permanent. Adults appreciate being treated like adults, and that includes being allowed to consume alcohol where they want to as long as they are doing it responsibly. However, some people will be irresponsible so having bylaw officers available to quickly attend to areas where adults are irresponsibly consuming alcohol could potentially help mitigate concerns from the community. Also, providing clear guidelines around what will happen to somebody if they are irresponsibly consuming alcohol. For example, if there is a complaint about someone and bylaw officers have to attend, that person will be fined and instructed to leave the park. Just making sure that people understand there are consequences for drinking irresponsibly in public parks.
- 220. Can the Old Orchard alcohol consumption area include part of the beach where the picnic tables are. People are very responsible at this location.
- 221. I think council should absolutely make this permanent, it allows parents of small children a chance to hang out with friends while not making the children hang out at a brewery. I haven't seen any abuse of this rule.
- 222. Please continue provide adequate recycle bins for cans and bottles
- 223. My experience is that staff is doing a good job of increasing options for those who drink responsibly and keeping excessive or bothersome activities by some under control.
- 224. I think there should be no concerns with alcohol in public and I have not noticed any problems.
- 225. More garbage, recycling, public toilets.
- 226. I think this is good. Please do something about people smoking marijuana in the parks (no issue w people using, I just don't want to smell it).
- 227. Although at first I welcomed the project, seeing that people leave empty cans on the ground, it seems that there is a need to educate them first so we can all enjoy the parks.
- 228. Please do not allow alcohol in public parks where families go to enjoy peaceful time together. There is no way to control how much people will drink, and inevitably there will be people who abuse being allowed alcohol. Also, Once you allow alcohol then you will eventually have to allow smoking and other drugs. Please do not do this.
- 229. Pls see my comment on item #5
- 230. I am strongly disagree with having public alcohol areas
- 231. Alcohol causes you to loose your consciousness and self identity and makes you act differently, aggressively. Please kindly leave Alcohol drinking to indoors like pub, clubs and homes rather than letting our young children seeing them in public and thinking it is fine to drink in public and get intoxicated. It's a matter of time before someone gets in real trouble while drinking in public and acting indecent because of it.
- 232. Alcohol should be avoided from public places just like smoking
- 233. Allowing alcohol in parks is creating an unsafe environment for the residents. Please do not allow alcohol in parks and keep our parks a safe & family friendly environment.
- 234. Have more options to recycle beside all bear proof garbage cans?
- 235. More recycling bins and have spot checks in the evening hours

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236. Please reconsider stopping this project. Prevention is better than facing consequences after the fact. If only one adult attacks a child at any of these parks the city will be liable for any psychological or physical damage to this child..
5.22(1) Personal Privacy whom I accompany to such parks because kids love parks. Adults can go to pubs or casinos to drink but not at the parks where our new generation plays and enjoys good time with their friends .
Parks are the only places where kids go while adults can go to many venues to enjoy themselves

- 237. The focus needs to be more on education, how to get help, and building healthy habits over enforcement and rules. Signage should include reference to noise bylaws or amplified devices usage to help people remain friendly neighbors with each other.
- 238. Recycling boxes. There is a lot of empties left around Pioneer park. As well it's increased the cigarette garbage in the parks
- 239. allowing drinking alcohol in all outdoor public places
- 240. I think it's great and should be permanent.
- 241. Alcohol in Parks projects treat adults as adults and give people meeting areas to hang out and relax with family and friends. Going out to bars and restaurants can be cost prohibitive and more difficult for residents with dogs and young kids. It builds community and keeps up with various municipalities globally who follow the same policy.
- 242. I think there should be no liquour in any parks! Im not sure what responsible drinking is in some peoples eyes. One drink, two drinks, three untill they end up peeing in the bush, so I would think the police would like no liquor in parks period. Again the survey of questions needs a little work.
- 243. I already consumed alcohol in a responsible manner at rocky point and old orchard park before the pilot and I probably will after too.
- 244. I think people have proven themselves responsible. Those that are not, are likely going to break the rules regardless and find ways of consuming alcohol, often at a more hurried pace in order to avoid detection. The locations selected are reflective of Port Moody in general, being very family oriented, which impacts the likelihood of anyone behaving inappropriately or irresponsibly after consuming alcohol. I think this is a step in the right direction, trusting citizens to enjoy themselves. Allowing people to drink is not encouraging those that wouldn't do so to participate.
- 245. I have never felt it to be a good idea to drink in public parks as it will sometimes lead to bad behavior. Also worry about drinking and driving.
- 246. There is enough impaired drivers vehicles (Cars, Trucks, E-Bikes). No need to add new areas to consume alcohol.
- 247. Keep it perminantly
- 248. It would be great to see this as a permanent project. Especially younger people have very little if no outdoor space. We don't have the option of hosting friends and families in backyards. Having the park as a place to gather and have the option of drinks is a great alternative. I've never seen a single person out of hand or leave their litter. Especially at rocky point, it's always good vibes.

<sup>249.</sup> I think it has been very successful and makes the city more sociable

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- 250. Trash is a concern. Littering of empty cans/bottles as well as broken glass that is in areas where children play.
- 251. More investigation and consultation with MADD, police and any addiction services should be a major part of the decision process before making this pilot project permanent. My personal observation and experience has caused me and my family to avoid or leave parks where drinking alcohol by those individuals who have no conscious respect due to being affected by the effects of alcohol.
- 252. I hope it continues. I have only consumed alcohol in the park on two occasions but it was nice to be able to do. One other the things I enjoy about travel to Europe where this is not a big deal. Very much enjoy the option.
- 253. Please add recycling bins for empty beverages. Please add more benches and or table chairs for people to gather.
- 254. Please see above. This
- 255. Would like to see the Alcohol in Parks project continue.
- 256. Make permanent
- 257. I've really appreciated this. It's been a nice way to save money and drink responsibly. It's also been really nice to hang out with friends with young kids who would like to have a couple on a sunny day but need a better venue to do so than just a brewery!
- 258. Please make this permanent.

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# City of Port Moody

#### Bylaw No. 3456

A Bylaw to designate certain public places for the responsible consumption of liquor outdoors.

WHEREAS section 73(2) of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* authorizes Council to enact a bylaw designating a public place, or part thereof, within its jurisdiction as a place where liquor may be consumed during certain hours,

AND WHEREAS Council of the City of Port Moody wants to designate the locations set out in this Bylaw as places where Liquor may be responsibly consumed outdoors;

NOW THEREFORE, Council of the City of Port Moody, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

#### 1. Citation

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as "City of Port Moody Responsible Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2024, No. 3456".

#### 2. Definitions

2.1 In this Bylaw:

"Children's Play Area" means any part of a Public Place that is intended to be used primarily for the recreation or amusement of minor children and includes playgrounds, climbing structures, skate parks, and spray parks;

"City" means the City of Port Moody;

"City Property" means a parcel, lot, block, strata lot, public park or other area of land that is located in the City of Port Moody and which is either owned or occupied by the City, or in which the City has vested interest pursuant to a statute, and includes a Highway;

"Dusk" means astronomical dusk, being the dark part of twilight, when the daylight has almost gone but it is not yet completely dark;

"Highway" has the meaning ascribed to it in the Community Charter,

*"Liquor Control and Licensing Act"* means the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act,* SBC 2015, Chapter 19, as amended or replaced from time to time;

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*"Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations"* means the *Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation*, B.C. Reg. 241/2016, as amended or replaced from time to time;

"Manager" means the General Manager of Community Services or their delegate, or the person in the City's organizational structure with responsibility for the management of parks;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that is City Property and has been designated by Council in this Bylaw as a place where Liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle, or other installation within the Public Place that has not been expressly designated by Council in this Bylaw.

- 2.2 In this Bylaw, unless a contrary intention appears, words capitalized and not otherwise defined shall be defined to have the same meaning as in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*.
- 2.3 If a position to which powers, functions, and duties are delegated under this Bylaw is altered, modified, renamed, split, or consolidated after its enactment, each of those powers, functions, and duties are deemed to have transferred to the person holding the position most closely connected to that which existed as of the date of enactment.

#### 3. Designation of Permitted Spaces and Hours

- 3.1 The Public Places or parts thereof shown in Schedule A to this Bylaw as an area within which Liquor consumption is permitted and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where Liquor may be consumed in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 3.2 Every Permitted Space designated under section 3.1 excludes a 10-metre buffer zone around any Children's Play Area.
- 3.3 Despite section 14.4 of the City of Port Moody Parks and Community Facilities Rules and Regulations Bylaw, as amended or replaced from time to time, while this Bylaw is in effect Liquor may be consumed in Permitted Spaces, subject to compliance with the Liquor Control and Licensing Act and this Bylaw.
- 3.4 The hours that Liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are as set out in Schedule B of this Bylaw.
- 3.5 A person must not consume Liquor other than in Permitted Spaces, including in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signs posted in accordance with this Bylaw.

#### 4. Sign Specifications

4.1 The General Manager of Community Services or their delegate is hereby delegated the authority to determine the placement and design of signs setting

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out the boundaries of each Permitted Space, provided that the signs meet the criteria set out in section 4.2.

- 4.2 Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where Liquor may be consumed must:
  - a) be no less than four (4) Signs at the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
  - b) state the hours that Liquor may be consumed; and
  - c) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.
- 5. Offence and Penalty
  - 5.1 Every person who consumes Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw commits an offence under this Bylaw.
  - 5.2 Offences set out in the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* apply to persons consuming Liquor in contravention of this Bylaw.
- 6. Attachments and Schedules
  - 6.1 The following schedules are attached to and form part of this Bylaw:
    - Schedule A Maps of Permitted Spaces.
    - Schedule B Hours that Liquor May be Consumed in Any of the Permitted Spaces.

#### 7. Severability

7.1 If a portion of this Bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed, and the remainder of the Bylaw will remain in effect.

Read a first time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Read a second time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Read a third time this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

M. Lahti Mayor S. Lam City Clerk

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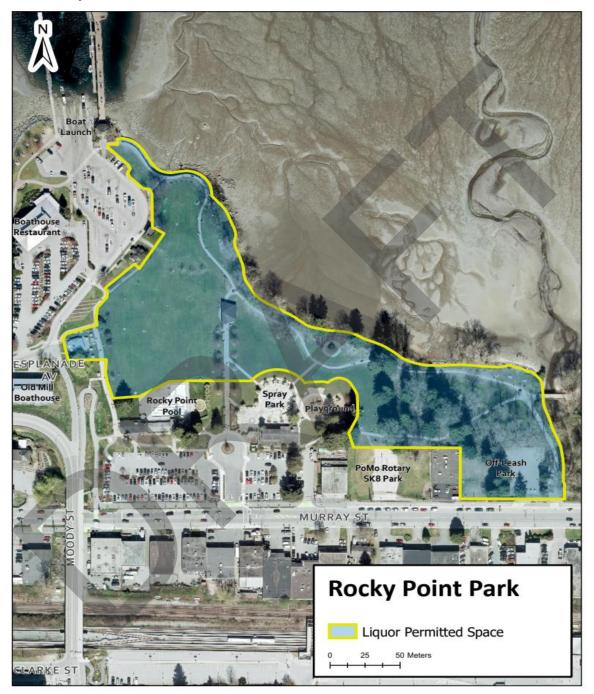
I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Bylaw No. 3456 of the City of Port Moody.

S. Lam City Clerk

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Schedule "A" to Bylaw No. 3456 Maps of Permitted Spaces

1. Rocky Point Park



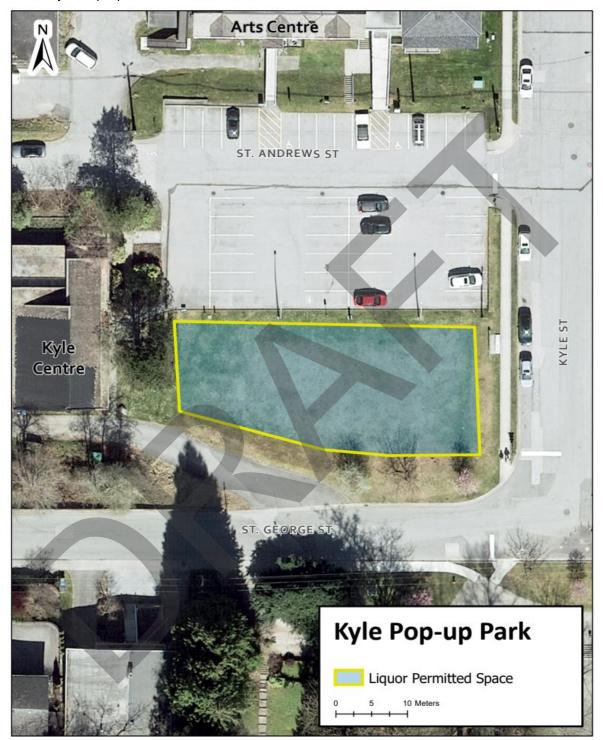
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2. Old Orchard Park



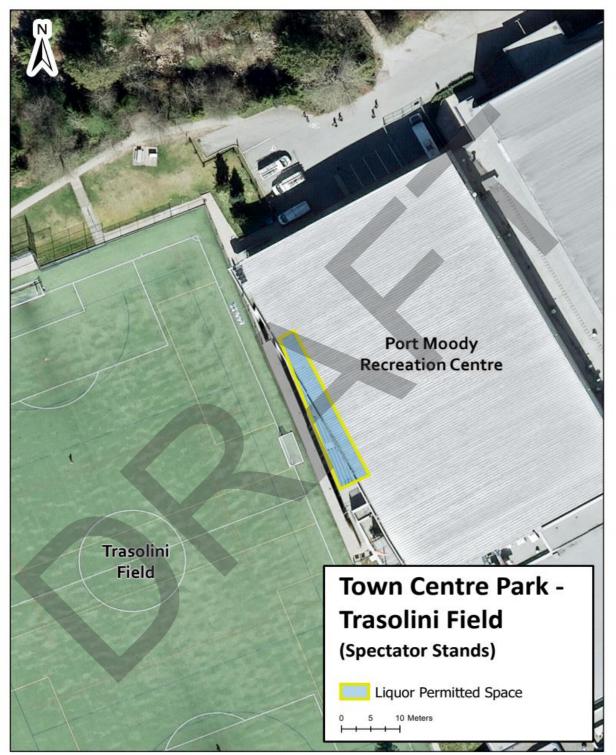
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3. Kyle Pop-up Park



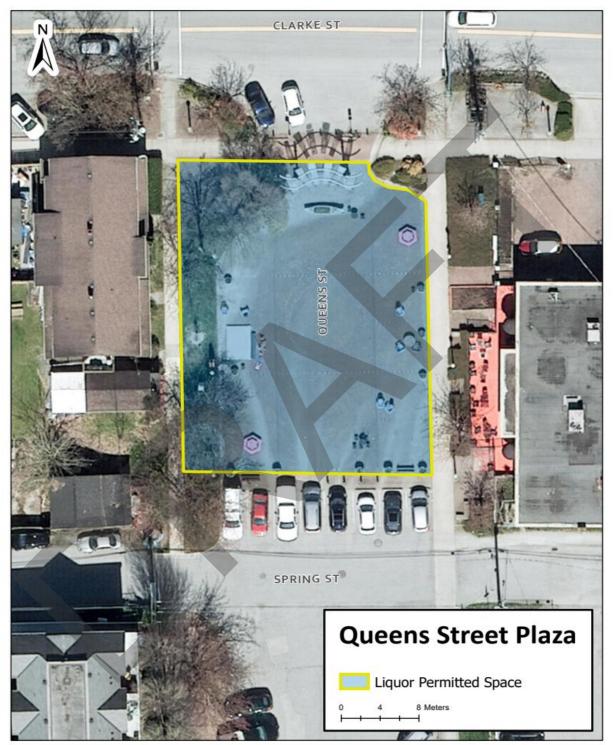
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4. Trasolini Field Spectator Stands



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5. Queens Street Plaza



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#### Schedule "B" to Bylaw No. 3456 Hours that Liquor May be Consumed in Any of the Permitted Spaces

Liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Spaces in the following locations from 11:00am to Dusk each day:

- 1. Rocky Point Park
- 2. Old Orchard Park
- 3. Kyle Pop-up Park
- 4. Trasolini Field Spectator Stands
- 5. Queens Street Plaza