



To: Mayor and Councillors
From: Dave Semple, Director Parks and Public Works
Re: **Trial Off-Leash Area at Parklane Park**

Date: July 9, 2009

The Draft Dogs in Parks Management Strategy contained a number of recommendations, including the creation of two trial designated off-leash areas at Steveston Park and Parklane Park. As you are aware, since the Parks Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting on June 23, 2009, there has been considerable negative feedback from the neighbourhood on the concept of a trial designated off leash area at Parklane Park.

As a result of this feedback, staff now recommend withdrawal of the reference to Parklane Park as a trial off-leash area as stated in recommendation #9 on page 5 of the Draft Dogs in Parks Strategy.

Staff will be proceeding with more in depth public consultation with residents in the area, and will report back in the Fall with our findings.

If you have any questions about this issue please contact me directly at 604-244-1275.



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