

<i>COUNCIL AGENDA</i>	
Date: <u>January 26, 2026</u>	Item: <u>3.</u>



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DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
750 17TH STREET, WEST VANCOUVER BC V7V 3T3

COUNCIL REPORT

Date:	January 2, 2026
From:	Jill Lawlor, Senior Manager, Parks
Subject:	Protecting Parks in West Vancouver and Proposed Park Dedication Bylaw 5424, 2026

RECOMMENDATION

THAT proposed “Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026” be read a first, second, and third time.

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to formally dedicate 12 parks within the District of West Vancouver (District), as park, through Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026 (Bylaw) as set out in **Appendix A**. The location of the parks in the proposed Bylaw is attached as **Appendix B**.

Pursuant to Section 30 of the *Community Charter*, a Council of a municipality may, by bylaw adopted by 2/3 of all members of Council, reserve or dedicate for a particular municipal or other public purpose real property owned by the municipality.

2.0 Legislation/Bylaw/Policy

Park dedication bylaws provide long-term protection to parkland and is the approach by which the District legally protects parkland. A park dedication bylaw is considered to confer a high level of protection for parkland as the dedication of parks, in accordance with the *Community Charter*, is difficult to remove once established.

2012 Parks Master Plan (PMP)

The PMP sets the direction for the management, protection, enhancement of, and community engagement within West Vancouver’s parks and open spaces. Recommendations in the PMP adopted by Council in June 2012, include the following:

- 2.2.1 Pass park dedication bylaws as soon as possible for de facto parks that are of a high priority to the community.

3.0 Council Strategic Objective(s)/Official Community Plan

Council Strategic Plan 2024-2025

Council’s Environment & Climate Change Strategic Goal is applicable to this report:

- Protect our natural environment, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and adapt our community to become more resilient in a changing climate.

Official Community Plan

The District's Official Community Plan supports managing the District's valuable parks system through the following policies:

- 2.7.3: Seek strategic dedication or acquisition of parkland that provides significant environmental and social values, such as trail linkages, ecological functions, waterfront access, or unique educational cultural or recreational opportunities.

4.0 Financial Implications

The formal dedication of District parkland through a bylaw ensures long-term protection for public lands.

There are no known ongoing financial costs or revenues directly associated with designating the lands as parkland and there is already an operating budget to maintain these parks. However, the new park status may lead to increased expectations for trails, supporting infrastructure, and maintenance.

5.0 Background

5.1 Previous Decisions

Council, at its April 14, 2025 regular meeting, passed the following resolution:

THAT proposed "Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5367, 2024" be adopted.

Bylaw No. 5367, 2025 dedicated 13 parks in West Vancouver.

Council, at its April 7, 2025 regular meeting, passed the following resolution:

THAT proposed "Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5213, 2024" be adopted.

Bylaw No. 5213, 2024 dedicated Eagleridge.

Council, at its June 3, 2024 regular meeting, passed the following resolution:

THAT proposed "Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5337, 2024" be adopted.

Bylaw No. 5337, 2024 dedicated the Upper Lands Park.

5.2 History

Parks are an important part of the fabric of West Vancouver, and residents are interested in and supportive of their protection. As parks are acquired through subdivision or other means, part of the process is to dedicate those new parklands as park. During the research for the PMP in 2012, it

was discovered that there are West Vancouver parks that have not been formally dedicated as park through park dedication bylaws.

6.0 Analysis

6.1 Discussion

To ensure the long-term protection of the District’s valued parks, adopting park dedication bylaws adds protection to these public lands to help ensure they remain parkland into the future. The dedication of parks, in accordance with the *Community Charter*, is difficult to remove once established.

During the PMP process in 2012, there was substantial interest to dedicate all West Vancouver’s parks.

With this report, the majority of the work to dedicate remaining undedicated District parks by bylaw to ensure their continued protection is largely complete. Additional park dedication bylaws may be brought forward in the future if required to ensure long-term protection of District parks.

Proposed Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026

This bylaw proposes the dedication of 12 parks as set out below. These parks and their location are outlined in Appendices A and B.

	Park Name	Location
1.	13th Street and Keith Road Park	1291 Marine Drive
2.	Chartwell Park	1363 Chartwell Drive
3.	Eagle Harbour Field (west side of field, two separate lots)	5621 Marine Drive and 5750 Westport Road
4.	Gleneagles Golf Course (three separate lots)	6208 Marine Drive and 6190 Marine Drive
5.	Horseshoe Bay Park (two separate lots)	6409 Bay Street and 6317 Bay Street
6.	Larson Bay Park	6164 Gleneagles Drive
7.	Memorial Park (two lots; a third lot is already dedicated)	1919 Marine Drive and 650 – 20th Street
8.	Parc Verdun (linked lots in separate locations with same PID and descriptions)	5600 Marine Drive and unaddressed lot near Sahalee Trail

9.	Addition to Seaview Walk Park (four separate lots)	5907, 5915, 5921, 5929 Marine Drive; lots abut Seaview Walk
10.	Westridge Park	3901 Westridge Avenue
11.	Whytecliff Park & Whyte Islet Park (three separate lots; two lots share the same street address)	7102 Marine Drive; Whyte Islet has no street address
12.	Three unnamed lots in Caulfeild area (containing Sahalee Trail)	5202 Meadfeild Road; 5369 Westhaven Wynd; and north end of the segment of Keith Road that lies between Meadfeild and Greenleaf, west of 5202 Meadfeild; no street address

Figure 1: Table of parks proposed for dedication via Bylaw No. 5424, 2026

6.2 Climate Change & Sustainability

The protection of park space is a significant component of the quality of life and livability of the community. This bylaw helps ensure that the parks listed are protected as park into the future.

6.3 Public Engagement and Outreach

Extensive communication and public consultation were carried out through the PMP process in 2011 and 2012. The community was strongly in favour of conferring park dedication status on all parks.

7.0 Options

7.1 Recommended Option

THAT proposed “Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026” be read a first, second, and third time.

7.2 Considered Options

THAT proposed “Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026” not be approved.


OR

THAT staff provide further information on proposed “Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026”.

8.0 Conclusion

The long-term protection of parks is a key objective of the District of West Vancouver’s Parks Master Plan; and park dedication bylaws, in accordance with the *Community Charter*, are difficult to remove once established. By approving Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026 for 12 parks in West Vancouver, Council will help ensure long-term protection of the District’s parkland into the future.

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Appendices

Appendix A: Proposed Park Dedication Bylaw 5424, 2026

Appendix B: Location of Parks in Proposed Park Dedication Bylaw 5424, 2026

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District of West Vancouver

Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026

(Regarding 12 Parks in West Vancouver)

Effective Date:

Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026

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District of West Vancouver

Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026

A bylaw to dedicate District-owned real property as park

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 30 of the *Community Charter*, a Council of a municipality may, by bylaw adopted by 2/3 of all members of Council, reserve or dedicate for a particular municipal or other public purpose real property owned by the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the District of West Vancouver (the “District”) is the registered owner of the real property described in Schedule A (the “District Lands”);

AND WHEREAS the District Lands not previously dedicated contain areas that warrant enhanced protection to preserve their environmental, aesthetic, and recreation benefits;

AND WHEREAS Council of the District deems it appropriate to dedicate this real property for the park and public purposes as more particularly described in this bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE Council, in open meeting assembled, by 2/3 majority, enacts as follows:

Part 1 Citation

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as Park Dedication Bylaw No. 5424, 2026.

Part 2 Severability

2.1 If a portion of this bylaw is held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion must be severed and the remainder of this bylaw is deemed to have been adopted without the severed section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or phrase.

Part 3 Dedication of the District Lands

3.1 The District Lands, being those lands and premises legally described in the attached Schedule A and depicted on the plans attached in Schedule B are allocated, set aside, and dedicated for park, recreation or community uses.

- 3.2 Despite the dedication in section 3.1, this bylaw expressly reserves the authority of Council of the District with respect to adopt bylaws or undertake works within the District Lands that:
- (a) are consistent with the terms of any Crown grant, statutory right of way, covenant, or other interest in land that is registered on any of the title to the parcels comprising the District Lands as of the date of adoption of this bylaw;
 - (b) provide for new or expanded transportation or utility facilities, any sanitary or storm sewerage works, water supply and distribution works, or any other similar telecommunication, municipal, or public utility infrastructure whatsoever type, together with all attachments, fittings and appurtenances thereto including, but not limited to, lines, wires, cables, pipes, culverts, manholes, cleanouts, catch basins, outfalls including rip rap or other form of bank protection, ditches, swales, flumes, valves and valve boxes, hydrants, chambers, pumping stations, air vents, asphaltic or concrete pavement and all electrical, communication or other wiring and equipment convenient, necessary or beneficial to the community or that allow for enhanced access and services to or in the vicinity of the District Lands;
 - (c) are consistent with the terms of any permit to occupy or other agreement governing the use of the District Lands as of the date of adoption of this bylaw; or
 - (d) are within the contemplation of the District's bylaws, rules and regulations applicable to parks, as these bylaws, rules and regulations may be amended from time to time.

Schedules

The following schedule is attached to and forms part of this bylaw:

Schedule A – Parcels dedicated by this bylaw

Schedule B – Plans depicting parks dedicated by this bylaw

READ A FIRST TIME on [Date]

READ A SECOND TIME on [Date]

READ A THIRD TIME on [Date]

ADOPTED by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of all members of Council on [Date]

Mayor

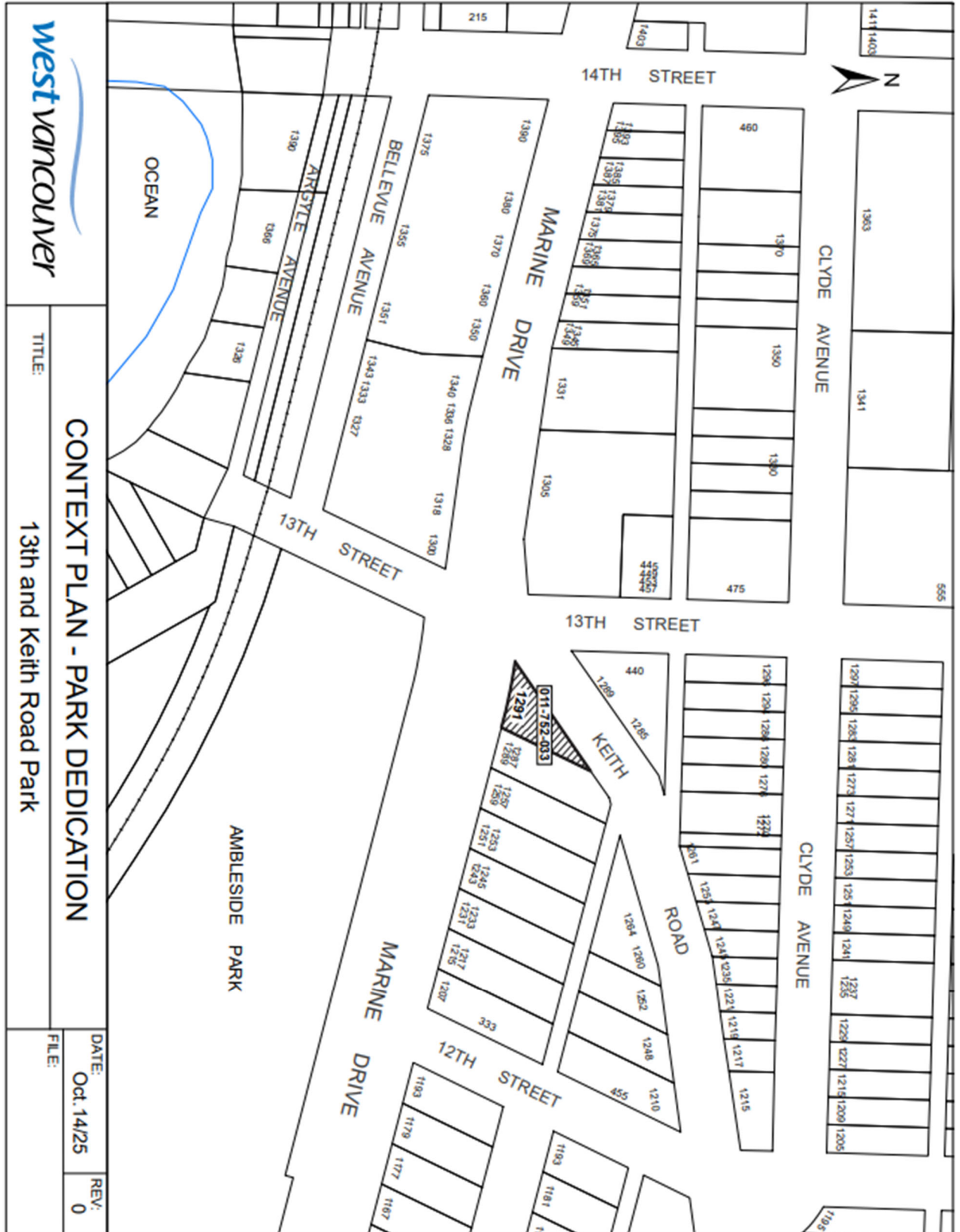
Corporate Officer

Schedule A – Parcels dedicated by this bylaw

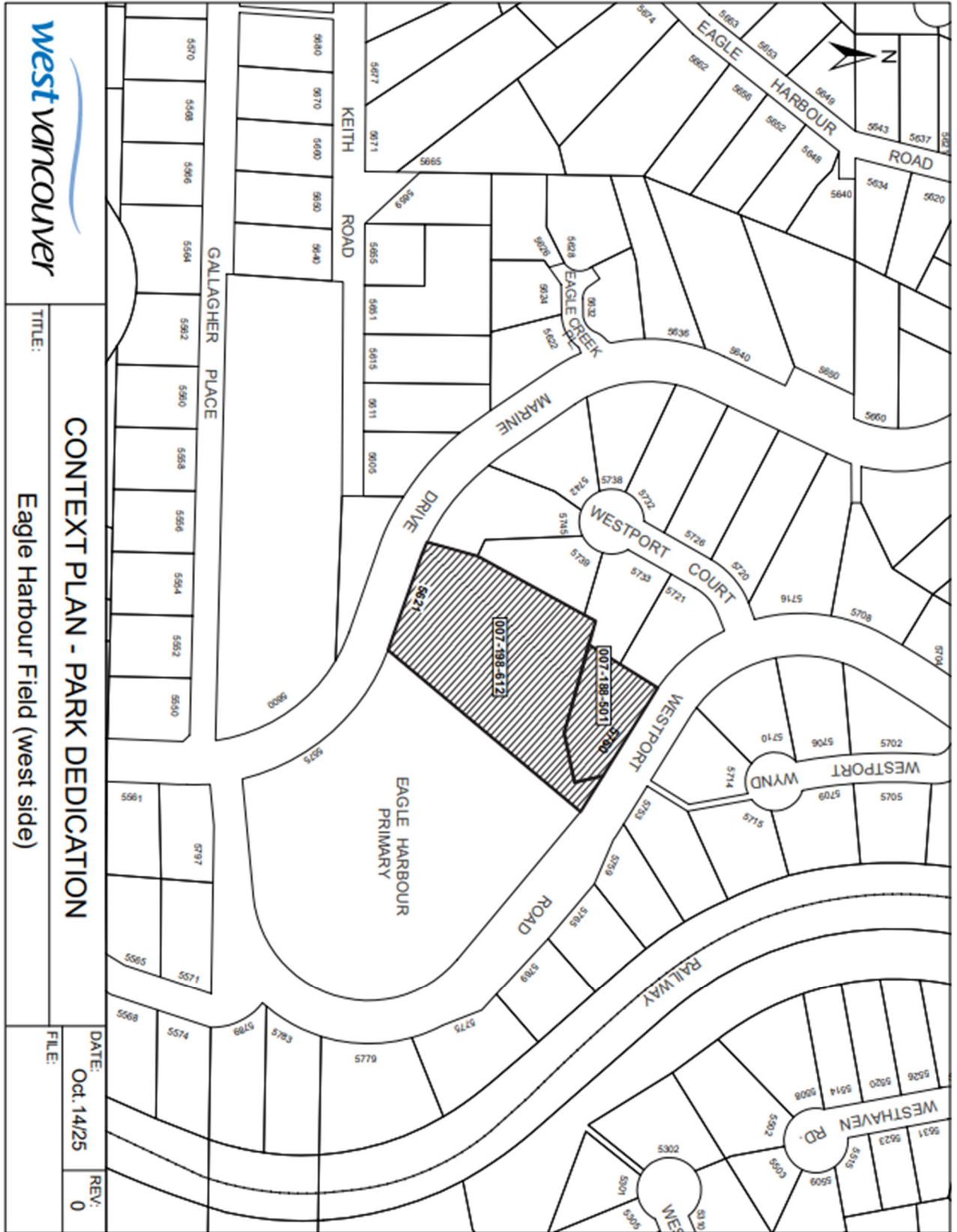
	Park Name	PID	Legal Description
1.	13th & Keith Road Park	011-752-033	LOT 12 BLOCK 22 DISTRICT LOT 237 PLAN 4210
2.	Chartwell Park	008-911-231	LOT 26 BLOCK 47 CAPILANO ESTATES EXTENSION NO. 9 PLAN 12326
3.	Eagle Harbour Field (West Side)	007-198-612	LOT A DISTRICT LOT 773 PLAN 18225
		007-188-501	LOT 24 BLOCK B DISTRICT LOT 773 PLAN 18263
4.	Gleneagles Golf Course	011-008-784	AMENDED BLOCK B (SEE 390699L), EXCEPT: PART ON HIGHWAY PLAN 48 DISTRICT LOT 771 GROUP 1 NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT PLAN 6025
		011-008-725	AMENDED BLOCK A (SEE 172333L), EXCEPT PORTIONS IN LOTS 15 AND 16 BLOCK 3 PLAN 6025, DISTRICT LOT 771 PLAN 6025
		011-008-911	BLOCK 9 (SEE 172333L) DISTRICT LOT 771 PLAN 6025
5.	Horseshoe Bay Park	014-069-229	BLOCK AA DISTRICT LOT 430 PLAN 2103
		014-069-172	BLOCK 1 DISTRICT LOT 1493 PLAN 2103
6.	Larson Bay Park	011-008-849	BLOCK D DISTRICT LOT 771 PLAN 6025
7.	Addition to Memorial Park	011-249-170	LOT A BLOCK 4 DISTRICT LOT 775 PLAN 5023
		016-062-736	LOT A (REFERENCE PLAN 438) EXCEPT PART IN PLAN 5213 BLOCK 6 DISTRICT LOT 775 PLAN 814

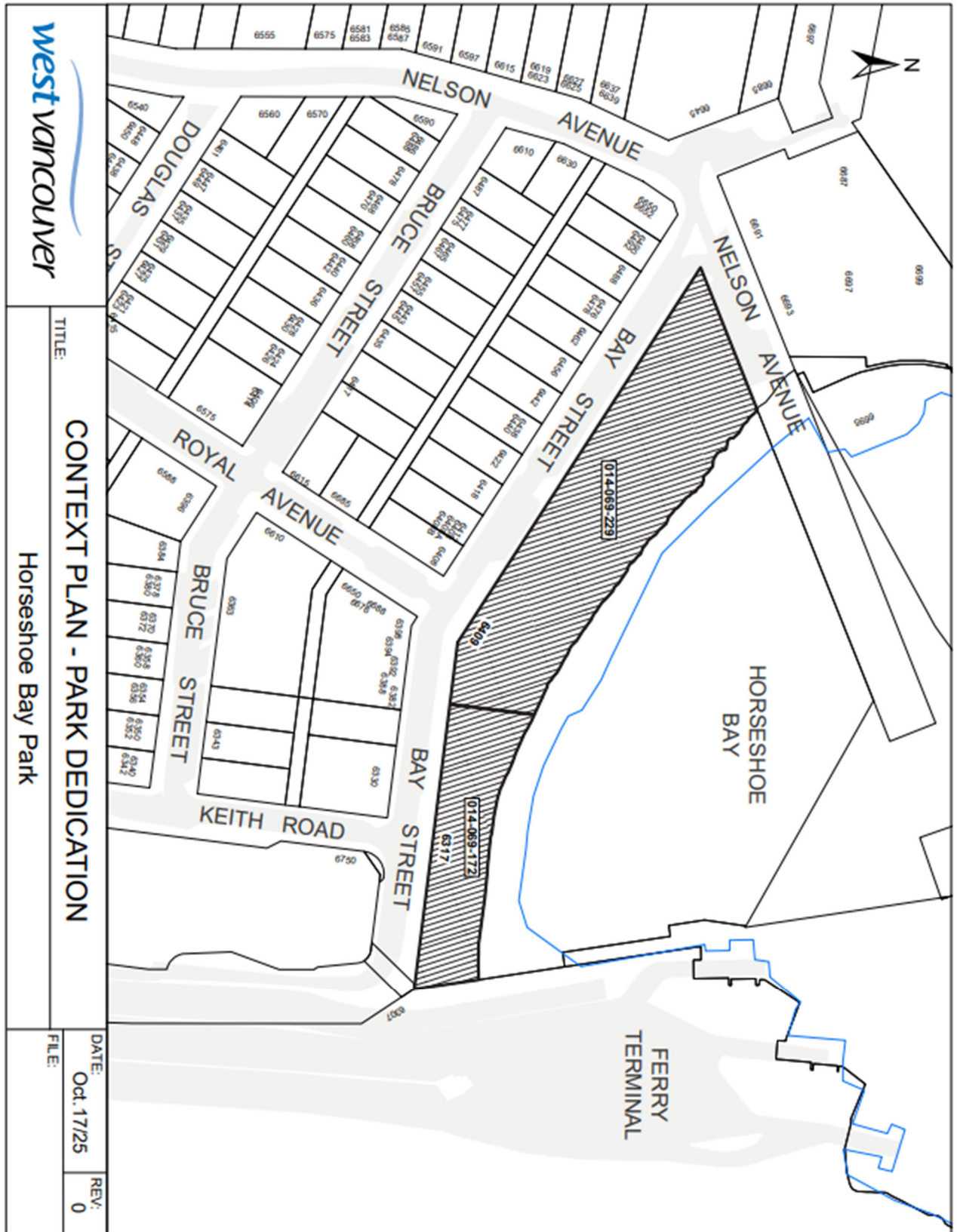
8.	Parc Verdun	016-034-236	BLOCK C (REFERENCE PLAN 730), GROUP 1 NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT EXCEPT (A) PART IN REFERENCE PLAN 1956, (B) PORTIONS IN EXPLANATORY PLANS 1125 AND 14643 AND (C) PART IN PLAN 12412, DISTRICT LOT 879
9.	Addition to Seaview Walk Park	011-000-376	LOT 1 BLOCK 4 DISTRICT LOT 771 PLAN 6025
		011-000-384	LOT 2 BLOCK 4 DISTRICT LOT 771 PLAN 6025
		011-000-392	LOT 3 BLOCK 4 DISTRICT LOT 771 PLAN 6025
		011-000-406	LOT 4 BLOCK 4 DISTRICT LOT 771 PLAN 6025
10.	Westridge Park	015-960-218	LOT H (EXPLANATORY PLAN 9459) DISTRICT LOT 887 GROUP 1 NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT
11.	Whytecliff Park & Whyte Islet Park	015-822-044	DISTRICT LOT 5885 GROUP 1 NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT
		009-871-365	LOT A BLOCK 51 DISTRICT LOT 430 PLAN 8930
		009-871-403	LOT B BLOCK 51 DISTRICT LOT 430 PLAN 8930
12.	3 unnamed parcels in Caulfeild (containing Sahalee Trail)	017-172-179	LOT F DISTRICT LOTS 773 AND 879 PLAN VAP23208
		012-645-346	LOT 81 OF LOT E DISTRICT LOT 773 PLAN 22046
		007-044-801	LOT 16 BLOCK B DISTRICT LOT 879 PLAN 19025

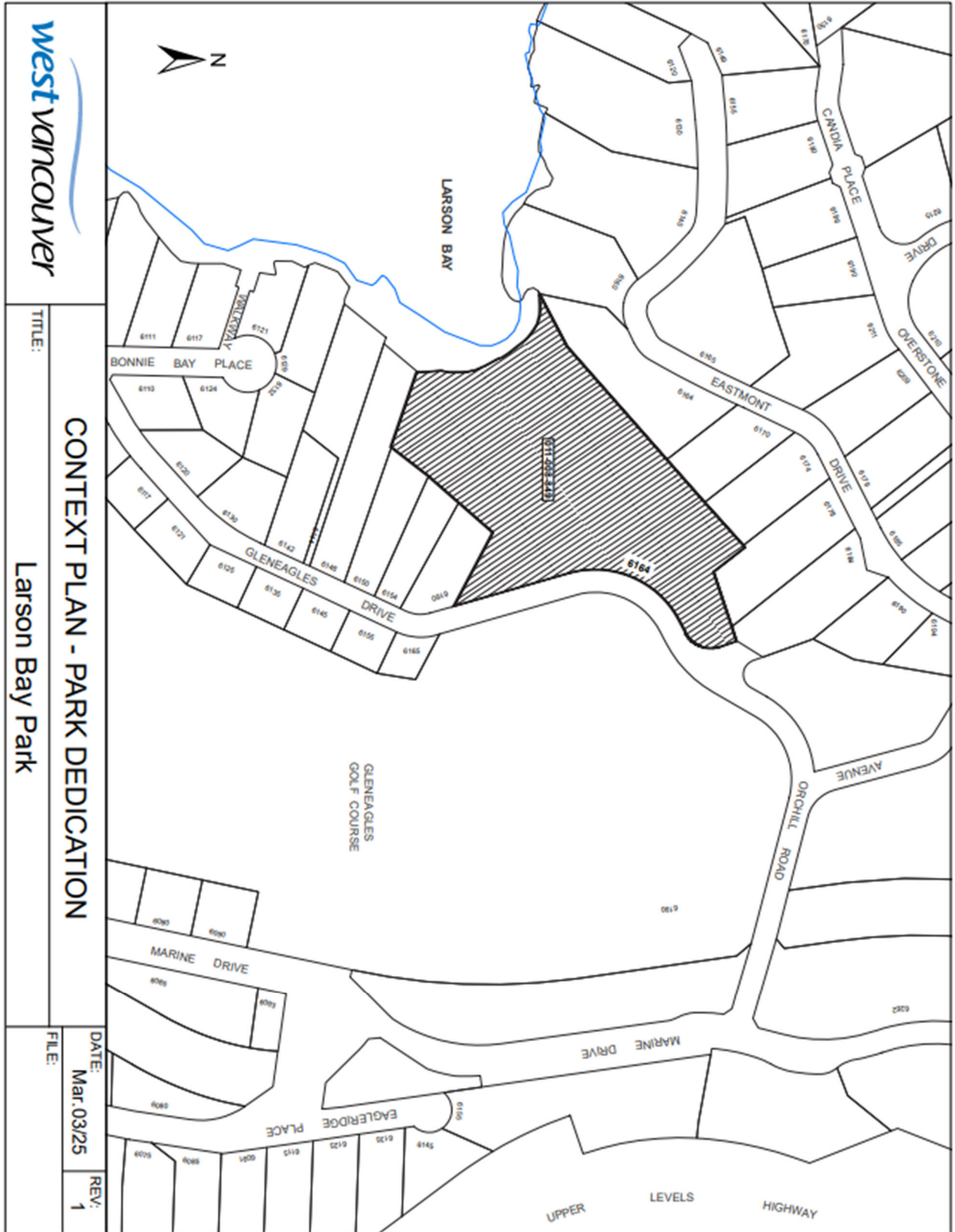
Schedule B – Plans depicting parks dedicated by this bylaw

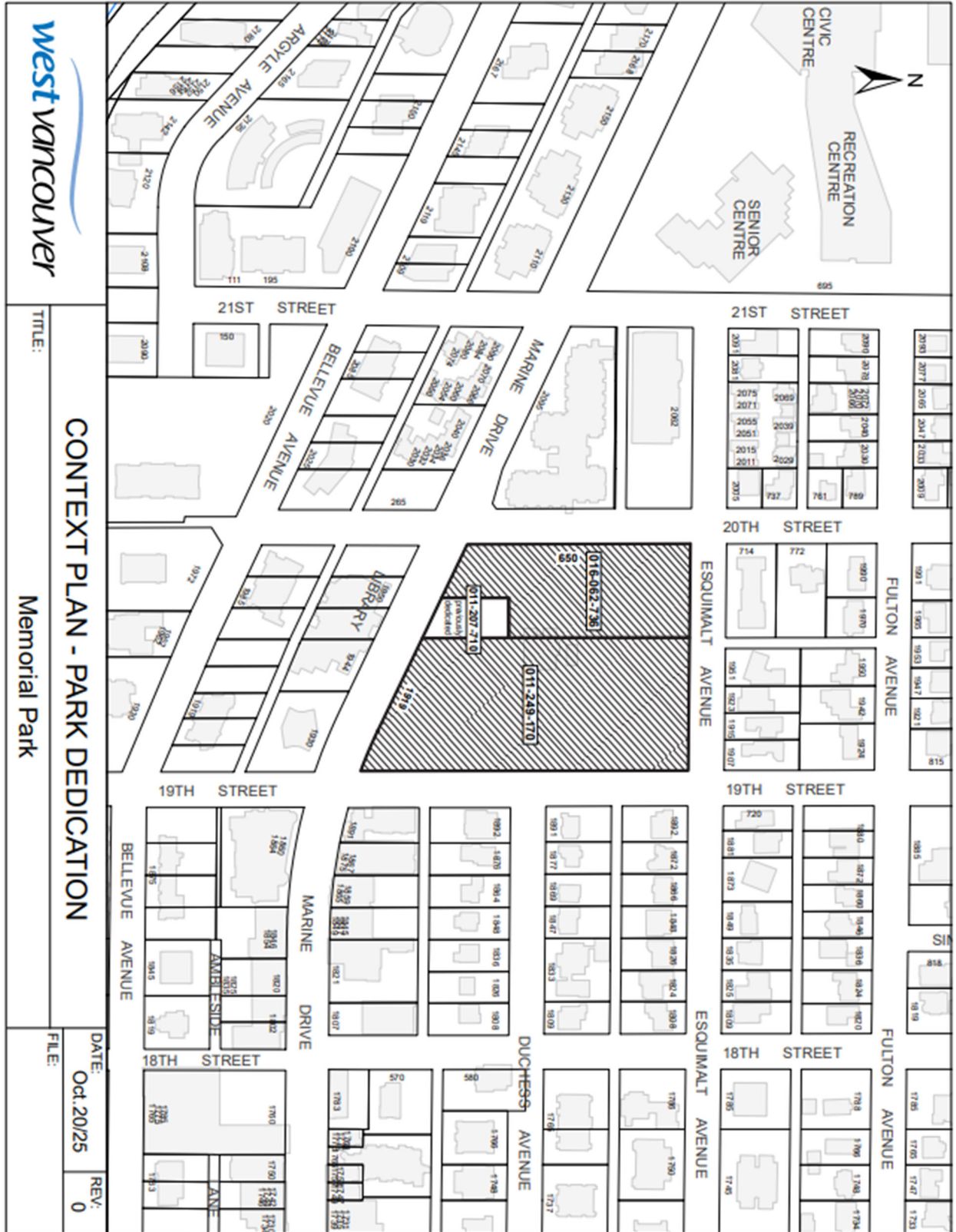


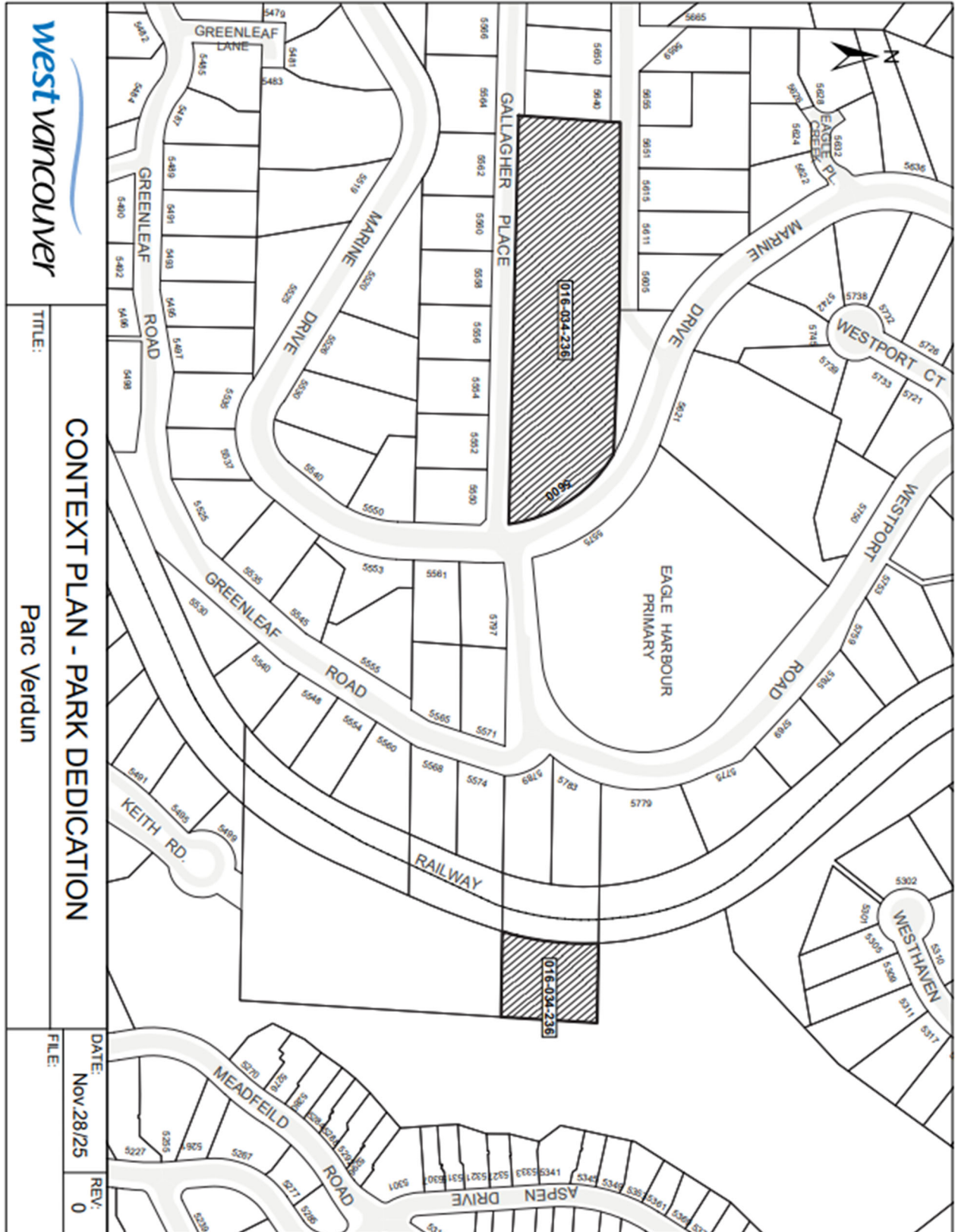


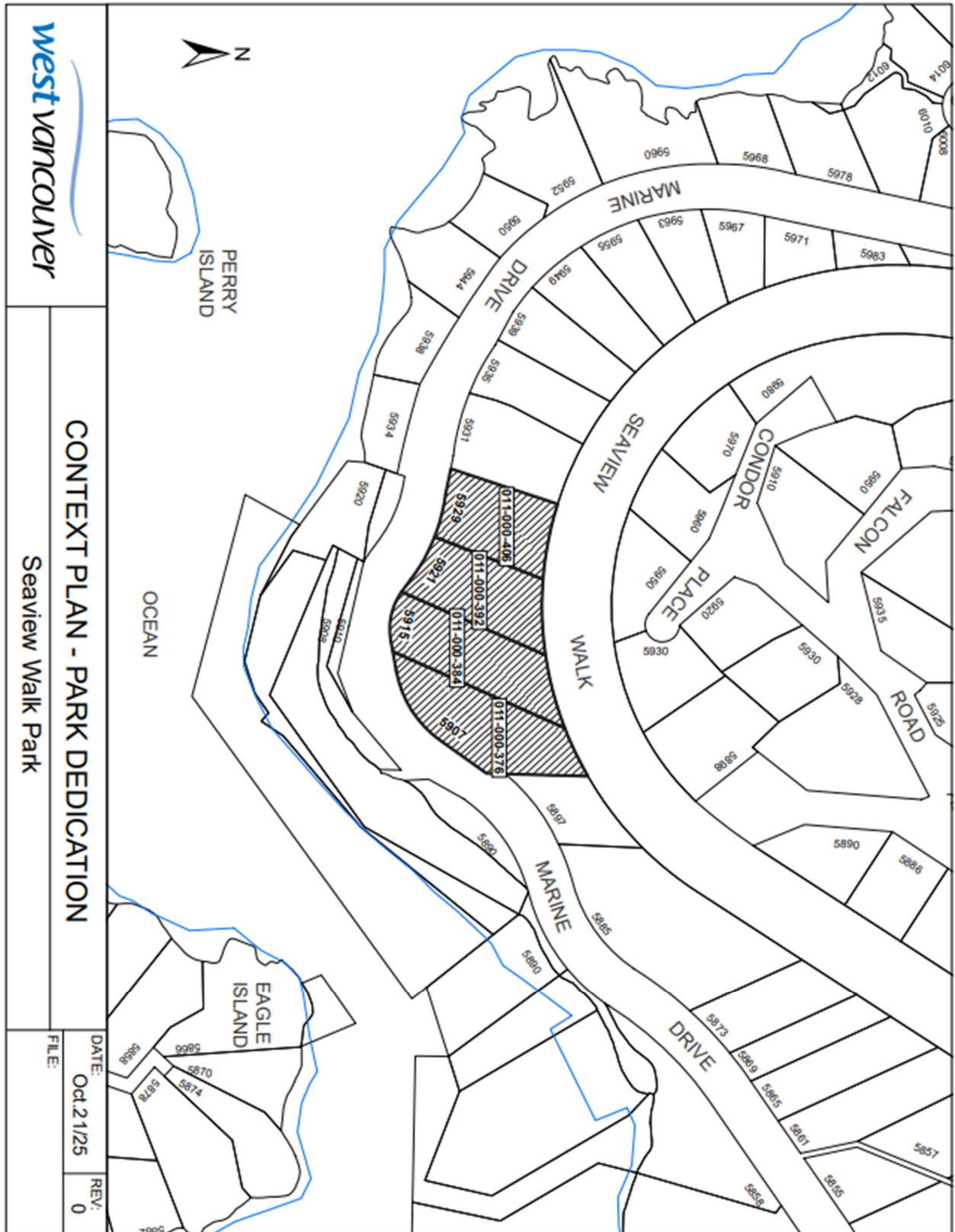








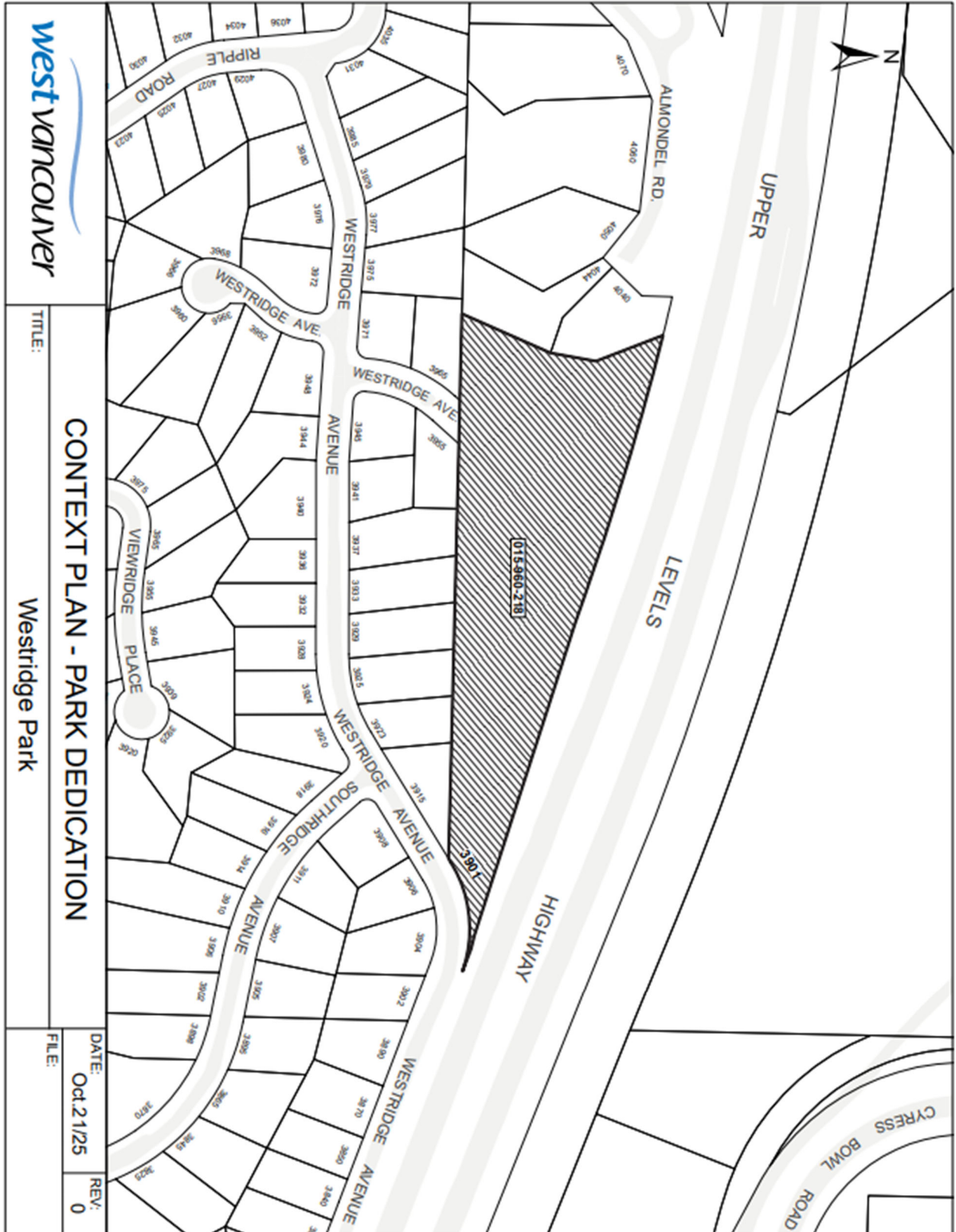


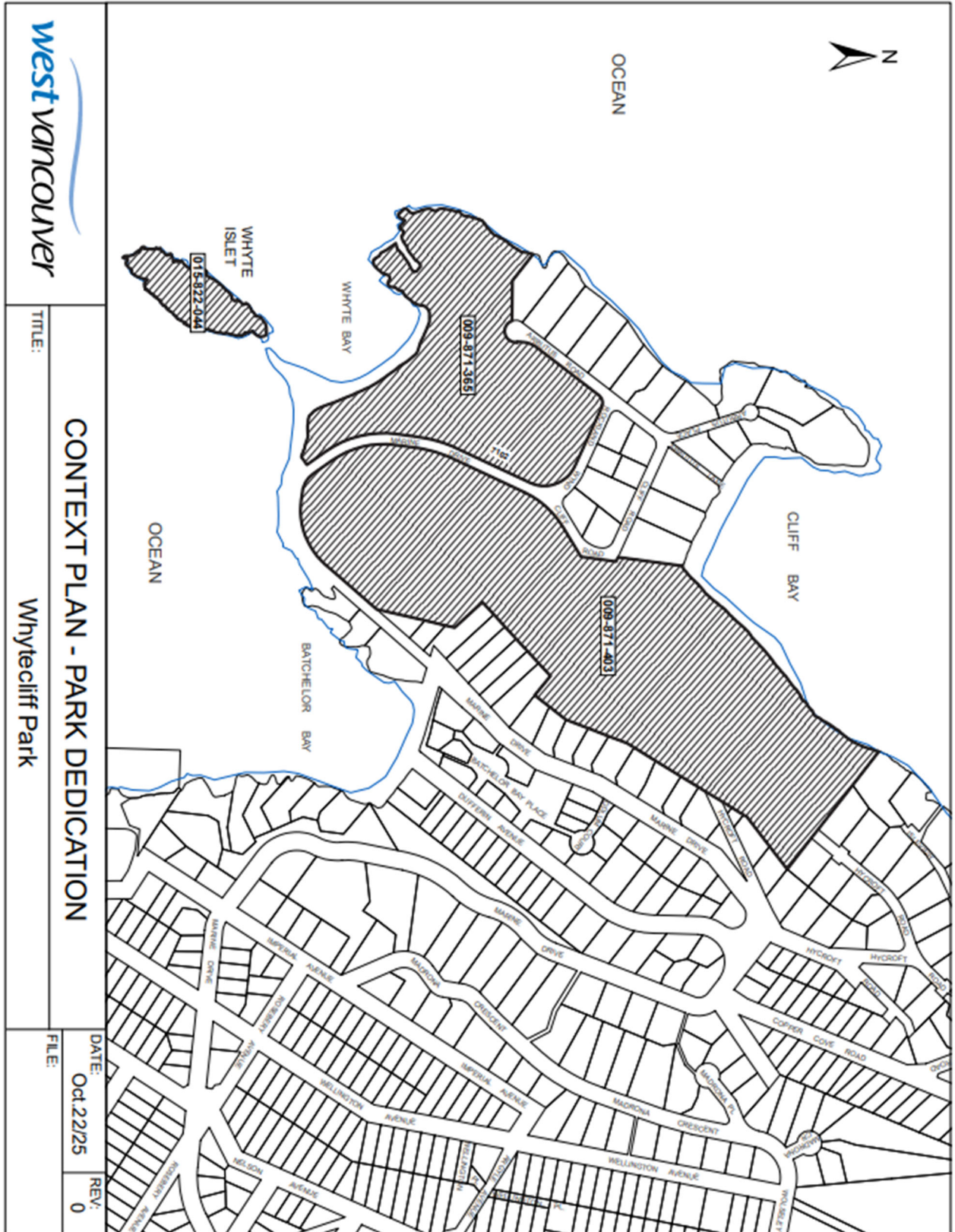


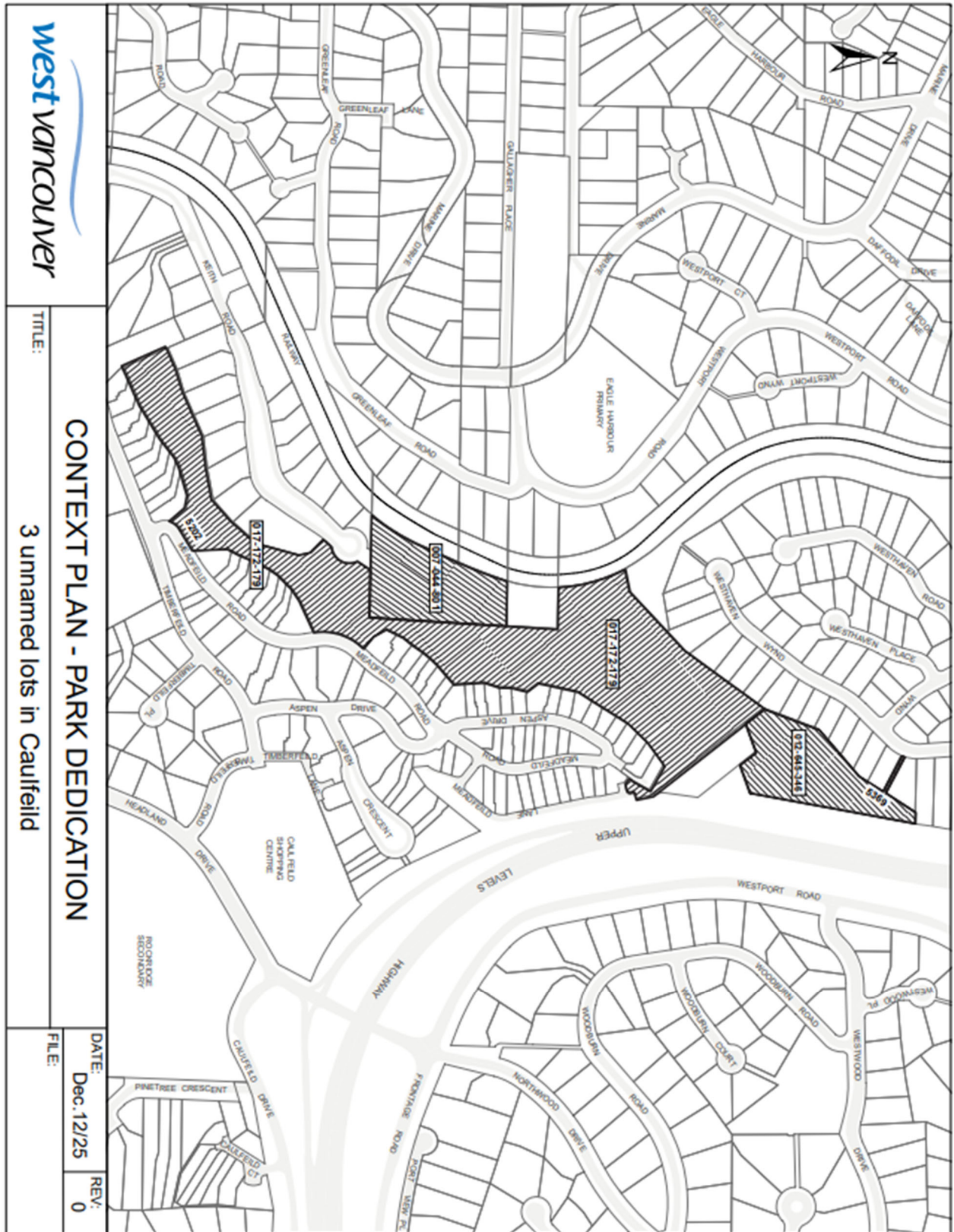
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Seaview Walk Park

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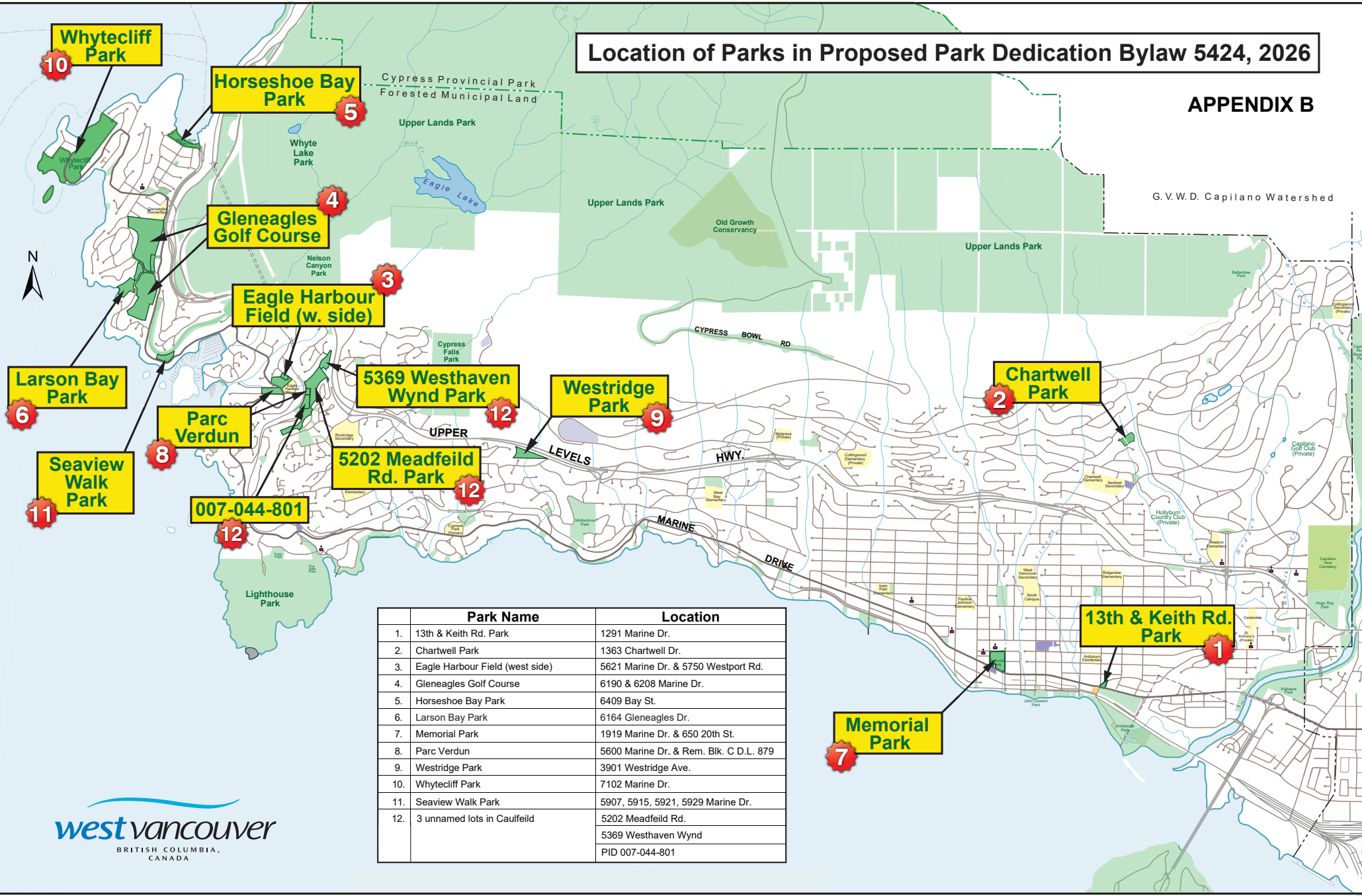


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