# Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre Project



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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The New Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre Project and Silver Harbour Seniors' Activity Centre (HJCRC/SH) continue to be the largest investment in community recreation in the City. When completed, it will provide more than 18,580 sq.m. of inclusive and accessible community space to support our community's physical, mental and social well-being. Construction continues and is focused on foundation works, concrete works, pool plumbing and electrical works.

### SILVER HARBOUR SENIORS' ACTIVITY CENTRE

As part of the Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre (HJCRC) Redevelopment, the City is building a new Silver Harbour Seniors' Activity Centre (SH) to replace the existing facility built in 1973. Silver Harbour is home to many organized events and over 75 different programs & services for adults 55+, from food services to pottery to choir to tai chi. The facility will be welcoming and inclusive, offering a variety of activities and amenities to the community. Its location adjacent to the new HJCRC will help maintain important connections to the new community recreation centre's programs and activities.

The new facility incorporates more washrooms, more accessible hallways, larger elevators, and flexible program areas. Amenities include:

- 2-storey facility 21,000 sq. ft. in a prominent location in the City's Central Lonsdale area
- Fully-equipped kitchen to support the meal program along with a large dining area
- Program space designed to allow greater flexibility for current and future use
- Better building safety and accessibility which meets or exceeds current code and best practices
- Secure and convenient access, including 18 underground parking spaces and a drop off space



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### **ACCESSIBILITY FEATURES**

The new Silver Harbour is focused on safety, mobility, and access for all users. Improved elements of the new facility include:

- Rick Hansen Foundation Accessibility Certification (RHFAC) Gold Certification
- Universal accessibility throughout centre which considers equitable access for all users regardless
  of cognitive, visual, hearing, or physical challenges
- Elevators, washrooms, hallways, and doorways designed to better accommodate all users
- Ability to incorporate hearing assistive technology

#### SUSTAINABILITY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- Highly insulated building envelope
- High efficiency heating and cooling
- Maximized natural lighting
- Electric car and bicycle parking
- Water conservation plumbing fixtures
- Reduced carbon intensity compared to existing Silver Harbour Centre

The design of the new SH will benefit users through:

- Improved thermal comfort
- Better acoustic comfort
- Naturally sunlit spaces
- Better resilience to changing climate and temperatures
- Improved indoor air quality

