



VIVA VAN COU VER

2016 VIVA Vancouver PROGRAM UPDATE

Presentation to Vancouver City Council
April 20, 2016



What is VIVA Vancouver?



- VIVA is the City's 'test platform' for new and unusual public space models

*Swing Dancing on
Granville Street, 2013*

What is VIVA Vancouver?



- Viva experiments typically begin as temporary and can become permanent, depending on lessons learned

*Rainbow Crosswalks
in Davie Village, 2013*



PARKLET PROGRAM



Hot Tubs Parklet - 2012

Three circular seating areas surrounded by tall grasses, just like an old-fashioned, wooden hot tub. Hop in, have a splash, and connect with neighbours.



Parklet Program



Commercial Drive Parklet

Steel and wood tables and benches. Have a break and experience the dynamic Drive.



Sunny Slopes Parklet

This two-level parklet makes for twice the enjoyment on the sunny slope of 4th Avenue. Sit, relax, and enjoy the ample seating and mini garden.



Existing Parklet Locations



SUNNY SLOPES

URBAN PASTURE

COMMERCIAL DRIVE

PARALLEL PARK

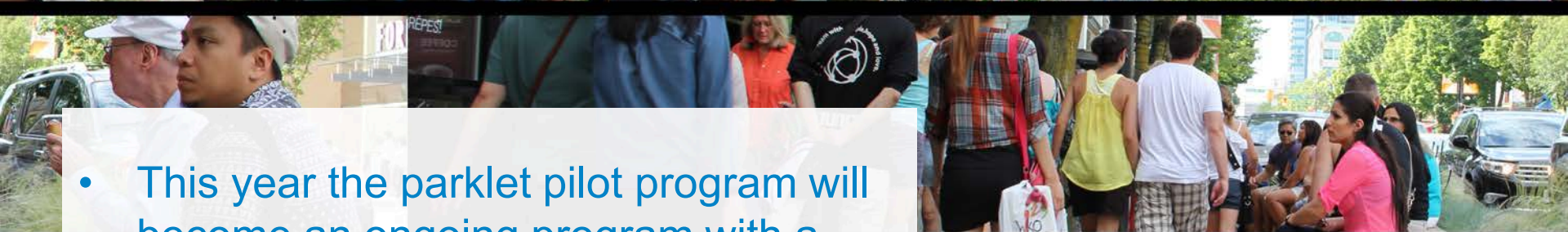
FRENCH QUARTER

Expect to see parklets in more neighbourhoods soon!

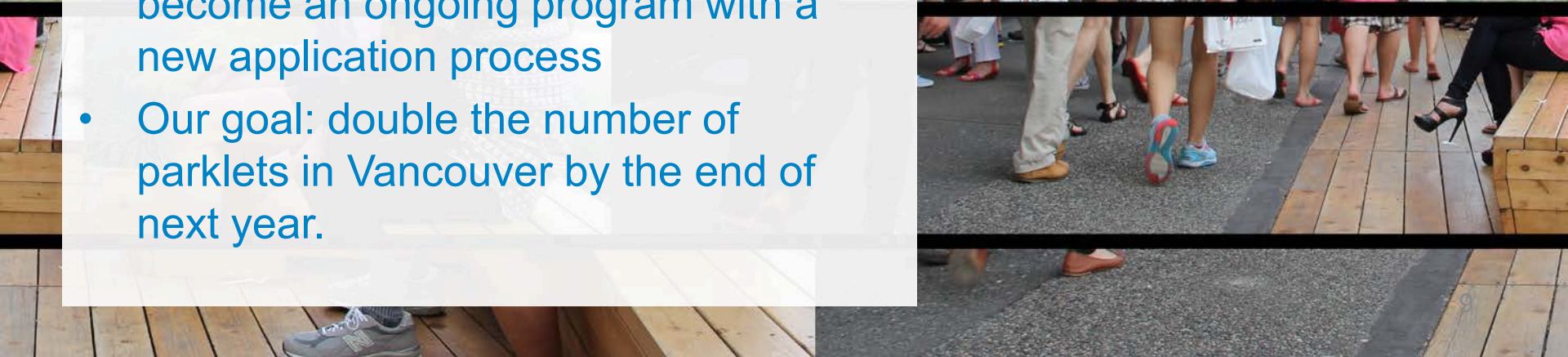
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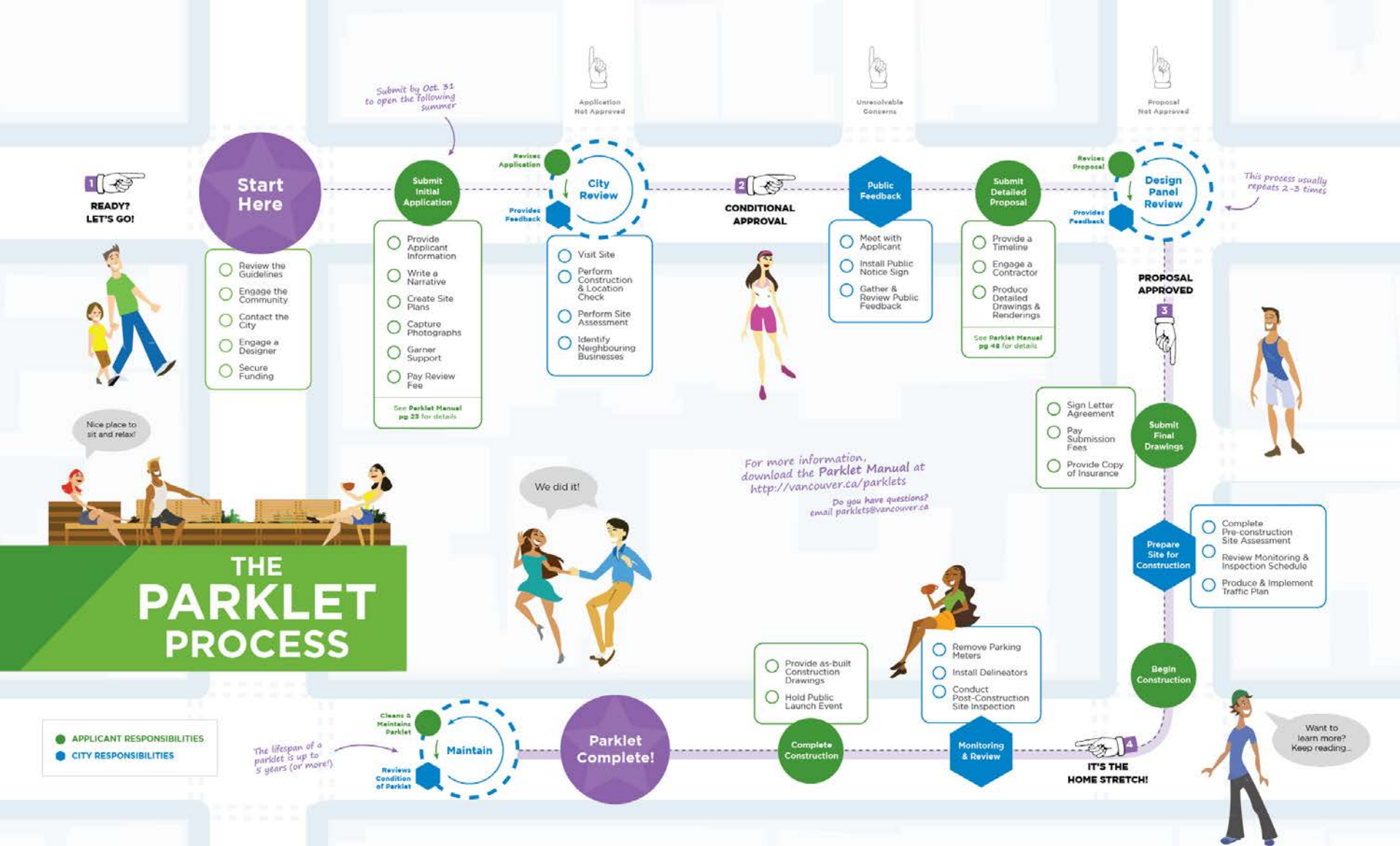
Parklets: From Pilot to Program



- This year the parklet pilot program will become an ongoing program with a new application process
- Our goal: double the number of parklets in Vancouver by the end of next year.



Parklet Process – New Application Manual



To apply for a parklet, visit: vancouver.ca/parklets



From Temporary to Permanent: Jim Deva Plaza



- Testing a new plaza operating model and new programming ideas in **Jim Deva Plaza**



Modifying Past Programs



- Robson Redux was postponed this summer because of scheduled repairs to Annex steps

*Bistro-style street furniture
800 Robson, 2012*



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- Instead, we're bringing moveable tables, chairs and umbrellas to 800 Robson Street!

*Bistro-style street furniture
800 Robson, 2012*



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- Reshaping VIVA Granville in 2016 because of Burrard Bridge construction impacts



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Supporting Other Great Ideas

Returning:

- Yaletown Farmers Market
- Art Wraps and Murals
- Active Fiction Project
- Public Pianos

Exploring new ideas:

- Activating False Creek Flats





VIVA Review and Program Expansion



- Review achievements to date
- Re-envision the program's role as a public space incubator
- Identify emerging directions in public space creation
- Capitalize on international trends and evolving local attitudes
- Examine methods for selecting and supporting future projects
- Expanded VIVA program expected as part of the 2017 Operating budget



**Thank
you!**