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## Historic Jubilee Park reopens after significant improvements

**ABBOTSFORD – June 7, 2019:** After significant improvements, Jubilee Park in Historic Downtown Abbotsford has officially re-opened to the public announced Mayor Henry Braun today.

The Jubilee Park project began in 2018 and has included upgrades to enhance safety, improve visibility, and increase parking.

The project was jointly funded by the City of Abbotsford, the Province of BC, and the Abbotsford Downtown Business Association (ADBA) and totals \$2.7 million in investment.

Improvements were implemented in two phases, with the first phase completed in June 30, 2018.

Jubilee Park is centrally located near historic downtown Abbotsford, and has a history as a preferred venue for many community events. The park will welcome many of its flagship events this summer including the annual summer concert series Jam in Jubilee, and the first annual Fruit and Beer Festival this August.

### Quotes:

“Parks are an important part of a thriving community, offering spaces and opportunities for people to connect, reflect and feel a sense of belonging that helps improve people’s quality of life. With the improvements and upgrades, the community of Abbotsford can reclaim its space in the heart of historic downtown.”

*Selina Robinson  
Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing*

“These improvements to Jubilee Park are an important part of supporting the continued growth of Abbotsford’s Historic Downtown neighbourhood as a destination. It will also ensure that the park is a desirable community gathering place for residents and tourists alike. I look forward to seeing this green space activated with the many community events scheduled at Jubilee Park this summer.”

*Henry Braun  
Mayor, City of Abbotsford*

For the last several years the Historic Downtown has succeed after years of effort in getting its fundamentals right. Jubilee Park rejuvenation shows that the downtown has embarked on the next stage of being an exciting and inviting location for residents and tourists to want to spend their time and money in. Rejuvenated Jubilee Park provides a venue for community and community events.

*Gerry Palmer  
President of the Board, ADBA*

**Associated Links:**

[www.abbotsford.ca/jubilee](http://www.abbotsford.ca/jubilee)

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