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Aquarium working with parks board

To the editor:

I want to correct several errors in two Sept. 8 stories regarding the Vancouver Aquarium proposal for revitalization and expansion ("COPE stepping up opposition to bigger footprint" and "New aquarium plan expands expansion").

The actual land required for the revitalization and expansion proposal is 1.5 acres and this is the same amount of land as was proposed in July.

The consultation does not include a survey of aquarium members. The public attitude survey by Synovate, an independent research firm, will be of Vancouver and Greater Vancouver residents.

The Vancouver Park Board and the aquarium are jointly managing the consultation, not the aquarium alone.

The aquarium encourages the public to participate in the consultation through the web, at public open houses and stakeholder meetings.

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