

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE  
ON MONDAY, MAY 26, 1997**

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| PRESENT: Chair                                | - Duncan Wilson        |
| Vice-Chair                                    | - Alan Fetherstonhaugh |
| Commissioners                                 | - David Chesman        |
|   | - Allan DeGenova       |
|   | - Laura McDiarmid      |
|   | - Patrick Warren       |
|   | - Gabriel Yong         |
| General Manager                               | - Vic Kondrosky        |
| Director of Administrative & Revenue Services | - Philip Josephs       |
| Director of Operations                        | - Liane McKenna        |
| Director of Recreation                        | - Allan Argent         |
| Manager - Public Affairs                      | - Terri Clark          |
| Recording Secretary                           | - Julie Chiu           |

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Commissioner Wilson advised the Board that Commissioners Chesman and McDiarmid were away on personal business. Commissioner DeGenova was present at the Committee meeting, however, he had to leave due to a family commitment.

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### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, May 05, 1997 were adopted as circulated.

The minutes of the special meeting of the Board held on Monday, May 12, 1997 were adopted as circulated.

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### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Tunnel Watch : The Director of Planning advised the Board that there will be a meeting with the stakeholders for the first time on Wednesday, May 28. This is the first meeting hosted by the B.C. Transit Finance Authority. Staff was also contacted by the Ministry of Transport and Highways requesting permission to come back into the Park and do more detailed drilling in the area where the tunnel could probably be located to assist in determining the construction ease or

difficulty that may be encountered.

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## **DELEGATIONS**

### **Bike Lane - Brockton Point to lumberman's Arch**

Paul Hundal, Past President, SPEC, appeared before the Board to present the issues raised in his letter dated May 1, 1997. Mr. Hundal stated that the reconstructed road along "Harris Hill" along Park Drive was too hazardous for cyclists. He suggested that the lines dividing the roadway be removed to allow more room for cars and cyclists. Mr. Hundal also stated that the bike path between Brockton Point and Lumberman's Arch did not have a proper ramp for cyclists to enter and exit from the road.

Commissioner Wilson stated that this matter will be referred to the Planning and Environment Committee for further discussion.

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## **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

### **Canada - B.C. Infrastructure Works Program, Phase II - Soft Infrastructure Projects**

This matter was referred from the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on Monday, May 26, 1997.

Moved by Commissioner Fetherstonhaugh,

**A. THAT Council endorse the following City-initiated projects for submission to Phase II of the Canada - B.C. Infrastructure Works Program, and authorize staff to submit applications to the Provincial government.**

- **A project to improve Civic Theatres totalling either \$5,125,000 (Option 1.) Or \$3,500,000 (Option 2.); and**
- **Park Board projects to improve the Kitsilano Community Centre - \$2,585,000, the Killarney Community Centre - \$8,600,000 and the Kerrisdale Community Centre - \$1,500,000.**

**B. THAT Council endorse the following community - initiated projects on behalf of cultural and community service organizations that will be making their own submissions to the Phase II of the Canada - B.C. Infrastructure Works Program, noting that such endorsement does not commit the City to funding the local share of capital costs or any ongoing operating costs, beyond those already approved by Council;**

- **Vancouver Museum Revitalization Program, Phase 3 - \$1,660,000;**

- and
- o **Children's Arts Umbrella, Facility Expansion - \$108,000.**

**-Carried Unanimously.**

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## COMMUNITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS COMMITTEE

### **Full Time Positions**

This matter was referred from the Community Services and Budgets Committee meeting held on Monday, May 26, 1997.

Moved by Commissioner Yong,

**THAT the Board approve the establishment of the Regular Full-time positions described in Appendix I.**

**-Carried Unanimously.**

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### **Park Board Joint Operating Agreement with the Stanley Park Ecology Society**

This matter was referred from the Community Services and Budgets Committee meeting held on Monday, May 26, 1997.

Moved by Commissioner Yong,

**THAT the Board approve entering into an agreement with the Stanley Park Ecology Society as per the conditions set out in Appendix A, and details subject to the Director of Legal Services.**

**-Carried Unanimously.**

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### **Lions Society of B.C. "Fantasy of Lights" Event Request at Queen Elizabeth Park**

This matter was referred from the Community Services and Budgets Committee meeting held on Monday, May 26, 1997.

Moved by Commissioner Yong

- A. THAT the Board approve the request of the Lions Society of B.C. to hold the "Fantasy of Lights" event in Queen Elizabeth Park from Friday, December 5 to Wednesday, December 24, 1997 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday through Thursday and from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, at no cost to the Board, and with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.

- B. THAT the organizers be required to provide a shuttle service for people arriving other than by private automobile, at a preferential cost.
- C. THAT the organizers be requested to work with Park Board staff to determine how best to provide access to low income people.
- D. THAT staff be requested to work with the organizers to ensure that all possible mitigative measures are taken with respect to traffic

**-Carried Unanimously.**

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

Lion's Gate Crossing - Trip to Ottawa

Commissioner Wilson stated that a Board resolution was required to approve the trip taken by himself and the Director of Planning to Ottawa regarding the Lion's Gate Crossing.

Moved by Commissioner Warren,

**THAT the trip taken by Commissioner Wilson and the Director of Planning to Ottawa be approved.**

**-Carried Unanimously.**

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## **Committee Structure**

Commissioner Wilson advised the Board that the recent changes to the committee structure and delegations procedure to enhance the level of public involvement has encountered some roadblocks. While the intention was to create a more informal working environment, it has caused some duplication of Board meetings. There has been considerable discussion on this matter and the following changes are recommended:

1. General delegations will again be able to make presentations to the Board, on agenda items only, at the regular Monday night Board meetings.
2. Delegations to a regular Board meeting must register by 12:00 p.m. four days prior to the meeting. This will enable the Chair to amend meeting agendas if the number of delegations exceeds what can be reasonably accommodated during a meeting.
3. Regularly scheduled Park Board meetings can no longer continue past 11:00 p.m. without an affirmative 2/3 vote from Commissioners present.
4. Committees will hear all delegations bringing forward issues or initiatives, not generated by staff or Board members, prior to a report being prepared for the Board's consideration.
5. Committee meetings will remain open to the general public. However, participation will be managed so as to ensure that the public, staff, stakeholders and Board members are able to discuss issues fully and frankly prior to a draft Board report being prepared. While the general public is welcome to attend these meetings and ask questions from the floor, participation at the table will be limited at the direction of the committee Chair.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson,

**A. THAT the Board approve the following changes to the committee structure and Board delegation procedures:**

- The two existing standing committees, Planning and Environment/Community Services and Budgets remain.
- Each committee is comprised of at least four commissioners, remaining commissioners are ' exofficio' .
- Committees will hold regularly scheduled meetings set by consensus among its members.
- Committees will discuss issues prior to the drafting of a Board report.
- Meetings are open to public attendance and delegations are heard by appointment or by invitation
- Committee agendas are to be made available to the public on request
- All issues/proposals brought forward by the public will be heard by the committees prior to a decision to bringing the matter forward to the Board.
  
- The Board hears delegations on Agenda report items only.
- Delegations to a regular Board meeting must register by 12:00 p.m. four days prior to the meeting
- Registration guidelines for delegations to a Special Meeting of the Board will be determined by the Chair in conjunction with the notice of such meeting
- Regular Board meetings cannot continue past 11:00 p.m. without an affirmative 2/3 vote of the Commissioners present.
- The Board will purchase a portable green/yellow/red light system to assist delegations with staying within their allotted time

**THAT the Board approve the following composition for the standing committees:**

**1. Planning and Environment:**

- Chair - Commissioner Alan Fetherstonhaugh
- Vice Chair - Commissioner Patrick Warren
- Commissioner Allan DeGenova
- Commissioner David Chesman

**2. Community Services and Budgets**

- Chair - Commissioner Gabriel Yong
- Vice Chair - Commissioner Laura McDiarmid
- Commissioner Patrick Warren
- Commissioner Duncan Wilson

**-Carried Unanimously.**

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**Dogs in Parks and Beaches**

The Manager of Public Affairs advised the Board that the Pound and the Police Department are working together on patrolling certain beaches and Parks, as

many as 50 tickets have been issued to dog owners for contravening the by-law.

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## INFORMATION ITEMS

### 1. **Approval of Warrants**

Warrant #18 in the amount of \$865,941.30, Warrant #19 in the amount of \$426.30 US, \$614,122.58 Cdn.

### **Dedicated Fire Protection System - Kitsilano Pump Station**

Administrative report dated May 13, 1997 from the General Manager Engineering Services to Vancouver City Council regarding the above was mailed to Board members.

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