

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE
ON MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2000**

PRESENT:	Chair	- Duncan Wilson
	Vice-Chair	- Laura McDiarmid
	Commissioners	- Roslyn Cassells
		- Allan De Genova
		- Clarence Hansen
		- Dianne Ledingham
		- Christopher Richardson
	General Manager	- Susan Mundick
	Director of Planning & Operations	- Pieter Rutgers
	A/Director of Vancouver East District	- Ron Caswell
	Director of Stanley District	- Jim Lowden
	Manager of Revenue Services	- Philip Josephs
	Manager of Public Affairs	- Terri Clark
	Recorder	- Julie Casanova

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A member of the Board referred to the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, June 12, 2000 and requested that the information recorded on the minutes be checked with the audio tape of that meeting.

Moved,

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Monday, June 12, 2000 be adopted.

- Carried.

(Commissioner Cassells contrary)

CHAIR'S REPORT

City Council Report

The General Manager reported that City Council adopted the Arbutus Corridor Development Plan for transportation purposes. This plan includes rail, transit and greenway uses. A public hearing is scheduled for July 10, 2000.

City Council also adopted a report to prepare traffic bylaw prohibiting the use of motorized push scooters, motorized skateboards and other similar small motorized vehicles on any street or public place including the seawall. Staff are reviewing a bylaw change to the Parks Control Bylaw consistent with the street and traffic bylaw in this regard.

City Council also adopted the Coal Harbour and Killarney Community Centre operating budget report.

DELEGATIONS

Signing Authority - Park Board

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 31, 2000 recommending that the Board increase the signing authority limit for the General Manager to \$300,000.

Korky Day appeared before the Board and stated that he disagreed with the recommendation to increase the signing authority limit for the General Manager.

Moved,

THAT the Board increase the signing authority limit for the General Manager to \$300,000.

A member of the Board stated that the General Manager should not be given the authority to make decisions for the organization without public input.

A vote was taken on the motion and it was Carried.

(Commissioner Cassells contrary)

T2000-07 Totem Pole Visitor Centre and Stanley Park Information Booth

Board members received copies of a staff report dated June 26, 2000 recommending that the Board award a contract for the construction of the Totem Pole Visitor Centre and the Stanley Park Information Booth to RMT Contracting Ltd.

Korky Day appeared before the Board and stated that if the Board was not able to afford a union shop contract then the size of the project should be reduced. He also stated that the Board should have a fair wage policy and questioned how the interpretation was to be presented, orally or a tape recorded message.

The Director of Planning and Operations advised the Board that the interpretation will be done by graphics.

Moved,

- A) **THAT the Board award contract T2000-07 for the construction of the Totem Pole Visitor Centre and the Stanley Park Information Booth to RMT Contracting Ltd., for a cost of \$ 856,0000, plus GST.**
- B) **THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.**

- Carried

(Commissioner Cassells contrary)

Research Planner Staff Request

Board members received copies of a staff report dated June 6, 2000 recommending that the Board approve the creation of a Planner II position, Pay Grade 30, in accordance with the provisions of the CUPE 15 Collective Agreement, in order to provide research capability within the Planning and Operations Division.

Korky Day appeared before the Board and stated that the report was too short and he could not comprehend the information in the report.

Moved,

THAT the Board approve the creation of a Planner II position, Pay Grade 30, in accordance with the provisions of the CUPE 15 Collective Agreement, in order to provide research capability within the Planning and Operations Division.

- Carried Unanimously.

Joint Operating Agreement with the Hastings Park Conservancy

Board members received copies of a staff report dated June 14, 2000 recommending that the Board approve the Joint Operating Agreement between the Hastings Park Conservancy and the Board of Parks and Recreation as negotiated by the Society and Park Board staff, subject to formal registration of the Society.

There was a staff presentation with regard to the history and evolution of the Hastings Park redevelopment plan. The Board was advised that the joint operating agreement with the Conservancy is similar to the agreements with the Community Centre Associations.

The following delegations requested to address the Board regarding the joint operating agreement with the Hastings Park Conservancy:

- Marion Olivieri, Hastings Park Working Committee
- Allan Scales, Hastings Park Working Committee
- Bruce Wright, Hastings Park Working Committee
- Korky Day

The following is a summary of comments provided by the foregoing speakers:

- thanked the Board for their support;
- encourage commitment to continue the redevelopment;
- establishment of the conservancy validates the community;
- working committee is ready to take the next step;
- conservancy does not appear to be democratic;
- seems to be superior to the community associations; and
- does not agree with the report.

Board members discussed the matter and a member of the Board stated that point 11.2 in the draft agreement be amended to clarify how the mediation process will be funded.

Comment against the amendment :

- no changes should be approved without public consultation

Moved,

THAT item 11.2 in the draft agreement be amended to read as follows:

“11.2 referred to an independent non-binding mediation process as agreed upon by the parties and funded by both parties, then,”

- Carried .

(Commissioners Richardson and Cassells contrary)

Moved,

THAT the Board approve the attached Joint Operating Agreement between the Hastings Park Conservancy and the Board of Parks and Recreation, as negotiated by the Society and Park Board staff, subject to formal registration of the Society.

- Carried Unanimously.

Creekside Park - Public Art

Board members received copies of a staff report dated June 15, 2000 recommending that the Board approve the installation by “collective echoes” of a number of public art works at Creekside Park, subject to finalization of the public consultation process and with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.

The following delegations requested to speak to the Board :

- Elisha Sidlar and Simon Levin, “collective echoes”
- Korky Day

The following is a summary of comments provided by the foregoing speakers:

- working with community to bring awareness to public art;
- community sustainability in the form of public art; and
- supports proposal.

Moved,

THAT the Board approve the installation by “collective echoes” of a number of public art works at Creekside Park, subject to finalization of the public consultation process and with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.

- Carried Unanimously.

Moved,

THAT the Board go into a meeting which is closed to the public pursuant to Section 165.2 of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraph:

- (j) information that is prohibited from disclosure under Section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.**
- (c) labour relations or employee negotiations.**

- Carried Unanimously.

Commissioner Wilson left the meeting at 10:15 p.m.
Commissioner McDiarmid chaired the meeting.

Enquiries

Re-naming of Alexander Park

There was a request to re-name Alexander Park to Wendy Poole Park. The Board was advised that this park site is part of a lease agreement with the Port Authority and the public are being consulted with regard to this request. An alternate name was also received to re-name Alexander Park to Heritage Park. The Director of Stanley District would look into the request for a park ranger at this park, and a report regarding the name of this park will be brought forward to the Board in September.

Bollard off Street End

There was a request to look into putting up bollards at the Trimble, Sasamat and Tolmie Street ends for safety.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Susan Mundick
General Manager

Commissioner Duncan Wilson
Chair