

Motion on Notice

6. Seawall and Improving of Public Access to Fraser River

MOVER: Commissioner Blyth

SECONDER:

WHEREAS

1. The Vancouver Park Board currently manages a 22km seawall;
2. The seawall is internationally known and recognized as an accessible and vibrant public space for people of all ages and abilities;
3. There is currently a gap in waterfront access between two very popular Vancouver beaches: Kits beach and Jericho; and in places where the beach is public, it is inaccessible for many including those with strollers or wheelchairs;
4. South Vancouver has limited public access to the waterfront, despite increasing populations in neighbourhoods like East Fraserlands and Marpole;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Vancouver Park Board, as the organization that manages with City Engineering the seawall, direct Park Board staff to work with city staff as appropriate to:

- Develop options for connecting the seawall from Jericho to Kits beach;
- Report back on ways to improve public access along the Fraser River;
- Provide a timeline and cost estimates for these options, as well as address any environmental and First Nations concerns with proposals.