



**PARK BOARD COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

DECEMBER 2, 2013

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, December 2, 2013, at 7:00 pm, at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT: Commissioner Niki Sharma, Chair
Commissioner Constance Barnes
Commissioner Sarah Blyth
Commissioner John Coupar
Commissioner Melissa De Genova
Commissioner Aaron Jasper*
Commissioner Trevor Loke, Vice Chair

**GENERAL MANAGER'S
OFFICE:** Malcolm Bromley, General Manager
Huub Langeveld, Acting Deputy General Manager

RECORDER: Pat Boomhower, Meeting Clerk

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Commissioner Blyth reported on recent events: Jersey Day Breakfast hosted by the Vancouver Sport Network at the Vancouver Curling Club on November 29, 2013, kicked off RBC Sport Days in Canada. The Tree Planting event celebrated Stanley Park's 125th anniversary with the planting of 125 native trees, in partnership with the Stanley Park Ecology Society and volunteers. For the City of Vancouver's 2013 Access and Inclusion and Cultural Harmony Awards event, a tree was also planted and plaque installed at the south end of Burrard Bridge.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Shaughnessy Restaurant Lease Extension

The Manager of Revenue Services, Gordon Barber, reviewed the report and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from the restaurant operator who provided an overview of the renovations planned at the VanDusen Gardens location, and responded to questions.

MOVED by Commissioner Blyth
SECONDED by Commissioner Loke

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve a five-year renewal option for the Shaughnessy Restaurant for the period April 1, 2020 - March 31, 2025, based on a minimum capital expenditure of \$300,000 as outlined in this report.
- B. THAT all legal documentation is to be in a form which is satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services for the City of Vancouver and the General Manager of the Vancouver Park Board.
- C. THAT the General Manager be authorized to execute and deliver such documentation on behalf of the Vancouver Park Board.
- D. THAT no legal rights shall arise and no consents, permissions or licenses are granted hereby and none shall arise or be granted hereafter unless, and until, all contemplated legal documentation has been executed and delivered by all parties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Jasper absent for the vote)

2. 2014 Proposed Park Board Operating and Capital Budget

Director of Financial Planning and Analysis, Huub Langeveld, and the General Manager, Malcolm Bromley presented the proposed 2014 Operating and Capital Budgets, its timeline for public meetings and Council and Park Board approval, Park Board's service plans and key service metrics for 2014, and, along with the Director of Parks, Bill Harding, and the Manager of Revenue Services, Gordon Barber, responded to questions.

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Commissioner De Genova raised a Point of Order regarding the five-minute time limit for Commissioner Jasper's questions and requested the Chair advise Commissioners in advance if they will be allocated more time. The Chair advised Commissioner De Genova could ask her question.

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The Committee heard from four speakers who expressed concerns which included the number of new projects and initiatives and related costs, beaches and pools' upkeep, to report on budget-actual financial performance of the Park Board, higher Hydro fees, and the need for more parks with an increasing population.

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Following speakers, it was

*MOVED by Commissioner Jasper
SECONDED by Commissioner Loke*

THAT the Committee suspend the rules to permit questions to staff following delegations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The General Manager and Director of Parks responded to further questions.

3. 2013-2014 Fees and Charges Changes

Director of Financial Planning and Analysis, Huub Langeveld, reviewed the report, and along with the General Manager, Malcolm Bromley, the Director of Recreation, Thomas Soulliere, and the Manager of Revenue Services, Gordon Barber, responded to questions.

The Committee heard from one speaker who expressed concerns which included Leisure Access Cards, accessibility to facilities with price increases, and parking fees.

MOVED by Commissioner Jasper
SECONDED by Commissioner Barnes

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve changes to the 2013-2014 Fees and Charges as summarized in the body of the report entitled "2013-2014 Fees and Charges Changes" dated November 28, 2013 and detailed in Appendix I of the report.

referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner De Genova

THAT this matter be referred to the next Board meeting in two weeks to give the public a chance to review the report and staff time to provide information in response to questions.

CARRIED
(Commissioner Blyth opposed)

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During debate, it was

*MOVED by Commissioner Jasper
SECONDED by Commissioner Loke*

THAT the Committee suspend the rules to permit questions to staff following delegations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The General Manager responded to further questions.

The Committee adjourned at 10:06 pm.

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REGULAR BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 2, 2013

A Regular Board meeting was held on Monday, December 2, 2013, at 10:12 pm, at the Park Board Office following the Park Board Committee meeting.

PRESENT: Commissioner Sarah Blyth, Chair
Commissioner Constance Barnes
Commissioner John Coupar
Commissioner Melissa De Genova
Commissioner Aaron Jasper, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Trevor Loke
Commissioner Niki Sharma

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Malcolm Bromley, General Manager
Huub Langeveld, Acting Deputy General Manager

RECORDER: Pat Boomhower, Meeting Clerk

IN-CAMERA

MOVED by Commissioner Loke
SECONDED by Commissioner Jasper

THAT the Vancouver Park Board go into a meeting on December 16, 2013, time to be determined, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraph:

- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Board, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the City and Park Board if they were held in public.

CARRIED
(Commissioners Coupar and De Genova opposed)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Park Board - October 21 and November 18, 2013

RESCISSION MOVED by Commissioner Jasper
SECONDED by Commissioner Sharma

THAT the Board rescind its November 18, 2013, motion regarding Minutes Approval in order to further amend the October 21, 2013 minutes to include the Motion on Notice entitled "Increasing Accessibility for the Public at Park Board Meetings" and subsequent vote on the motion as Carried Unanimously.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Commissioner Jasper
SECONDED by Commissioner Sharma

- A. THAT the Minutes of the Park Board Committee meeting held on November 18, 2013, be approved as circulated.
- B. THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on November 18, 2013, be approved as amended on December 2, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager, Malcolm Bromley, advised that Council would be receiving Earthquake Preparedness Strategy and the Third Quarter Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts reports at its meeting on December 3, 2013. Mr. Bromley also noted the Budget Dialogue Town Hall meeting on December 2, 2013, is an opportunity for the public to ask staff questions on the City's 2014 Budget before it goes to Council's City Finance and Services Committee on December 10, 2013.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Report of the Park Board Committee**
December 2, 2013

The Board considered the report containing recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee. Its items of business included:

1. Shaughnessy Restaurant Lease Extension
2. 2014 Proposed Park Board Operating and Capital Budget
3. 2013-2014 Fees and Charges Changes

MOVED by Commissioner Loke
SECONDED by Commissioner Jasper

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of December 2, 2013, as contained in items 1 to 3.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENQUIRIES

1. A Board member enquired as to when the 2014 meeting dates will be available. The proposed dates will be forwarded to Commissioners prior to next Board meeting.
2. A Board member enquired whether there was an update on the fishing issue in Hastings Park and possible alternatives. The General Manager noted the Manager of Forestry, Standards and Innovation is leading the project and will report back.
3. A Board member enquired about the timing of the election of the Park Board Chair (as per Procedure By-law). Staff will check with the City Clerk and let the Board know.

MOVED by Commissioner Loke
SECONDED by Commissioner Jasper

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board adjourned at 10:20 pm.

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