



REGULAR BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 19, 2015

A Regular Board meeting was held on Monday, January 19, 2015, at 7:00 pm, at the Park Board Office following the Park Board Committee meeting.

PRESENT: Commissioner John Coupar, Chair
Commissioner Sarah Kirby Yung, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Casey Crawford
Commissioner Catherine Evans
Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Commissioner Erin Shum
Commissioner Michael Wiebe

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Malcolm Bromley, General Manager
Thomas Soulliere, Director, Recreation
Cheryl Chan, Business Support Lead
Pat Boomhower, Meeting Clerk

CHAIR'S REPORT

Commissioner Coupar welcomed everyone to the first regular meeting of the 2014 - 2018 Board.

The Chair advised that a number of requests to speak had been received regarding items on the Board agenda as well as items not on the agenda, and noted that the Board had not formed its Standing Committee yet, which is where Commissioners ordinarily hear from the public on agenda items.

Commissioner Coupar reported on the following special events:

- the first Trans-Inclusive Public Swim which was held at Templeton Park Pool;
- the Stanley Park Stakeholders meeting with Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations. The First Nations presented the Park Board with a Moon Wolf Plaque and the Park Board gifted a red cedar to each Nation. At their request, the cedars will be planted together in Stanley Park;
- the 95th annual Polar Bear Swim at English Bay on new Year's Day;
- the 30th annual Festival of Lights at VanDusen Garden;
- the official draw of FIFA Women's World Cup Canada 2015 held at Hillcrest Centre;
- Bloedel Conservatory's 45th anniversary celebration;
- Stanley Park Causeway information session held on December 2, 2014, regarding sidewalk safety improvements, led by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure;
- Jersey Day Breakfast celebrated on November 28, 2014, and hosted by the Vancouver Sport Network;
- The 17th annual Bright Nights Christmas Train in Stanley Park made possible by the professional fire fighters who volunteered and installed animated displays and more than three million lights.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the minutes of the Park Board Inaugural meeting held on December 1, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

(a) Appointment of Board Representatives to Community Centre Association, Facility Associations, and Advisory Committees to Council and the Park Board

The Chair announced members appointed as Board Liaisons for the term January 2015 to December 2018, and read from his memorandum dated January 19, 2015, which noted -

The following as the Vancouver Park Board Liaison to the following Community Centre Associations:

Association Presidents Group	Commissioner John Coupar
Britannia Community Services Society	Commissioner Erin Shum
Champlain Heights Community Association	Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Douglas Park Community Association	Commissioner Michael Wiebe
Dunbar Community Association	Commissioner John Coupar
False Creek Community Association	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Grandview Community Association (Trout Lake)	Commissioner John Coupar
Hastings Community Association	Commissioner Erin Shum
Kensington Community Association	Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Kerrisdale Community Centre Society	Commissioner Casey Crawford
Killarney Community Centre Society	Commissioner Erin Shum
Kitsilano War Memorial Community Association	Commissioner Erin Shum
Marpole-Oakridge Community Association	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Mount Pleasant Community Association	Commissioner Casey Crawford
Ray-Cam Co-operative Association	Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Renfrew Park Community Association	Commissioner Erin Shum
Riley Park Community Association	Commissioner Casey Crawford
Roundhouse Community Arts & Recreation Society	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Strathcona Community Centre Association	Commissioner Casey Crawford
Sunset Community Association	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
West End and Coal Harbour Community Association	Commissioner Casey Crawford
West Point Grey Community Association	Commissioner Catherine Evans

The following as the Vancouver Park Board Liaison to the following Facility and Park Associations and Committees:

Brock House Society	Commissioner John Coupar
Dr. SunYat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Hastings Park Conservancy	Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Jericho Sailing Centre Association	Commissioner Casey Crawford
Joint Council on Childcare	Commissioner Catherine Evans
Library Board	Commissioner Catherine Evans
Neighbourhood Matching Fund	Commissioner Michael Wiebe
Stanley Park Ecological Society	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Vancouver Aquarium	Commissioner John Coupar
Vancouver Field Sports Federation	Commissioner Casey Crawford
VanDusen Botanical Garden Association	Commissioner John Coupar

The following as the Vancouver Park Board Liaison to the following Advisory Committees to Vancouver City Council:

Active Transportation Policy Council	Commissioner John Coupar
Arts & Culture Policy Council	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Children, Youth & Families Advisory Committee*	Commissioner Catherine Evans
Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee	Commissioner Erin Shum
Civic Asset Naming Committee	Commissioner Catherine Evans
Cultural Communities Advisory Committee	Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
First Shaughnessy Design Panel	Commissioner Catherine Evans
Gastown Historic Planning Committee	Commissioner Michael Wiebe
LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee	Commissioner Erin Shum
Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee	Commissioner Michael Wiebe
Public Art Committee*	Commissioner John Coupar
Renter's Advisory Committee	Commissioner Erin Shum
Seniors' Advisory Committee	Commissioner Erin Shum
Urban Aboriginal Peoples Advisory Committee	Commissioner Michael Wiebe
Vancouver City Planning Commission*	Commissioner Casey Crawford
Vancouver Food Policy Council	Commissioner Michael Wiebe
Vancouver Heritage Commission*	Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Women's Advisory Committee	Commissioner Catherine Evans

(* Statutory Committees of Council)

As the Vancouver Park Board Liaison to the following Vancouver Park Board committee:

Trans* and Gender-Variant Inclusion Working Group - Commissioner Michael Wiebe.

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Note from Clerk: Subsequently, the following Park Board Liaisons were announced at the February 2, 2015 meeting:

<i>Thunderbird Community Association</i>	<i>- Commissioner Michael Wiebe;</i>
<i>Vancouver Sport Network</i>	<i>- Commissioner Casey Crawford.</i>

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(b) Neighbourhood Park Concept Plan

The Clerk advised of three letters of support for the Concept Plan for a neighbourhood park at Yukon and 17th Avenue in the Board's meeting binder related to Item #2.

STAFF REPORTS

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager advised that Park Board related items at Council meetings this week included a report on the Vancouver Bird Strategy, and reports on grants for cultural operating organizations, and on Community Amenity Contributions and Density Bonusing. He noted that the booklet titled "Community Benefits from Development: Improving Neighbourhoods & Enabling Affordable Housing" was available on Council's agenda webpage. He also reported on the Board workshop held on January 17, 2015, which was led by author and professional parliamentarian, Eli Mina.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. PRESENTATION: Vancouver Bird Strategy

Alan Duncan, Environmental Planner, presented the Vancouver Bird Strategy developed to support birds and their habitat and to prevent deaths of birds in the city, and the vision for 2020. He also reviewed the four recommendations which would go to Council for approval. He further noted that Vancouver was successful in being selected to host the 2018 International Ornithological Congress, and that Park Board will be installing a Stanley Park herons' webcam.

Mr. Duncan responded to questions.

2. REPORT: Concept Plan for a New Park at 17th Avenue/Yukon Street

Tiina Mack, Manager of Park Development, gave a brief overview of staff's role in park planning and introduced staff.

Joe McLeod, Landscape Architect, reviewed the report, and along with Ms. Mack, responded to questions.

The Chair asked, since no Park Board Committee was established yet, whether any members of the public were present who wanted to speak on the report. No speakers were present.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the concept plan (in Appendix of the report dated January 13, 2015, titled "Concept Plan for a New Park at 17th Avenue and Yukon Street") for a new neighbourhood park at 17th Avenue and Yukon Street; and

FURTHER THAT staff develop an Agreement for the proposed change of use and operation of the 3200 block of Yukon Street to the satisfaction of the General

Managers of the Park Board and the Engineering Services Department, subject to approval by Council of the change in use of the street.

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS

1. Joint Council on Childcare

Commissioner Evans submitted the following motion for the next Board meeting and noted City Council and the Vancouver School Board have approved reinstating the Joint Council on Childcare and renew its goals and Terms of Reference.

MOVER: Commissioner Catherine Evans

SECONDER:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to work with City Council and the Vancouver Board of Education to reinstate the Joint Council on Childcare and renew its goals, and previously adopted Terms of Reference [contained] as Appendix A, along with an objective of an increase of 1,000 childcare spaces, at a minimum, over the next four years.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Standing Committee and Appointment of the Chair and Vice-Chair

(a) Park Board Standing Committee

MOVED by Commissioner Crawford

SECONDED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung

THAT the Vancouver Park Board establish the "Park Board Committee" comprised of all Board members and to provide an opportunity for delegations to speak to the Board on agenda items.

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At 7:59 pm Commissioner Coupar step down as Chair, and the General Manager assumed the chair, pro-tem.

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(b) Election of Committee Chair

The General Manager called for nominations for Chair of the Park Board Committee.

Commissioner Kirby-Yung nominated Commissioner Crawford as Chair. Commissioner Crawford accepted the nomination.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT nominations be closed.

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The General Manager declared Commissioner Casey Crawford as Committee Chair by acclamation.

(c) Election of Committee Vice-Chair

The General Manager called for nominations for Chair of the Park Board Committee.

Commissioner Coupar nominated Commissioner Shum and Commissioner Mackinnon nominated Commissioner Wiebe as Vice-Chair.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Crawford

THAT nominations be closed.

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Following due process, Commissioner Erin Shum was elected Committee Vice-Chair.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Weibe

THAT the ballots for Chair and Vice-Chair be destroyed.

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At 8:04 pm, Commissioner Coupar resumed as Chair.

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2. Marketing & Business Development Advisory Committee and Appointment of Chair

The Board received the Marketing & Business Development Advisory Committee Terms of Reference dated November 12, 2012, for their consideration and a list of last year's members. (*Vancouver Charter s. 160 pertains to committees discharged in the year of a general election*).

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Vancouver Park Board re-establish the Marketing and Business Development Advisory Committee.

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REFERRAL MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon
SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT this matter to refer to staff for information on the rationale on Terms of Reference and bring back to the next Board meeting.

LOST

(Commissioners opposing and Coupar, Crawford, Kirby-Yung, and Shum opposed)

Before vote on referral, the Chair advised of when this committee was initially established.

Following the vote, the General Manager responded to a question about role of the previous committee.

The motion to refer having lost, the motion to re-establish the committee was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Crawford

THAT Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung be the Chair of the Vancouver Park Board's Marketing and Business Development Advisory Committee.

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3. "In Camera" Motions

In response to a question, the General Manager clarified the process for the Board to hold meetings which are closed to the public (per *Vancouver Charter* sections 165.1 and 165.2).

(a) January 19, 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Board will go into a meeting later this day, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the City and Park Board.

- (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.

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(b) February 2, 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Wiebe
SECONDED by Commissioner Crawford

THAT the Board will go into a meeting on February 2, 2015 at 6:00 pm, 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.

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4. Leave of Absence - Commissioner Shum

There were no objections to granting a leave of absence for Commissioner Shum for the meetings to be held on February 2, 2015.

ENQUIRIES

A Board member asked when the new dragon boat facility would be installed and noted that the community is expecting the facility before season events take place. The General Manager advised that staff will provide an update.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Evans
SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board adjourned at 8:16 pm.

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