

MOTION

Park Board Emergency Response and Preparedness

MOVER: Commissioner Kirby-Yung SECONDER: Commissioner Coupar

WHEREAS:

- 1. On April 8, 2015, a container ship stationed in English Bay began leaking fuel.
- 2. The Vancouver Park Board's mission is to provide, preserve and advocate for parks and recreation services to benefit all people, communities and the environment.
- 3. Vancouver's parks and beaches include diverse wildlife habitats and recreational water activities, and the Vancouver Park Board recognizes the serious and significant concerns of residents regarding the recent fuel spill impacts on both.
- 4. Federal and Provincial authorities, as well as the City of Vancouver, will review this incident and identify opportunities to improve oil spill prevention and response.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Staff be directed to review the Vancouver Park Board's role in responding to the fuel spill in English Bay on April 8, 2015, and recommend any changes to the Park Board's Emergency Response and Preparedness Plan that would enhance response efforts for future incidents, specifically as they relate to public communication, the storage and deployment of emergency equipment, and the deployment of Park Board staff, facilities, and resources.