

Resident and Recreational Boaters Good Neighbour Campaign

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Final Amended Motion

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Park Board passed a Motion on April 27, 2015 to work towards improving Recreational Water Quality.
- 2. Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) is erecting beach advisory signs in and around False Creek due to e-coli levels in the area, and intends to leave them up for the balance of the upcoming summer season.
- 3. Residents can help reduce impacts by not dumping chemicals in catch basins or down storm drains, cleaning up dog waste, and disposing of waste properly at regulated facilities.
- 4. Boaters can help reduce impacts by ensuring vessel waste is discharged at available pump-out stations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board receive information from other organizations, such as the Georgia Strait Alliance, to design and implement a social responsibility campaign aimed at raising awareness of improper disposal actions on water quality; and
- B. THAT consideration be given a multi-pronged campaign including social media, signage at Park Board marinas and other key locations, info distribution by staff giving anchorage permits and media relations, that includes info on proper discharge locations and procedures; and
- C. FURTHER THAT the plan be implemented as quickly as possible in advance of the busy summer recreational season.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY