



**PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

JULY 6, 2015

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, July 6, 2015, at 7:03 pm, at the Park Board Office.

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

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Jonathan Snoek, Acting Deputy General Manager
Cheryl Chan, Business Support Lead
Pat Boomhower, Meeting Clerk
Jessica Kulchyski, Recorder

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Park Board Committee Meeting - June 22, 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon
SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

THAT the Park Board Committee minutes of the June 22, 2015, meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGENDA ITEMS

1. REPORT: YMCA Childcare at Champlain Community School

Gordon Barber, Manager of Revenue Services, reviewed the Administrative Report and noted the YMCA has requested renewal of their contract regarding before and after school childcare services in the Park Board operated facility space at Champlain Heights Community School. Mr. Barber responded to questions.

MOVED by Commissioner Evans
SECONDED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the renewal of the agreement with the Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Vancouver (YMCA) for the use of activity space located in Champlain Heights Community School for the purpose of providing a licensed out-of-school care program for a three year period, September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2018.

- B. THAT the YMCA will pay to the Park Board a fee of \$1.00 per year for each of the three years of this agreement.
- C. THAT once the form of agreement has been approved by the General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation, and the Director of Legal Services for the City of Vancouver, the General Manager be authorized to execute the document on behalf of the Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. REPORT: Lawn Bowling Clubs - Operating Agreement Renewal

Gordon Barber, Manager, Revenue Services, reviewed the Administrative Report and outlined the Operating Agreements' terms and conditions for the seven Lawn Bowling Clubs across Vancouver. Mr. Barber, along with Alistair Black, Vice President, Granville Park Lawn Bowling Club, responded to questions.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the renewal of the Operating Agreements with Dunbar, West Point Grey, Kerrisdale, Granville Park, Vancouver, Vancouver South and Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Clubs for a five (5) year term commencing May 18, 2015;
- B. THAT once the Operating Agreement has been approved by the General Manager and the Director of Legal Services for the City of Vancouver that the General Manager be authorized to execute and deliver such documentation on behalf of the Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. PRESENTATION: Trans* and Gender Variant Inclusion Working Group Update

Susie Hutchison, Acting Director of Recreation, and Kai Scott, Co-Chair, Trans* and Gender Variant Inclusion (TGVI) Working Group, presented a review of the past year's accomplishments, the process involved, the implementation of recommendations at two pilot locations, and next steps. They introduced the volunteers on the TGVI Working Group and responded to questions.

4. REPORT BACK: Love Locks Concept Plan

Tiina Mack, Manager, Park Development, reviewed the report and noted examples of a custom approach used in other municipalities, and responded to questions on possible locations for a 'Love Locks' sculpture.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve retaining a local artist through a competitive procurement process to create a custom and structurally safe love lock sculpture for Vancouver Parks.
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the recommended short list of proposed park locations for a 'Love Lock' installation for public consideration as English Bay Beach, Kitsilano Beach and Queen Elizabeth Park; and

FURTHER THAT the proposed locations be taken through a public engagement process as described within this report, and that staff report the results of the engagement process back to the Board at an upcoming Board meeting.

(amended)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon
SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT the motion be amended by striking paragraph B and substituting with the following:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board ask staff to proceed with public consultation for a 'Love Lock' installation to include potential diverse locations across the City, as well as the opportunity for open-ended input.

CARRIED
(Commissioner Coupar opposed)

The amendment having carried the motion as amended was put and CARRIED, with Commissioners Coupar and Mackinnon opposed.

FINAL MOTION AS ADOPTED

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve retaining a local artist through a competitive procurement process to create a custom and structurally safe 'Love Lock' sculpture for Vancouver Parks.
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board ask staff to proceed with public consultation for a 'Love Lock' installation to include potential diverse locations across the City, as well as the opportunity for open-ended input.

The Committee adjourned at 9:05 pm.

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MEETING MINUTES

JULY 6, 2015

A Regular Board meeting was held on Monday, July 6, 2015, at 9:12 pm, at the Park Board Office following the Park Board Committee meeting.

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

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Jonathan Snoek, Acting Deputy General Manager
Cheryl Chan, Business Support Lead
Pat Boomhower, Meeting Clerk
Jessica Kulchyski, Meeting Clerk

*Denotes absence from a portion of the meeting.

IN CAMERA

1. July 8, 2015 Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Crawford
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Board will go into a meeting later this week, 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 or Park Board;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (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 UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Kirby-Yung absent from the vote)

2. July 20, 2015 Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Shum
SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Board will go into a meeting on July 20, 2015, 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 or Park Board;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (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 UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Kirby-Yung absent from the vote)

ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF JUNE 22, 2015

The Chair advised that community members had been appointed to the Trans* and Gender Variant Inclusion Steering Committee for the term of July 2015 - July 2017:

- Aftab Erfan
- Cindy Holmes
- Jazmine Khan
- Dora Ng
- Kai Scott
- Jaedyn Starr
- Lori Shenher
- Kira Yee

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Board Meeting - June 22, 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Wiebe
SECONDED by Commissioner Crawford

THAT the Park Board minutes of the June 22, 2015, meeting be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Kirby-Yung absent from the vote)

Following the vote, Commissioner Kirby-Yung arrived and advised of a correction to Enquiry #5 which should read should Marpole rather than Mt Pleasant CC. The Board agreed to the amendment.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Report of the Park Board Committee July 6, 2015

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

1. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: YMCA Childcare at Champlain Community School
2. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: Lawn Bowling Clubs - Operating Agreement Renewal
3. PRESENTATION: Trans* and Gender Variant Inclusion Working Group Update
2. REPORT BACK: Love Locks Concept Plan

MOVED by Commissioner Wiebe

SECONDED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of July 6, 2015, as contained in items 1 through 4.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STAFF REPORTS

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Jonathan Snoek, Deputy General Manager, advised of Park Board related items at Council meetings that week included: a presentation by Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond on Youth Homelessness and Challenges; a report on Phase 2 of the Healthy City Strategy Action Plan, and reports on various community grants, including a grant for Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society for recreational programs and the operation of the Collingwood Gymnasium.

The Deputy General Manager also reported that the Queen Elizabeth Park Zipline is now operational, has presold about 5,000 tickets and has had approximately 1,000 riders. He also noted the air quality issue and provided information on the Park Board's Stage 2 water restrictions due to the heat wave, and reported that the FIFA Fan Zone was a success, playing host to about 130,000 soccer enthusiasts from around the world.

MOTIONS

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

1. Jericho Lands - Park Board Involvement

MOVED by Commissioner Evans

SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

WHEREAS:

1. The federal and provincial governments have taken steps towards disposing of their direct interests in the property known as the Jericho Lands in the City of Vancouver;

2. Decisions about the future of this land will include representatives and agents for the federal and provincial governments, as well as the Musqueam, Tsleil Waututh and Squamish First Nations;
3. The City of Vancouver oversees zoning for the Jericho Lands; and
4. Parts of this land have significant ecological importance;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board formally request that the City of Vancouver include the Park Board in public consultations regarding the future of the Jericho Lands; and
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board set out its priorities, including Greenest City goals, to be included in the public consultations on the future of the Jericho Lands.

(amended)

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At 9:29pm, prior to discussion on the motion, Commissioner Coupar stepped down as chair in order to participate in debate and Commissioner Kirby-Yung, as Vice-Chair, assumed the chair.

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AMENDMENT MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the motion be amended by:

- (i) inserting the phrase "any and all" in paragraph A before the words "public consultations"; and
- (ii) striking out paragraph B and substituting with the following:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board set out, and articulate, its planning priorities, for the Jericho Lands, seeking appropriate recommendation from Park Board Staff and input from members of the public, and in accordance with the Park Board's goal to plan and deliver exceptional parks, recreation services and amenities that contribute to the livability of Vancouver and meet the current and future needs of our diverse city in a sustainable manner.

CARRIED
(Commissioner Mackinnon opposed)

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Commissioner Evans
SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT the paragraph B be amended by:

- (i) inserting the words “priorities and” (*indicated in italics*); and
- (ii) striking out the phrase “to plan and deliver exceptional parks, recreation services and amenities that” to read:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board set out, and articulate, its planning priorities, for the Jericho Lands, seeking appropriate recommendation from Park Board Staff and input from members of the public, and in accordance with the Park Board’s *priorities and* goal that contribute to the livability of Vancouver and meet the current and future needs of our diverse city in a sustainable manner.

CARRIED
(Commissioner Shum opposed)

Amendments having been approved, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

FINAL MOTION AS ADOPTED

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board formally request that the City of Vancouver include the Park Board in any and all public consultations regarding the future of the Jericho Lands; and
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board set out, and articulate, its planning priorities, for the Jericho Lands, seeking appropriate recommendation from Park Board Staff and input from members of the public, and in accordance with the Park Board’s goal to plan and deliver exceptional parks, recreation services and amenities that contribute to the livability of Vancouver and meet the current and future needs of our diverse city in a sustainable manner.

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Commissioner Coupar resumed as chair at 9:46pm.

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS

1. Truth and Reconciliation Commission Recommendations Review

Commissioner Evan submitted the following Notice of Motion:

MOVER: Commissioner Evans
SECONDER:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Staff report back to the Park Board no later than September 30, 2015, with recommendations on how to move forward on the actions recommended by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission that are within the Park Board’s jurisdiction and those of its partners.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Commissioner Evans noted the "Summer of Learning" announced on July 2, 2015, by the Vancouver Public Library, is a two-month program for citizens to learn and explore through classes and self-guided tours.

ENQUIRIES

1. A Board member enquired if the Park Board has considered working with the Vancouver Fire Department to attach water fountains to fire hydrants. The Director of Parks replied that, at this point, they have not but it is something they can look into. Another Board member noted these water fountains have been seen around the City. The Director of Parks replied that City's Engineering Department is most likely responsible.
2. A Board member enquired about the process of selecting bands to play at the gazebo at Alexander Park. The Deputy General Manger replied that staff from the Special Events Department would follow up in writing.
3. A Board member asked about the timeline for completion of the manual water spray parks in Vancouver. The Deputy General Manager replied the type of Spray Park that is problematic in Stage Two water restriction does not recycle water nor have a push activate button; Park Board is working with REFM to install push buttons on all spray parks that do not have them; and there is currently no timeline but considerable resources are being devoted to complete this as quickly as possible.
4. A Board member enquired if the Park Board was involved in the aftermath of the recent boat fire that happened at False Creek, and dealing with water quality around the Dragon Boat facility. The Director of Parks advised that Park Rangers were involved in crowd control as well as pulling the boat out of the water.
5. A Board member noted a citizen's concern and email explaining that a photographer at Queen Elizabeth Park had made signs asking public not to use the quarry garden as it would be used for wedding photos and that a drone was being used to take photos. The Board member enquired about Park Board's policies on these issues. The Director of Parks replied that the use of drones is prohibited in parks, and that people putting up their own sign is also not allowed. The Director of Parks asked that things of this nature be brought to the attention on the Park Rangers.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Wiebe
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

The Board adjourned at 9:54pm.

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