



Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre Renewal

Excerpted from Minutes 2016-06-13

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MOVED BY: Commissioner Kirby-Yung

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Coupar

WHEREAS:

1. The Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre was built in 1949, is the oldest within the Park Board's network of community centre facilities and is long overdue for renewal. Renewal discussions have been taking place for sixteen years.
2. The Vancouver Park Board has a successful model for delivery of community centres in or adjacent to parks and green space that maximizes recreation and fitness opportunities, complementary uses and service delivery.
3. The present facility is adjacent to green space, baseball diamonds, soccer field and a children's water park.
4. Population growth, development and density increase in the Cambie corridor as well along Oak Street has been greater than anticipated. 75% of the growth is expected along the Cambie Corridor. There is also an additional Canada Line station at Cambie & 57th. The current centre is located in the middle of this rapidly growing community.
5. A 2011 feasibility study for a new community centre indicated Oak Park was the best location for a renewed facility.
6. Past community consultation has indicated a clear preference for the Community Centre to remain on the existing Oak Park site.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation move forward with consultation and planning for the renewal of the Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre on the existing site located at Oak Street & 59th Avenue at Oak Park.
- B. THAT in the planning process for the new Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre the Park Board consider co-location or inclusion of a complementary service or services such as expansion of existing daycare, a seniors centre, synthetic field, lit track, rink or a pool as determined through the public consultation process.
- C. THAT the consultation and planning process for the Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre renewal be undertaken by the Park Board as soon as possible, utilizing the allocated consultation funding in the 2016 Park Board budget.
- D. THAT a timeline be completed and shared with the community with the goal of conducting consultation in 2016, design planning in 2017, and ground breaking for a new Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre in 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Commissioner Wiebe was absent for the vote)