



**PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 24, 2016**

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, October 24, 2016, at 7:05 pm, at the Park Board Office.

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

**GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Malcolm Bromley, General Manager  
Shauna Wilton, Deputy General Manager  
Cheryl Chan, Business Support Lead/Manager Admin Services  
Jessica Kulchyski, Recorder  
Rae Ratslef, Meeting Clerk

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES - Park Board Committee Meeting - October 3, 2016**

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar  
SECONDED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung

THAT the Park Board Committee minutes of the October 3, 2016 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Kirby-Yung highlighted the following events and the participation by Park Board Commissioners:

- September 23, 2016: Tree Planting with Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations in Stanley Park
- September 25, 2016: Royal Visit
- September 25, 2016: AIDS Vancouver Celebrity Dim Sum
- September 27, 2016: Reconciliation in Action - Drive the Change
- September 30, 2016: Orange Shirt Day - Every Child Matters
- October 1, 2016: Fall Tree Sale
- October 1, 2016: BIG Draw Vancouver
- October 6, 2016: United Way Chilli Cook Off
- October 11, 2016: Ghost Train Media Opening Night
- October 11, 2016: Beyond Music Opening Reception
- October 12, 2016: New Park Opening at Yukon and 17<sup>th</sup>

- October 13, 2016, CH.I.L.D. Foundation Doormen's Dinner
- October 13, 2016: Vancouver Botanical Garden Association Appreciation Night
- October 14, 2016: United Nations Women Connect
- October 16, 2016: Chinese Freemasons Vancouver 128<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- October 16, 2016: Survivors Totem Pole Witness Dinner
- October 17, 2016: East Fraser Lands New Park Tour and Open House.

## AGENDA ITEMS

### 1. REPORT: TGVI Annual Report and Corporate Sponsorship Fund Request

Darren Peterson, Manager, Citywide Services, Park Board, and Co-Chair, Trans\* and Gender Variant Inclusion Steering Committee (TGVI Committee) and introduced Paul Czene, Recreation Coordinator, Access & Volunteer Services.

Mr. Peterson led the review of a presentation on the work of the TGVI Committee and highlighted:

- Overview of activities to date
- The TGVI Committee's mandate and composition
- Proposed changes to signage guidelines
- Awareness campaign feedback
- Staff survey relative to the poster effectiveness, bathroom signage and staff training
- Short and mid-term priorities
- The Committee's request for support to hire two part-time recreation staff to assist in developing a scalable training system, a trans\* and gender variant community engagement system and a richer media experience.

Mr. Peterson responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion regarding the primary tasks of the proposed staff additions; need for direct engagement with the trans\* gender variant community; long term plans to invest access staff resources; and encouragement to reach out to the Cultural Advisory Committee relative to languages and cultural barriers.

The Committee heard from one speaker who expressed general support for the report and commented on two issues of concern. The speaker responded to questions from the Committee.

In response to a request for clarification, Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, confirmed that the report was intended to provide an update and status report, and to seek temporary funding for two positions. He also suggested that the speaker be invited to make a presentation to the TGVI Committee.

There was discussion regarding: signage challenges; importance of a long-term commitment to the TGVI Committee's work; need for clear policy direction; purpose of the requested funding; availability of funding to accommodate an ongoing position; and support for staff to provide further input on implementation of the TGVI Committee's recommendations.

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung  
SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board contribute \$50,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund to support the staffing of two part-time recreation positions in 2017 to complete the implementation of recommendations from the report "Building a Path to Parks and Recreation for All".

Amendment to the Main Motion

MOVED by Commissioner Weibe  
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the motion be amended by adding Item B:

- B. FURTHER THAT the staff of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation look to create an ongoing position for someone with trans\* history to continue the work of the TGVI Steering Committee.

CARRIED  
(Commissioners Coupar, Crawford and Kirby-Yung opposed)

Question on the Main Motion, as Amended

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board contribute \$50,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund to support the staffing of two part-time recreation positions in 2017 to complete the implementation of recommendations from the report "Building a Path to Parks and Recreation for All"; and
- B. FURTHER THAT the staff of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation look to create an ongoing position for someone with trans\* history to continue the work of the TGVI Steering Committee.

Commissioner Kirby-Yung requested the motion be separated into distinct propositions.

Question on Item A

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board contribute \$50,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund to support the staffing of two part-time recreation positions in 2017 to complete the implementation of recommendations from the report "Building a Path to Parks and Recreation for All"; and

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Question on Item B

- B. FURTHER THAT the staff of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation look to create an ongoing position for someone with trans\* history to continue the work of the TGVI Steering Committee.

CARRIED

(Commissioners Coupar, Crawford and Kirby-Yung opposed)

The Committee adjourned at 8:26 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley  
General Manager

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Commissioner Casey Crawford  
Chair