

Warming Centres at Park Board Facilities

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MOVED by Commissioner Evans SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

Final motion as amended:

WHEREAS:

- 1. Winter conditions in Vancouver can give rise to the need for emergency warming centres to be open and available for the use of residents on an overnight basis;
- 2. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation has jurisdiction over public assets that are suitable for use as warming centres; and
- 3. The need to open one or more warming centres may arise on very short notice requiring that a decision be made at the discretion of the General Manager or designate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation affirm that the General Manager or designate has the discretion to direct that one or more facilities under the jurisdiction of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation be made available for use as extreme weather response centres should the need arise; and
- B. THAT a protocol related to the use of Park Board facilities as extreme weather response centres, be prepared by staff and made in consultation with community centre associations in advance of the 2017/18 winter season; and
- C. THAT the Park Board seek written confirmation from the City of Vancouver that it will be responsible for costs associated with the staffing and operation for extreme weather response centres at Park Board facilities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY