



CHAIR'S REPORT

Park Board Committee Meeting
February 6, 2017



Jan 1: Polar Bear Swim

English Bay Beach Park



Commissioners participated in the 97th annual Polar Bear Swim to ring in the New Year. Thousands braved the chilly weather to take the plunge.

Jan 5: Outdoor Skating

Trout Lake



Trout Lake opened in January for skating for the first time in 20 years – thanks to the cold spell that hit Vancouver.

Jan 9: Killarney Seniors Centre Groundbreaking

Killarney Community Centre



Commissioners attended the Killarney Seniors Centre groundbreaking event. With Ainslie Kwan from Killarney CCA, Attorney General, Suzanne Anton, City Councillors, Melisa de Genova and George Affleck, Lorna Gibbs from Killarney Seniors Building Society.

Jan 13-15: Hometown Hockey Tour

Larwill Park



Commissioners were invited to participate in a number of activities as part of the Hometown Hockey Tour. Chair pictured at Rogers Arena with Vice Chair Shum and Park Board Staff Darren Peterson.

Jan 19: Clinton Park Redevelopment Open House

Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House



Commissioner Crawford attended the Clinton Park redevelopment open house, where the Park Board sought comments from the public on two proposed concept plans.

Jan 20: Vancouver Canadians Hot Stove Luncheon

Hotel Vancouver



Commissioner Crawford attended an annual fundraising luncheon for Vancouver Canadians Foundation. Pictured with members of the East Van Baseball teams, Railtown Spikers, Mt. Pleasant Murder and East Van Black Sox.

Jan 21: Lunar New Year Celebration

Vancouver Public Library Central Branch



As Park Board representative to the Library Board, Commissioner Kirby-Yung attended the Lunar New Year celebration at the library's Central Branch.

Jan 28: Tour of Library Branches

Vancouver Public Library



As Park Board representative to the Library Board, Commissioner Kirby-Yung attended a tour of six branches including Carnegie, Marpole, Kensington, Renfrew, Collingwood and Britannia.

Jan 29: Spring Festival Parade

Chinatown



Commissioners participated in the 44th annual Spring Festival Parade in Chinatown to celebrate the lunar new year that began January 28.

Jan 31 - Feb 2: BC Hydro Public Engagement

Lord Roberts Elementary & Elsie Roy Elementary



Commissioners participated in a public engagement sessions hosted by BC Hydro to discuss possible construction of underground electrical substations in Vancouver parks.

Feb 2: Northeast False Creek – Parks and Open Space

Creekside Community Centre



Commissioners attended a presentation by James Corner Field Operation on the early design directions for the future Northeast False Creek. The presentation was webcast live.

Feb 2: Northeast False Creek – Public Engagement

International Village Mall



Vice Chair Shum attended a bustling open house on emerging directions for Northeast False Creek. The open house included experts on arts, history, and parks and open spaces.

Feb 3: Support for Eating Disorders Awareness Campaign

Hillcrest Aquatic Centre



Chair Wiebe took a dip into purple water at Hillcrest Aquatic Centre in support of the Provincial Eating Disorders Awareness campaign.

Feb 3: Lunar New Year Celebration

Floata Restaurant



Commissioners were invited to a Lunar New Year Celebration Luncheon hosted by the Mayor and City Council.

