



Skateboard Strategy
Excerpted from Minutes 2017-07-24

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MOVER: Commissioner Shum
SECONDER: Commissioner Wiebe

WHEREAS:

1. Wheeled Sports like bike riding and skateboarding are recreation activities that are affordable, accessible and naturally encourage free play and physical activity;
2. Park Board wants to continue to encourage active, healthy and creative living;
3. Skateparks can open to a variety of wheeled-sports that includes in-line skates, roller skates, longboards, BMX, scooters, and skateboards for all ages and abilities;
4. Skateboarding offers a number of physical benefits including cardiovascular endurance, strength, agility mixed with opportunities to socialize and host charitable events and tournaments for the tourism community and more;
5. Skateparks cater and provide benefits to skateboarders of all ages and abilities as well as to a wide range of other demographics; and
6. Skateboarding provides children and youth with an opportunity to learn skills through after school programming and leadership programming roles.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Vancouver Park Board direct staff to work with stakeholders, the City's Engineering, Planning, By-law, and Risk Management departments, as well as police and the community to create a "living document" that is to be discussed and reviewed by Park Board Commissioners throughout the public process to create a framework for achieving an effective city-wide network of skateboarding amenities that will accommodate current and future recreation needs of all residents.

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