

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 18, 2019

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, November 18, 2019, at 8:45 pm, at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT: Commissioner Tricia Barker

Commissioner John Coupar

Commissioner Dave Demers, Vice-Chair

Commissioner Camil Dumont Commissioner Gwen Giesbrecht

Commissioner John Irwin

Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon, Chair

GENERAL MANAGER'S

OFFICE:

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager Shauna Wilton, Deputy General Manager

Cheryl Chan, Manager, Executive Office and Board Relations

Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk

Jessica Kulchyski, Meeting Assistant

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. The meeting is being held on the land respectfully and with honour to each other, the land and the communities that the Commissioners serve. The Chair invited Commissioners to join him in committing to actions of reconciliation in their deliberations and decisions.

IN CAMERA

1. In Camera Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Irwin SECONDED by Commissioner Demers

THAT the Board will go into meetings next month/prior to the next Regular Board Meeting, which are closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Board, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the City and Park Board if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Special Board Meeting - October 28, 2019

MOVED by Commissioner Giesbrecht SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

THAT the Park Board minutes of the October 28, 2019 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Board Meeting - November 4, 2019

MOVED by Commissioner Irwin SECONDED by Commissioner Giesbrecht

THAT the Park Board minutes of the November 4, 2019 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Mackinnon highlighted the participation of Park Board Commissioners at official Park Board events since the November 4, 2019 Board meeting:

- Nov 09: Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre 70th anniversary celebration Commissioners Demers spoke at the event and was joined by Chair Mackinnon and Commissioners Barker and Irwin
- Nov 11: Commissioners participated in various Remembrance Day ceremonies across the City.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board was advised that from November 5, 2019 to 3:00 pm on November 18, 2019, there were nine emails in support of Motion on Notice titled "Outdoor Pool Extended Season Pilot".

All emails have been sent directly to Commissioners.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Report of the Park Board Committee – November 18, 2019

The Board considered the report containing recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee. Its items of business included:

1. REPORT: Northeast False Creek Parks – Project Update and Guiding Principles

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar SECONDED by Commissioner Dumont

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of November 18, 2019, as contained in item 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STAFF REPORTS

1. City-Wide Plan Presentation

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, introduced the following representatives from the City of Vancouver's Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability Department:

- Gil Kelley, General Manager
- Susan Haid, Deputy Director, Long Range and Strategic Planning.

Mr. Kelley and Ms. Haid jointly led the review of a presentation on the development of the city-wide plan and highlighted:

- Unanimous resolution of Council to initiate a city-wide plan
- Intended to be a guide to the City's transformation over the next three to five decades
- Process to develop the Vancouver Plan over the next three years
- The rationale for developing a city-wide plan at this time
- The need to plan for the kind of city Vancouver wants to be in 30 to 50 years
- Considerations in the development of the Vancouver Plan
- Engagement principles:
 - Include all voices
 - Advance reconciliation
 - Support community leadership
 - Go to where people are
 - Ensure many ways to be involved
 - Make it easy, fun and relevant
- Proposed process:
 - Phase 1 listening from 2019 to 2020
- Interdepartmental program structure
- Roles and responsibilities
- Existing policy considerations.

Mr. Kelley and Ms. Haid responded to questions from the Board. There was discussion on:

- Suggestion to utilize the Park Board's community centre association (CCA) network, sport groups and community-based boards during the engagement process
- Planning for southeast False Creek
- The project will be staffed mainly through the redeployment of internal resources
- Whether there would be an opportunity to daylight a stream as an example in the Vancouver Plan.

Extension of Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Irwin SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

THAT the Park Board extends the meeting to 10:30 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. General Manager's Office Report

Shauna Wilton, Deputy General Manager, Park Board, reported on:

- Holiday events:
 - Bright Nights in Stanley Park; Nov 28 Jan 1;
 - VanDusen Festival of Lights at VanDusen Botanical Garden; Nov 30 Jan 5;
- Bloedel Conservatory celebrates its 50th anniversary with Festivale Tropicale; Dec 7 Jan 5.

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

1. Outdoor Pool Extended Season Pilot

Commissioner Irwin introduced the motion and commented on the public demand for the extension of the outdoor pool season. Commissioner Irwin responded to questions from the Board.

MOVED by Commissioner Irwin SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

WHEREAS:

- 1. Outdoor pools are well-loved by the residents of Vancouver;
- 2. Kitsilano Pool, which first opened in 1931, underwent extensive renovations in 2017-2018 that included installing new basin membrane, reducing potable water use, and replacing gas pumps with electric that significantly reduce noise and fuel emissions;
- 3. New Brighton Pool is the Park Board's only heated outdoor pool in East Vancouver;
- 4. The VanSplash Advisory Group called for extended seasons at Kitsilano and New Brighton pools to provide equitable access to both East Side and West Side residents in Vancouver; and
- 5. Staff have previously piloted extending the end of the outdoor pool season by one to two weeks at both Kitsilano and New Brighton pools.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve a pilot to extend the regular 2020 swimming season at Kitsilano and New Brighton Outdoor Pools by opening two

to three weeks earlier in the spring and closing three to four weeks later in the fall; and

B. FURTHER THAT Park Board staff analyze the costs, benefits, and impacts of this extended outdoor pool season pilot and report back to the Board with recommendations for the 2021 season.

Motion to Refer

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon SECONDED by Commissioner Dumont

THAT the motion be referred to staff for an analysis of the budget and human resource implications of extending the outdoor pool season and the anticipated demand during an extended outdoor pool season.

CARRIED

In favour: Demers, Dumont, Giesbrecht, Mackinnon

Opposed: Barker, Coupar, Irwin

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair announced that a Special Park Board meeting will be held on Monday, December 2, 2019 at 6:30 pm to receive the 2020 Fees and Charges – Parks and Recreation and the 2020 Operating and Capital Budget – Parks and Recreation reports.

Commissioner Barker expressed appreciation for the efforts of staff to complete the construction on the cenotaph access project at Memorial South Park in time for Remembrance Day ceremonies.

Commission Giesbrecht reported that the Park Board was represented and laid a wreath at the National Aboriginal Veterans Day event.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 9:56 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon Chair