



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 14, 2022

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, November 14, 2022, at 6:30 pm, via videoconference and at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT: Commissioner Brennan Bastyovanszky, Vice Chair
Commissioner Laura Christensen
Commissioner Tom Digby
Commissioner Angela Kate Haer
Commissioner Marie-Claire Howard
Commissioner Scott Jensen, Chair
Commissioner Jas Virdi

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Donnie Rosa, General Manager
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk
Jessica Kulchyski, Board Support and Meeting Assistant
Julia Scott-Lenz, Board Support and 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 Digby
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

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:

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council [Board] considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 [disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party] of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*; and

- (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. Inaugural Board Meeting – November 7, 2022

MOVED by Commissioner Virdi
SECONDED by Commissioner Haer

THAT the Park Board minutes of the November 7 2022 inaugural meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board was advised that there are no communications of note related to the agenda items.

STAFF REPORTS

1. Park Board Meeting Dates – Proposed 2023 Schedule

MOVED by Commissioner Christensen
SECONDED by Commissioner Virdi

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the 2023 meeting dates as outlined below, with the meetings open to the public commencing at 6:30 pm, and with Regular Board meetings to immediately follow Board Committee meetings (when scheduled):

January 16 January 30	February 13 February 27	March 6 March 27
April 24	May 8 May 29	June 12 June 26
July 10 July 17	August BREAK	September 11 September 25
October 16 October 30	November 27	December 4 (<i>Special budget</i>) December 11

- B. AND FURTHER THAT the Park Board reserve the hour prior to each public meeting for an In-Camera meeting should it be required, and reserve every Tuesday evening following the above-noted meeting dates, commencing at 5:30 pm, should any meeting need to be reconvened or rescheduled.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. General Manager's Report

Members of the Park Board Leadership Team presented the General Manager's Report and highlighted:

- Launch of Round 1 public engagement on East Park from November 16 to December 8, 2022
- Gratitude to the Vancouver Park Board expressed in the Canadian Sports Institute Pacific 2021–2022 Report
- Tree Walks and Talk led by the Park Board Urban Forestry team on October 29 and 29, 2022
- Upcoming Council business related to or impacting parks and recreation:
 - Report on the Contract Award for South Kinross Park Construction will be brought to Council for approval on November 16, 2022
 - Report on Vancouver Community Sport Hosting Grants – Fall 2022 Intake will be brought to Council for approval on November 16, 2022
- Board briefing memos and emails issued from October 25 to November 14, 2022.

NOTICE OF MEMBERS' MOTIONS

1. Stanley Park Drive Temporary Bike Lane – Next Steps

Commissioner Haer gave notice of motion on the following:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to immediately restore the pre-COVID traffic and parking configuration on Stanley Park Drive in time for the upcoming December 2022 peak Holiday Season, and

FURTHER THAT staff be directed to report back to the Board on or before December 15, 2022, to update the Board on actions taken pursuant to the direction in "A" above.

- B. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to reframe and otherwise repurpose the current mobility study toward a comprehensive strategy as a planning tool that can deliver new, permanent, dedicated cycling infrastructure in the park, with considerations for:
- i. Accessibility for persons with disabilities, seniors, and families
 - ii. Safer multimodal access to the park
 - iii. Equitable access for all recreation and cultural users
 - iv. Tourist access including tour bus parking

- v. Environmental considerations, such as reduce idling and the resulting GHG emissions
- vi. The emergence of new micro-mobility modes of travel

FURTHER THAT staff be directed to report back to the Board with a planning outline on or before early February of 2023.

2. Lifting the Moratorium on New Commercial Initiatives in Vancouver Parks

Commissioner Bastyvanszky gave notice of motion on the following:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to lift the current moratorium on the introduction of new commercial event initiatives in Vancouver parks, and communicate to the public and the festivals & events community that the Board will now entertain applications for new commercial events and initiatives in Vancouver parks, and

FURTHER THAT the Board direct staff to report back by the end of January 2023 regarding the current status of the Special Event Guidelines, including a timeline for presentation of updated Special Event Guidelines to the Board for the Board's review and consideration.

3. Expanding the Alcohol in Parks Program and Making it Permanent and Year Round

Commissioner Virdi gave notice of motion on the following:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board direct staff to initiate a process to make the Alcohol in Parks program permanent and year round as of the beginning of Q2 of 2023 in the 22 parks that were part of the 2021 and 2022 alcohol in parks pilot programs.
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board direct to staff to prepare a list of other Vancouver parks where the potential to expand the alcohol in parks program exists based on the presence of, but not limited to, appropriate washroom and waste facilities.
- C. THAT staff be directed to report back to the Board on or before the end of Q1 of 2023 with a plan to pilot the responsible consumption of alcohol on an appropriate Vancouver beach or beaches where adequate facilities exist to support such a beach pilot program.

4. Urgent Report on Park Board Preparations for the 2023 Summer Season

Commissioner Chistensen gave notice of motion on the following:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to prepare an urgent report for the consideration of the Board on preparations for the summer 2023 season, inclusive of (but not limited to):

- i. maintenance status of outdoor pools and spray parks, including the earliest possible opening dates;

- ii. processes to meet the staffing requirements to permit full operation of pools and spray parks including (but not limited to) lifeguards and maintenance staff; and,
- iii. current operating status and condition of all Park Board drinking fountains;

FURTHER THAT staff provide a briefing to the Board in January 2023, and provide a more detailed report and action plan to the Board in February 2023.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair announced that a Special Board meeting has been scheduled at 6:30 pm on November 21, 2022 to consider the 2023 Fees and Charges, Service Plan, and Budgets.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 6:44 pm.

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Donnie Rosa
General Manager

Commissioner Scott Jensen
Chair