

Date: July 7th , 1999

SUBJECT: PARK NAMING REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Board officially name the park site bounded by Hastings and Jervis Streets and the Coal Harbour waterfront, Coal Harbour Park.

POLICY

The Park Board's *Guidelines for Naming Parks* is attached as Appendix I.

BACKGROUND

This .95 hectare park site, bounded by Jervis and Hastings Streets and the Coal Harbour waterfront will be the future home of the Coal Harbour Community Centre and underground parkade. It has been constructed through funds from Marathon Development Inc. at a cost of about \$1.4 million. Two thirds of the park is being built on the roof of the community centre and parkade, providing "at grade" access on the street side and an elevated outlook over the nearby marina. The new Coal Harbour Community Centre is scheduled for opening in January 2000 with park completion occurring at the same time. The park itself boasts a large central mounded lawn, seating, raised planters, shrub beds, shade trees and a playground. Taking advantage of this park's proximity to the harbour will be a viewing platform for park patrons.

DISCUSSION

When choosing names for parks the Park Board uses its *Guidelines for Naming Parks* which suggests naming the site after the most dominate "constant feature either within or nearby" the park. Bounding street names are the usual first choice, if not already assigned, to make identification of the park both logical and easy for visitors. Since this site will be home to the Coal Harbour Community Centre, which has oriented its views out to the beautiful harbour itself, **Coal Harbour Park** is suggested as this park's official name.

SUMMARY

The selection of the name **Coal Harbour Park** for this site will assist the community in locating both the new Community Centre and the park itself while recognizing the nearest natural feature of the harbour.

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