# MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE ON MONDAY, MAY 14, 2001

PRESENT: Chair - Laura McDiarmid

Vice-Chair - Clarence Hansen Commissioners - Allan De Genova

- Duncan Wilson

- Dianne Ledingham
General Manager
- Susan Mundick
Director of Stanley District
- Jim Lowden
- Pieter Rutgers
- Anita Ho

Manager of Facility Development - Rudy Roelofsen

**Manager of Recreation Services** 

- Stanley District - Terry Walton

Project Manager - Facility Development
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Manager of Public Affairs
Recorder
- John Maxey
- Jim Meschino
- Terri Clark
- Julie Casanova

Commissioner Richardson was out of town on business. Commissioner Cassells was absent.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, April 30, 2001 were adopted as circulated.

Minutes of the special meeting of the Board held on Thursday, April 12, 2001 were adopted as circulated.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Architect Awards: Lt. Governor Award for Excellence in Architecture awarded to the Roundhouse Community Centre and Coal Harbour Community Centre

Staff gave a presentation regarding the recently awarded Lieutenant Governor's Awards for achievement in architecture for the two most recently completed community centres, the Roundhouse Community Arts and Recreation Centre and Coal Harbour Community Centre. The Roundhouse Community Arts and Recreation Centre received the Lieutenant Governor's Award of Merit. The architectural firm for this project was Baker McGarva Hart. The Lieutenant Governor's Medal for Design Excellence was awarded to Coal Harbour Community Centre designed by Henriquez and Partners Architects.

Board members thanked and commended the Architects, Project Team and staff for their design vision and project planning for the two outstanding centres.

#### Youth Week

The Chair was presented with a plaque in appreciation of the Board's involvement with youth services at the Youth Week Celebrations.

# **City Council Report**

Staff advised the Board that Council approved designating the German Heritage Plaza as a permanent park.

## **Development of an Outdoor 12 Court Volleyball Facility**

Board members received copies of a Staff report dated April 30, 2001 recommending that the Board proceed with a community consultation process for a 12 court sand volleyball facility in Jericho Park.

Staff gave a brief presentation on the Board's policy with regard to volleyball on Vancouver's Beaches and the site selection criteria. The proposed site will be forwarded for community consideration and comment. The consultation process will involve notifying various community groups and Park stakeholders of the proposal.

The following delegations requested to speak to the Board with regard to the Development of an Outdoor 12 Court Volleyball Facility:

- Neil McKinnon, Vancouver Sport and Social Club
- Tom Caverly, B. C. Volleyball
- Korky Day

The following is a summary of comments provided by the foregoing delegations:

- support the staff recommendation;
- volleyball is a growing sport and there are not enough facilities;
- would like more access to beach volleyball facility;
- staff report is deficient in information, there are not sufficient maps attached.

Moved by Commissioner Wilson,

THAT the Board proceed with a community consultation process for a 12 court sand volleyball facility in Jericho Park.

- Carried Unanimously.

# **Design of Stanley Park S-Curve**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 3, 2001 recommending that the Board endorse the recommendations of the attached Council report to approve the Stanley Park Causeway S-Curve redesign and related funding requirements.

Staff introduced Forrest Klotzback, Engineering Services, who is the engineer responsible for the Stanley Park Causeway S-curve redesign project. A number of options were examined before recommending the option before the Board tonight. This proposal will be beneficial to the park and meet the technical requirements to improve road safety on this area of the causeway.

Korky Day appeared before the Board and stated that the report was inaccurate and did not have maps attached.

Board members discussed the matter and thanked staff for the extensive consultation process especially achieving a very significant improvement to the entrance to Stanley Park.

Moved by Commissioner De Genova,

THAT the Board endorse the recommendations of the attached Council Report to approve the Stanley Park Causeway S-Curve redesign and related funding requirements.

-Carried Unanimously.

#### **Stanley Park Infrastructure**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 3, 2001 recommending that the principles of the Letter of Understanding between Engineering Services and the Park Board governing the management of the Stanley park water system be approved.

Staff briefly reviewed the need to have a better resourced management for the drinking water in Stanley Park. The Letter of Understanding provides for the Board and Council to approve a long term replacement program for the water system in Stanley Park. This will ensure good drinking water in Stanley Park by providing the best engineering services and ensure maintenance and operations at a level consistent with other areas of the City. An application has been made to the Federal / Provincial / Municipal infrastructure program for a \$7.5 million water system replacement program.

Korky Day appeared before the Board and referred to the sewer system in the park. He was advised by the Board that the staff report refers to the water system in the Park.

Moved by Commissioner Ledingham,

THAT principles of the Letter of Understanding between Engineering Services and the Park Board (See Appendix I) governing the management of the Stanley Park water system be approved.

- Carried Unanimously.

# **2001 Operating Budget**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated May 1, 2001 recommending that the Board approve the 2001 Operating Budget of \$45,704,200, made up of Basic, Added Basic and New and Non-Recurring Budget.

Korky Day appeared before the Board and stated that the report was concise and understandable, however, the Board is spending too much money on heating fuel and suggested that the buildings have better insulation.

Moved by Commissioner Hansen,

THAT the Board approve the 2001 Operating Budget of \$45,704,200, made up of:

- (1) Basic Budget of \$44,371,300 (as per Appendix 1);
- (2) Added Basic Budget of \$673,000 (as per Appendix 2), and;
- (3) New and Non-Recurring (NNR) Budget of \$660,000 (as per Appendix 3).

- Carried Unanimously.

#### **IN-CAMERA MEETING**

Moved by Commissioner Wilson,

THAT the Board later this evening go into a meeting which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2 of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraph:

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Board considers that disclosure might reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;

- Carried unanimously.

# **Enquiries, Other Matters And New Business**

Van Map the City of Vancouver's online map system that's more than just a road map is now available for public use on the city website.

Moved by Commissioner De Genova,

THAT Commissioner Ledingham be granted permission to attend the National Recreation and Parks Association Conference in Denver, October 2001.

- Carried Unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.