MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION HELD IN THE PARK BOARD OFFICE ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2001

PRESENT: Chair - Laura McDiarmid

Vice-Chair - Clarence Hansen Commissioners - Roslyn Cassells

- Allan De Genova

Christopher RichardsonDianne LedinghamDuncan Wilson

General Manager

Director of Planning & Operations

Director of Corporate Services

Director of Stanley District

Manager of Planning & Research

Manager of Recreation - Stanley District

Manager of Public Affairs

- Susan Mundick

- Pieter Rutgers

- Anita Ho

- Jim Lowden

- Mark Vulliamy

- Terry Walton

- Terri Clark

Manager of Public Affairs - Terri Clark
Recorder - Julie Casanova

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on Monday, November 05, 2001 were adopted as circulated.

CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair advised the Board that there was a homicide in the early morning hours of Saturday in Stanley Park. She extended the Board's sympathy to the victim's family and friends and asked for a one minute silence. The Chair stated that anyone wishing to know more about this incident should contact the Vancouver Police Department directly.

DELEGATIONS

Central Valley Greenway

Dave Thompson, BEST, advised the Board that they were the receipient of the VanCity Award. This award brings \$1 million for capital investments. The greenway will consist of a trail of about 20 kms, some areas will be linear park, some on roads and some on parks' areas. It is planned to connect the present trail and future trails. The route starts from the seawall through the Finning lands and towards Burnaby. It is hoped that people will use the greenway rather than their cars. Mr. Thompson stated that his organization has been working with city and Park Board staff on this project and asked the Board for their support.

Board members thanked the delegation and offered their encouragement for the project.

2002 Fees and Charges

Board members received copies of a staff report dated November 5, 2001 recommending that the Board approve the 2002 Fees and Charges be adjusted to reflect an inflationary increase of 3%. A member of the Board did not agree with the increase of fees and charges as it would cause a decrease in the use of facilities.

Moved by Commissioner Richardson,

THAT the Board approve the 2002 Fees and Charges be adjusted to reflect an inflationary increase of 3%.

- Carried.

(Commissioner Cassells contrary)

2002 Special Events

Board members received copies of a staff report dated November 13, 2001 recommending that the Board approve the 2002 Calendar of Major Events with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager and that the Board amend the Guidelines for Special Events to require Board approval for new major special events for the first three years of an event's operation, or significant changes to existing special events, with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager. A member of the Board was concerned that there was no one on the Fest Committee to evaluate the ecological impacts of these events.

Moved by Commissioner Ledingham,

- A. THAT the Board approve the 2002 Calendar of Major Events with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.
- B. THAT the Board amend the Guidelines for Special Events to require Board approval of new major special events for the first three years of an event's operation; or significant changes to existing special events with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Long Range Community Centre Renewal

Board members received copies of a staff report dated November 6, 2001 recommending that the Board receive the Community Centre Renewal Plan and undertake a consultation process to communicate the Plan to partners, stakeholders, and the public.

Staff presented the long range capital plan to the Board. This plan has been prepared in recognition that the funding of numerous small scale renovation projects was not an effective way of meeting the challenge of ageing infrastructure throughout our system. The Community Centre Renewal Plan is intended to be one component of a long range capital plan encompassing related facilities such as rinks and pools and other areas of Board responsibility. Following the Board's receipt of this report a workshop with Community Association Presidents is planned for December 8, 2001.

Board members thanked staff for a well written report. There was a suggestion to explore funding from the Federal Government and private / public partnerships.

Moved by Commissioner Hansen,

THAT the Board receive the Community Centre Renewal Plan and undertake a consultation process to communicate the Plan to partners, stakeholders, and the public.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Enquiries, Other Matters And New Business

A member of the Board suggested that staff should look at the possibility of including an indoor/outdoor spa type facility in the Aquatic Services Study.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.	
Susan Mundick General Manager	Commissioner Laura McDiarmid Chair