# MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION HELD AT THE VANCOUVER PARK BOARD OFFICE ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2009

PRESENT: Chair - Raj Hundal

Vice Chair - Loretta Woodcock Commissioners - Constance Barnes

Sarah BlythAaron JasperStuart MackinnonIan Robertson

General Manager - Susan Mundick

Director of Planning & Operations - Piet Rutgers
Director of Stanley District - Peter Kuran
Director of Corporate Services - Anita Ho

Director of Vancouver East District

Director of Queen Elizabeth District

Arts and Culture Coordinator

Manager of Communications

- Joyce Courtney

Recorder

- Julie Casanova

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on Monday, February 02, 2009 were adopted as circulated.

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair reported on the free skating sessions at community ice rinks and the False Creek 2010 Winter Games Walk as part of the Park Board's participation in the one year countdown festivities. The Chair invited everyone to the February 19 opening celebration of the Vancouver Olympic/Paralympic Centre in Hillcrest Park.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Planning and Environment Committee: the committee discussed the Urban Apiary Project, Sports Fields and Jericho Marginal Wharf.

Services and Budget Committee: the committee discussed the Operating Plan and Budget for #1 Kingsway, Vancouver Olympic Centre Operating Plan and Opening, 2009 Operating Budget, Fees and Charges for Special Events/Fields and the Federal Municipal Infrastructure Funding.

## **City Council Report**

The General Manager advised the Board that Park Board related items on Council's agenda are 2009 Advance Approval of Capital Expenditures, a motion on Citizen Advisory Committees and Request to Close Part of a Lane for Phase Two of Emery Barnes Park.

#### STAFF REPORT

#### **Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale**

Board members received copies of a staff report dated February 6, 2009 recommending that the Board approve recommendations A and B.

Staff advised the Board that based on the Arts Policy, the Park Board entered into an Agreement with the Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale for a series of temporary sculpture exhibitions. At the time of this Agreement there was no anticipation of permanent installation of the sculptures on park land and it was on this basis that processes were developed for the approval of the works and their siting. The established processes governing the acceptance of donations of works of art for long-term installation were abbreviated based on the temporary nature of these installations. Staff were directed to consult with the public on a proposal from the Biennale Foundation that some of the temporarily installed sculptures remain on park land beyond the originally agreed on 18-month period but not beyond September 2015. Response from the public consultation regarding the specific questions of longer siting and returning installations was mostly positive.

Board members discussed the report and stated that having art displayed in parks was a good way to add colour to a park and generate discussions in the community.

Moved by Commissioner Mackinnon,

A. THAT, with the written permission of the Park Board, some of the temporarily installed sculptures remain on park land beyond the originally agreed on 18 month period but not beyond September 2015 and;

B. THAT, with the written permission of the Park Board, sculptures which are removed after one exhibition may return as part of a subsequent exhibition. That all sculptures temporarily installed be removed by September 2015 as per the existing agreement.

- Carried Unanimously.

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

The Chair advised the Board that he received a request from the Library Board to endorse a recommendation that the term of the representative from the Park Board be for a one-year term instead of the current two-year term. This will ensure that the representative from the Park Board will be a current member of the elected Board of Commissioners. Board members agreed to endorse the recommendation to have a one-year term for representative on the Library Board.

The meeting	adjourned	at 7:15	p.m.
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Susan Mundick	Commissioner Raj Hundal	
General Manager	Chair	