

2. The Impact of a reduction in staff hours in Vancouver's Community Centres

MOVER: Commissioner De Genova

SECONDER:

WHEREAS

1. Community Centres are important to all neighbourhoods throughout Vancouver;
2. 900 staff hours were cut from Community Centres in 2012;
3. The majority of Vancouver's 23 Community Centres received a reduction in staff hours;
4. Community Centres have in some cases been forced to close completely, for up to a week, and over holidays and weekends;
5. Community Centres offer services to all citizens of Vancouver and offer specialized services and programs for Vancouver's most vulnerable citizens- including low income, seniors and youth-at-risk.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1. The board direct staff to call a public meeting of the Park Board and hear from Community Centre Associations and the public as to how, if at all, this reduction in staff hours has affected neighbourhoods and communities throughout Vancouver;
2. Community Centre Associations and the Public are encouraged to bring forward suggestions as to how, if at all, the relationship between Community Centre Associations and Park Board can be improved.