

MOTION ON NOTICE

2. Commemorating Jim Deva

MOVER: Commissioner Jasper

SECONDER: Commissioner

WHEREAS:

1. The passing of Jim Deva has prompted a remarkable outpouring of community reflection on his life and legacy as a champion for LGBTTO equality, social justice and improving the livability of the West End;
2. From 2004 -2005 Jim Deva participated extensively in the redesign process of Nelson Park with the goal of making it a more inclusive space for all residents;
3. From 2004-2006 Jim Deva was a member of the West End Neighbourhood Network (WEINN) who's mandate was to advise City Council on strategies to improve to the safety and livability of parks and public spaces in the West End;
4. From 2010-2011 Jim Deva was a member of the West End Mayor's Advisory Committee (WEMAC) who's mandate was in part to recommend strategies to protect and improve parks/green space in the West End;
5. Vancouver Park Board is immensely grateful for Jim Deva's leadership and advocacy for improving West End parks and ensuring that they are enjoyable, safe and inclusive spaces for all residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT staff be directed to work with family and friends of Jim Deva to create a memorial that acknowledges Jim Deva's important contributions to improving the parks, public spaces and livability of the West End.