



REGULAR BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 24, 2014

A Regular Board meeting was held on Monday, November 24, 2014, at 7:01 pm, at the Park Board Office following the Park Board Committee meeting.

PRESENT: Commissioner Aaron Jasper, Chair
Commissioner Constance Barnes, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Sarah Blyth*
Commissioner John Coupar
Commissioner Melissa De Genova
Commissioner Trevor Loke
Commissioner Niki Sharma

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Malcolm Bromley, General Manager
Huub Langeveld, Deputy General Manager
Bill Harding, Director of Parks
Kate O'Connell, Manager, Administrative Services*
Cheryl Chan, Business Process & Initiatives Lead
Pat Boomhower, Meeting Clerk

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Due to the large number of people attending, the Chair reminded all present that this is a respectful workplace and to ensure it is a safe environment for everyone.

The Chair also congratulated Commissioner Coupar on being re-elected to Park Board and Commissioner De Genova on her new position on City Council.

IN CAMERA

MOVED by Commissioner Barnes
SECONDED by Commissioner Blyth

THAT the Board will go into a meeting later this day, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the

view of the Board, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the City and Park Board if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED by Commissioner Loke
SECONDED by Commissioner Barnes

THAT the following minutes be approved:

- (a) Park Board Committee Meeting - September 29 and 30, 2014
- (b) Regular Board Meeting - October 27, 2014

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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VARY THE ORDER

MOVED by Commissioner Barnes
SECONDED by Commissioner Loke

THAT the order of the agenda be varied to deal with the motion on Commemorating Jim Deva as the first item of business.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes are recorded in chronological order.

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At 7:07 pm, Commissioner Jasper stepped down as chair to introduce his motion, and Vice Chair Commissioner Barnes assumed the chair.

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Motion on Notice

2. Commemorating Jim Deva

Commissioner Jasper introduced the following motion on notice and a video clip, and acknowledged friends and family of Jim Deva who were present. Janine Fuller, Jim Deva's partner, spoke of their behalf and thanked the Park Board for the special recognition of his work and legacy.

MOVED by Commissioner Jasper
SECONDED by Commissioner Loke

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.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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At 7:25 pm, Commissioner Jasper resumed as chair.

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REPORT REFERENCE

1. **Aquarium Cetaceans: Parks Control By-law Amendment & Oversight Committee Terms of Reference**

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, and Huub Langeveld, Deputy General Manager, presented the report back requested by the Board in July 2014, staff recommendation, proposed Terms of Reference for a Vancouver Aquarium Oversight Committee and draft By-law to amend the Parks Control By-law with regard to the keeping and breeding of cetaceans in parks.

Mr. Bromley responded to questions.

Following questions to staff, it was

MOVED by Commissioner Blyth
SECONDED by Commissioner Barnes

THAT the Park Board consider at this meeting the proposed amendment of Parks Control By-law section 9e in regard to keeping cetaceans in captivity (*attached as Appendix A to the report dated November 17, 2014, titled "Vancouver Aquarium: Parks Control By-law amendment and Terms of Reference for Oversight Committee"*); and

FURTHER THAT the Park Board approve the proposed Terms of Reference for the establishment of a Vancouver Aquarium Oversight Committee (*attached as Appendix B to the above-mentioned report*).

notice

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Commissioner Coupar called "notice" under the City's Procedure By-law [s. 10.3(d)] regarding adding a By-law approval to this agenda. The Chair ruled that notice had been called. Commissioner Blyth requested the vote on the motion be severed by its components and to suspend the rules.

At 7:49 pm it was

*MOVED by Commissioner De Genova
SECONDED by Commissioner Sharma*

THAT the Board take a brief recess to allow time to clarify procedural questions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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At 7:53 pm the meeting reconvened with all present.

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*MOVED by Commissioner Blyth
SECONDED by Commissioner Barnes*

THAT the Board suspend the rule pertaining to the calling of "notice" on a member's motion introducing new business.

*LOST
(Commissioners Coupar, De Genova, Jasper, and Loke opposed)*

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MOVED by Commissioner Sharma
SECONDED by Commissioner Blyth

THAT the Vancouver Park Board receive for information and consideration:

- The proposed amendment of Parks Control By-law section 9e in regard to keeping cetaceans in captivity (*attached as Appendix A to the report dated November 17, 2014, titled "Vancouver Aquarium: Parks Control By-law amendment and Terms of Reference for Oversight Committee"*); and
- The proposed terms of reference for the establishment of an Vancouver Aquarium Oversight Committee (*attached as Appendix B to above-mentioned report*); and

FURTHER THAT the Board direct staff to conduct further public consultation on this matter.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Commissioner Blyth
SECONDED by Commissioner Barnes

THAT the motion be amended to add the following phrase to the first bullet:

"to be reviewed in 2015, as per motion passed on Nov. 27, 2006".

CARRIED
(Commissioners Coupar and De Genova opposed)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED, with Commissioners Blyth, Coupar, and De Genova opposed.

FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED

THAT the Vancouver Park Board receive for information and consideration:

- The proposed amendment of Parks Control By-law section 9e in regard to keeping cetaceans in captivity (*attached as Appendix A to the report dated November 17, 2014, titled "Vancouver Aquarium: Parks Control By-law amendment and Terms of Reference for Oversight Committee"*), to be reviewed in 2015, as per motion passed on Nov. 27, 2006; and
- The proposed terms of reference for the establishment of an Vancouver Aquarium Oversight Committee (*attached as Appendix B to above-mentioned report*); and

FURTHER THAT the Board direct staff to conduct further public consultation on this matter.

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At 8:40 pm, the Board recessed to set up for the next agenda item. The meeting reconvened at 8:57 pm with all present except for Commissioner Blyth.

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COMMUNICATIONS

The General Manager advised of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure's invitation to a public information session at Coal Harbour Community Centre on December 2, 2014, regarding Stanley Park Causeway pedestrian and cycling safety improvements.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager advised that Park Board related items at Council this week included the Q3 report on Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts and a number of cultural infrastructure grants for approval.

MOTIONS

Motions on Notice

1. Regulating E-cigarettes

Commissioner Barnes submitted the following motion on notice.

MOVED by Commissioner Barnes
SECONDED by Commissioner Loke

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver passed the following recommendation at the Council meeting on October 1, 2014:

- A. THAT Council approve amendments to the Health By-law to prohibit the smoking ("vapourizing") of electronic cigarettes and similar devices in the same places that tobacco smoking is disallowed;

FURTHER THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward a by-law amending the Health By-law, generally as set out in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated September 18, 2014, entitled "Regulating E-cigarettes".

- B. THAT, conditional upon enactment of the above amendments, TransLink and the Park Board be apprised and encouraged to make similar amendments to their smoking policies.
- C. THAT Council approve amendments to the License By-law:
 - i. prohibiting the display or sale of e-cigarettes or related products to minors, and

- ii. authorising the Chief License Inspector to place conditions on business licenses with respect to posting signage regarding e-smoking,

FURTHER THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward a by-law amending the License By-law, generally as set out in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated September 18, 2014, entitled "Regulating E-cigarettes".

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board staff work with the City of Vancouver Legal Services to update the relevant Park Board by-laws in a manner consistent with the recommendations approved by City Council, given the health risks that electronic cigarettes pose to the public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Blyth absent for the vote)

ENQUIRIES

1. A Board member asked whether other meetings with Vince Ready are scheduled. The General Manager advised they are looking at the calendar and are under a non-disclosure.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Jasper thanked all of his Park Board colleagues.

The Board adjourned at 9:02 pm.

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