



Temporary Expansion of Fenced, Off-Leash Dog Area at Hinge Park

Excerpted from Minutes 2015-02-16

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MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Crawford

FINAL MOTION AS ADOPTED

WHEREAS:

1. Many Vancouverites value the opportunity to take dogs to parks for exercise and socialization, a healthy activity for both dogs and dog owners;
2. Dog owners are some of the city's most frequent park users, often using parks at off-peak hours and providing valuable 'eyes' in our parks;
3. The Vancouver Park Board provides 36 designated "off-leash areas", four of which are fenced including Hinge Park;
4. The Park Board has received many comments about off-leash areas, including concerns that current off-leash area locations and hours are not satisfying demand.
5. The new development at the Village on False Creek and the surrounding area appear to have a greater concentration and number of dogs than was previously anticipated;
6. The Vancouver Park Board is currently exploring ways to improve the City's off-leash area network;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board, subject to public consultation with positive results similar to that of the recently-approved temporary community garden located on City-owned land to the east of the Village on False Creek, support a temporary expansion of the fenced, off-leash area for dogs on City-owned land on the west side of Hinge Park, with all details to the satisfaction of Real Estate Services and the General Manager of the Park Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY