



NOTICE OF MOTION

Vancouver Bluewater Task Force

MOVER: Commissioner Wiebe

SECONDER: Commissioner Mackinnon

WHEREAS:

1. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation has a strong and dedicated commitment to good recreational water management;
2. To build on the City of Vancouver's work through its Blueways Program and the Water Opportunities Advisory Group;
3. The discontinuation of the Burrard Inlet Environmental Action Program and the Fraser River Estuary Management Program has led to a gap in the environmental impact monitoring and reporting;
4. The closure of the Kitsilano Coast Guard Station and removal of the Park Board Rescue 1 first responders boat has put pressure on Vancouver boat safety and enforcement;
5. Metro Vancouver is currently testing for E Coli for Vancouver Coastal Health, as the governing body for Vancouver beach closures; however, the Guidelines for Canadian Recreational Water Quality recommended indicator for faecal contamination for marine waters is Enterococci;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation establish the Vancouver Bluewater Task Force to review current recreational policies and suggest improvements as an advisory committee.