

# PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES

## **JANUARY 11, 2016**

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, January 11, 2016, at 7:02 pm, at the Park Board Office.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner John Coupar, Vice-Chair

Commissioner Casey Crawford, Chair

Commissioner Catherine Evans Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon

Commissioner Erin Shum

**REGRETS:** Commissioner Michael Wiebe

GENERAL MANAGER'S Jonathan Snoek, Acting Deputy General Manager

OFFICE: Cheryl Chan, Business Support Lead/Manager Admin Services

Jessica Kulchyski, Recorder Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

# 1. Park Board Committee Meeting - December 14, 2015

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Park Board Committee minutes of the December 14, 2015, meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

# 1. PRESENTATION: Neighbourhood Matching Fund Program Update

Jil Weaving, Coordinator, Arts, Culture and Recreation Engagement, Park Board, introduced Lorrie Wager, Community Arts Programmer, Park Board, and Terry Hunter, Neighbourhood Matching Fund (NMF) Advisory Committee.

Ms. Weaving, along with Mr. Hunter led the Committee in the review of a presentation providing an update on the Neighbourhood Matching Fund (NMF) Program and highlighted:

- Objective of the NMF Program to support community connections and placemaking
- The role of the community in deciding upon projects to be undertaken
- Examples of NMF Program projects
- Funding principles
- The NMF Program application process
- Overview of the NMF Advisory Committee
- The positive, and often enduring, impacts of the NMF Program projects
- The distribution of the projects from the inception of the NMF Program to 2015.

Ms. Weaving, along with Jonathan Snoek, Acting Deputy General Manager, and Mr. Hunter, responded to questions from the Committee.

The Committee heard from one speaker who spoke in support of the NMF Program. The speaker responded to questions from the Committee.

# 2. REPORT BACK: Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action

Jil Weaving, Coordinator, Arts, Culture and Recreation Engagement, Park Board, reviewed the report on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action.

Ms. Weaving responded to questions from the Committee.

A Commissioner recommended that a new source be established in the 2017 budget to fund a priority program for Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists to undertake collaborative community-engaged projects and produce works that contribute to the reconciliation process.

The Committee heard from two speakers, both of whom spoke in support of the recommendation. One speaker spoke in support of establishing a new fund specifically for projects that contribute to the reconciliation process and responded to questions from the Committee. The second speaker distributed information packages, titled "Reconciliation in Action: Towards Building Healthy Communities" to Commissioners.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT, in response to the Calls to Action provided by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC), the Vancouver Park Board direct staff to:

- A. Adopt the "United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" as a reference framework for Park Board's Reconciliation initiatives;
- B. Work with First Nations people's and other civic bodies to identify, create, and deliver appropriate and actionable staff training on indigenous issues and reconciliation;
- C. Take a 360-degree approach to programming, including in the areas of culture, health, public dialogue, physical activity, and sport in order to increase public knowledge and awareness of reconciliation and to provide support to indigenous peoples including children, youth, Elders and families;
- D. Continue Park Board's precedent-setting intergovernmental approach to the future stewardship of Stanley Park and other relevant lands;
- E. Review the donation of monuments, memorials, and public art processes and policies to ensure integration of Indigenous history, heritage values, and memory practices;

- F. Review archaeological protocols to ensure that "Aboriginal protocols shall be respected before any potentially invasive technical inspection and investigation of a cemetery site" or soil disturbance of a midden site takes place on park lands;
- G. Acknowledge that Aboriginal rights include Aboriginal language rights; that preservation, revitalization and strengthening of Aboriginal languages and cultures are best managed by Aboriginal people and communities;
- H. Review partner and business contracts, relationships and procurement policies for alignment with TRC Calls to Action;
- I. Establish and fund as a priority a program for Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists to undertake collaborative community-engaged projects and produce works that contribute to the reconciliation process;
- J. Review event permitting and sports hosting opportunities to ensure that Indigenous peoples' territorial protocols are respected and that, if appropriate to the scale of the event, that local Indigenous communities are engaged; and
- K. Maintain current policy of no charge for changing a name on the OneCard, especially in relation to Indigenous people reclaiming names changed by the residential school system.

The Committee adjourned at 9:01 pm.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Malcolm Bromley General Manager

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	Commissioner Casey Crawford	

Chair



# REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

## **JANUARY 11, 2016**

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, January 11, 2016, at 9:10 pm, at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT: Commissioner John Coupar

Commissioner Casey Crawford Commissioner Catherine Evans

Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung, Chair

Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon Commissioner Erin Shum, Vice-Chair

**REGRETS:** Commissioner Michael Wiebe

GENERAL MANAGER'S Jonathan Snoek, Acting Deputy General Manager

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# **IN CAMERA**

# 1. February 1, 2016 Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Board will go into a meeting on February 1, 2016, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the City or Park Board;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (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**

# 1. Special Board Meeting (2016 Budget) - December 8, 2015

The Board requested that Staff review the adoption of a consistent practice of not attributing comments and enquiries in minutes.

Motion to Refer

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT approval of the Park Board minutes of the December 8, 2015 and December 14, 2015 meetings be referred to a future Board meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Board was advised that there are no communications of note.

### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

## 1. Report of the Park Board Committee - January 11, 2016

The Board considered the report containing recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee. Its items of business included:

- 1. PRESENTATION: Neighbourhood Matching Fund Program Update
- 2. REPORT BACK: Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar SECONDED by Commissioner Crawford

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of January 11, 2016, as contained in items 1 and 2.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### STAFF REPORTS

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Jonathan Snoek, Acting Deputy General Manager, advised that there are no Council meetings scheduled for the week of January 11, 2016.

Mr. Snoek reported that the 31<sup>st</sup> annual Festival of Lights at VanDusen Garden was the best attended in the history of the event.

### **NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

There were no notices of motion submitted.

# **ENQUIRIES**

- 1. A Board Member suggested that the garbage disposal bins be relocated away from park benches.
- 2. A Board Member requested a report back on the motion regarding park protection that was passed in the previous term.
- 3. A Board Member suggested that trees farther afield of beaver dams in parks be wrapped in order to reduce the damage caused by beavers.
- 4. A Board Member requested a status report on the replanting of the hedge that was removed at Brock House.
- 5. A Board Member enquired when a report back would be provided on the use of former caretaker suites for the purpose of determining whether any can be reasonably put to use as temporary accommodation for government sponsored refugees from Syria.
- 6. A Board Member enquired when staff would provide an update on the strategy and timing of the consultation on the Marpole Community Centre renewal.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

The Board adjourned at 9:23 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley General Manager Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung Chair