

## MOTION ON NOTICE

## **Zero Waste - Diversion Stations**

MOVER: Commissioner Wiebe

SECONDER: Commissioner Mackinnon

## WHEREAS:

1. One of the City of Vancouver's 2020 Greenest City goals is to increase the diversion rate in Vancouver to over 70% by developing and implementing new strategies to remove organics/recyclables from the landfill;

- 2. A 2015 City Studio project demonstrated the need for diversion stations as their findings showed that currently there's one recycling bin per 30 garbage bins in the parks they surveyed, that the current bins move around which lead to missed pickups, recycling bins not beside garbage bins had high levels of contamination and little education/visual tools to help with diversion;
- 3. The Board of Parks and Recreation no longer deals directly with solid waste removal, as it's now the responsibility of The City of Vancouver's solid waste division:
- 4. The City of Vancouver's Healthy City Strategy states that people have the right to live in a healthy environment, with awareness of pollutants and contaminants that can cause harm; and
- 5. Metro Vancouver's current waste strategy includes diversion stations in all parks including dog waste.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation work with the City of Vancouver's Sanitation Operations, Real Estate and Facilities Management, all Community Centre Associations, and third-party businesses to create a diversion strategy that looks at best practices which include: Metro Vancouver, the Vancouver Aquarium, and Granville Island to ensure that the Board of Parks and Recreation becomes a green leader in diversion and education.