



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

JULY 11, 2016

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, July 11, 2016, at 8:45 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
Commissioner Michael Wiebe

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Malcolm Bromley, General Manager
Cheryl Chan, Business Support Lead/Manager Admin Services
Jessica Kulchyski, Recorder
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk

IN CAMERA

1. July 25, 2016 Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Board will go into a meeting on July 25, 2016, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraph(s):

- (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. Regular Board Meeting - June 27, 2016

MOVED by Commissioner Evans
SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

THAT the Park Board minutes of the June 27, 2016 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

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

COMMITTEE REPORT

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

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

1. PRESENTATION: VanDusen Botanical Garden Receives Petal Certification
2. REPORT: Trans* and Gender Variant Inclusion Steering Committee - Member Appointments
3. REPORT: Park Naming Committee Appointments
4. REPORT: Northeast False Creek Park Design Advisory Group Appointments

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of July 11, 2016, as contained in items 1 through 4.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STAFF REPORTS

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, reported on Park Board related items that will be considered at the July 12, 2016 Council meeting:

- Administrative report on the Greenest City Action Plan - Implementation Update and the likelihood that the Living Building Petal award to the VanDusen Garden Visitor Centre will be noted
- Amendments to Health By-Law No. 9535 with Respect to Neonicotinoid Pesticide Use.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

1. Doors Open Vancouver

Commissioner Evans gave notice of the following motion:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation sites taking part in Doors Open Vancouver 2017 ensure that when providing behind the scenes access and tours, the role of women in the history and development of Vancouver's parks and recreation system is highlighted.

2. False Creek - Anchoring-Free Waters for Non-Motorized Races

Commissioner Mackinnon gave notice of the following motion:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to work with the Federal Ministry of Transport and the City of Vancouver to investigate and provide a report before spring 2017 on the possibility of creating a designated False Creek moorage and moorage -free area, in order to conduct water based non-motorized races, while taking into account the possible impacts to the surrounding residential neighbourhoods.

3. Symphony in the Park

Commissioner Kirby-Yung gave notice of the following motion:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation collaborate with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra to deliver an open air Symphony in the Park free concert for Vancouverites in the Summer of 2017 at Vancouver's iconic Sunset Beach;
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve a contribution of \$50,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund toward the Summer 2017 free public concert; and
- C. THAT the Vancouver Park Board work with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra with the goal of helping Symphony in the Park become a sustainable ongoing annual Summer event for all Vancouverites to enjoy; such assistance to include introductions to other park based events such as the Celebration of Light or Vancouver Pride to explore opportunities such as sharing of staging and infrastructure, as well as promotional and logistical support at the discretion of the General Manager.

ENQUIRIES

1. A Board member advised that he has received a number of enquiries regarding the Park Board's policy on linden trees. Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, acknowledged the increased volume of requests and asked that any enquiries of this nature be forwarded to the Park Board for handling.
2. A Board member enquired regarding measures that could be taken to deter individuals from disturbing wildlife.
3. A Board member enquired if City by-law officers could be provided with jurisdiction to ticket smokers in parks.
4. A Board member expressed concern with the maintenance of grass medians in the City. Mr. Bromley advised that the Park Board is working diligently to obtain sufficient funding to maintain the grass medians.

5. A Board member expressed the need to maintain the vegetation in the planters that have been placed along bike routes. Mr. Bromley advised that the Park Board is also attempting to obtain sufficient funding to maintain the planters.
6. A Board member requested the identification of a Park Board contact for individuals interested in providing volunteer services to the Park Board. Mr. Bromley advised that those who are interested in volunteering should contact Paul Czene, Recreation Coordinator, Access and Volunteer Services, Park Board.
7. A Board member questioned if there is a policy regarding the maintenance of park benches. Howard Normann, Director of Park Operations, Park Board, advised that the Park Board follows a maintenance schedule for park benches.
8. A Board member requested a timeline for the maintenance of water fountains. Mr. Normann advised that, similar to park benches, the Park Board follows a maintenance schedule for water fountains.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 8:55 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley
General Manager

Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Chair