



Recreation Fees for Pre-Schoolers and Families

Excerpted from Minutes 2017-04-10

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MOVED by Commissioner Crawford
SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

WHEREAS:

1. Creating accessible facilities that encourage participation and engage families and children in physical activity are objectives supported by and valued by the citizens of Vancouver and by the Vancouver Board of Parks Recreation;
2. The stated goals of the Park Board strategic plan include delivering parks and recreation services that meet the needs of our communities both now and in the future;
3. Park Board goals also include a commitment to connecting people, facilitating healthy lifestyles and enriching communities;
4. With high housing, transportation and child-care costs, families in Vancouver with young children find it challenging to balance basic needs with active lifestyle choices like sports and recreation; and
5. In the process of developing an operating budget, the Park Board should review pricing structures and consider opportunities to support families and encourage healthy and active communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to review the current pricing structure for the pre-school category at Park Board facilities during the development of the 2018 operating budget; and
- B. THAT staff investigate the budget implications of adjusting the pre-school age category from the current '2 years of age and under', to '5 years of age and under'; and
- C. FURTHER THAT staff report back to the Board with recommendations on how to proceed before finalizing the 2018 operating budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY