



**PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

JUNE 19, 2017

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, June 19, 2017, at 7:01 pm, at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT: Commissioner John Coupar
Commissioner Casey Crawford, Chair
Commissioner Catherine Evans, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Commissioner Erin Shum
Commissioner Michael Wiebe

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Malcolm Bromley, General Manager
Shauna Wilton, Deputy General Manager
Cheryl Chan, Manager, Executive Office and Board Relations
Jessica Kulchyski, Recorder
Rae Ratslef, Meeting Clerk

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Park Board Committee Meeting - June 5, 2017

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

THAT the Park Board Committee minutes of the June 5, 2017 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Wiebe highlighted the following events and the participation of Park Board Commissioners:

- May 11, 2017 Fire Across the Land workshop hosted by the Gitksan Nation
- Announcement of the City Bird winner, Anna's Hummingbird, on May 18, 2017
- Celebration of the 130th Anniversary of Engine 374 on May 21, 2017
- May 22, 2017 Victoria Day celebration at Victoria Park
- May 25, 2017 China Creek North Public Engagement open house
- Gathering of Poets at Moberly Arts and Cultural Centre on May 27, 2017
- May 27, 2017 VanPlay Tour Stop at Gaston Park
- May 28, 2017 World Partnership Walk in Stanley Park
- Marking of the 20th anniversary of Salmonberry Days at the Dunbar Community Centre on May 28, 2017

- Invasive Species Action Month Celebration hosted by the Stanley Park Ecology Society and Invasive Species Council of Metro Vancouver on May 28, 2017
- May 28, 2017 BC Buddhist Festival at Tisdall Park in the spirit of harmony, peace, goodwill and well-being
- June 2, 2017 Bike to Work Week Finale at Creekside Park
- June 3, 2017 Healthy Aging through the Arts Exhibition Gala Celebration
- Strathcona Hoop-a-thon fundraising event on June 3, 2017
- June 3, 2017 Marpole Community Festival, which will celebrate its 70th year in 2018
- June 7, 2017 Northeast False Creek presentation on draft park concept
- Living Wage Employer announcement made on June 8, 2017
- Receipt of a \$5,000 Vancouver Sport Hosting Grant at the June 8, 2017 Kits Fest reception
- June 10, 2017 Champlain Heights Summer Fair
- June 10, 2017 Dragon Boat Pre-Festival ceremony at Creekside
- MoreSports Soccer Jam at Trillium Park on June 10, 2017
- June 10, 2017 Surfrider Beach Cleanup at Hinge Park
- June 10, 2017 Northeast False Creek Block Party attended by more than 5,000 guests
- Celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Club on June 16, 2017
- June 17, 2017 Hillcrest Summer Festival in the renewed Riley Park, which will host its first Farmer's Market this coming weekend
- First new Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) signed by the Marpole Oakridge Community Association on June 19, 2017.

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon
SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Committee adopts the recommendations contained in the following reports on consent:

1. REPORT: Gathering of Canoes-Pulling Together Canoe Journey-Canada 150+ Event
2. REPORT: Walk for Reconciliation-Canada 150+ Event
3. REPORT: Kisses for Bees-Temporary Pollinator Installation at Cathedral Square Park

DEFEATED
(Commissioner Wiebe opposed)

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **REPORT: Gathering of Canoes - Pulling Together Canoe Journey - Canada 150+ Event**

Octavio Silva, Manager of Business Development, Park Board, led the review of a presentation on the Gathering of the Canoes - Pulling Together Canoe Journey event and highlighted:

- Background information on the Canada 150+ Program
- Specifics of the proposal to host a traditional canoe landing at Hadden Park and beach with on-site entertainment
- Overview of the event management arrangements and proposed site plan
- Additional considerations
- Purpose of the event to bring together families and friends for an afternoon feast and celebratory gathering.

Mr. Silva, along with Jenny Jung, Supervisor of Special Events and Filming, Park Board, and Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion on: impact of the event on the off leash park area; rationale for the event to be held on a weekday; and inability to relocate the canoe landing zone given the number of canoes expected to participate.

MOVED by Commissioner Evans

SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve a request from the City of Vancouver Canada 150+ project team to host the Gathering of Canoes - traditional landing of the Pulling Together Canoe Journey, at Hadden Park & Beach on July 14, 2017, from 11:00am to 4:00pm, with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of the Park Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. **REPORT: Walk for Reconciliation - Canada 150+ Event**

Octavio Silva, Manager of Business Development, Park Board, led the review of a presentation on the Walk for Reconciliation and highlighted:

- Conceptual site layout
- Additional considerations relative to servicing the Park before and following the event
- Purpose of the event to bring together people of all Nations, ages, abilities, communities and faiths to walk together to experience the healing and transformational power of 'Namwayut - We Are All One', which will guide our journey to move forward together, in light of the legacy of Indian Residential Schools.

Mr. Silva, along with Jenny Jung, Supervisor of Special Events and Filming, Park Board, responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion on: whether there is an opportunity for the event to partner in some manner with the Greater Vancouver Food Bank;

clarification that there is no intention of making this an annual event in this location; and confirmation that the impact assessment on Strathcona Park would consider physical, ecological and event impacts.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve a request from the City of Vancouver Canada 150+ project team to host the Walk for Reconciliation event at Strathcona Park on September 24, 2017, from 2:00pm to 3:30pm, with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of the Park Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. REPORT: Kisses for Bees - Temporary Pollinator Installation at Cathedral Square Park

Octavio Silva, Manager of Business Development, Park Board, led the review of a presentation on the proposed temporary installation by the Kisses for Bees collective in Cathedral Square Park and highlighted:

- Costs for installation and ongoing maintenance would be borne by the Kisses for Bees collective
- Benefits of the initiative
- Artist's rendering of the installation
- Expectation that the installation will beautify and enhance the vibrancy of the Cathedral Square Park neighbourhood for the benefit of Vancouverites and visitors.

Mr. Silva responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion on: rationale for selection of this location; modest amount of sponsorship recognition on the installation; pollinating flowers will be planted in the installation; and importance of educating the public on the role of bees and other pollinators.

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve a request from the Kisses for Bees collective for a temporary pollinator installation at Cathedral Square Park between June 21, 2017 and July 21, 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 7:56 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley
General Manager

Commissioner Casey Crawford
Chair