



Renaming Siwash Rock
Excerpted from Minutes 2017-10-02
Reconvened on 2017-10-11

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MOVED by Commissioner Evans
SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

Final motion as amended:

WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is designated a City of Reconciliation;
1. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation (the Park Board) in July 2015 directed staff to report back with recommendations on how to move forward on the actions recommended by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) that are within the Park Board's jurisdiction and those of its partners;
2. In January 2016, the Park Board adopted 11 strategies in response to the TRC's Calls to Action, including;
 - "D. Continue Park Board's precedent-setting intergovernmental approach to the future stewardship of Stanley Park and other relevant lands;"
3. The history of Stanley Park includes acts of dispossession and disrespect directed toward the indigenous people who inhabited it;
4. An on-going symbol of disrespect is the name Siwash Rock, given to a rock situated along the western shore of Stanley Park and identified as a Point of Interest on the Official Map and Guide; and
5. The Park Board has the ability to initiate a change to this name.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT staff engage with the Stanley Park Intergovernmental Group representing the three Coast Salish First Nations to determine if there is a desire from the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh to rename Siwash Rock; and
- B. THAT staff report back to the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation on the design of the potential renaming process as well as the timeframe for achieving it.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY