



## MOTION on NOTICE

### Renaming Siwash Rock

MOVER: Commissioner Evans

#### WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is designated a City of Reconciliation;
2. 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;
3. 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;"
4. The history of Stanley Park includes acts of dispossession and disrespect directed toward the indigenous people who inhabited it;
5. 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
6. The Park Board has the ability to initiate a change to this name.

#### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A. THAT staff engage with the Stanley Park Intergovernmental Working Group to develop a process for re-naming Siwash Rock; and
- B. THAT staff report back to the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation as soon as practicable, on the design of this process as well as the timeframe for achieving it.