



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 23, 2017

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, October 23, 2017, at 10:32 pm, at the Park Board Office.

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

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

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. The meeting is being held on the land respectfully and with honour to each other, the land and the communities that the Commissioners serve. The Chair invited Commissioners to join him in committing to actions of reconciliation in their deliberations and decisions.

IN CAMERA

1. In-Camera Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon
SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Board will go into meetings, prior to the next Regular Board Meeting, which are closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;
- (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 - October 2 and 11, 2017

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

THAT the Park Board minutes of the October 2, 2017 meeting, reconvened on October 11, 2017, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

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

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Report of the Park Board Committee - October 23, 2017

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

1. REPORT: South Vancouver Seniors Centre Location
2. REPORT: CCA JOA - Signing Update & Next Steps
3. REPORT: People, Parks and & Dogs Strategy.

MOVED by Commissioner Shum
SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of October 23, 2017, as contained in items 1 through 3.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, led the review of a presentation highlighting:

- VanPlay Smart City Talks series; 2 more talks scheduled
- VanSplash wrapping-up public engagement; final recommendations coming December 2017
- OnWater Strategy for non-motorized boating is in development; staff working with consultant, community stakeholders and local First Nations
- Vancouver Park Board is part of a bid to host a FIFA World Cup

Commissioners were invited to contact Mr. Bromley with any questions on the General Manager's Report. In response to a query, Mr. Bromley noted that a report back on the referred Park Ranger Funding and Safety motion would be presented at the next meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

1. Park Board Meeting Dates - Proposed 2018 Schedule

The Board reviewed the staff recommendation on the proposed 2018 meeting schedule. It was confirmed that there would still be the ability for the Board to convene in-camera meetings prior the Committee meetings.

MOVED by Commissioner Crawford

SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the Committee and Regular Board meeting dates for 2018 as outlined below, with Committee meetings commencing at 6:30 pm and Regular Board meetings immediately following:

January 15 January 29	February 19	March 12
April 16 April 30	May 14	June 04 June 18
July 09 July 23	August BREAK	September 17
October 01 October 29	November 05* November 19	December 03 December 17

** Inaugural Board Meeting*

FURTHER THAT the Vancouver Park Board reserve every Tuesday evening following the above-noted meeting dates, commencing at 6:00 pm, for In Camera meetings as needed and to reconvene any recessed Committee or Regular Board meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

There were no Notice of Motions.

ENQUIRIES

1. A Board member enquired whether the cause of the fire in a hollow cedar tree in Stanley Park had been ascertained. Howard Normann, Director of Park Operations, Park Board, informed that there had been a considerable amount of materials discovered by the tree, likely belonging to a homeless person. Staff noted access issues due to the location and also that they are considering preventative measures, particularly in the dry summer months.
2. A Commissioner commented on the tragedy in Fernie BC with regard to ammonia, and complimented staff regarding the practices and procedures of the Park Board. It was

- questioned whether there were any plans for enhancements to practices. Shauna Wilton, Deputy General Manager, Park Board, informed that a review is currently underway with risk management and safety to see if there are any areas that can be improved. Any recommendations that require Board approval/capital investment will be reported to the Board.
3. A Commissioner enquired about the portable washroom in Mount Pleasant Park and if it was removed for the winter months. Mr. Normann advised that it may have been past practice to remove the portable washroom and undertook to investigate and report back with the plans for this year.
 4. A Commissioner enquired regarding whether the Park Board has been involved in the planning processes for lands around False Creek and Emily Carr University and recollects a commitment from the Park Board to connect the park spaces in Mount Pleasant to the False Creek flats. Dave Hutch, Manager of Research and Planning, Park Board, advised that Park Board staff have been closely involved in the False Creek Plan and have discussed connecting the open spaces. Staff will inquire on the status and report back.
 5. A Commissioner enquired about the temporary plaza skate park location and the consultation that was to have started in Q4 of 2017. Mr. Hutch advised that he would check with the project manager and would report back to the Board.
 6. A Commissioner enquired about removal of overgrown areas at Riverfront Park and whether they would be seeded. Mr. Normann informed that there is a new planting plan for the Park and that the work was part of a renovation.
 7. A Commissioner enquired about the status of the Park Naming Committee. Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, informed that staff has been actively involved with First Nations to determine how they would like to be involved in the Committee before proceeding with further naming processes. Staff will report back with information on the recommended approach.
 8. A Commissioner enquired about emails from Strathcona residents concerned about potential loss of park space in Strathcona Park due to the east/west arterial route options. Mr. Bromley advised that staff continue to work with Engineering on this project, which is currently being reviewed. Staff expect to learn more about how Engineering plans to move forward before the end of the year.
 9. A Commissioner enquired about the survey from Heather Marina regarding the pump out service offered in the summer. It was suggested that the float be highly identified and logoed with signage so that people are aware of it. Mr. Bromley advised that there were many pump outs during the summer month, and agreed that it is a good opportunity to provide signage.
 10. A Commissioner enquired about lighting in George Wainborn Park. Mr. Normann informed that a related work order has been created.
 11. A Commissioner enquired about the status of the Autism Spectrum Disorder Strategy. Mr. Bromley advised that staff are currently working on an report back.

12. A Commissioner enquired about the status of the Ice Rink Strategy. Mr. Hutch informed that the strategy had been integrated into the VanPlay process and will be incorporated into the final Master Plan recommendations.
13. A Commissioner enquired about the Kitsilano CCA board meeting about the VanSplash Strategy and whether the Meraloma Club had been consulted. Mr. Hutch advised that staff has met with the Meraloma Club regarding VanSplash.
14. A Commissioner expressed appreciation for the movement in response to citizen concerns about improving parks and removing overgrown areas to improve safety.
15. A Commissioner referenced communication received on the seaside greenways and Kitsilano Beach gap, and questioned the status of temporary orange fencing. Mr. Bromley advised that staff were working closely with the community groups involved to facilitate a mutually acceptable resolution.
16. A Commissioner noted that one cycling company is included on the Stanley Park map and asked for clarity on the protocols for allowing advertising. Staff will report back in future.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 10:54 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley
General Manager

Commissioner Michael Wiebe
Chair