



NOTICE of MOTION

Submitted at the Regular Board meeting held on July 23, 2018

Recognition of Traditional Place Names within the Jurisdiction of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

MOVER: Commissioner Mackinnon

WHEREAS:

1. The Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh people have inhabited this land known as Vancouver since time immemorial;
2. The lands the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation maintains jurisdiction over remain unceded, and the Park Board's occupation of this territory and commitment to UNDRIP demand that local Indigenous rights be respected and acknowledged;
3. The Park Board approved eleven Reconciliation Strategies in support of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action; one of those strategies calls for acknowledgement that "Aboriginal rights include Aboriginal language rights; that preservation, revitalization and strengthening of Aboriginal languages and cultures are best managed by Aboriginal people and communities;
4. Names form an integral part of culture and heritage; and
5. The traditional names of places are known to the Indigenous peoples of Vancouver.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation work with the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations on identifying the traditional names of places within the jurisdiction of the Park Board;
- B. THAT the use of traditional names be recognized by the Park Board; and
- C. THAT staff work with the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations on ways to acknowledge those names at parks, beaches, and other public spaces within the jurisdiction of the Park Board, in a way deemed most appropriate by the Nations.