



## PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 19, 2018

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, November 19, 2018, at 6:42 pm, at the Park Board Office.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Tricia Barker, Vice-Chair  
Commissioner John Coupar  
Commissioner Dave Demers  
Commissioner Camil Dumont  
Commissioner Gwen Giesbrecht, Chair  
Commissioner John Irwin  
Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon

**GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Malcolm Bromley, General Manager  
Shauna Wilton, Deputy General Manager  
Cheryl Chan, Manager, Executive Office and Board Relations  
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk  
Jessica Kulchyski, Meeting Assistant

### CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Mackinnon advised of the recommendation to move future Chair's Reports to the Regular Board meeting, in compliance with the Park Board Procedure By-law, and that it reflect Park Board organized events only. However, there is significant value in recognizing the work of "Commissioners in the Community" and staff have been requested to explore options to develop an online public album to showcase photos submitted by Commissioners while attending community events. Further information on this process will be provided once staff have identified the best and most sustainable options.

Chair Mackinnon highlighted the participation of former and current Park Board Commissioners at events in the community that occurred in November 2018:

- Nov 03: Unveiling of enhancements to Renfrew Ravine Park
- Nov 03: Opening of the Douglas Park playground
- Nov 05: Inaugural Board meeting at VanDusen Botanical Garden
- Nov 10: Sustenance Festival at Roundhouse Community Centre
- Nov 11: Remembrance Day ceremonies across Vancouver
- Nov 12: Totem pole and de-installation blessing ceremony at Hadden Park
- Nov 18: Vancouver Showcase NCAA basketball tournament.

### AGENDA ITEMS

#### 1. **REPORT: VanSplash: Vancouver Aquatics Strategy – Advisory Group Selection Process**

Dave Hutch, Acting Director of Park Planning, Park Board, introduced:

- Jennifer Miller, Engagement Specialist, Delaney + Associates

- Doug Shearer, Senior Planner, Park Board
- Leila Todd, Planner II, Park Board.

Mr. Hutch, led the review of a presentation on the proposed Advisory Group selection process for the draft Vancouver Aquatic Strategy (VanSplash) and highlighted:

- VanSplash process and schedule
- Proposed Advisory Group selection process:
  - Member recruitment
  - Composition
  - Application process
  - Process to review and approve Members.

Mr. Hutch, along with Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, and Ms. Miller, responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion on: confirmation that the amendments adopted at the January 29, 2018 Board meeting will be considered by the Advisory Group; whether target numbers have been established to ensure diverse representation on the Advisory Group; recommendation that the membership of the Advisory Group include individuals that can provide input on sustainable operations and green technologies; mechanisms to ensure that those individuals who do not have access to the internet will be engaged; request that Commissioners be permitted to view the list of all Advisory Group applicants; and confirmation historic documents that will be provided to the Advisory Group.

The Committee heard from five speakers. Two speakers expressed concern with the proposed Advisory Group selection process. Two speakers expressed support for the proposed Advisory Group selection process. The speakers provided input regarding facilities to be included in VanSplash and one speaker expressed concern with the closure of community pools during the month of December. The speakers responded to questions from the Committee.

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon  
SECONDED by Commissioner Demers

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the proposed selection process for the VanSplash Advisory Group, as outlined in Appendix A, and direct staff to initiate recruitment.

CARRIED

- *In Favour: Demers, Dumont, Giesbrecht, Irwin, Mackinnon*
- *Opposed: Barker, Coupar*

## **Recess**

The meeting recessed at 8:18 pm and reconvened at 8:27 pm.

## **2. REPORT: Trans, Gender Diverse, and Two-Spirit Programming Update and Corporate Sponsorship Fund Request**

Donnie Rosa, Director of Recreation, Park Board, introduced:

- Paul Czene, Coordinator, Access and Inclusion, Park Board
- SD Holman, Artistic Director, Queer Arts Festival
- Josie Pearce, Gender Inclusion Facilitator, Park Board
- Dakota Shelby, Gender Inclusion Facilitator, Park Board.

Ms. Rosa led the review of a presentation regarding the request for \$30,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund and highlighted:

- Background
- Queer Arts Festival (QAF)
- Community engagement
- Proposed initiatives to be undertaken with the one-time \$30,000 investment from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund.

Ms. Rosa, along with Ms. Holman, responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion on: revenue projection from ticket sales included in the QAF budget; requirement for sustainable funding; and opportunities to publicize the QAF and Trans, Gender Diverse and Two-Spirit (TGD2S) programming.

### **Main Motion**

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar  
SECONDED by Commissioner Barker

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board contribute \$30,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund to support the expansion of Trans, Gender Diverse, and Two-Spirit (TGD2S) arts and culture programming in community centres and parks through new access and inclusion focussed initiatives delivered in partnership with the Queer Arts Festival.

### **Primary Amendment to the Main Motion**

MOVED by Commissioner Giesbrecht  
SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

THAT the motion be amended to:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board contribute \$35,000, with a target of \$5,000 to lower ticket prices and increase free events, from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund to support the expansion of Trans, Gender Diverse, and Two-Spirit (TGD2S) arts and culture programming in community centres and parks through new access and inclusion focussed initiatives delivered in partnership with the Queer Arts Festival.

**Secondary Amendment to the Main Motion**

MOVED by Commissioner Barker  
SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

THAT the motion be amended to:

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Question on the Main Motion, as Amended**

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 8:54 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley  
General Manager

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Commissioner Gwen Giesbrecht  
Chair