

# PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

— December 10, 2018 —

The following information is intended to provide a brief overview of the Board's governance work at the Committee and Board meetings. The full agenda, meeting materials, video clips and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.

### STAFF REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS

### 2019 Fees & Charges – Parks and Recreation

The Board approved the recommended <u>Fees and Charges for 2019</u>, with amendments directing that the preschool age be adjusted to 0-4 years, that no increases be applied to the single visit admissions at rinks, pools and fitness centres, and that the proposed 2% increase to moorage fees at the Burrard Civic Marina be reduced to only 1%.

It is Park Board policy that fees and charges for Park Board services are established on a cost recovery basis for core parks and recreational services, while remaining comparable to other municipalities and private providers. For services considered to be outside of the core service areas, fees and charges are set close to market to enable the Park Board to generate revenues to subsidize costs across other service areas.

Fees and charges fund approximately 50% of the Park Board's operating budget and as operating costs increase, similar increases to fees and charges are required to help maintain the high level service standards set out by the Park Board. The approved changes to the 2019 Fees and Charges are consistent with Park Board policy and reflect a careful consideration of the market and customer impacts.

# 2019 Operating & Capital Budgets - Parks and Recreation

The Board approved the recommended <u>Operating & Capital budgets for 2019</u>, <u>with an amendment</u> seeking from Council an additional \$610,000 for the 2019 Park Board Operating Budget to enable improvements to service provision to parks, with a focus on horticulture, cleanliness and safety. This amendment was based on information provided by staff in a <u>memoreporting back</u> on the <u>Horticultural Standards in Vancouver Parks motion</u> approved by the Board on December 3, 2018.

#### **NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for December 17, 2018, and will be held at 2099 Beach Avenue.



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