



MOTION ON NOTICE

Submitted at the Regular Board meeting held on 2019-03-11

Request that Port of Vancouver Extend the Area of the Crab Park Lease

MOVER: Commissioner Irwin

WHEREAS:

1. On April 18, 2018, a project permit was approved for the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority's project to build a series of improvements at the Centerm container terminal;
2. The project will extend the Centerm container terminal considerably to the west, which will greatly impair the view of the ocean and north shore mountains from Crab Park;
3. Crab Park would benefit from the addition of greenspace and a possible site for a proposed arts and cultural centre (which would include First Nations and Urban Indigenous programming); and
4. Access to Crab Park for area residents could be greatly improved by the addition of a walkway from Columbia Street to the park.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board immediately write a letter to the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority requesting that the current leased area for the park be extended by adding the four acre parking area directly to the west of the park to the leased area of Crab Park;
- B. THAT the Park Board also request that the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority dedicate offsetting funds from the project to be directed to improving Crab Park by funding greenspace enhancements and construction of an arts and cultural centre;
- C. THAT the Vancouver Park Board request offsetting funds for funding a new accessible pedestrian overpass from Columbia Street to Crab Park.