



**PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, September 30, 2019, at 6:31 pm, at the Park Board Office.

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Gwen Giesbrecht, Chair (Leave of Absence)

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Vice-Chair acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Park Board Committee Meeting – September 16, 2019

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Dumont

THAT the Park Board Committee minutes of the September 16, 2019 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

The Committee was advised that there are no communications of note related to the Committee agenda item.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. REPORT: Track and Field Strategy

Doug Shearer, Manager of Planning, Policy and Environment, Park Board, introduced representatives of the Vancouver School Board, Advisory Group members and consultants present.

Erin Embley, Planner II, Park Board, led the review of a presentation on the proposed Track and Field Strategy which has been developed to guide the planning, programming, operations and maintenance of Park Board's track and field facilities and programs and highlighted:

- Background:
 - Vancouver's rich history in track and field
 - Existing facilities
- Importance of track and field
- Strategy development process and timeline
- Strategy overview:
 - Vision
 - Principles
 - Four strategic themes and associated recommendations:
 - Design and infrastructure
 - Access and participation
 - Programming and cooperation
 - Management and operations
- Engagement process and results:
 - Key findings of three rounds of engagement
 - Feedback that influenced the strategy and that which was not addressed
- Implementation and next steps
 - Facility improvement priorities.

Ms. Embley, along with Mr. Shearer, Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board, and Tiina Mack, Manager of Park Development, Park Board, responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion on:

- The expected timing for receipt of information on capital and external funding
- The expected timing for completion of construction of the facilities
- Contribution of land from the Vancouver School Board
- Non-Vancouver Category A facilities currently used by Vancouver residents
- The operating model for shared-use facilities with the Vancouver School Board
- Potential to achieve upgrades on the west side of Vancouver in the next phase of the strategy
- Rationale for designating Balaclava Track as a Category C facility
- The need to improve the maintenance of the Balaclava Track.

The Committee heard from eight speakers, all of whom spoke in favour of the proposed Track and Field Strategy. The speakers offered the following comments and responded to questions from the Committee:

- Challenge faced by newly formed groups to be allocated and book time at the new facilities
- The need to ensure the tracks are properly maintained
- The need for a competition-level facility in Vancouver
- The lack of facilities in the northwest corner of Vancouver
- Track surfaces in Vancouver have degraded over the past 35 years
- The need to incorporate secure storage into the facilities for use by track clubs.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar

SECONDED by Commissioner Demers

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the “Vancouver Track and Field Strategy,” as outlined in this report and attached as Appendix A, to guide the planning, programming, operations and maintenance of track and field facilities in Vancouver;
- B. THAT the Board approve Vancouver Technical Secondary School as the site for building a new Category A track and field facility, as described in Appendix A, subject to Vancouver Board of Education approval, and a shared use agreement;
- C. THAT the Board approve the prioritization of upgrades to the track and field facility at Kerrisdale Park and Point Grey Secondary School, to bring it in line with a category B facility, as described in Appendix A, subject to Vancouver Board of Education approval, and a shared use agreement; and
- D. THAT the Board approve the prioritization of upgrades to the track and field facility at Templeton Park to bring it in line with a category C facility, as described in Appendix A, adjacent to Templeton Secondary School and Templeton Pool.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 8:05 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley
General Manager

Commissioner Tricia Barker
Vice-Chair



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, September 30, 2019, at 8:15 pm, at the Park Board Office.

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

ABSENT: Commissioner Gwen Giesbrecht (Leave of Absence)

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
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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.

The Chair noted that today is Orange Shirt Day, an event that was started in 2013 to educate people and promote awareness about the Native residential school system and the impact the system had on Indigenous communities for more than a century in Canada and still does today. The date of September 30 was chosen for the annual event because it is the time of year in which Indigenous children were historically taken from their homes to residential schools.

The Chair requested the observation of a moment of silence in honour of a City colleague who lost his life at an Engineering work site on the weekend.

IN CAMERA

1. In Camera Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Irwin
SECONDED by Commissioner Demers

THAT the Board will go into meetings next month/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:

- (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 – September 16, 2019

MOVED by Commissioner Barker
SECONDED by Commissioner Dumont

THAT the Park Board minutes of the September 16, 2019 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Mackinnon highlighted the participation of Park Board Commissioners at official Park Board events since the September 16, 2019 Board meeting:

- Sept 19: Feasting for Changes at Roundhouse Community Centre – Chair Mackinnon welcomed guests at the Feasting for Change Exhibition, which launched the month-long Sustenance Festival
- Sept 21: Tree sale at Hillcrest Centre – Chair Mackinnon and Commissioners Barker and Demers attended the Board's semi-annual tree sale. Eighteen hundred trees were sold to Vancouver residents for \$10 each.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board was advised that there are no communications of note related to the Board agenda item.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Report of the Park Board Committee – September 30, 2019

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

1. REPORT: Track and Field Strategy

MOVED by Commissioner Demers
SECONDED by Commissioner Barker

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of September 30, 2019, as contained in item 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STAFF REPORTS

1. REPORT: Park Board Meeting Dates – 2020

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Irwin

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the Committee and Regular Board meeting dates for 2020 as outlined below, with Committee meetings commencing at 6:30 pm and Regular Board meetings immediately following:

January 20	February 10 February 24	March 09 March 30
April 27	May 11 May 25	June 08 June 22
July 06 July 20	August BREAK	September 21
October 05 October 19	November 02 November 23	December 07

AND FURTHER THAT the Vancouver Park Board reserve every Tuesday evening following the above-noted meeting dates, commencing at 5:30 pm, for In Camera meetings as needed and to reconvene any recessed Committee or Regular Board meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. General Manager's Office Report

Shauna Wilton, Deputy General Manager, Park Board, reported on:

- Halloween events:
 - Stanley Park Ghost Train will run during the evenings from October 11 to 31, 2019
 - VanDusen Glow in the Garden from October 17 to 27, 2019
- Council business:
 - On October 1, 2019, Council will be receiving a report titled "False Creek Flats Grade-Separated Road Alignment" recommending the Prior/Venables arterial not be replaced as there were no alternate routes that received full support from all stakeholders
 - Council will also be considering the following Motions on Notice:

- Emergency Action to Support Vancouver’s Homeless People, Including those in Oppenheimer Park
- Back to Basics: Prioritizing Public Realm Maintenance and Cleanliness in Vancouver
- Expediting an Elementary School for the Olympic Village Community – the City’s Role
- A Collaborative and New Approach to Oppenheimer Park and Other Public Spaces
- On October 2, 2019, the Standing Committee will be receiving a report on the Broadway Plan – Phase 1 Engagement and Proposed Guiding Principles, which will provide a significant opportunity to advance Vancouver’s Parks and Recreation Service Master Plan (VanPlay) *Ten Goals to Shape the Next 25 Years*, approved by the Board in 2018
- Board briefing memos and emails issued from September 17 to 30, 2019.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. 2019 Park Board Meeting Schedule Adjustment – Federal Election

The Chair advised that the Federal Election date conflicts with the approved meeting date of October 21, 2019. Pursuant to the *Canada Elections Act*, staff and Commissioners must be provided with three consecutive hours to vote.

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar

SECONDED by Commissioner Dumont

- A. THAT the Park Board cancel the October 21, 2019 Park Board Committee and Regular Board meetings, due to the Federal Election in order to permit staff and Commissioners time to vote in the election;
- B. AND FURTHER THAT those meetings be rescheduled for the evening of October 22, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Special Board Meeting – October 28, 2019

The Chair announced that a Special Park Board meeting will be held on Monday, October 28, 2019 to discuss VanSplash: Vancouver Aquatics Strategy – Report Back.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 8:29 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley
General Manager

Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Chair