

# PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS — November 18, 2019 —

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 <u>Park Board website</u>.

#### STAFF REPORTS / PRESENTATIONS

## Northeast False Creek Parks - Project Update and Guiding Principles

Through extensive engagement with the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations, Urban Indigenous peoples, park stakeholders, and the general public, staff developed <u>Guiding Principles for Northeast False Creek parks</u>, which address themes of *Identity*, *Community*, *Nature*, and *Destination*. The Board approved these guiding principles and directed staff to advance the concept design for the parks.

# **City-Wide Plan Presentation**

The Board received a <u>presentation</u> from the City of Vancouver Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability team on the launch of the planning and engagement process for the <u>Vancouver City-wide Plan</u>. This long-range plan is intended to create a strategy that allows Vancouver to become a more sustainable, inclusive, and affordable city while reflecting the diverse voices of those who live, work, and play here.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Mackinnon highlighted the following events in his report:

- Nov 08: National Aboriginal Veterans Day ceremonies & parade from Carnegie Community Centre to Victory Square
- Nov 09: 70th anniversary celebration of the Marpole-Oakridge Community Centre
- Nov 11: Remembrance Day ceremonies held at Victory Square, Chinatown, Seaforth Peace Park, Grandview Park, Memorial South Park, and Stanley Park.

#### **GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE REPORT**

The Deputy General Manager presented an overview of the topics included in the GMO's report:

- Bright Nights in Stanley Park annual event runs November 28, 2019 to January 1, 2020 (closed December 25).
- VanDusen Festival of Lights annual event runs November 30, 2019 to January 5, 2020 (closed December 25).
- Bloedel Conservatory 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Festivale Tropicale, an indoor tropical event featuring 150 free flying exotic birds, magical lights, colorful plant displays, festive music, scavenger hunt and much more; event runs from December 7, 2019 to January 5, 2020.

## **BOARD MOTIONS**

#### **Outdoor Pool Extended Season Pilot**

The Board <u>referred the motion to staff</u> to report back on the operational feasibility of extending the regular outdoor pool season at Kitsilano and New Brighton by opening 2-3 weeks earlier in the spring and closing 3-4 weeks later in the fall.

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## **NEXT MEETINGS**

A Special Board meeting on the 2020 Budget was called for December 2, 2019, and the next Committee and Regular Board meetings are scheduled for December 9, 2019. These meetings will be held at 2099 Beach Avenue.

