



## **PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 19, 2020**

A Regular Park Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, October 19, 2020, at 6:38 pm, via videoconference and 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:** Donnie Rosa, General Manager  
Steve Jackson, Acting Deputy General Manager  
Cheryl Chan, Manager, Executive Office and Board Relations  
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk  
Jessica Kulchyski, Meeting Assistant

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The 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 14, 2020**

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon  
SECONDED by Commissioner Demers

THAT the Park Board Committee minutes of the September 14, 2020 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

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

## STAFF REPORTS

### 1. **REPORT: VanPlay – Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan: Framework and Implementation Update**

Dave Hutch, Director of Director, Planning and Park Development, Park Board, and Katherine Howard, Planner II, Park Board, introduced the proposed VanPlay Framework and provided the first annual implementation update on VanPlay and highlighted:

- Development of relationships with the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations as rights holders
- The four VanPlay reports approved by the Board
- VanPlay Framework streamlines the alignment of decisions with VanPlay policies, tools and implementation priorities and contains:
  - Mission
  - Vision
  - Purpose statement
  - Ten goals to shape the next 25 years
  - Three directions and corresponding bold moves and approaches for action to implement the goals and bold moves:
    - Delivery services equitably
    - Welcome everyone
    - Weave the City together
  - Diagnostic tests to assess if a proposed project or work aligns with the Framework:
    - Decolonization interrogation questions
    - VanPlay test
- 2020 implementation update:
  - VanPlay tools and approaches have proven useful and effective in the Park Board’s response to COVID-19
  - Actions and projects to advance progress on the three VanPlay directions in the past year:
    - Progress on asset targets
    - Progress on connectivity vision.

Ms. Howard and Mr. Hutch responded to questions from the Committee. There was discussion on:

- Concern with the omission of public gardens and horticulture in the VanPlay annual implementation update
- Suggested amendments to the VanPlay Framework:
  - Addition of climate change to the “weave the City together” direction

- Addition of actions to address systemic racism
- Expansion of the provision of services and outdoor facilities for seniors.

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon  
SECONDED by Commissioner Demers

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the “VanPlay Framework”, as outlined in this report and as attached as Appendix A, as a guide for referencing and implementing the master plan; and
- B. THAT the Board receive for information the October 2020 annual update on the implementation of VanPlay, as outlined in this report.

CARRIED

*In favour: Demers, Dumont, Giesbrecht, Irwin, Mackinnon*

*Opposed: Barker, Coupar*

The Committee adjourned at 7:57 pm.

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Donnie Rosa  
General Manager

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Commissioner Gwen Giesbrecht  
Chair



## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 19, 2020

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, October 19, 2020, at 8:08 pm, via videoconference and at the Park Board Office.

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

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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.

### IN CAMERA

#### 1. In Camera Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Barker  
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 paragraph:

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (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 – October 5, 2020**

MOVED by Commissioner Irwin

SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

THAT the Park Board minutes of the October 5, 2020 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

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

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **1. Report of the Park Board Committee – October 19, 2020**

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

1. REPORT: VanPlay – Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan: Framework and Implementation Update

MOVED by Commissioner Demers

SECONDED by Commissioner Irwin

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of October 19, 2020, as contained in item 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **1. General Manager's Report**

Steve Jackson, Acting Deputy General Manager, Park Board, reported on:

- Kensington Community Centre update:
  - An internal governance dispute within the Kensington Community Centre Association (KCCA) impacted the operation of recreational programs in the Kensington Community Centre
  - On application by the Park Board, the BC Supreme Court lifted the injunction that had previously prevented the Park Board from acting on the notice of termination of the Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) with the KCCA on October 7, 2020

- Staff have begun planning for the resumption of recreation programs and services to be operated by the Park Board, commencing in January 2021
- 2020 Sustainability Scholars Program:
  - Partnership with the University of British Columbia (UBC) Sustainability Initiative that engages graduate students to perform leading edge sustainability research for the City
  - Three Sustainability Scholars were welcomed and mentored by the Park Board
- Items of interest to the Park Board to be considered at upcoming Council meetings:
  - Presentation on Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Update
  - Motion on Mandatory Mask Policy for Vancouver Civic Facilities
  - Report on Year-Round Free Parking Subsidy for Veterans and Current Serving Members of the Canadian Forces
  - Report on Vancouver Community Sport Hosting Grant – Fall 2020 Intake
- Board briefing memos and emails issued from October 6 to 19, 2020.

## **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

### **1. Vancouver’s Transportation Hierarchy – Prioritizing Seniors and People with Disabilities**

Commissioner Barker gave notice of motion on the following:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board request that Mayor and Council consider revising the City of Vancouver Transportation Hierarchy such that Compromised Seniors and People with Disabilities who face mobility and transportation challenges be placed at the topmost layer of the City's Transportation Hierarchy and be given status as an overriding level of hierarchy priority; and
- B. THAT, until the City’s Transportation Hierarchy is revised, all transportation changes made during the COVID-19 Response that diminish or remove services required by Compromised Seniors and People with Disabilities be restored as per the recommendations of the City of Vancouver Seniors Advisory Committee and the City of Vancouver Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Commissioner Irwin wished all in the Hindi community a good Dussehra.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 8:19 pm.

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Donnie Rosa  
General Manager

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Commissioner Camil Dumont  
Chair