

PARK BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

— November 2, 2020 —

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

Parks Washroom Strategy

The Board approved the <u>Parks Washroom Strategy</u> which includes short and long-term recommendations to guide the planning, building, and operations of safe, clean and accessible washrooms in Vancouver. There are 95 washrooms in the Park Board's system, including 61 in fieldhouses and 34 stand-alone facilities. The key issues facing the system include high operational resource requirements, the ongoing need for renewal and new facilities, and accessibility and inclusivity compliance. The Parks Washroom Strategy will provide a comprehensive guide for the renewal of existing washrooms and delivering new washrooms in parks.

Vancouver Plan Update

City of Vancouver staff provided an updated on the outcomes of <u>Phase 1 engagement of the Vancouver Plan</u>. Staff shared the 10 provisional goals for the Vancouver Plan that will serve as a foundation and guide for the planning and engagement process, the creation of a vision for the future, frame trade-off and choices, and guide policy development. Upcoming engagement will be launching in November.

COVID-19 Pandemic - Parks & Recreation Reopening & Recovery Update

Staff presented an update on the <u>COVID-19 Parks & Recreation reopening and recovery strategy</u>, which included an overview of the services reopening in alignment with BC's Phase 3 restart plan. Staff are currently finalizing pools, fitness centres and arena openings and planning for modified holiday events.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager presented an overview of topics included in the GM's Report:

- Langara Frozen Meal Program Langara Clubhouse launched the second phase of the City's Non-Market Housing & Single Resident Occupancy COVID-19 Frozen Meal Program, producing two meals a day for 250 vulnerable or isolating residents, totalling 3,500 meals per week.
- Local Food Action Plan Update guiding the prioritization and allocation of Park Board's food assets, services, funding, and community connections for a five-year term (2021-2025)
- New Park at Main & 7th the new park will contribute to park access in the area and support goals and objectives identified in the Mount Pleasant Community Plan & VanPlay.
- Council Agenda Items (related to or impacting parks & recreation):
 - Report on <u>Climate Emergency Action Plan</u> which provides the road map to achieve the four Big Move targets in ways that also bring financial, health, and economic benefits to Vancouver:
 - Big Move 2: By 2030, two thirds of all trips in Vancouver will be made on foot, bike or transit.

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- Big Move 3: By 2030, 50% of the kilometers driven in Vancouver's roads will be by zero emissions vehicles
- Big Move 4: By 2030, the carbon pollution from buildings will be cut in half from 2007 levels.
- Big Move 5: By 2030, the embodied emissions from new buildings will be reduced by 40% compared to a 2018 baseline.
- Presentation on COVID-19 Economic and Community Recovery Program Progress Update;
- Motion on Targeted COVID-19 Funding Program for Vancouver's Chinatown;
- Presentation on the 2021 Budget Tax Scenarios and Options
- Report on <u>Quarterly Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts</u> recommending that Council approve capital budget and funding adjustments to the Multi-Year Capital Project Budget totalling a net decrease of \$0.7 million, consistent with Council direction to begin implementation of the recalibrated capital plan. As a result of the adjustments, the 2019-2022 Capital Plan will increase by \$11.7 million with no change to the current overall 2020 Capital Expenditure Budget. Report also recommends that Council approve the closeout of four capital projects that were completed with surpluses or deficits exceeding \$200,000.
- Motion on <u>Beyond 2010: Consideration for the City of Vancouver to Participate in a Future Olympic Winter Games Bid.</u>

MEMBER MOTIONS

Vancouver's Transportation Hierarchy - Prioritizing Seniors & People with Disabilities
The Board discussed the proposal 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. While Commissioners appreciated the intent of the recommendation, the motion was defeated.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next Committee and Board meetings are scheduled for November 23, 2020 and a Special Board meeting to consider the 2021 Fees & Charges, Service Plan, and Budgets has been scheduled for 6:00pm on November 30, 2020. All meetings will be held via video conference.



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