



## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, September 27, 2021, at 8:31 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

**GENERAL MANAGER'S  
OFFICE:**

Donnie Rosa, 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. 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 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:

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council [Board] considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (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 – July 19, 2021**

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon  
SECONDED by Commissioner Demers

THAT the Park Board minutes of the July 19, 2021 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 – September 27, 2021**

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

1. REPORT: Park Board By-law Updates – Feeding Wildlife in Parks.

MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon  
SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of September 27, 2021, as contained in item 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **1. Parks and Recreation: Fundraising and Foundation Update**

Octavio Silva, Manager of Business Development, Park Board, introduced:

- Kelly Oehlschlager, Assistant Director, Corporate, Legal Services, City of Vancouver
- Josie Riebe, Manager of Fundraising and Development, Park Board.

J. Riebe led the review of a presentation providing an update on fundraising initiatives and development of the Vancouver Parks and Recreation Foundation (Foundation) and highlighted:

- Background of the Fundraising and Development Office
- Work completed to date to establish the Foundation
- Current status of work required to be completed to establish the Foundation
- Input and resources required to develop an Enhanced Fundraising Plan (EFP) to support VanPlay Goal 10
- Next steps.

J. Riebe, along with K. Oehlschlager, responded to questions from the Board. There was discussion on:

- The process to appoint the Donnie Rosa, General Manager, Park Board, to fill the vacancy on the Foundation Board:
  - There is no requirement to appoint the Park Board General Manager to the Foundation Board
- The importance of Board advocacy to the success of the Foundation.

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

Members of the Park Board Senior Leadership Team presented the General Manager's Report providing updates on:

- Bloedel Conservatory and VanDusen Botanical Garden
- Stanley Park Train
- Upcoming public engagement for the Stanley Park temporary bike land project
- Skateboard Amenities Strategy pop-up event at Sunset Beach Plaza on August 28 and 29, 2021
- The request for proposal (RFP) for the Collingwood Park renewal will be posted publicly on BC Bid in October 2021:
  - Construction is targeted for fall 2022
- Vancouver sport permit relief fund to support not-for-profit child and youth based aquatic organizations that experienced financial burdens during COVID-19
- Board briefing memos and emails issued from July 22 to September 27, 2021.

Steve Jackson, Director of Business Services, Park Board, responded to a question from the Board regarding the process to resolve the scheduling conflict with the Binnars Project event.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Commissioner Irwin wished the Jewish community a good Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah.

Commissioner Mackinnon reported that he attended the Together and Apart event at Roundhouse Community Centre, celebrating the connective power of art during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 9:11 pm.

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Donnie Rosa  
General Manager

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Commissioner Camil Dumont  
Chair