



## BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES

**JANUARY 30, 2023**

A Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, January 30, 2023, at 6:42 pm, via videoconference and at the Park Board Office.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Brennan Bastyovanszky  
Commissioner Tom Digby  
Commissioner Angela Kate Haer, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Marie-Claire Howard  
Commissioner Scott Jensen  
Commissioner Jas Virdi

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Laura Christensen (with leave)

**GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Donnie Rosa, General Manager  
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk  
Jessica Kulchyski, Board Support and Meeting Assistant  
Julia Scott-Lenz, Board Support and 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Haer apologized for engaging with a series of recent controversial tweets about the 2SLGBTQ+ community.

### COMMUNICATIONS

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

### STAFF REPORTS

#### 1. Special Events Calendar 2023 – Major Events

Steve Jackson, Director, Business Services, Park Board, introduced:

- Yuna Flewin, Filming and Events Officer, Park Board
- Octavio Silva, Manager, Business Development, Park Board.

O. Silva led the review of a presentation on the 2023 special event calendar and highlighted:

- Special events approval process

- 2023 special events calendar includes 96 major special events
- Key changes to the 2023 special events calendar:
  - Location and date of the African Descent Festival
  - Location of the Carnaval del Sol
  - Both event relocations will be reviewed by the Board before being added to the next annual Special Events Calendar.

O. Silva and Y. Flewin responded to questions from the Board Committee. There was discussion on:

- The adequacy of public transit to English Bay Beach (EBB)
- Confirmation that the African Descent Festival is a non-licensed event

Commissioner Howard declared a conflict of interest on the basis of her position as a member of the Latincouver Board of Directors and departed the meeting at 7:06 pm.

- Whether the Park Board can take action to support the Vancouver Folk Music Festival.

The Board Committee heard from five speakers, all of whom spoke in support of the staff recommendation. The speakers responded to questions from the Board Committee.

MOVED by Commissioner Viridi  
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

THAT the Board Committee recommends to the Board that the Vancouver Park Board approve the Special Events Calendar 2023 – Major Events, as outlined in this report and attached as Appendix A.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board Committee adjourned at 7:59 pm.

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Donnie Rosa  
General Manager

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Commissioner Angela Kate Haer  
Chair