



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

Commissioner Angela Kate Haer
Chair



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 30, 2023

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, January 30, 2023, at 8:11 pm, via videoconference and at the Park Board Office.

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

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;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the City or Park Board;
- (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 – January 16, 2023

MOVED by Commissioner Howard
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

THAT the Park Board minutes of the January 16, 2023 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair highlighted the participation of Park Board Commissioners at official Park Board events since the January 16, 2023 Board meeting:

- The Chair attended the Lunar New Year celebration hosted by the Victoria Drive Business Improvement Association
- The Chair spoke at the Lunar New Year event at Dr. Sun Yat Sen Classical Chinese Garden.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Report of the Board Committee – January 30, 2023

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

1. Special Events Calendar 2023 – Major Events.

MOVED by Commissioner Haer
SECONDED by Commissioner Viridi

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Board Committee at its meeting of January 30, 2023, as contained in item 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STAFF REPORTS

1. VanPlay Update

Donnie Rosa, General Manager, Park Board, introduced:

- Emily Dunlop, Planner III, Planning, Policy and Environment, Park Board
- Doug Shearer, Manager, Planning, Policy and Environment, Park Board.

D. Shearer and E. Dunlop jointly led the review of a presentation providing an update on VanPlay and highlighted:

- Deep community engagement undertaken during the development of VanPlay
- Vision and mission
- VanPlay reports:
 - Inventory and Analysis
 - 10 Goals to Shape the Next 25 Years
 - Strategic Bold Moves
 - The Playbook
 - VanPlay Framework
- Directions:
 - Equity
 - Asset targets
 - Connectivity
- VanPlay's impact
- 2022 implementation highlights:
 - Community development approach to managing urban parks
 - Ranger service review
 - Increase tree canopy in equity initiative zones
 - Park naming policy and procedures
 - Pop-up park activation and amenities
 - Implement High Five guidelines for healthy child development
 - Develop internal culture of welcome, inclusion, anti-oppression and truth and reconciliation
 - Improved identity standards, signage and wayfinding and engagement framework
 - Sport Field Strategy
- Next steps.

D. Shearer, along with Amit Gandha, Director, Parks, Park Board, and Tiina Mack, Director of Planning and Park Development, Park Board, responded to questions from the Board. There was discussion on:

- Whether the goal of planting 100,000 trees within four years is achievable
- Park Board policy regarding the replacement of trees
- Request for a summary of planned capital improvements to Park Board facilities in 2023.

2. General Manager’s Report

Members of the Park Board Leadership Team presented the General Manager’s Report and highlighted:

- CRAB Park encampment clean-up on January 17, 2023
- Installation of new closure gates on the Stanley Park seawall
- Repair of the Kitsilano pathway and stairs located near Point Grey Park
- Board briefing memos and emails issued from January 17 to 30, 2023.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair reported that a Special Park Board meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on February 6, 2023 to consider 2023 Fees and Charges and the Capital and Operating Budgets.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 8:59 pm.

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Donnie Rosa
General Manager

Commissioner Scott Jensen
Chair