



BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 27, 2023

A Board Committee meeting was held on Monday, March 27, 2023, at 6:37 pm, via videoconference and at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT: Commissioner Brennan Bastyovanszky
Commissioner Laura Christensen, Chair
Commissioner Tom Digby
Commissioner Angela Haer, Vice Chair
Commissioner Marie-Claire Howard
Commissioner Scott Jensen
Commissioner Jas Viridi

**GENERAL
MANAGER'S
OFFICE:** Donnie Rosa, General Manager
Denise Swanston, Acting Manager, Executive Office and Board Relations
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk
Jessica Kulchyski, Board Support and Meeting Assistant
Victoria Tyers, Board Support and Meeting Assistant

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Board acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations.

The Board acknowledged upcoming religious holidays and the observance of Earth Day on April 22, 2023

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. **Board Committee Meeting – February 27, 2023**

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen
SECONDED by Commissioner Digby

THAT the Board Committee minutes of the February 27, 2023 meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

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

STAFF REPORTS

1. 25 Years of Service Recognition

Donnie Rosa, General Manager, Park Board, recognized employees who have served the Park Board for 25 years:

- Darilyn Dennis
- David Roling
- Greg Engel
- Kristine Johnston
- Jeffrey Webster
- Anton Zizic
- Salvatore Gallo.

2. Collingwood Park Renewal – Concept Plan

Ian Stewart, Manager of Park Development, Park Board, introduced David Yurkovich, Landscape Designer, Park Board.

D. Yurkovich led the review of a presentation on the Collingwood Park renewal concept plan and highlighted:

- Project timeline
- Site context and background of Collingwood Park
- Findings from Round 1 and 2 of public engagement
- Concept plan:
 - Playground
 - Splash pad
 - Plaza / stage
 - Multi-use court with skateboard amenity
- Estimated costs and schedule.

Park Board staff responded to questions from the Board Committee. There was discussion on:

- The rationale for not including an off-leash dog area in Collingwood Park:
 - Suggestion that specific times be allocated for the utilization of the park as an off-leash dog area
- Concern regarding the liability associated with trampolines
- The additional cost and maintenance associated with a spray park with a recirculation system.

Main Motion

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

THAT the Board Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the concept plan for the Collingwood Park renewal as described in this report and as shown in Appendix A.

Amendment to the Main Motion

MOVED by Commissioner Digby
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

THAT the motion be amended by adding:

FURTHER THAT staff report back, in the upcoming Dogs in Parks Report, on whether, and under what conditions Collingwood Park could be used as an off-leash area in mornings on non-holiday weekends.

DEFEATED

In favour: Digby

Opposed: Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Haer, Jensen, Viridi

Abstained: Howard

Question on the Main Motion

THAT the Board Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the concept plan for the Collingwood Park renewal as described in this report and as shown in Appendix A.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. The Great Outdoors Comedy Festival – Special Event

Octavio Silva, Manager, Business Development, Park Board, led the review of a presentation on the proposed special event and highlighted:

- Background of the Great Outdoors Comedy Festival and the event organizer
- Proposed location
- Event proposal
- Key event parameters
- Preliminary site plan
- Indigenous representation
- Other considerations
- Event benefits
- Next steps.

Park Board staff responded to questions from the Board Committee. There was discussion on:

- Risk mitigation measures that will be implemented to avoid damage to neighbouring facilities
- Potential for the Great Outdoor Comedy Festival to be a multi-year event, if the 2023 festival is successfully executed

- Traffic management and parking plans will be instituted for the special event.

The Board Committee heard from one speaker who spoke in support of the staff recommendation.

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen
SECONDED by Commissioner Viridi

THAT the Board Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve an application from Trixstar LIVE to host The Great Outdoors Comedy Festival at Brockton Cricket Fields in Stanley Park on Friday, September 15, Saturday, September 16 and Sunday, September 17, 2023, from 5:00 to 11:00 pm daily, with all arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of the Park Board; and
- B. THAT the Park Board approve an application from Trixstar LIVE for a Special Event Permit from the BC Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch to serve alcohol at the aforementioned location and dates, with a maximum capacity of 10,000 guests daily.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY/CARRIED/DEFEATED

In favour: Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Haer, Howard, Jensen, Viridi

Abstained: Digby

The Board Committee adjourned at 8:05 pm.

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Donnie Rosa
General Manager

Commissioner Laura Christensen
Chair