



## BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 9, 2024

A Committee meeting of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation was held on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 6:38 pm, in the Boardroom at the Park Board Office, and via videoconference.

**PRESENT:**

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

**GENERAL MANAGER'S  
OFFICE:**

Steve Jackson, General Manager  
Denise Swanston, Acting Manager, Board Relations & Meeting Clerk  
Connie Law, Board Support and Meeting Assistant & Meeting Clerk  
Jessica Kulchyski, Board Support and Meeting Assistant

*\* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.*

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

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### Motion to Suspend the Rules

MOVED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky  
SECONDED by Commissioner Haer

THAT the Vancouver Park Board suspend section 15.3 of the Procedure By-law to reduce the length of time permitted for speakers to speak from five to three minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

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### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Board Committee Meeting – November 4, 2024

MOVED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky  
SECONDED by Commissioner Haer

THAT the Minutes of the Board Committee meeting on November 4, 2024, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications related to the Committee meeting agenda were received via email or the [Contact Park Board Commissioners](#) web form:

- 16 pieces of correspondence in opposition to Item 1
- One piece of correspondence in opposition to Item 2
- One piece of correspondence in opposition to Item 3

## **MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen  
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

THAT Item 4 be approved on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **1. FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites at Killarney and Memorial South Parks - Early Works Contract Award**

The General Manager and the Director of Park Planning and Development introduced the item on [FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites at Killarney and Memorial South Parks - Early Works Contract Award](#), and responded to questions related to:

- Timeline
- Relationship to PNE Amphitheatre
- Funding
- Community benefits
- Lighting
- Tree removal
- Alternative sites
- Security
- Legal obligations
- Contracts

The Committee heard from one speaker in support of the recommendations, 10 speakers in opposition to the recommendations and four who spoke to other aspects of the recommendations.

Subsequently it was,

MOVED by Commissioner Christensen  
SECONDED by Commissioner Jensen

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation (“Park Board”) authorize Park Board staff to negotiate and execute a contract with an estimated total value of \$16,250,000 plus GST with Canadian Turner Construction Co. Ltd. for the early construction works for the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) at Killarney Park, to the satisfaction of the Park Board’s General Manager, the City of Vancouver’s (the “City”) Director of Legal Services, and the City’s Chief Purchasing Officer, for a term lasting until services are complete (estimated at approximately December 2026), and funded through the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) Capital Budget.
- B. THAT the Park Board authorize Park Board staff to negotiate and execute a contract with an estimated total value of \$8,750,000 plus GST with Canadian Turner Construction Co. Ltd. for the early construction works for the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) at Memorial South Park, to the satisfaction of the Park Board’s General Manager, the City’s Director of Legal Services, and the City’s Chief Purchasing Officer, for a term lasting until services are complete (estimated at approximately December 2026), and funded through the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) Capital Budget.
- C. THAT the City’s Director of Legal Services, the City’s Chief Purchasing Officer, and the Park Board’s General Manager be authorized and delegated authority to execute the contracts described in Recommendations A and B on behalf of the Park Board.
- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by the Park Board’s adoption of Recommendations A, B, and C unless and until the Park Board’s authorized signatories execute the contracts set out in the Recommendations.

#### **Amendment to the Main Motion**

MOVED by Commissioner Digby  
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

THAT the following be added to the end as E:

- E. THAT, for Memorial South Park, tree removals be delayed as long as possible to

provide additional time for the City Manager Mochrie to determine that there is no possibility of using the existing high quality soccer facility at UBC for a FIFA training site in place of Memorial South Park, while still ensuring that the Park Board's legal commitments are met.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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*At this point in the proceedings, Commissioner Christensen relinquished the Chair to Commissioner Jensen, in order to move an amendment.*

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### **Amendment to the Amended Motion**

MOVED by Commissioner Christensen  
SECONDED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

THAT the following be added as F:

- F. THAT if construction of the training sites proceed, the Board direct staff to engage with the Killarney and Memorial South communities to understand their priorities for park amenities;

FURTHER that the Board commit to prioritizing these amenities in the development of the 2027-2030 Capital Plan;

AND FURTHER that the Board direct staff to send a letter through the Board Chair to request that City Council also commit to prioritizing these amenities in the 2027 - 2030 Capital Plan.

### **Amendment to the Amendment**

MOVED by Commissioner Virdi  
SECONDED by Commissioner Howard

THAT the proposed amendment be struck and replaced with the following:

“THAT we fast-track the track and turf field at Moberly Park to offset the downtime for amenities at south memorial.”

LOST

*In favour: Commissioners Howard, Virdi*

*Opposed: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Digby, Haer, Jensen*

Prior to the vote, Commissioner Digby raised a Point of Order, enquiring if he could seek staff input regarding the feasibility of fast-tracking the track and turf field at Moberly Park. The Chair responded that, per section 6.6 of the Park Board Procedure By-law, Commissioners may ask staff questions about a matter before the Board. Staff responded to the question.

The amendment to the amendment having lost, the amendment was put and CARRIED with Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Haer and Jensen in favour, Commissioner Howard opposed, and Commissioners Digby and Viridi abstaining from the vote.

### **Amendment to the Amended Motion**

MOVED by Commissioner Haer

THAT the following be added as G:

- G. THAT staff install a new rubberized track at an alternative field to ensure schools and athletic clubs can continue training and preparing for competitions while FIFA-related work is underway, providing both immediate and long-term community benefits.

*Not having received a seconder, the amendment was not opened for debate.*

### **Question on the Motion as Amended**

*Prior to the vote, the Board agreed to sever the components of the motion for the vote.*

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation (“Park Board”) authorize Park Board staff to negotiate and execute a contract with an estimated total value of \$16,250,000 plus GST with Canadian Turner Construction Co. Ltd. for the early construction works for the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) at Killarney Park, to the satisfaction of the Park Board’s General Manager, the City of Vancouver’s (the “City”) Director of Legal Services, and the City’s Chief Purchasing Officer, for a term lasting until services are complete (estimated at approximately December 2026), and funded through the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) Capital Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- B. THAT the Park Board authorize Park Board staff to negotiate and execute a contract with an estimated total value of \$8,750,000 plus GST with Canadian Turner Construction Co. Ltd. for the early construction works for the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) at Memorial South Park, to the satisfaction of the Park Board’s General Manager, the City’s Director of Legal Services, and the City’s Chief Purchasing Officer, for a term lasting until services are complete (estimated at approximately December 2026), and funded through the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites (VSTS) Capital Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*In favour: Commissioners Howard and Viridi*

*Abstained: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Digby, Haer, Jensen*

- C. THAT the City's Director of Legal Services, the City's Chief Purchasing Officer, and the Park Board's General Manager be authorized and delegated authority to execute the contracts described in Recommendations A and B on behalf of the Park Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by the Park Board's adoption of Recommendations A, B, and C unless and until the Park Board's authorized signatories execute the contracts set out in the Recommendations.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- E. THAT, for Memorial South Park, tree removals be delayed as long as possible to provide additional time for the City Manager Mochrie to determine that there is no possibility of using the existing high quality soccer facility at UBC for a FIFA training site in place of Memorial South Park, while still ensuring that the Park Board's legal commitments are met.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- F. THAT if construction of the training sites proceed, the Board direct staff to engage with the Killarney and Memorial South communities to understand their priorities for park amenities;

FURTHER that the Board commit to prioritizing these amenities in the development of the 2027-2030 Capital Plan;

AND FURTHER that the Board direct staff to send a letter through the Board Chair to request that City Council also commit to prioritizing these amenities in the 2027 - 2030 Capital Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*In favour: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Haer, Howard, Jensen, Virdi  
Abstained: Commissioner Digby*

### **Recess**

The Board recessed from 8:50pm to 8:55pm.

## **2. Stanley Park Hemlock Looper Response and Mitigation Plan - Advancing Phase III**

The Director of Park Services introduced the item and the Project Manager II - Urban Forestry, presented an overview on the [Stanley Park Hemlock Looper Response and Mitigation Plan - Advancing Phase III](#).

Following the presentation, staff responded to questions related to:

- Involvement of Host Nations

- Previous phases
- Impacted trails
- Consultant's report
- Procurement process
- Public safety

### **Motion to Extend**

MOVED by Commissioner Bastyovanszky

SECONDED by Commissioner Jensen

THAT the meeting extend beyond 10pm in order to complete the business on the agenda.

CARRIED AND WITH THE  
REQUIRED MAJORITY

*In favour: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Digby, Jensen, Virdi*

*Opposed: Commissioner Howard*

*Absent: Commissioner Haer*

The Committee heard from one speaker in support of the recommendations, 18 speakers in opposition to the recommendations and three who spoke to other aspects of the recommendations.

During the hearing of a speaker, Commissioner Jensen raised a Point of Order, requesting that the speaker refrain from using the term "natives". The Chair agreed and reminded the speaker to use respectful language.

Subsequently it was,

MOVED by Commissioner Christensen

SECONDED by Commissioner Jensen

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Board authorize staff to prepare a Change Order to advance mitigation and restoration of approximately 25% (40 hectares) of the Phase 3 scope in Q1 2025 as funded by previously approved project budget to address public safety risks in high use areas of Stanley Park.
- B. THAT the Board support Bid Committee and Supply Chain Management's authorization to award the Change Order amending the current Phase 2 contract for the extent of work contemplated by A above, exercising authorities in the Corporation's procurement policy.
- C. THAT the Board direct staff to continue advancing a competitive procurement process for contracted services to support the remainder of Phase 3 (Q4 2025 – Q1 2027) risk mitigation and restoration with a report back to the Board for approval of the extent of treatment prior to implementation in accordance with the October 9, 2024, decision.

### **Amendment to the Main Motion**

MOVED by Commissioner Digby

THAT the following be added to the end as D:

- D. THAT the Board shall hold at least one public meeting by June 2025, with Commissioners and staff in attendance, to gather perspectives from the public and share information about Hemlock Looper moth mitigation efforts in Stanley Park, so that Commissioners can be as informed as possible when making decisions about implementation of further Phase 3 mitigation efforts due to begin in November 2025.

*Not having received a seconder, the amendment was not opened for debate.*

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*At 11pm, after providing warnings to the gallery to maintain respectful behaviour, the Chair requested the speakers exit the gallery in accordance with section 165.1 of the Vancouver Charter.*

*At 11:03pm, Commissioner Digby raised a Point of Privilege, enquiring the General Manager to check if staff were comfortable proceeding with the meeting or required a recess. The Chair agreed, and it was confirmed that staff were able to proceed without a recess.*

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### **Main Motion**

- A. THAT the Board authorize staff to prepare a Change Order to advance mitigation and restoration of approximately 25% (40 hectares) of the Phase 3 scope in Q1 2025 as funded by previously approved project budget to address public safety risks in high use areas of Stanley Park.
- B. THAT the Board support Bid Committee and Supply Chain Management's authorization to award the Change Order amending the current Phase 2 contract for the extent of work contemplated by A above, exercising authorities in the Corporation's procurement policy.
- C. THAT the Board direct staff to continue advancing a competitive procurement process for contracted services to support the remainder of Phase 3 (Q4 2025 – Q1 2027) risk mitigation and restoration with a report back to the Board for approval of the extent of treatment prior to implementation in accordance with the October 9, 2024, decision.

CARRIED

*In favour: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Jensen*

*Abstained: Commissioners Digby, Howard, Viridi*

*Absent: Commissioner Haer*



### **3. Park Board Code of Conduct Policy Amendments - Report Back**

The General Manager and Solicitor III of Legal Services introduced the item on [Park Board Code of Conduct Policy Amendments - Report Back](#).

Following the introduction, the Committee heard from one speaker who spoke to other aspects of the recommendations.

Subsequently it was,

MOVED by Commissioner Christensen

SECONDED by Commissioner Digby

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

THAT the Board refer this report back to staff to address any new recommendations from the Integrity Commissioner in her 2024 reports.

CARRIED

*In favour: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Digby*

*Opposed: Commissioners Howard, Viridi*

*Abstained: Commissioner Jensen*

*Absent: Commissioner Haer*

### **4. Golf Course Operators - Contract Award**

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation ("Park Board") authorize staff to negotiate to the satisfaction of the Park Board's General Manager, the City of Vancouver's (the "City") Director of Legal Services, and the City's Chief Purchasing Official and enter into a contract with Monaghan Golf Inc. for supply of golf course operators services, for an initial term of 3 years with the option to extend for two (2) additional one (1) year terms, with an estimated total contract value of \$4,357,401.37, plus applicable taxes over the initial 3-year term plus the possible two 1-year extension options, to be funded through the operating budget.
- B. THAT the City's Director of Legal Services, Chief Purchasing Official and Park Board's General Manager be authorized to execute on behalf of the Park Board the contract contemplated by A above.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by the Park Board's adoption of Recommendations A and B above unless and until such contract is executed by the authorized signatories of the City as set out in these A through C of the Report dated November 27, 2024, titled "Golf Course Operators - Contract Award".

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

The Committee meeting adjourned at 11:26 pm.

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Steve Jackson  
General Manager

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Commissioner Laura Christensen  
Chair



## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 9, 2024

A Regular meeting of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation was held on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 11:27 pm, in the Boardroom at the Park Board Office, and via videoconference.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Brennan Bastovanszky, Chair  
Commissioner Laura Christensen  
Commissioner Tom Digby  
Commissioner Marie-Claire Howard\*  
Commissioner Scott Jensen, Vice-Chair  
Commissioner Jas Virdi

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Angela Haer

**GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Steve Jackson, General Manager  
Denise Swanston, Manager, Board Relations & Meeting Clerk  
Connie Law, Board Support and Meeting Assistant & Meeting Clerk  
Jessica Kulchyski, Board Support and Meeting Assistant

\* *Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.*

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. The meeting is being held on the land respectfully and with the knowledge that there must be continued acknowledgement of the history of injustice toward Indigenous peoples. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation is committed to supporting truth and reconciliation, and to use this opportunity to amplify local First Nations voices and culture through our work in community.

### IN CAMERA MEETING

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen  
SECONDED by Commissioner Virdi

THAT the Board will go into meetings 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:

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;

(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

(j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 [disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party] of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

(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 Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Regular Board Meeting – November 4, 2024
2. Special Board (In-Camera approvals) Meeting – November 25, 2024
3. Special Board (Budget) Meeting – November 25, 2024

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen

SECONDED by Commissioner Digby

THAT the Minutes of the following Board meetings be approved:

1. Regular Board Meeting of November 4, 2024;
2. Special Board (In-Camera approvals) Meeting of November 25, 2024; and
3. Special Board (Budget) Meeting – November 25, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*In favour: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Digby, Jensen, Viridi*

*Absent: Commissioner Howard*

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair highlighted the participation of Commissioners at Park Board events since the previous Board meeting on November 4, 2024:

- National Indigenous Veterans Day – Commissioner Jensen presented a wreath at the National Indigenous Veterans Day Ceremony at Victory Square Park
- Remembrance Day – Memorial South Park – Commissioner Digby presented a wreath at the Remembrance Day Ceremony at Memorial South Park
- Remembrance Day – Victory Square – Chair Bastyovanszky presented a wreath at the Remembrance Day Ceremony at Victory Square Park.
- Remembrance Day – Chinatown – Chair Bastyovanszky attended the Chinatown Memorial Square Remembrance Day Ceremony
- Kerrisdale Arena 75th Anniversary – Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Digby attended the 75th Anniversary of the Kerrisdale Arena

- Jericho Sailing Centre Association Meeting – Commissioner Jensen attended the JSCA meeting.
- Brock House Society Lease Agreement – Commissioner Digby attended the celebration of a renewed lease agreement for the Brock House Society.
- Lumiere Festival – Commissioners attended the launch of the Lumiere Festival at Harbour Green Park
- Comr. Digby – Liaison Roles – Commissioner Digby attended the Britannia Community Services Centre meeting, the Dunbar CCA meeting, and the Kerrisdale CCA meeting in his role as liaison
- All Aboard Skateboard Celebration – Commissioner Jensen attended the All Aboard Skateboard Celebration.
- Louis Riel Day – Commissioner Jensen celebrated Louis Riel Day on November 16
- Comr. Jensen – Liaison Role – Commissioner Jensen met with HI Hostel, attended the Hastings Park Conservancy AGM, and attended the Urban Indigenous Peoples’ Advisory Committee in his role as liaison
- Park Board Transition Press Conference – Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Digby attended the press conference for the City’s update on the Park Board Transition Plan
- VPD Mounted Unit – Commissioner Jensen visited the VPD Mounted Unit in Stanley Park
- UGM Christmas Hampers – Commissioner Jensen packed Christmas Hampers for the Union Gospel Mission
- Christmas Wonderland on The Drive – Commissioner Christensen attended Christmas Wonderland on The Drive in Grandview Park
- Davie Plaza Tree Lighting – Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Jensen attended the tree lighting at Davie Plaza
- Bright Nights in Stanley Park – Commissioners attended the opening night of Bright Nights in Stanley Park.
- East Van Panto – Commissioners met with the cast and crew of East Van Panto
- Chair Bastyovanszky – Liaison Roles – Chair Bastyovanszky attended the False Creek CCA meeting, VFSF Board meeting and AGM, and the VSB-COV Planning and Facilities meeting in his role as liaison
- Comr. Christensen – Liaison Roles – Commissioner Christensen attended the AGM for Mount Pleasant CCA and Trout Lake CCA and swore in new members
- BC Lions Grey Cup Gala – Commissioners attended the BC Lions Grey Cup Gala dinner
- BC Lions Grey Cup Game – Commissioners attended the BC Lions 111th Grey Cup Game at BC Place
- Fallen Trees in Stanley Park – Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Jensen observed fallen trees in Stanley Park after the recent bomb cyclone

- VBGA Alma Society Dinner – Chair Bastyovanszky and Commissioner Digby attended the VBGA Alma Society Dinner
- VPL Year End Meeting – Commissioner Jensen attended the VPL year-end meeting and holiday celebration.

### **MOTION TO EXTEND**

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen  
SECONDED by Commissioner Christensen

THAT the meeting extend in order to complete the business on the agenda.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND WITH THE  
REQUIRED MAJORITY

*In favour: Commissioners Bastyovanszky, Christensen, Digby, Jensen, Viridi*  
*Absent: Commissioner Howard*

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

No communication related to the meeting agenda was received.

### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### **1. Report of the Board Committee – December 9, 2024**

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

1. FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites at Killarney and Memorial South Parks - Early Works Contract Award
2. Stanley Park Hemlock Looper Response and Mitigation Plan - Advancing Phase 3
3. Park Board Code of Conduct Policy Amendments - Report Back
4. Golf Course Operators - Contract Award

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen  
SECONDED by Commissioner Christensen

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Board Committee at its meeting of December 9, 2024, as contained in items 1 to 4.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
*Abstained: Commissioner Howard*

## STAFF REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

### 1. General Manager's Report

The General Manager presented the General Manager's Report, highlighting:

- 2024 Micro Forest Pilot – Two micro forest pilot sites were installed at Gordon and Strathcona Parks, supporting improved ecological function, biodiversity, water conservation, and cooling.
- 2024 Stewardship Restoration – Park Board staff supplied stewardship partners with 6,500 native plants to be installed in fall/winter 2024/2025 at community-led events.
- Kerrisdale – Point Grey Track and Field Upgrades – Opening – The track and field at Kerrisdale – Point Grey has been reopened for use with a resurfaced 400m track, new jumping and throwing amenities, improved seating, storage, lighting, and accessibility.
- Bomb Cyclone Response – On November 19, 2024, high winds cause the closure of Stanley Park. 7 trees fell onto roadways within the park, making them impassable. Rangers closed vehicle access points and patrolled the park to ask citizens to leave for their safety.
- Council Agenda Items:
  - Presentation titled "[Vancouver Plan Implementation Update](#)" on December 11, 2024.
  - Report titled ""[Broadway Plan Review and Implementation](#)" on December 11, 2024.
  - Report titled "[Contract Award for the Construction of the Early Works for the FIFA World Cup 26 Vancouver Venue Specific Training Sites \(VSTS\) at Killarney and Memorial South Parks](#)" on December 11, 2024.
  - Motion titled "[Support for Japanese Canadian Interpretive Centre at Hastings Park](#)" on December 11, 2024.
- Board briefing [memos and emails](#) issued from November 4, 2024 to December 9, 2024.

## **NOTICE OF MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

### **1. Request for designation of 17 parks as Permanent Public Parks under the Vancouver Charter s. 488(5).**

Commissioner Digby submitted a Notice of Motion on the above-noted matter. The motion below may be placed on the Board meeting agenda of January 20, 2025, as a Member's Motion.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- A. The Vancouver Park Board hereby endorses the recommendation that the 17 parks listed in Appendix A be designated by Mayor and Council as a Permanent Public Parks under Section 488(5) of the Vancouver Charter.
- B. The Chair be directed to communicate this endorsement to the Mayor and Council forthwith.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **1. Official Apology from Commissioner Digby**

Commissioner Digby extended his apology to the Chair, Board members and staff for engaging with a media on December 8 and making inappropriate comments regarding capital budget allocation approved by the Board on November 25.

## **ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR – 2025 TERM**

### **1. Election of 2025 Board Chair**

As set forth in the Park Board's Procedure By-law, the General Manager, acting as Presiding Member, called for nominations for Chair of the Board for the 2025 term.

Commissioner Digby moved, and Commissioner Jensen seconded, the nomination of Commissioner Bastyovanszky as Chair of the Board for 2025; Commissioner Bastyovanszky declined the nomination.

Commissioner Bastyovanszky moved, and Commissioner Jensen seconded, the nomination of Commissioner Christensen as Chair of the Board for 2025; Commissioner Christensen accepted the nomination.

Commissioner Viridi moved, and Commissioner Jensen seconded, the nomination of Commissioner Digby as Chair of the Board for 2025; Commissioner Digby declined the nomination.

The General Manager called for additional nominations. There being no further nominations, the General Manager declared nominations for the Chair of the Board closed.



The General Manager announced Commissioner Christensen as Chair of the Board for 2025, by acclamation.

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*At this point in the proceedings, Commissioner Bastyovanszky, resumed the role of Chair.*

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## **2. Election of 2025 Board Vice-Chair**

The Chair called for nominations for Vice-Chair of the Board for the 2025 term.

Commissioner Digby moved, and Commissioner Jensen seconded, the nomination of Commissioner Bastyovanszky as Vice-Chair of the Board for 2025; Commissioner Bastyovanszky accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for additional nominations. There being no further nominations, the Chair declared nominations for the Vice-Chair of the Board closed.

The Chair announced Commissioner Bastyovanszky as Vice-Chair of the Board for 2025, by acclamation.

## **ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR – 2025 TERM**

### **1. Election of 2025 Committee Chair**

The Chair called for nominations for Chair of the Committee for the 2025 term.

Commissioner Digby moved, and Commissioner Christensen seconded, the nomination of Commissioner Jensen as Chair of the Committee for 2025; Commissioner Jensen accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for additional nominations. There being no further nominations, the Chair declared nominations for the Chair of the Committee closed.

The Chair announced Commissioner Jensen as Chair of the Committee for 2025, by acclamation.

### **2. Election of 2024 Committee Vice-Chair**

The Chair called for nominations for Vice-Chair of the Committee for the 2025 term.

Commissioner Jensen moved, and Commissioner Christensen seconded, the nomination of Commissioner Digby as Vice-Chair of the Committee for 2025; Commissioner Digby accepted the nomination.

The Chair called for additional nominations. There being no further nominations, the Chair declared nominations for the Vice-Chair of the Committee closed.

The Chair announced Commissioner Digby as Vice-Chair of the Committee for 2025, by acclamation.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Board adjourned at 11:53 pm.

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Steve Jackson  
General Manager

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Brennan Bastyovanszky  
Chair