



COMMISSIONER ENQUIRIES – SUMMARY REPORT

Date Received	Topic	Submitted By	Summary of request	Board Update
December 9, 2024	Washroom Cleanliness Budget Amendment – FASE/ARC Budgetary Breakdown	Commissioner Jensen	<p>I see that to ensure the washrooms are cleaned to a level 2 standard, City Council has requested the transfer of the PB ARC department to the jurisdiction of the city. Apparently, \$900,000 can be found doing this.</p> <p>Can you please provide a budgetary breakdown of how \$900,000 will be found. Can you identify any job losses due to this transition? Will any projects be scrapped due to this transition? How would this transition affect any current or future projects? How will this affect the Park Board relationship with the First Nations?</p> <p>Finally, will this transition only be in affect for one year or will Council guarantee a level 2 cleanliness for all future budgets?</p>	<p>As directed by the Board, Park Board Staff have not been engaged in any discussions related to the Park Board Transition; and as such cannot comment on where the \$900,000 budget reallocation would come from. Staff would not be able to speak to any of the details of how this would relate to current or future projects, or relationships with the First Nations.</p> <p>A report on the transition was presented to Council by the Deputy City Manager on November 27th, 2024 and can be found at the following link: <a href="https://council.vancouver.ca/20241127/documents/pspc1.pdf">https://council.vancouver.ca/20241127/documents/pspc1.pdf</a>. As noted above, Park Board Staff had no input into this report.</p> <p>The amendment by Councilor Kirby-Yung as part of the 2025 Operating Budget Report on December 10, 2024, indicates that if Park Board were to endorse a reallocation of budget to prioritize washroom cleanliness in Recreation centres, that it would be a permanent budget allocation and therefore be ongoing.</p> <p>In the absence of direction from the Park Board to explore operational efficiencies that may result from realignment of functions with other City departments, staff will not be pursuing the suggestion from Council. Cleanliness levels will remain at current standards.</p>