



BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 10, 2025

A Committee meeting of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation was held on Monday, February 24, 2025, at 6:40 pm, in the Boardroom at the Park Board Office, and via videoconference.

PRESENT:

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

**GENERAL MANAGER'S
OFFICE:**

Steve Jackson, General Manager
Jessica Kulchyski, Manager, Executive Office and Board Relations
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk
Victoria Tyers, 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.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Board Committee Meeting – February 24 and 25, 2025

MOVED by Commissioner Haer
SECONDED by Commissioner Digby

THAT the Minutes of the Board Committee meeting on February 24 and 25, 2025, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications of note related to the Board Committee agenda items.

STAFF REPORTS

1. Enhanced Accessibility on Seawall Cycling Path – Report Back

The Director, Planning and Park Development, introduced the item and Civil Engineer I, Park Planning and Development, provided a presentation on concepts to enhance accessibility at three locations on the Seawall cycling path.

Following the presentation, it was suggested that staff consider the installation of digital speed signs for cyclists during the detailed design phase.

The Board Committee heard from one speaker who proposed the removal of the maze gates at Lumberman's Arch and Third Beach as an interim solution while the permanent accessibility measures are implemented.

MOVED by Commissioner Viridi
SECONDED by Commissioner Digby

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Board approve the proposed conceptual designs to enhance accessibility on the Stanley Park Seawall pathways at Lumberman's Arch, Prospect Point, and Third Beach, as described in the report titled "Enhanced Accessibility on Seawall Cycling Path – Report Back", dated February 27, 2025; and
- B. THAT the Board direct staff to proceed with the detailed design phase for the proposed solutions for the Stanley Park Seawall pathways at Lumberman's Arch, Prospect Point and Third Beach, and to seek construction funding in the 2027–2030 capital plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Park Board Flag and Illumination Policy

The Director, Strategic Operations and Board Relations, reported that the Park Board Flag and Illumination Policy (Policy) is intended to formalize a long-standing practice.

Staff responded to questions related to:

- Confirmation that the Policy is applicable to all Park Board facilities, including community centres, and is not within the jurisdiction of the Community Centre Associations (CCAs)
- Suggestion that there be a requirement to maintain flags in a manner that is respectful to those who have served

MOVED by Commissioner Haer
SECONDED by Commissioner Jensen

THAT the Committee recommend to the Board:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation approve the Park Board Flag and Illumination Policy, as outlined in Appendix A of the report titled "Park Board Flag and Illumination Policy", dated February 26, 2025.
- B. THAT the Vancouver Park Board delegate authority to the General Manager to make any further decisions to alter or amend the policy to include any additional programmable commemorative lighting infrastructure as they may be added to the Park Board system.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

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Steve Jackson
General Manager

Commissioner Scott Jensen
Chair