



RECOGNITION OF JIM CLIVE & HOWARD KELSEY Report Back

Park Board Committee Meeting

Monday, July 27, 2026



- To report back on Member's Motion 'Recognition of Jim Clive and Howard Kelsey for Their Contributions to Sport and Community at Kitsilano Beach Park'



- Park Board Commemorative Naming Policy Park Board Community Facilities (2007)
- VanPlay Framework, Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan (2020)
- Joint CoV/PB Commemoration Framework - Guiding Principles, Vision & Emerging Priorities (2022)
- Adopting the UNDRIP Action Plan 2024-2028 (2024)

City of Vancouver Commemoration Framework (2026)

Application Criteria: a minimum of a two-year waiting period from the time of a person's passing or the occurrence of an event and the proposed commemoration.



Recognition Option (Recommended):

Considering established standards of commemoration and Park Board's temporary suspension of commemorative naming, staff recommend that the Park Board proceed with recognition-based approach through interpretive signage at the Kitsilano Beach Volleyball and Basketball Courts.



Naming Option

Alternatively, the basketball courts could be named the 'Howard Kelsey Basketball Courts'. Recognition through:

- Plaque mounted on a decorative rock adjacent to the courts, or
- Name painted directly on the court surface in discreet manner

Volleyball courts could be named the 'Jim Clive Volleyball Courts'. Recognition through:

- Plaque mounted on a decorative rock near the courts, or
- Post-mounted sign, similar in appearance and scale to the volleyball net posts.

- Staff recommend a recognition-based approach that honours Jim Clive and Howard Kelsey
- Subject to Board approval, staff will work with the honourees, their families, and relevant community organisations to develop and instal the signage near the beach volleyball and basketball courts.
- Staff will coordinate a public unveiling event

- A. THAT the Park Board, in alignment with the 2022 Board decision suspending review of new commemorative requests, honour Jim Clive and Howard Kelsey through interpretive signage at Kitsilano Beach Park, recognising their contributions to Vancouver's athletic community.
- B. THAT staff coordinate an event to unveil the signage and recognise Jim Clive and Howard Kelsey's contributions to Vancouver's athletic community.

