BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION
INAUGURAL BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 2, 2026

A special Board meeting was held on Monday, November 2, 2026, at 7:02 pm, at the VanDusen Botanical Garden Visitor Centre, 5251 Oak Street, Vancouver, British Columbia.

PRESENT:	Commissioner Tom Digby, Chair Commissioner-Elect Sacia Burton Commissioner Laura Christensen Commissioner Angela Haer Commissioner-Elect Jamie Han Commissioner Marie-Claire Howard Commissioner Scott Jensen Commissioner-Elect Breanne Smart Commissioner-Elect Tamiko Suzuki Commissioner-Elect Spencer Van Vloten Commissioner Jas Virdi Commissioner-Elect T'uy't'tanat Cease Wyss
ABSENT:	Commissioner Brennan Bastyovanszky, Vice-Chair
GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE:	Steve Jackson, General Manager John Brodie, Director, Strategic Operations and Board Relations Amit Gandha, Director, Park Services Pragya Grewal, Director of Financial Planning and Analysis Sarah Iacoe, Director, Strategic Operations and Board Relations Julia Hulbert, Acting Manager, Arts, Culture and Recreation Steve Kellock, Director, Recreation Jessica Kulchyski, Manager, Executive Office and Board Relations Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk Tiina Mack, Director, Planning and Park Development Godfrey Tait, Associate Director, Communications, Engagement, Marketing Jason Twa, City Clerk, City of Vancouver

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2022–2026 BOARD

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. The meeting is being held on the land respectfully and with honour to each other, the land and the communities that the Park Board serve. The Chair invited all to join him in committing to actions of reconciliation in their deliberations and decisions.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED by Commissioner Jensen
SECONDED by Commissioner Christensen

> THAT the minutes of the October 26, 2026 Park Board Committee and Regular Board Meetings be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CHAIR'S REPORT

1. Review of 2022–2026 Term

The Chair introduced a video highlighting the accomplishments during the term of the 2022–2026 Board and recognized the contributions of the Park Board staff.

2. Closing Remarks

The Chair expressed gratitude to the Park Board staff and welcomed incoming Commissioners.

The Chair thanked outgoing Commissioners for their dedicated public service.

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At this point in the proceedings, the General Manager assumed the chair.

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CONCLUSION OF 2022–2026 TERM

Steve Jackson, General Manager, Park Board, recognized the 2022–2026 Park Board Commissioners and presented each with an appreciation gift,

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2026–2030 BOARD

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OATH OF OFFICE

The General Manager read the election returns advising that: Sacia Burton, Tom Digby, Jamie Han, Breanne Smart, Tamiko Suzuki, Spencer Van Vloten and T'uy't'tanat Cease Wyss received the highest number of votes and were declared Commissioners-elect for the years 2026–2030.

Jason Twa, City Clerk, City of Vancouver, administered the Oath of Office to the Commissioners-elect. The Commissioners-elect repeated the Oath in unison, then each signed the Oath of Office, witnessed by the City Clerk.

ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

1. Election of Board Chair

As set forth in the Park Board's Procedure By-law, the General Manager, acting as Chair pro tem, called for nominations for Chair of the Board for the remainder 2026 and 2027.

Commissioner Han nominated Commissioner Digby as Chair of the Board for the remainder 2026 and 2017. Commissioner Digby accepted 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 Digby elected as Chair of the Board by acclamation.

2. Election of Board Vice-Chair

The General Manager called for nominations for the Vice-Chair of the Board for the remainder 2026 and 2027.

Commissioner Smart nominated Commissioner Burton as Vice-Chair of the Board for the remainder 2026 and 2027. Commissioner Burton accepted the nomination.

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

The General Manager announced Commissioner Burton elected as Vice-Chair of the Board by acclamation.

PARK BOARD COMMITTEE

1. Establishment of Park Board Committee for 2027–2030

MOVED by Commissioner Digby
SECONDED by Commissioner Van Vloten

THAT the Park Board Committee be established for the 2027–2030 term.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Election of Committee Chair

The General Manager called for nominations for the Chair of the Committee for the remainder of 2026 and 2027.

Commissioner Van Vloten nominated Commissioner Han as Chair of the Committee for the remainder of 2026 and 2027. Commissioner Han accepted the nomination.

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

The General Manager announced Commissioner Han elected as Chair of the Committee by acclamation.

3. Election of Committee Vice-Chair

The General Manager called for nominations for the Vice-Chair of the Committee for the remainder of 2026 and 2027.

Commissioner Burton nominated Commissioner Smart as Vice-Chair of the Committee for the remainder of 2026 and 2027. Commissioner Smart accepted the nomination.

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

The General Manager announced Commissioner Smart elected as Vice-Chair of the Committee by acclamation.

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Commissioner Digby reassumed the chair.

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OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business raised.

The Board adjourned at 7:43 pm.

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Steve Jackson
General Manager

Commissioner Tom Digby
Chair