

COVID 19 Temporary Shelter at Jericho Hostel

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT, in response to the October 8, 2020 City Council decision regarding "Emergency COVID-19 Relief for Unsheltered Vancouver Residents", which directed staff to pursue using the "Jericho Hostel for housing unhoused people as soon as possible",

- A. THAT the Park Board authorize the General Manager to negotiate with the Canadian Hostelling Association for granting such consents under, and entering into such amendments to, the current Operating Agreement between the Park Board and the Canadian Hostelling Association as are considered reasonable and necessary by the General Manager to support the use of the Jericho Hostel for temporary shelter for as long as the COVID-19 pandemic exists ("Temporary Shelter Amendment");
- B. THAT, as a condition of the Temporary Shelter Amendment, the General Manager:
 - confirm that the City will provide the human resources and other resources necessary to manage the Jericho Hostel for the duration of the Temporary Shelter Amendment; and
 - ii. obtain a written agreement in principle with the City that additional funding will be provided, within reason, should the use and occupation of the Jericho Hostel under the Temporary Shelter Amendment result in increased costs to maintain the park surrounding Jericho Hostel;
- C. THAT upon the successful negotiation of the Temporary Shelter Amendment, the General Manager (in consultation with the City Solicitor) be authorized to execute any required legal consents or amendment agreements on behalf of the Park Board.
- D. THAT the Board Chair issue a media statement that releases this In Camera decision and outlines the actions to be taken.