

## Oppenheimer Park Encampment – Update & Next Steps

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MOVED by Commissioner Mackinnon SECONDED by Commissioner Dumont

Amendments (adding iv) MOVED by Commissioner Irwin

Final motion as amended:

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation direct staff to work with Vancouver Fire and Rescue Service, the Vancouver Police Department, the City of Vancouver, other social agencies, and the campers in Oppenheimer Park to assist the campers in an orderly decampment to suitable housing. Which will include:
  - i. the removal of any unoccupied tents;
  - ii. cooperation with VFRS with safety checks and removal of unsafe equipment;
  - iii. cooperation with VPD on keeping public safety;
  - iv. increasing community development staff to work with campers and other city departments;
  - v. cooperation with sanitation crews for the removal of rubbish and unsafe materials; and
  - vi. cooperation with BC Housing in directing campers to alternative shelter.
- B. THAT Park Board staff will work with the City of Vancouver to implement City Council motion: A Collaborative and New Approach to Oppenheimer Park and Other Public Spaces.

**CARRIED**