



**PARK BOARD (IN-CAMERA) MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

FEBRUARY 13, 2023

An In-Camera meeting of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation was held on Monday, February 13, 2023, at 5:33 pm, via videoconference and at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT:

Commissioner Brennan Bastyovanszky, Vice Chair
Commissioner Laura Christensen
Commissioner Tom Digby (departed at 9:05 pm)
Commissioner Angela Kate Haer
Commissioner Marie-Claire Howard
Commissioner Scott Jensen, Chair
Commissioner Jas Virdi

ALSO PRESENT:

Donnie Rosa, General Manager
John Brodie, Director, Strategic Operations and Board Relations
(Acting)
Amit Gandha, Director, Parks
Natalie Froehlich, Director, Financial Planning and Analysis
Steve Jackson, Director, Business Services
Steve Kellock, Director, Recreation
Betty Lepps, Director, Urban Relationships
Tiina Mack, Director, Planning and Park Development
Amanda Gibbs, Senior Manager, Communications, Marketing and
Engagement
Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk
Jessica Kulchyski, Board Support and Meeting Assistant

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. The meeting is being held on the land respectfully and with knowledge that there must be continued acknowledgement of the history of injustice toward Indigenous peoples. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation is committed to supporting truth and reconciliation, and to use this opportunity to amplify local First Nations voices and culture through our work in community.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Park Board In-Camera Meeting – February 6, 2023

MOVED by Commissioner Christensen

SECONDED by Commissioner Digby

THAT the Park Board minutes of the February 6, 2023 In-Camera meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGENDA ITEMS

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Recess

The meeting recessed at 6:14 pm and reconvened at 8:40 pm. with all Commissioners and the following Park Board staff in attendance:

- Natalie Froelich, Director, Financial Planning and Analysis
- Steve Jackson, Director, Business Services
- Steve Kellock, Director, Recreation
- Jessica Kulchyski, Board Support and Meeting Assistant
- Tiina Mack, Director, Planning and Park Development
- Donnie Rosa, General Manager
- Carol Lee, Meeting Clerk.

3. Vancouver Aquatics Centre (VAC) Update

The following staff joined the meeting:

- Emma Artis, Project Manager, Facilities Planning, City of Vancouver
- Grace Cheng, Director, Long-Term Financial Strategy and Planning, City of Vancouver
- Peter Fox, Manager, Recreation Services, Park Board
- Matthew Halverson, Association Director, Facilities Planning, City of Vancouver
- Sandra Korpan, Associate Director, Facilities Planning, City of Vancouver
- Michelle Schouls, Director, Facilities Planning, City of Vancouver
- Doug Shearer, Manager, Planning, Policy and Environment, Park Board
- Leila Todd, Senior Planner, Planning, Policy and Environment, Park Board.

M. Schouls and Steve Kellock, Director, Recreation, Park Board, led the review of a presentation on the VAC renewal and highlighted:

- Current programs and services offered at VAC
- Maintenance and improvements to the VAC
- Capital planning principles:
 - Prioritize public safety
 - Design to budget
 - Pursue co-location of childcare spaces
 - Expedite delivery
- VAC needs identified in VanSplash
 - The challenges of meeting the identified needs within the identified budget of \$140 million will require a multi-phased renewal plan
- Considerations and associated strategies:
 - Site conditions
 - Service level

- Land tenure
- Engagement and schedule.

Member Departed

Commissioner Digby departed the meeting at 9:05 pm.

S. Kellock and M. Schouls, along with Tiina Mack, Director, Planning and Park Development, and Donnie Rosa, General Manager, Park Board, responded to questions from the Board. There was discussion on:

- The possibility of expanding the existing footprint and location of the VAC:
 - Financial constraints preclude the relocation of the VAC
 - Suggestion to consider disposing of the existing VAC site and relocating the VAC to a site with better public transit access
- Whether the agencies that utilize the VAC would be willing to contribute funding to its renewal

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.

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Donnie Rosa
General Manager

Commissioner Scott Jensen
Chair