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Subject: Memo RE: Waste Diversion in Parks

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached memo from Jerry Dobrovolny, General Manager of Engineering regarding Waste Diversion in Parks.

Brief summary points are as follows:

- Memo is in response to Council's request on how staff can assist the Park Board to get appropriate waste stations in parks.
- Engineering, REFM and Parks staff are working together to expand recycling in parks.
- A pilot will start on June 1st in select parks to place separate dog waste carts.
- Engineering are working with MMBC to implement a recycling pilot in the west end and select park locations later this summer.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact Albert Shames - Director of Waste Management and Resource Recovery directly.

Best,
Paul

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ENGINEERING SERVICES
Jerry Dobrovolny, P.Eng.
City Engineer / General Manager

MEMORANDUM

June 16, 2016

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager
Paul Mochrie, Deputy City Manager
Janice MacKenzie, City Clerk
Lynda Graves, Manager, Administration Services, City Manager's Office
Rena Kendall-Craden, Director, Communications
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Emma Lee, Director, Community Relations, Mayor's Office
Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Park Board
Jennifer Mayberry, Manager Environmental Services

FROM: Jerry W. Dobrovolny, General Manager, Engineering Services

SUBJECT: Waste Diversion in Parks

This memorandum is in response to Council's request for information on how City Staff can work with the Park Board to get appropriate waste diversion stations in parks and facilities.

Through a recommendation from the Park Board, attached for reference, Parks staff is requested to work with Engineering and REFM to expand opportunities for waste diversion, within parks and park facilities.

There are two aspects of the request:

- Provision of Zero Waste Stations and collection services for parks facilities;
- Provision of expanded recycling services throughout parks.

Engineering, REFM and Parks staff have met to discuss program development.

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Opportunities:

- Currently zero waste stations are only inside Parks facilities such as community centres and concessions (approximately 285 stations across 45 Park Board facilities). There are opportunities to target some high waste generators such as the public side of concessions, parks and beaches at key locations to target specific waste streams.
- Engineering staff are in discussions with MMBC around a streetscape recycling pilot project that will start later this summer that includes testing the program in select parks. As a pilot, Sunset Beach concession and picnic area will have 5 recycling stations.
- Engineering staff are also working with Park Board staff on a pilot program for separate dog waste bins in select parks this summer. Building on a current pilot program in Metro Vancouver Parks the program will focus on three City parks: Charleson, representing an urban park adjacent to the seawall; John Hendry (Trout Lake) representing high use parks and Grimmert, a smaller local residential park. The pilot program started June 1, with 13 separate red carts for dog waste distributed in the selected parks.

Rolling out a full scale dog waste, zero waste and recycling program in Parks will be a costly undertaking and piloting provides the opportunity to test levels of success, operational requirements and program costs to develop plans for future implementation.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Albert Shames, Director of Waste Management and Resource Recovery, at 604-873-7300.



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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

MARCH 7, 2016

The Regular Park Board meeting was held on Monday, March 7, 2016, at 10:10 pm, at the Park Board Office.

PRESENT: Commissioner John Coupar
Commissioner Casey Crawford
Commissioner Catherine Evans
Commissioner Sarah Kirby Yung, Chair
Commissioner Stuart Mackinnon
Commissioner Erin Shum, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Michael Wiebe

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE: Malcolm Bromley, General Manager
Cheryl Chan, Business Support Lead/Manager Admin Services
Carol Lee Meeting Clerk
Jessica Kulchyski, Recorder

IN CAMERA

1. April 4, 2016 Meeting

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT the Board will go into a meeting on April 4, 2016, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the City or Park Board;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Board, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the City and Park Board if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Board Meeting - February 22, 2016

MOVED by Commissioner Wiebe
SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

THAT the Park Board minutes of the February 22, 2016, meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board was advised that there are no communications of note.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Report of the Park Board Committee - March 7, 2016

The Board considered the report containing recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee. Its items of business included:

1. REPORT: 5th and Pine Pop-up Park - Concept Plan
2. REPORT: Reconciliation Art Program - Corporate Sponsorship Funding
3. REPORT: Special Events Calendar 2016 - Major Events
4. REPORT: RBC Run for the Kids - Special Event

MOVED by Commissioner Coupar
SECONDED by Commissioner Evans

THAT the Board approve the recommendations and actions taken by the Park Board Committee at its meeting of March 7, 2016, as contained in items 1 through 4.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

STAFF REPORTS

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, advised that a report on Vancouver's celebration of Canada's 150th Anniversary would be provided at the March 8, 2016 Council meeting.

Other items of note are:

- a report to the Standing Committee of City Council on revisions to the Vancouver Sport Hosting Community Grant
- a report to the Standing Committee of City Council on 2016 moorage and other fees to be charged by the Heather Marina

- a meeting with the World Wildlife Fund - Canada regarding potential partnerships on three projects.

The Board was advised that details of the City's announcement on the acquisition of the Arbutus Corridor would be discussed at an upcoming Board briefing.

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

1. Zero Waste - Diversion Stations

Commissioner Wiebe introduced the motion and commented on the need to place diversion stations at Park Board facilities to increase diversion rates.

MOVED by Commissioner Wiebe

SECONDED by Commissioner Mackinnon

WHEREAS:

1. One of the City of Vancouver's 2020 Greenest City goals is to increase the diversion rate in Vancouver to over 70% by developing and implementing new strategies to remove organics/recyclables from the landfill;
2. A 2015 City Studio project demonstrated the need for diversion stations as their findings showed that currently there's one recycling bin per 30 garbage bins in the parks they surveyed, that the current bins move around which lead to missed pickups, recycling bins not beside garbage bins had high levels of contamination and little education/visual tools to help with diversion;
3. The Board of Parks and Recreation no longer deals directly with solid waste removal, as it is now the responsibility of The City of Vancouver's solid waste division;
4. The City of Vancouver's Healthy City Strategy states that people have the right to live in a healthy environment, with awareness of pollutants and contaminants that can cause harm; and
5. Metro Vancouver's current waste strategy includes diversion stations in all parks including dog waste.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation work with the City of Vancouver's Sanitation Operations, Real Estate and Facilities Management, all Community Centre Associations, and third-party businesses to create a diversion strategy that look at best practices which include: Metro Vancouver, the Vancouver Aquarium, and Granville Island to ensure that the Board of Parks and Recreation becomes a green leader in diversion and education.

Amendment to the Motion

MOVED by Commissioner Crawford
SECONDED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung

THAT the resolution be amended to:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board direct staff to work with Waste Management and Resource Recovery and Real Estate and Facilities Management at the City of Vancouver to develop an organics diversion strategy for Park Board parks and facilities, including a review of best practices at locations including, but not limited to, Metro Vancouver, the Vancouver Aquarium, and Granville Island;
- B. FURTHER THAT staff consult our Community Centre Association partners and third-party business partners operating at Park Board facilities on the potential implications of this strategy to their operating procedures;
- C. AND FURTHER THAT staff report back to the Board with the costs and resources associated with the implementation and administration of this strategy.

The Board discussed the proposed changes and upon seeking advice from staff, agreed to accept these changes as a friendly amendment to the original motion.

Amendment to the Amended Motion

MOVED by Commissioner Wiebe
SECONDED by Commissioner Shum

THAT Item A be amended to:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board direct staff to work with Waste Management and Resource Recovery and Real Estate and Facilities Management at the City of Vancouver to develop an organics and recyclables diversion strategy for Park Board parks and facilities, including a review of best practices at locations including, but not limited to, Metro Vancouver, the Vancouver Aquarium, and Granville Island;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Question on the Main Motion, as amended.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

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- B. FURTHER THAT staff consult our Community Centre Association partners and third-party business partners operating at Park Board facilities on the potential implications of this strategy to their operating procedures;
- C. AND FURTHER THAT staff report back to the Board with the costs and resources associated with the implementation and administration of this strategy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

1. Arbutus Greenway

Commissioner Evans gave notice of motion on the following:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A. The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation congratulate the City of Vancouver and Canadian Pacific Railway for reaching an agreement that allows the creation of the Arbutus Greenway;
- B. AND FURTHER THAT the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation seek a commitment from the City of Vancouver to make the creation of new parks in neighbourhoods underserved by green space along the new Greenway, a priority in decisions about how the Greenway is designed.

ENQUIRIES

- 1. A Board Member enquired if there are plans in place to send out crews earlier than scheduled to commence the spring clean up, following the mild winter. Howard Normann, Acting Director of Park Operations, advised that the change in scheduling is in progress.
- 2. In response to an enquiry from a Board Member, Mr. Bromley confirmed that the funding for the City's purchase of the Arbutus Corridor was not allocated from park acquisition funds.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Shum
SECONDED by Commissioner Wiebe

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board adjourned at 10:44 pm.

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Malcolm Bromley
General Manager

Commissioner Sarah Kirby-Yung
Chair