

File No. 04-1000-20-2017-037

March 3, 2017

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Dear s.221)

Re: **Request for Access to Records under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the "Act")**

I am responding to your request of January 19, 2017 for:

All emails from and to Sarah Kirby-Yung and John Coupar with the Vancouver Aquarium staff and management (including John Nightingale and Clint Wright) from January 1, 2015 to November 29, 2016, to be searched by City of Vancouver IT Department.

All responsive records are attached. Some information in the records has been severed (blacked out) under s.15(1)(l) and s.22(1) of the Act. You can read or download these sections here:

http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/96165_00

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Please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Office at foi@vancouver.ca if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Van Fraassen', with a stylized, flowing script.

Barbara J. Van Fraassen, BA
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City Clerk's Department, City of Vancouver

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Date: 11/16/2016 11:46:21 AM

Subject: Animal Update: Qila



Dear Aquarium Supporter,

It is with a heavy heart that we let you know that our beloved beluga whale, [Qila](#), passed away this morning. Qila was the first beluga whale to be born and raised in the professional care of a Canadian aquarium and for over two decades, she has engaged with tens of millions of people locally, across Canada and around the world.



As for many of you, Qila was a delight for our staff and volunteers every single day – she was always the first to give us a wink, a little tail flap or a head bob in the morning. It is difficult to put into words the love we all had for her. Like you, we will miss her immensely.



Our marine mammal care team, led by Dr. Martin Haulena and Brian Sheehan, have cared for Qila over the past 21 years. There have been days when they've spent more time with our beluga whales than they have with their own children and we are grateful for their incredible leadership, professionalism and care for our marine mammals.



Thank you for your continued support. Donors have been important supporters of our five decades of beluga conservation work. If you would like to learn more about our beluga conservation work, you may do so [here](#).

Yours sincerely,

John Nightingale, PhD
President & CEO

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Date: 11/26/2016 3:37:11 PM

Subject: Automatic reply: Tentative: FW: Board Meeting

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Thank you for your message.

I am away from the Aquarium, returning Tuesday, November 29th. Please leave me a message, and I will call you on my return.

If this is urgent, please call Lisa Wende at 604-659-3781 or Lisa.Wende@vanaqua.org. Many thanks.
Yasmin.

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Date: 5/26/2015 10:01:55 AM

Subject: Chester to stay at VA

John, Malcolm and Margot,

It is now official. Today Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) announced they deem Chester to be non-releasable and has invited us to continue his long-term care at the Vancouver Aquarium.

Last July 10, 2014, a pseudorca (false killer whale) calf was found stranded at Chesterman beach in Tofino, BC. Pseudorcas are rare in British Columbia, typically inhabiting warmer waters. Once it was determined that the pseudorca (later named Chester) would not survive without medical intervention, DFO approved the transfer of Chester to the Aquarium's Marine Mammal Rescue Centre – the only one of its kind in Canada.

We have been fortunate to assemble a world class team led by Dr. Martin Haulena capable of responding to these very rare and intense situations. Our Marine Mammal Rescue Centre has the only professionally trained team in Canada able to rescue this calf and it is something we are all very proud of and is a fundamental part of our mission.

A lot of people helped with his care including the marine mammal rescue team, marine mammal staff, veterinary care staff and of course our amazing volunteers. For many they put their personal lives on hold to ensure that Chester received round the clock feeding, medical care and physiotherapy. After a few months that expert care and dedication had paid off as he was strong, eating well and testing the flexibility of our above ground fiberglass pool with repetitive jumping. He was quickly outgrowing the facility and with much colder weather coming we needed to get him to facilities with better water temperature control.

In December we received a license from DFO to transfer Chester from our Marine Mammal Rescue Centre to the Aquarium. Temporary care was granted in our research pool behind the scenes until a decision could be made regarding a suitable location for his long-term care. DFO planned for the decision to be informed by advice from an expert scientific panel of marine mammal experts from Canada and the United States. The panel quickly determined that Chester would not survive if released into the wild. This assessment was based on the animal's age at stranding, his lack of social contact and foraging skills in the wild, and his extensive contact with humans.

Once deemed non-releasable the search then began for a suitable home. We understand that DFO considered facilities worldwide as possible long-term homes. Currently there are no pseudorca being housed in any facility in North America – there are animals in Japan and China and an older animal in Hawaii. During the facility review DFO asked if we had the capacity to care for Chester here in Vancouver. We confirmed that we had the capacity and were prepared to make that commitment if requested. We had already determined that regardless of the final decision by DFO the next step in Chester's rehabilitation was to recommend relocating him to a larger habitat and to socialize him with other animals; as much fun as he is having with the marine mammal care staff and the close relationship that they have developed they simply cannot replicate the 24-hour presence and complex interactions of a conspecific. For a number of reasons but primarily because of his speed, size, behaviour and environmental requirements the dolphins were considered a very good option. Pacific white sided dolphins have been commonly and successfully housed with false killer whales at other facilities.

There was, of course, a hope that when a decision was made, Chester's introduction would involve both

dolphins; however, no-one could have foreseen the tragic events that unfolded this past week. Despite the loss of Hana the decision was made to keep with the planned announcement as it is in Chester's best interest that we socialize him with others now that he is ready.

This introduction and socialization plan now becomes more important of course as we are looking at the social needs of both Chester and Helen. This will likely be a slow steady process and the expectation, given past histories, is that we should see success. If for some reason this does not unfold then we will be faced with finding other solutions and we are evaluating contingencies for both Chester and Helen.

Over the next week or so you can expect to see modifications being made to the Wild Coast habitat as safety precautions for Chester – much like trying to toddler proof your home – he is an experiential learner and a rambunctious youngster with bags of energy as he explores new things. I expect that it will be a week or two before we are ready to transfer Chester to the Wild Coast and then there will be a period of acclimation before the first introductions are made.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need any follow up information.

With thanks!

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Date: 5/25/2015 4:06:20 PM

Subject: DFO Media Briefing -- Tuesday

Attachments: 052515F Chester Talking Points.docx

All,

DFO will proceed with an announcement tomorrow regarding the decision that Chester will remain at the Vancouver Aquarium.

If you will recall, in January 2015, Fisheries and Oceans Canada established an external scientific panel to evaluate and help make an informed decision about Chester, the false killer whale (*Pseudorca crassidens*), and his long-term care. The result of that review is that Chester will stay here at the Vancouver Aquarium.

The decision was made prior to the death of Hanna. The habitat must be prepared for Chester which includes some work around its perimeter. This work will raise questions from visitors and staff need to be briefed on why the work is taking place. At this point, very few in the organization are aware of this decision. We need to be able to communicate it out and in order to do that DFO needs to make its announcement.

Talking points are attached FYI. The Media advisory will be distributed at 8:30 a.m. Please feel free to reach out should you have any questions or need further information.

With thanks,

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TALKING POINTS: FALSE KILLER WHALE (May 25, 2015)

Decision on Chester's Long-term Care

- In January 2015, Fisheries and Oceans Canada established an external scientific panel to evaluate and help make an informed decision about Chester, the false killer whale (*Pseudorca crassidens*), and his long-term care. The scientific panel has deemed him non-releasable and in need of long-term care due to his:
 - Age (stranded as a calf still wholly dependent upon its mother to survive)
 - Extensive interaction with humans that have been providing him with treatment and care
 - Inability to forage and survive on his own in the wild
- Options for Chester's long-term care were limited as there are very few false killer whales in human care and Chester was the first false killer whale to be rescued in Canada.
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada has determined that it is in Chester's best interest to continue his long-term care at Canada's leading marine science centre where he will have access to professional veterinary care at an accredited facility with the ability to socialize him with other marine animals in a monitored environment.
- Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre has agreed to continue providing long-term care to Chester, which will include relocating him to a larger habitat that will be better suited to his environmental requirements. Once he is acclimated to his new habitat, the next step in his care will include socialization with other marine mammals, which will begin with an introduction to Pacific white-sided dolphin Helen.
- Head veterinarian Dr. Martin Haulena will continue to oversee his care as he acclimates to his new habitat.
- Vancouver Aquarium will be regularly reporting on Chester's long-term recovery and care to Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

Chester's History

- Chester, the false killer whale, was rescued by the Vancouver Aquarium's Marine Mammal Rescue Centre on July 10, 2014 on North Chesterman Beach where he was found stranded and in distress. At an estimated four to six weeks old, Chester was just a calf when he stranded and has been receiving around-the-clock care and rehabilitation by the Vancouver Aquarium's Marine Mammal Rescue Centre team.
- For nearly 10 months, Chester has received intensive veterinary care as part of his rehabilitation program at the Vancouver Aquarium. Since he stranded as a young calf, still wholly dependent on his mother, Chester will never learn how to forage or protect himself against predators and other dangers, such as boats – skills needed to survive on his own in the wild.

- Cetaceans that strand at a young age are dependent on their mothers; hence, they would not be suitable candidates for release even after a full rehabilitation due to their inability to survive on their own.
 - Chester does not have the skills to forage on his own or protect himself from predators and other possible dangers, such as boats.
 - His lack of life skills puts him at a disadvantage in the wild.
- The Vancouver Aquarium Marine Mammal Rescue Centre was the only professionally trained team able to rescue Chester when he stranded last July. The alternative would have been euthanasia.
 - Chester's remarkable rehabilitation has been an immense learning opportunity for veterinarians, scientists and students around the world as limited literature is available about false killer whales, particularly in Canada.
 - Chester is contributing to a greater body of knowledge by participating in valuable research such as an echolocation research project led by Vancouver Aquarium research associate Kathy Heise.
- Under the guidance of Dr. Haulena, with approval from DFO, the false killer whale will be relocated to Vancouver Aquarium's Wild Coast habitat in the coming weeks.
 - Chester is active, growing and requires a larger habitat for his continued care.
 - Still an adolescent false killer whale, Chester's relocation will require monitoring – the Aquarium provides access to resources to best manage his care.

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Mammal Rescue Centre

- Vancouver Aquarium leads the only marine mammal rescue centre in Canada and is the only real hope for stranded, sick and injured marine mammals in B.C. Only by working with whales and dolphins in human care has the Aquarium been able to refine the professional skills needed to rescue marine mammals like B.C.'s endangered and threatened killer whales.
- Vancouver Aquarium Marine Mammal Rescue Centre rescues, rehabilitates and releases about 100-150 marine mammals a year.
- Of about 100-150 marine mammals rescued a year, sometimes one or two are deemed non-releasable due to their inability to survive on their own. Vancouver Aquarium's Marine Mammal Rescue Centre finds those animals a long-term, caring home at professionally accredited facilities. The alternative is euthanasia.

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre

- In 1996, Vancouver Aquarium became the first aquarium in the world to make a commitment to no longer capture cetaceans from the wild for display. We now only accept and care for whales, dolphins and porpoises that were born in an aquarium or were rescued and deemed non-releasable by an appropriate government authority.
- Vancouver Aquarium is Canada's leading marine science centre recognized worldwide for its high standards of animal care and, in particular, its expertise in caring for marine mammals. Whales and dolphins at Vancouver Aquarium receive exceptional care and are content and thriving.

- The world's oceans are increasingly impacted by humans and many of the problems seem overwhelming. Whales and dolphins at the Vancouver Aquarium provide critical research opportunities to help protect wild populations facing unprecedented change. Some of these science needs would be impossible to achieve in the wild.

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Date: 2/16/2016 9:14:39 AM
Subject: FW: Event Reminder: Coastal Ocean Award - Tomorrow

Sarah – here it is – it would be lovely to see you – even for a short time.....yas

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From: Vancouver Aquarium [mailto:special.events@vanaqua.org]
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2016 3:33 PM
To: Yasmin Sidi
Subject: Event Reminder: Coastal Ocean Award - Tomorrow



Tuesday, February 16, 2016
6 - 10 p.m.
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Inquiries: 604-659-3473

Thank you for registering for the **21st annual awards dinner** in celebration of excellence in aquatic research and conservation. We look forward to hosting you **tomorrow evening**.

In our efforts to have a zero waste event, no paper tickets will be issued. Simply register with your name when you arrive.

The evening begins with a cocktail reception at 6 p.m. followed by an Official Welcome at 6:30 p.m., a three-course, plated dinner at 7 p.m., and Awards



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Tuesday, February 16, 2016
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We are honoured to invite you to attend the 21st annual Coastal Ocean Awards, celebrating excellence in aquatic research and conservation. On February 16, join us for a spectacular evening, including a culinary celebration with one of BC's finest coastal artists, **Chef Ned Bell**. We will begin with a cocktail reception and plated dinner in the Vancouver Aquarium's Treasures of the BC Coast Gallery, followed by the much-anticipated awards ceremony in the Goldcorp 4D Theatre.

The Coastal Ocean Awards celebrate those who have made a significant contribution to help advance conservation and research efforts in British Columbia. This year, we are honoured to present these awards:

North Medal for Research and Conservation
Murray A. Newman Award for Aquatic Research
Murray A. Newman Award for Aquatic Conservation
Conservation and Research Communication Award
Innovation in Technology Award
Conservation Volunteer Award
Michael A. Bigg Award for Student
Transformative Project Award

[EVENT DETAILS & TICKETS](#)



Please [join us](#) to meet and honour the award recipients who are at the forefront of aquatic research and conservation, and to celebrate the collaborations that are taking place along our coast to safeguard our coastal ecosystems for future generations.



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Subject: Aquarium request

Hi Laura. I'm the Comms mgr for Park Board. Our Chair has advised me he will not be speaking to this issue.

Thank you.

Margo Harper.

Sent from my iPhone

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Date: 10/19/2015 10:53:51 PM

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See attached report

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To: PB Commissioners <PBCommissioners@vancouver.ca>
Subject: Board Liaison Report - Sep 2015

Hello Commissioners,

Please see attached Board Liaison Report for Sep 2015.

Thanks,

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## Park Board Liaison Report September 2015

*The following information is intended to provide an overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Board and Committee meetings held in September 2015. The complete and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.*

### OVERVIEW

This month's regular Committee and Board meetings were held on September 14 and September 28 at 2099 Beach Avenue. The first meeting of the month focussed on the 2015-2016 Fees and Charges for Recreation Services, and the second meeting agenda included items about public art installations, commemorative plantings, and an international sport event. In total, the Board reviewed 4 staff reports, 2 staff presentations, and 3 motions on notice.

### STAFF REPORTS

#### **Windstorm 2015 Update**

The Board received a presentation from staff on the effects of the windstorm that struck the Lower Mainland on August 29, 2015. The combination of recent dry weather and 61 km/h winds destroyed almost 350 trees in Vancouver. Vancouver Park Board's Urban Forestry team received 1,218 service calls for issues such as broken trees/branches, inspections, pruning, and full tree removal. The Urban Forestry team was commended for their quick response, hard-work, and dedication during the storm.

#### **2015-2016 Fees and Charges - Recreation Services**

The Board approved changes to the 2015-2016 Fees and Charges for Recreation Services, effective September 1, 2015. These changes apply to: indoor and outdoor swimming pools, fitness centres, arenas, racquet courts, outdoor sports facilities, and special event and filming permits. The increase reflects market conditions and provides for estimated inflationary cost increases in 2016.

#### **Ironman Triathlon Special Event**

The Board received a report on the Ironman Triathlon proposed for July 2016. The event would involve Sunday morning road closures in Stanley Park. The Commissioners had questions about the proposed route, particularly regarding public impacts and safety. The item was referred to staff to report back in October with further clarification on the event and route.

#### **Temporary Festive Light Installations - Morton and Alexandra Parks**

The Board approved the installation of temporary festive light installations at Alexandra and Morton Parks, a collaborative project between the West End Business Improvement Association and the Lumière Festival Vancouver Society. One of the objectives of Lumière 2015 is to animate and beautify key areas in the West End for the enjoyment of Vancouver visitors and residents. An illuminated 3D whale sculpture will be installed in Morton Park and illuminated umbrellas will be installed at the Haywood Bandstand in Alexandra Parks. Both displays will be in place for about two months.



### **"Home and Away" Public Art Installation - Empire Fields**

The Board approved the installation of the functional public art piece "Home and Away" after receiving the report back on the additional public consultation undertaken over the summer, which was requested by the Board in May 2015. This artwork was developed to reflect both historic structures of the site and the need for additional seating. Outcomes from the public engagement were primarily positive.

### **Commemorative Trees and Shrubs**

In response to the Board Motion approved in May 2015, staff reported back on historic, current, and proposed new initiatives for planting commemorative trees. The proposed initiatives include establishing a Tree Trust, an Adopt-A-Forest option, and a Legacy Tree Endowment. All initiatives support the Urban Forest Strategy and provide new fundraising, development, and marketing opportunities.

## **MOTIONS**

### **Marker of Change - the Women's Monument in Thornton Park**

The Board directed staff to propose solutions for the ongoing goose problem at the Marker of Change monument in Thornton Park. Staff are to report back to the Board no later than December 6, 2015, with a sustainable management plan.

### **Park Naming Committee for Empire Fields/Plateau Sports Park**

The Board agreed for staff to form a Naming Committee to recommend possible names for the newly reopened Empire Fields and Plateau Sports Park at Hastings Park.

### **Endorsing Vancouver's Living Wage Certification**

The Board asked staff to report back on possible implications of supporting Living Wage Certification, which was recently passed at City Council.

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Best regards  
John



## Park Board Liaison Report July 2016

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### July 11, 2016

#### STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

##### **VanDusen Botanical Garden Receives Petal Certification**

A plaque was presented to the Board in recognition of the Petal Certification attained by the VanDusen Botanical Garden's Visitor Centre. This significant achievement, awarded by the International Future Living Institute, is an advanced measurement of sustainability, recognizing projects through performance categories called Petals. The VanDusen Visitor Centre achieved certification in the Petal categories of Site, Materials, Beauty and Inspiration. The Centre is one of only a handful of Petal Certified projects in British Columbia and the first in Vancouver.

##### **Trans\* and Gender Variant Inclusion Steering Committee - Member Appointments**

The Board approved the appointment of two new members to the Trans\* and Gender Variant Inclusion Steering Committee. Nominees were chosen based on their ability and experience in providing expert advice and insight from an inclusive range of the TGVI community. Filling these vacancies will strengthen the committee's ability to continue their work on the phased implementation of the recommendations in the "Building a Path to Parks and Recreation for All" report, which supports the Park Board's vision to be leaders in Parks and Recreation.

##### **Park Naming Committee Appointments**

The Board appointed 3 standing and 5 ad hoc members to the Park Naming Committee. Through a public engagement and research process, this Committee will identify and recommend park names for the sites known as Empire Fields, Plateau and Trillium.

##### **Northeast False Creek Park Design Advisory Group Appointments**

The Board appointed 12 individuals to the Northeast False Creek Park Design Advisory Group (PDAG). Collectively the Northeast False Creek PDAG will provide focused and valuable input, and enhance public engagement on this key addition to Vancouver's park and open space network.

**GM'S REPORT:** The General Manager reported on the following Park Board related items of interest at the July 12, 2016 Council Meeting:

- An administrative report on the Greenest City Action Plan - Implementation Update will be presented by The Sustainability Group.
- Amendments to Health By-law No. 9535 with respect to Neonicotinoid Pesticide Use.

#### NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

The next Park Board Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, July 25, 2016 at 2099 Beach Avenue with next Regular Park Board Meeting held immediately following the Committee Meeting that evening.

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Hello Commissioners,

Attached, please find a copy of the Park Board Liaison Report for March 2016. Let me know if there are any changes required.

Thanks,

C.

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Park Board Liaison Report March 2016

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OVERVIEW

This month's regular Committee and Board meeting was held on March 7, at 2099 Beach Avenue. The meeting included approval of a new pop-up park and funding for two Park Board reconciliation initiatives that respond to the TRC's Calls to Action. In total, the Board reviewed 4 staff reports, and 1 motion on notice.

STAFF REPORTS

5th & Pine Pop-up Park - Concept Plan

The Board approved the concept plan for a new temporary pop-up park at the corner of 5th Avenue and Pine Street. Informed by the 202 respondents who participated in the public consultation process from August to September 2015, it will include perimeter benches, tables, pollinator gardens, a water cistern, and bike racks. Recycled materials and wood from fallen trees in Stanley Park will be incorporated into the design. The pop-up park is expected to be complete in the fall of 2016.

Reconciliation Art Program - Corporate Sponsorship Funding

The Board approved a one-time expenditure of \$50,000 from the Corporate Sponsorship Fund to implement two of the Park Board's key reconciliation strategies: training on indigenous issues and reconciliation for staff and commissioners, and the launch of a new community-engaged reconciliation focussed arts program. With approval of these funds, all 11 of the reconciliation strategies approved by the Board in January 2016 will move forward.

Special Events Calendar 2016 - Major Events

The Board received the calendar of the 101 major events currently planned for 2016. This included a diverse line up of festivals, fundraisers, and sporting events. For a full list of the planned special events, please refer to the online [Board Report](#).

RBC Run for the Kids - Special Event

The Board unanimously approved the [RBC Run for the Kids](#) fundraiser to support childhood cancer research and treatment, as well as pediatric mental health initiatives at BC Children's Hospital. The event takes place in Riley Park on Sunday, June 5, 2016, and will host runners and walkers of all ages and abilities on a scenic 5km or 1km Fun Run route, followed by a carnival celebration.

MOTIONS on NOTICE

Zero Waste - Diversion Stations

The Board adopted a motion to have staff work with city departments to create a zero-waste strategy that would identify the best locations to place garbage and recycling stations at Park Board sites.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of April, the Park Board will be meeting on April 4, and April 18, at 2099 Beach Avenue.

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Subject: Hello

Hello John,

Sorry we haven't been able to connect. I will give you a call tomorrow.

Sarah Kirby-Yung

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Date: 5/27/2015 1:11:47 PM

Subject: Interesting story by an anti-captivity writer

Hi John, Malcolm and Margo,

I wanted to share this story from Candace Whiting. This is a major breakthrough for us as Candace is an anti-captivity leaning writer. We are very pleased with this article and how she saw how open and genuine we were about the treatment and efforts for Hana and the subsequent news about socializing Helen with Chester.

Death of a beloved dolphin – how the Vancouver Aquarium is at the forefront of change

<http://blog.seattlepi.com/candacewhiting/2015/05/27/the-death-of-a-beloved-dolphin-how-the-vancouver-aquarium-is-on-the-forefront-of-change/>.

We have been tracking reaction to the recent stories and we have been pleased to see so much support. There have been the usual detractor statements but most are from outside of Canada and are making outrageous comments like Hana committed suicide.

I hope all is quiet on your front.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

With thanks,

SA

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Subject: Invite Natural Leaders Dinner

Hi John

Sorry I have a PB community engagement forum that night and am unable to attend.

Thank you for the invite

Best regards

John

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2015 Operating and Capital Budget

The Board approved the 2015 Operating and Capital Budget, subject to City Council approval. The 2015 Park Board Operating Budget of \$60,774,400 is comprised of \$113,382,600 in expenditures and \$52,608,200 in fee and program revenues. The 2015 Park Board Capital Budget is \$16.7 million.

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The Board approved three lease renewals:

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Hi Yasmin

Here is the PB liaison report unfortunately I cannot attend tomorrow. Please express my regrets to the Board

Best regards

John



Park Board Liaison Report April 2015

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OVERVIEW

Regular Committee & Board meetings were held on April 13th and April 27th at 2099 Beach Avenue. Some items of note include: the Chair's Report highlighting an extensive list of community engagement events attended by Board members; a cheque presentation of \$138,486 to the Fire Fighters' Burn Fund for funds raised from the Bright Nights in Stanley Park train admissions; and the Park Board web stream launch on April 27th, which meant for the first time ever, Park Board public meetings can be watched live online with on-demand viewing available afterwards. This meeting also boasted a packed house, with an impressive public & media turn-out for the discussion on the Mount Pleasant skateboard facility location.

STAFF REPORTS:

General Manager's Report

The General Manager advised that Council meeting topics included: a report on the Oil Spill in English Bay; a presentation on the FIFA Women's World Cup Hosting Plan; the 2014 Annual Financial Report; recommendations for the 2015 Cultural, Community Services, Social and Innovation Grants; the Proclamation of Emergency Preparedness Week; and the City's Digital Strategy contract award for public Wi-Fi.

Healthy Local Food Field House Residencies - Norquay and Strathcona

The Board approved the licence agreements at both fieldhouses, with a goal to create communities that celebrate local food systems and build strong and resilient community connections.

Urban Agriculture - Barclay Heritage Square and Kensington Community Centre

The Board approved the new collaborative gardens at both Barclay and Kensington. These urban agriculture projects are in alignment with the Urban Agriculture Policy and support implementation of the Local Food Action Plan.

Queen Elizabeth Park Zipline

In honor of Queen Elizabeth Park's 75th anniversary, the Board approved the temporary installation of a zipline. The zipline will launch from a platform beside Bloedel Conservatory giving a sweeping view of the quarry rock gardens, downtown Vancouver, and the North Shore Mountains. Riders will land 190 meters from the launch destination.

Mount Pleasant Skateboard Facility Location

After receiving the staff presentation and recommendations, due to a significant amount of community feedback regarding the options proposed, along with the high number of speaking requests received, the Board decided further public consultation was required. Staff was directed to seek additional community input and the report was postponed to a future meeting where the public will be invited to speak on the topic.



Creating Greater Community Engagement

Staff presented highlights of the Park Board's many different community engagement activities, which included Commissioners' attendance at several community events, the launch of the Heron Cam and City Bird Week, increased social media presence, the "Parks and Recreation for All Campaign", and for the first time, live web-streaming of public Committee and Board Meetings. In the fall, the Park Board plans to launch Town Hall events that will bring meetings into different communities.

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

Zero Waste Water Bottle Policy

The Board considered a motion to develop a policy to ban the sale of bottled water in Park Board locations, and to increase water fountains and filling stations. After discussing possible impacts of banning bottled water sales, the Board agreed to only direct staff to investigate increasing water fountains and filling stations in Park Board facilities.

Vancouver Recreational Water Quality

The Board unanimously agreed to have staff work with the different levels of government to ensure that Vancouver's beaches and recreational waters are safe for its citizen to enjoy.

Cherry Tree Groves

The Board agreed for staff to identify some prominent park and boulevard locations that would be suitable for planting new cherry trees, while also aligning with the Urban Forest Strategy to increase the overall canopy cover and species diversity.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Board Emergency Response and Preparedness

Staff were directed to review the Park Board's role in responding to the April 8th fuel spill in English Bay, and to identify opportunities to aid and improve future response efforts.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next public meetings will be held at 7pm on May 11th and May 25th at 2099 Beach Avenue, with links available on the Park Board meeting and agenda pages for live online viewing.



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Hi Yasmin

Please sub this report for this upcoming Board meeting and save the Nov report for the Dec Lunch meeting

Best regards

John



Park Board Liaison Report October 2015

The following information is intended to provide an overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Board and Committee meetings held in October 2015. The complete and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.

OVERVIEW

This month's regular Committee and Board meeting was held on Wednesday, October 21st at 2099 Beach Avenue. The meeting focussed on the approval of two park development projects along with a special event report back. In total, the Board reviewed 3 staff reports.

STAFF REPORTS:

IRONMAN 5i50 Vancouver Triathlon - Special Event:

The Committee originally reviewed this special event request on September 28, 2015, but asked staff to provide further details regarding the proposed route, in particular to report back on safety issues and impacts on the public and park stakeholders. Staff presented additional information that addressed the Commissioner's concerns and the Committee unanimously approved the recommendations. An Ironman Triathlon will be held on Sunday, July 10, 2016.

McBride Park Improvements:

Staff proposed that the aging McBride Park playground be replaced and better situated, and that a community garden be added to the site. Committee approved both recommendations and passed a further motion to request that City of Vancouver staff investigate the possibility of closing of Waterloo Street, which currently bisects the park, so that the two segments of the park can be united.

Love Locks Sculpture Location and Development:

The Committee approved the concept of a Love Locks public art sculpture at their meeting on July 6th, however they requested that staff engage in further public consultation on possible locations for this installation. Based on the outcome of public consultation campaign, the Committee approved the recommendation of Queen Elizabeth Park as the preferred location.

MOTIONS:

Due to time constraints, the Motions on Notice were postponed for discussion at the next Regular Board Meeting scheduled for November 2, 2015.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of November, the Park Board will be meeting on November 2, and November 16, at 2099 Beach Avenue.

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Brock House, Dunbar CC, Trout Lake CC, Vancouver Aquarium, ATPC, Public Art Committee, APG,

Best regards



Park Board Liaison Report November 2015

The following information is intended to provide an overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Board and Committee meetings held in November 2015. The complete and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.

OVERVIEW

This month's regular Committee and Board meetings were held on November 2 and 16, 2015, at 2099 Beach Avenue. Both meetings addressed Planning and Development projects, as well as contract awards. In total, the Board reviewed 4 staff reports, 2 staff presentations, and 4 motions on notice.

STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Vancouver Whitecaps FC - Special Presentation

Colby Fackler, Whitecaps FC Director of Sales and Service, was present to extend a special "thank you" to the Board for their ongoing support and promotion of community sports. Commissioners were presented with official Whitecaps Play off t-shirts.

Planning and Development Projects

- ***17th and Yukon New Park Design/Build Contract*** - The Board approved the contract award to Horizon Landscape Contractors for construction of the new mini park at 17th and Yukon. The park will include an accessible playground structure.
- ***Sunset Park Revised Concept Plan*** - The Board approved the revised concept plan for Sunset Park that would reconnect the community centre, ice rink and green space. The final concept requires moving the off-leash dog area and a portion of the Park Board Operations Works Yard. A spray park and youth amenity features are to be added to the park. The Board also recommended that Sunset Park be included in the upcoming Aquatic Study for consideration as a possible pool site, and that staff explore options to relocate some, or all, of the existing Works Yard in order to free-up park space for other uses.

Contract Awards

- ***Hillcrest-Riley Park Improvements Construction Contract*** - The Board approved the contract award to Wilco Civil Inc. for the Hillcrest-Riley Park improvements. The improvements in the Hillcrest area include a recycled synthetic turf field and an asphalt drive for the overflow parking at Nat Bailey Stadium. Riley Park improvements include walking trails, tree plantings, a new plaza area, and a community garden.
- ***Harbour Green Park Restaurant Contract Award*** - The Board approved a 10-year lease with the Sequoia Company of Restaurants to operate a restaurant at the Harbour Green Park site, with the understanding that the structure is to be no higher than two storeys. McDougall Holdings Ltd. was selected as the construction company for the project.



Vancouver Parks Foundation - Implementation Plan

The Board approved the draft implementation plan for a Vancouver Parks Foundation. The primary function of the foundation will be to engage the community to support our parks, activities, and recreation facilities. The foundation would also support programs and projects that are not addressed through capital funding. There is substantial planning still to be done and staff will report back in late 2016 with the complete plan for final approval.

QE Park Zipline Pilot Outcomes

The Board received a presentation on the temporary zipline that operated at Queen Elizabeth Park over the summer. The pilot operated for 87 days and carried 23,564 riders, and based on the overall feedback received from 822 survey respondents, the zipline was well received.

MOTIONS

Serving Up a Fresh Concession Strategy

The Board directed staff to look into other concession operating models. The focus will be on local, sustainable, diverse, and affordable menu options. Staff will report back in May 2016.

Water Conservation Strategy

The Board directed staff to report back with a water conservation strategy, focusing on options to reduce water usage and to reuse/recycle gray water, in order to better protect against future droughts like the one experienced this past summer.

Multimodal Parking and Revenue Generation at the New Smithe and Richards Park Site

The Board referred this motion to a future Committee Meeting in order to hear from speakers, pending the outcome of the community consultation report.

Vancouver Park Board Public Consultation Standards Policy

The Board approved for staff to assemble a comprehensive public consultation policy by the end of 2016. Staff will report back to Board on the current consultation practices in the coming months.

NEW BUSINESS

Security Plan for Vancouver Parks

Due to the recent theft at the Stanley Park Miniature Train's Bright Nights site, the Board asked staff to propose a comprehensive security plan by April 2016. The plan will consider security cameras, limited access to certain areas, and increased security. There will also be immediate action taken to protect further loss at the Stanley Park "Bright Nights", the VanDusen Garden's "Festival of Light", and the Bloedel Conservatory "Enchanted Nights" events.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of December, will be meeting on Tuesday, Dec 9th for a Special Meeting on the 2016 Budget, as well as on Monday, Dec 14th for their regular Committee and Board meetings. Both meetings will be held at the Park Board offices at 2099 Beach Avenue.

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Hi Sarah,

So sorry I did not get to connect with you prior to your meeting Monday. I am currently in Toronto and heading to Valencia Spain this weekend on a short term assignment at the Oceanographic Aquarium.

I would like to connect you with Ann-Marie Copping, our Ocean Wise program manager in hopes we can build some more connections. I would love to see a Vancouver where all the seafood purchased in Parks Board facilities and at parks board sites is Ocean Wise recommended!

Look forward to exploring next steps.

Take care,
Dolf

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Good Afternoon Everyone

Please find attached the Park Board Liaison Report forwarded by Commissioner John Coupar, noting special recognition for the Van Dusen Visitor Centre.

Best,

Lee

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Park Board Liaison Report July 2016

The following information is intended to provide a brief overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Committee and Board and meetings held in July 2016. The two meetings scheduled for this month, the first meeting was held on July 11, and the next will be on July 25, 2016. The complete and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.

July 11, 2016

STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

VanDusen Botanical Garden Receives Petal Certification

A plaque was presented to the Board in recognition of the Petal Certification attained by the VanDusen Botanical Garden's Visitor Centre. This significant achievement, awarded by the International Future Living Institute, is an advanced measurement of sustainability, recognizing projects through performance categories called Petals. The VanDusen Visitor Centre achieved certification in the Petal categories of Site, Materials, Beauty and Inspiration. The Centre is one of only a handful of Petal Certified projects in British Columbia and the first in Vancouver.

Trans* and Gender Variant Inclusion Steering Committee - Member Appointments

The Board approved the appointment of two new members to the Trans* and Gender Variant Inclusion Steering Committee. Nominees were chosen based on their ability and experience in providing expert advice and insight from an inclusive range of the TGVI community. Filling these vacancies will strengthen the committee's ability to continue their work on the phased implementation of the recommendations in the "Building a Path to Parks and Recreation for All" report, which supports the Park Board's vision to be leaders in Parks and Recreation.

Park Naming Committee Appointments

The Board appointed 3 standing and 5 ad hoc members to the Park Naming Committee. Through a public engagement and research process, this Committee will identify and recommend park names for the sites known as Empire Fields, Plateau and Trillium.

Northeast False Creek Park Design Advisory Group Appointments

The Board appointed 12 individuals to the Northeast False Creek Park Design Advisory Group (PDAG). Collectively the Northeast False Creek PDAG will provide focused and valuable input, and enhance public engagement on this key addition to Vancouver's park and open space network.

GM'S REPORT: The General Manager reported on the following Park Board related items of interest at the July 12, 2016 Council Meeting:

- An administrative report on the Greenest City Action Plan - Implementation Update will be presented by The Sustainability Group.
- Amendments to Health By-law No. 9535 with respect to Neonicotinoid Pesticide Use.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

The next Park Board Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, July 25, 2016 at 2099 Beach Avenue with next Regular Park Board Meeting held immediately following the Committee Meeting that evening.

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Hi folks,

Hot off the presses.

Best,

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Park Board Liaison Report February 2015

The following information is intended to provide an overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Board and Committee meetings held in February 2015. The complete and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.

OVERVIEW

This month's regular Committee and Board meetings were held on February 1 and February 22 at 2099 Beach Avenue. The first meeting of the month focussed on Parks Development and Planning projects and the second meeting addressed a broad spectrum of parks and recreation matters. In total, the Board reviewed 4 staff reports, 1 staff presentation, and 5 motions on notice.

STAFF REPORTS

Biodiversity Strategy

The Board approved the Biodiversity Strategy, with the goal of increasing the amount and ecological quality of Vancouver's parks and natural areas. The Board also directed staff to implement priority actions such as: acquiring park land, planting trees, dealing with invasive species, restoring shoreline and sub-tidal habitats, returning native forests to large parks, and many education and stewardship programs.

Vanier Park West Float and Launch Upgrade - Construction Contract Award

The Board approved to enter into a contract with JJM Construction Limited for the Vanier Park West Float and Launch Upgrade. Upgrades to the East float were completed in 2014 due to the aging facilities. With completion of the West float by April 2016, recreational users will once again be able to use the Vanier Park launch.

Killarney Seniors Centre - Design Build Contract Award

The Board unanimously approved the award of the contract to build the new Killarney Seniors Centre to Ventana Construction Company. Ventana's proposal provided best overall value and indicated various sustainable elements that will aid in reducing energy consumption for this project by a total on 35%.

NEFC Park Advisory Group - Terms of Reference

The Board approved the inception of a park design advisory group. The advisory group will be Board appointed after applications are received from a public call of interest. The Board also approved the terms of reference, which outlines roles and responsibilities for the group.

2015 Special Events Report Back

The Board received an overview on 6 new Special Events that were approved for 2015. The presentation provided highlights of the 3 events that took place as planned, as well as a recap of the reasons why 3 of the approved events did not proceed as planned. Organizers of the cancelled events did express thanks for the Board's support and that they look forward to future possibilities.



MOTIONS:

Park Board Ice Rink Strategy

The Board approved the development of an Ice Rink Strategy for Vancouver. Staff were directed to report back in the fall of 2016 with comprehensive information on such topics as: supply and demand, user challenges, user groups, potential for new rinks, as well as twinning existing rinks.

Serving Our Seniors

The Board unanimously passed the motion to create a comprehensive strategy that addressed how the Park Board can best serve its senior community through its facilities, services, and programs. The strategy will be inclusive of the City's diverse cultural groups and needs, as well as explore partnership opportunities that are beneficial to seniors. Staff will report back to the Board by the end of 2016.

Park Board Recognition of Dal Richards' Life and Legacy

The Board approved a motion to have staff identify Park Board assets that could be used to recognize the life and work of Dal Richards, a legendary Vancouver big band leader who passed away on December 31, 2015.

Marking National Flag of Canada Day 2017

The Board directed staff to look at the feasibility of installing a permanent flag pole on or beside Bloedel Conservatory to mark the 150th anniversary of Confederation on National Flag of Canada Day in 2017, including a plan for a permanent marker and celebration on that day.

Creekside Park Delivery

The Board agreed to urge Mayor and Council to deliver some or all the Creekside Park Extension on an expedited basis in order to alleviate the critical shortage of available green space for residents in the Northeast False Creek area. The Board also directed staff to create a communications plan that will outline the timeline and process of the park development.

NEW BUSINESS

It was noted that the Vancouver Public Library was the winner of the 2016 Biblibre International Library Marketing Award from the International Federation of Library Associations. Applications were received from 26 countries around the world. This prestigious award honors organizations that have implemented creative, results-oriented marketing projects or campaigns that promote the library and information services industry.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of March, the Park Board will be meeting on March 7, at 2099 Beach Avenue.

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Park Board Liaison Report September 2016

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SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

CHAIR'S REPORT

Park Board Chair Kirby-Yung highlighted the participation of Park Board Commissioners at the following community events:

- African Descent Festival on Jul 22/16 - The Festival celebrated the cultural diversity among people of African Descent in Vancouver while recognizing and promoting all ethnic groups in communities
- The second year of Poetry in Parks was held on Jul 24/16, a collaboration between the Park Board and VPL
- Pride Week Launch on Jul 25/16 kicked off pride week at the newly constructed Jim Deva Plaza on Davie Street
- A Nematode Application Media Event was held on Jul 28/16 as nematodes were applied at Jericho Beach Park with the hopes of controlling the chafer beetles in the area
- Opening night of Honda's annual Celebration of Light was held at English Bay Jul 30/16
- On Aug 7/16 Commissioners and staff participated in the parade that attracts over 650,000 people, and is the 5th largest pride celebration in the world
- Aug 7/16 was the unveiling of a Commemorative Plaque for the Komagata Maru in Harbour Green Park and was also attended by the Honorable Harjit Singh Sajjan, Minister of National Defence.
- Kensington Community Centre Association's End of Summer BBQ was held on Aug 19/16 to pay tribute to their staff and volunteer's
- The Ray-Cam Soapbox Derby was held on Aug 19/16, students from Vancouver Community College helped build the soapbox racers for youth.
- Vancouver Canadians Sponsor Night was held on Aug 23/16 where Commissioner Crawford threw the first pitch.
- Americas Master Games Opening Ceremony was held at Jack Poole Plaza on Aug 27/16
- Americas Masters Games Rugby medal ceremony was on Aug 27, with Australia taking gold
- Americas masters games field hockey medals were given out on Sep 2/16
- "Love in the Rain" Vancouver new love locks sculpture was unveiled at Queen Elizabeth Park on Sep 17/16
- A reception marking China's National Day was held on Sep 9/16
- Dunbar Harvest Festival was on Sep 10/16



- A mural was unveiled at Champlain Heights Community Centre during Youth Week on Sep 10/16
- The first open house for the People, Parks and Dogs consultation was held at Trout Lake Community Centre on Sep 13/16
- Leading from Beside, community engagement through dance, that promotes active and healthy community was held on Sep 15/16

STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Public Bike Share Stations in Parks

The Board approved the 11 proposed locations for Mobi (Public Bike Share) stations in parks. The initial sites include Kits Beach Park, Sunset Beach, English Bay, and Stanley Park (subject to First Nations approval). All are to be located on existing hard surfaces, except one on compacted gravel, and there will be no reduction in or impacts on green space. The stations can be temporarily removed to accommodate special events at no cost to the Park Board.

GM'S REPORT

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, advised on the following:

- A report going to council titled "Making the City of Vancouver a Living Wage Employer" will be discussed at their next meeting; the report asks that the Park Board endorse its recommendations.
- The Community Centre Associations and Park Board staff will be attending a Workshop on Sep 24/16 to review the draft Joint Operating Agreement.
- The Park Boards Tree Sale is happening now with online sales of a variety of trees that can be picked up on Oct 1 & 2 at Hillcrest Community Centre
- The new Director of Recreation, Donna-Lynn Rosa, will be starting her position with the Park Board on Sep 26, 2016.

MOTIONS

Seniors' Centre to Serve the Sunset Community in South Vancouver

The Board directed staff to investigate a potential site appropriate for the development of a seniors' centre nearby or adjacent to the current Sunset Community Centre. Staff were asked to explore funding models and source funding from different levels of Government. Chair Kirby-Yung shared a letter of support from the Honourable Harjit S. Sajjan, Vancouver South MP.

A Vancouver Park Board Youth Ranger Program

The Board directed staff to investigate creating a Park Board Youth Ranger Program which would allow youth to learn and participate in environmental responsibility, sustainability, civic leadership, and community engagement. This program could also help support a current initiative to convert a fieldhouse into a "junior ranger station". The implementation target for this pilot program is the summer of 2017.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of October, the Park Board will be meeting on October 3rd and October 24th at 2099 Beach Avenue.

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Park Board Liaison Report April 2016

The following information is intended to provide an overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Board and Committee meetings held in April 2016. The complete and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.

OVERVIEW

This month's regular Committee and Board meeting was held on April 18, at 2099 Beach Avenue. The first meeting of the month was cancelled out of respect for staff and family mourning the loss of Jody Taylor, a Park Board arborist who was fatally injured while at work. On April 18, the Board honoured Jody Taylor with a tribute (can be viewed online) as well as dealing with business rescheduled from the cancelled meeting. In total, the Board reviewed 3 staff reports and 3 staff presentations.

STAFF REPORTS:

Tribute to Jody Taylor

On March 31, 2016, the Park Board lost a dedicated and long serving member of its team in a workplace accident. Jody Taylor was an arborist who worked for the Park Board for almost 16 years. Mr. Taylor was a member of a 5 person crew that was removing a hazardous tree at Connaught Park when the incident occurred. Jody was also a musician, photographer, and most importantly a devoted father. He is deeply missed by his colleagues, friends, and family.

The General Manager presented a gift from the Park Board to Jody's 10-year-old daughter and Jody's crew presented his mother with a memory book created by his colleagues. The Chair also announced that on April 28, 2016, the National Day of Mourning, the Park Board will be holding a memorial for Jody Taylor with a tree and bench dedication in Stanley Park. The Day of Mourning commemorates workers who have been killed, injured, or suffered illness due to workplace related hazards and incidents.

Bright Nights in Stanley Park - Burn Fund

Representatives from the BC Professional Fire Fighters' Burn Fund attended for an official cheque presentation from the Vancouver Park Board in the amount of \$149,855. These funds were raised through the Bright Nights in Stanley Park train admission revenues. It was noted that 2015 was the 18th year the Park Board partnered with the Burn Fund to organize the popular seasonal light show.

Creekside Paddling Centre License Agreements

The Board approved the operating agreements with the Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society and the British Columbia Mobility Opportunities Society to operate the Creekside Paddling Centre. The facility has been undergoing construction throughout 2015 and is scheduled to open at the end of April 2016. Both societies provide recreational programming benefitting residents of Vancouver.

Economic Access Policy & Leisure Access Program Update

The Board reconfirmed its support for the Leisure Access Program (LAP) and approved updates to the Economic Access Policy report that support current services and practices. This policy ensures that all residents of the City of Vancouver have the opportunity to lead healthier



lifestyles and build community connections through access to recreation services and programs.

New Brighton Salt Marsh - Preferred Concept Plan

The Board approved the preferred concept plan for the creation of a salt marsh at New Brighton Park. The focus is to restore habitat for fish and wildlife in Burrard inlet. There will be a small island, forest and shrubs consisting of native plants, two viewing platforms, and a beach grass meadow. Based on community feedback, the plan includes moving the off-leash dog area to the west side of the park; the dog park will be fenced and grassy as well as having a separate fenced off-leash area with access to the inlet. The Project is expected to be complete in the spring of 2017.

Park Board Public Consultation - Current Practices

The Board received a presentation on the current public engagement methods used by staff. Some examples of the practices used include: open houses, stakeholder and focus group workshops, online surveys, and public meetings. Staff identified opportunities for improvement, including incorporating the IAP2 Spectrum into the Park Board policy, developing a strategy that engages underrepresented groups, and optimizing facilities for public engagement. Staff will continue to explore best practices and develop a new public engagement standards Policy by the end of the year.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of May, the Park Board will be meeting on May 2, May 16, and May 30, at 2099 Beach Avenue.

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Please find latest Park Board Liaison report sorry for the delay I just received. Please include in your next meeting package.

Thank you

Best regards

John



Park Board Liaison Report MAY 2016

The following information is intended to provide a brief overview of the Board's governance work at the regular Committee and Board and meetings held in May 2016. There were three meetings held this month: May 2, May 16, and May 30. The complete and official minutes can be found on the Park Board website.

MAY 2, 2016

CHAIR'S REPORT

Park Board Chair Kirby-Yung highlighted the following events and the participation by Park Board Commissioners:

- Head Up the Creek Regatta held at the Vanier Boat Launch Ramp on March 6, 2016
- Celebration of International Women's Day at City Hall on March 9, 2016
- The inaugural Vancouver Rugby Festival events on March 10 and 11, 2016 to celebrate the Rugby Sevens tournament
- March 12, 2016 charity gala in support of S.U.C.C.E.S.S., one of the largest social services agencies in BC
- Grand opening of the new Burn Fund Centre located at 23rd Avenue and Main Street on March 18, 2016; the Bright Nights in Stanley Park Christmas Train has generated more than \$1.5 million for the Burn Fund
- Raise Your Hand Against Racism event on March 19, 2016
- March 25, 2016 Good Girls Fundraiser for Trans*-Inclusive event in support of the soon-to-be-opened Queens Cross Trans Community Space
- April 1, 2016 Hubbub with City Studio to co-create, design and launch projects that enrich neighbourhoods
- Hillcrest Tree Sale on April 2, 2016 marked the beginning of the Vancouver's first Tree Week to raise awareness of Vancouver's urban forest strategy and to ask citizens to help plant 150,000 trees by 2020; over 3,000 trees were sold to Vancouver residents
- April 7, 2016 announcement of Netherlands, Australia and United States as the competitors in the 26th annual Honda Celebration of Light
- April 9, 2016 tree planting at Everett Crowley Park as part of the community reforestation project
- Opening Day of the little league baseball diamond at Hastings Community Park on April 9, 2016
- Sakura Days at VanDusen Gardens on April 9, 2016, part of the Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival's Sakura Days Japan Fair
- Celebration of Park arborist Jody Taylor's life in Maple Ridge on April 9, 2016
- Unveiling of the Japanese War Memorial plaque in Stanley Park on April 9, 2016, to commemorate the centennial of the men who enlisted in 1916
- The tree sale held at Trout Lake Park on April 10, 2016 marked the end of Vancouver's first Tree Week; over 3,000 trees were sold
- The first Hanami Festival events at Trout Lake on April 10, 2016
- Pink-Out in School Day supporting diversity and safe schools for the LGBTQ youth on April 13, 2016
- April 16, 2016 Vancouver Vaisakhi Festival that attracted over 50,000 spectators



- 529 Garage Bike Registration event at the Mount Pleasant Community Centre on April 16, 2016
- The Vancouver Cherry Blossom Barge was the grand finale of the tenth annual Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival
- Vancouver Street Soccer event at Trillium Park on April 18, 2016 to promote health and social change through soccer
- Celebration of the 10th anniversary of LINK Dance, which showcases celebrated dance residencies from over ten community centres, on April 18, 2016
- Open House for residents to view the preferred design concept for the Smithe and Richards Streets downtown park
- Celebration of the 70th anniversary of the Sunset Community Centre on April 21, 2016
- Celebration of Queen Elizabeth II's 90th birthday in Queen Elizabeth Park's Jubilee Square on April 22, 2016
- April 23, 2016 beach clean-up with the Surfrider Vancouver Foundation, focusing on cigarette butts
- Earth Day celebration activities with the Stanley Park Ecology Society on April 23, 2016
- Celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Sun Yat-Sen Garden
- The annual VanDusen Garden plant sale on April 24, 2016
- Unveiling of the new \$3.2 million Paddling Centre at False Creek on April 27, 2016 which was supported by a \$1 million Community Amenity Contribution from Concord Pacific
- Ceremonial planting of a big-leaf maple tree and bench in Stanley Park dedicated to Vancouver arborist Jody Taylor on the Day of Mourning on April 28, 2016
- 45th annual BMO Vancouver Marathon on May 1, 2016.

STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Love Locks Sculpture - Final Concept

The Board approved the final concept plan put forward by staff after extensive public engagement. The sculpture is titled "Love in the Rain" by Bruce Voyce, a celebrated local artist residing in the Strathcona neighbourhood. The sculpture design is engaging, aesthetically pleasing, and inclusive to all with intentionally ageless and genderless figures.

South False Creek Seawall - Park Upgrades and Tree Replacement

The Board supported the many park improvements proposed for along the South False Creek Seawall, with the primary focus on improving safety for all users. Seawall & park upgrades include: widening & separating walking and cycling paths; encouraging faster riders to use the Seaside Bypass; adding lighting, dog park fencing, and a washroom facility to Charleson Park; replacing 34 failing cherry trees with new, healthy trees; adding perennial beds.

Synthetic Turf Field Replacement Contract - Oak Meadows & Kerrisdale Parks

The Board approved entering into a contract with Carpell Surfaces Inc. to install synthetic turf at the two above noted parks. The Board received detailed information on three types of infill: Greenplay Organic infill (cork), Recycled Crumb Rubber, and Thermoplast Elastomer (TPE). After considering durability, health, environmental impacts, and costs, the Board selected Thermoplast Elastomer (TPE) infill for the new field at Kerrisdale, with the field at Oak Meadows not requiring infill.



Beedie Development Group (BDG) Private Special Event

The Board approved BDG's use of the garden space between the Malkin Bowl and Stanley Park Pavilion, facilitating the connection between the two venues which have been rented for BDG's special private concert event on July 9, 2016. As part of the compensation agreement, BDG will be repainting Malkin Bowl and donating decorative stanchions.

GM'S REPORT

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, advised that an administrative report on the 2016 Q1 Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts would be considered at the May 3, 2016 City Council. The administrative report will include the closeout for the Nat Bailey Stadium.

Park Board related items at the May 4, 2016 Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities include:

- Seaside Greenway - South False Creek - Burrard Bridge to Cambie Bridge
- Meraloma Club - New Liquor Primary Licence Application and Outdoor Patio - Liquor Establishment Class 7 - Private Club.

MOTIONS

Arbutus Greenway

The Board approved a motion to seek a commitment from the City of Vancouver for the creation of new public parks and green space along the entire (approximately) 9-kilometre Greenway, and to ensure that the Park Board would be an integral part of the Arbutus Greenway planning team. This commitment would support the Greenest City Action Plan with the goal of creating a lasting legacy for Vancouver by developing one of the longest linear parks in North America.

Access to Park Board Services Without Fear

The Vancouver Park Board strives to ensure all residents of Vancouver have open access to its parks, recreational facilities, and services but recognizes that some residents may be fearful to access these services due to having uncertain immigration status. The Board affirmed its commitment to respond to the diverse needs of people arriving and living in Vancouver and directed staff to develop a policy that is consistent with the spirit and objectives of the "Access to City Services without Fear for Residents with Uncertain or No Immigration Status Policy".

Water Conservation Measure

The Board discussed a motion that proposed the re-activation of an unused water reservoir in the VanDusen Botanical Garden that could potentially use captured water during times of restricted water use. The motion was referred to staff for further investigation.

Zero Waste - Organic Infill Artificial Turf Fields

In light of the Board decision to use TPE infill for Kerrisdale Park, the proposed motion to implement the use of organic materials instead of crumb rubber on all new and replacement artificial turf fields in Vancouver was withdrawn.



MAY 16, 2016

STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS:

East Fraser Lands (EFL) Consultant Contract

The Board approved the award of a consultant contract to Space-2-Space Design Inc. for the design of approximately eight acres of parks in the East Fraser Lands, which lie in the southeast corner of Vancouver on the Fraser River. The plan includes four new parks that will be designed to best serve the surrounding community.

Beach Chair & Umbrella Rental at English Bay Contract Award

The Board approved a two-year pilot program agreement for Blue Hole Investments to operate a beach chair and umbrella rental service at English Bay Beach. The proposed program will introduce a new and valued service, enhance customer convenience, and deliver additional sun protection at a popular Vancouver beach.

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy By-Law

The Board reviewed and approved the repeal and replacement of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy By-law to align the by-law with the provincial legislation. A By-Law will be brought forward to the Commissioners at a later date for their consideration of repeal and replacement.

GM'S REPORT

The Park Board General Manager advised that consideration of the Meraloma Club's application for a liquor licence was postponed by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on May 4, 2016, and will be considered at the May 18, 2016, meeting. A presentation from Sanitation on Public Realm Cleanliness from Waste Management is also scheduled.

MOTIONS

Pioneer Place (Pigeon Park) Clean-up Strategy

The Board discussed a motion directing staff to work with the local community to bring Pigeon Park to the standard of other Vancouver neighbourhood parks, including looking at options to wrap the utility box, install a creative needle disposal box, review community art installation opportunities, install a 3 tiered water fountain, create a local ambassador program, review a waste management plan, fix current benches, and revitalize the horticulture. The motion was referred to staff to report back to the Committee.

Official Tree for Vancouver

Recognizing that the City of Vancouver does not have an official tree, the Board approved a motion for staff to launch an official tree nomination process that will include opportunities to engage the public and local students. Final selection will be done by a panel with expertise in forest diversity, with the winning tree announced during Tree Week 2017. The City of Vancouver will be asked to formally endorse and adopt the selected tree.



MAY 30, 2016

CHAIR'S REPORT: The Chair reported on the following activities/events:

- Canadian production of *Missing from Me* at the Roundhouse Performance Centre on May 4, 2016 that brought a diverse group of youth from around the world together
- Stanley Park Lawn Bowling Club open house on May 7, 2016
- Trout Lake Farmer's Market summer season opening on May 7, 2016
- Wrap-up celebration of Youth Week at Creekside on May 7, 2016
- May 9, 2016 Urban Design Awards celebrating Vancouver's architecture and urban design
- Move for Health Day events in Yaletown and at the Hillcrest Community Centre to promote physical activity on May 10, 2016
- May 12, 2016 Definitely not a Gala Event to raise crucial awareness and funds for Vancouver's children living in poverty
- Vancouver Bird Week finale on May 14, 2016
- Celebration of the West End Community Centre's 40th anniversary on May 14, 2016
- Celebration of the 129th anniversary of the CPR Engine 374 at the Roundhouse Community Centre on May 22, 2016
- The annual Salmonberry Days Community Fair at the Dunbar Community Centre on May 29, 2016
- World Partnership Walk to raise funds to fight global poverty on May 29, 2016.

STAFF REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

New Downtown Park at Smithe and Richards

The Board unanimously approved the final design plan for the new park at Smithe and Richards that was a result of extensive public consultation via open houses, Pop-Up City Hall, and surveys. Park amenities include a large public plaza, an overhead walkway that provides a bird's eye view of the park, and an accessible network of paths. There will be a food and beverage amenity to anchor and activate the public space and the site will also include public washrooms and storage space.

GM'S REPORT

The Park Board General Manager noted the following events scheduled for May 31, 2016:

- A media event to announce the new downtown park at the Smithe and Richards site
- A concession strategy focus group meeting at the Park Board office
- The first consultation dialogue session with the community centre associations.

Mr. Bromley also announced that Shawna Wilton has accepted the position of Deputy General Manager. Shauna will maintain her current responsibilities pending the hire of the new Director of Recreation Services.

BY-LAWS

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy By-Law

The Board enacted a new Freedom of Information and Protection Privacy By-Law to align with the current FOIPP Act and to replace the prior by-law that included many outdated items.



MOTIONS

Expediting New Outdoor Pools

The Board approved a motion to direct staff to explore quick start strategies, including the reallocation of existing capital funding, to expedite the construction of new outdoor pools in Vancouver.

Barrier-Free BC

The Board unanimously agreed to formally support the Barrier-Free BC movement that calls upon BC's Legislative Assembly to enact a strong and effective British Columbians with Disabilities Act, with the aim to name BC as the most progressive province in Canada for people with disabilities by 2024.

NEXT MONTH'S MEETINGS

In the month of June, the Park Board will be meeting on June 13, and June 27, at 2099 Beach Avenue.

John C. Coupar ,Commissioner
Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation
604 761 0795

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Date: 5/25/2015 7:32:25 AM
Subject: Re: 052515F Hana Talking Points

Thanks for this Susan. Our condolences to you and your team.

I just left you a message. We will defer calls on this today to your communications staff.

Warm regards
Margo

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 25, 2015, at 7:47 AM, "Susan Archibald" <Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org> wrote:
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> John, Malcolm and Margot,
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> As per the messages left to each of you via Clint and myself, unfortunately we have some sad news today at the Aquarium.
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> Last evening around 7pm Hana our female Pacific white-sided dolphin passed away.
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> As you know last week Hana was diagnosed with a gastro-intestinal blockage that was rapidly progressing and would have certainly led to her death. Just 2 or 3 years ago there were no options to treat, however recent successful advances in surgeries on dolphins provided a glimmer of hope and so last Thursday night the first-ever enterotomy (bowel surgery) on a Pacific white-sided dolphin under general anesthesia was performed by a team of leading specialists from across the continent.
>
> The procedure itself was successful however the condition of the bowel was of grave concern to Dr. Marty Haulena and the surgeon who performed the operation but both agreed that there was a chance, however small, that aggressive post-operative treatment and her own strength might just pull her through.
>
> The marine mammal care team assisted by other volunteers nursed her day and night, 24-hours a day walking in waist deep water, supporting her, providing familiar encouraging words and close gentle contact.
>
> By Saturday morning there were some small signs of improvement enough to raise our care team's spirits - a little glimmer of hope - however by that same evening some of her physiological parameters started to worsen. Unfortunately, on Sunday we had a rapidly deteriorating dolphin.
>
> Although everyone knew that it was a miracle that she made it through the surgery and that her recovery was a very unlikely long shot, her loss still comes as a devastating blow to those that loved her and put so much of themselves into her care.
>

> We owe a great debt of thanks to the veterinary medical specialists that were assembled who are second to none and to the marine mammal veterinary community that provided thoughtful comment and support. We are fortunate to also have an incredible animal husbandry team -- this is the team who cares for them day in and day out, and the ones who spend long, late hours caring for them when they are ill.

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> Hana was a dolphin that was already given a second chance. Rescued in Japan after being found entangled, emaciated and very sickly, she was rehabilitated and deemed non-releasable. The Vancouver Aquarium was able to offer her a home along with another rescued dolphin, Helen. Together these dolphins have given us new insights into how dolphins detect fishing nets and use sonar, they have inspired millions of visitors connecting them to issues that these animals face in the wild. Most poignantly, perhaps, Hana's legacy will be the huge medical advance informing dolphin surgeries and providing hope in the future to sick animals.

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> The attached media advisory will go out in a few minutes.

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> Talking points are attached for your use.

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> If you have any questions you can reach Clint, Charlene or me directly.

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> Thank you!

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> Susan Archibald

> Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre

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> We enjoy talking to you – If you do not wish to receive further information from us (where applicable), please email PRIVACY@VANAQUA.ORG or write to our policy officer at Vancouver Aquarium, PO Box 3232 Vancouver, BC V6B 3X8

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"Lee Laxton" <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com>
Date: 12/9/2015 12:10:11 AM
Subject: RE: Annual VBGA Board/Staff Potluck Christmas Party

Sorry to miss this, happy holidays all!!

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Dolf DeJong

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre
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c. s.22(1)
From: Christine McCaffrey [mailto:s.22(1)]
Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2015 3:37 AM
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Subject: Re: Annual VBGA Board/Staff Potluck Christmas Party

Hi All,

For those of you who are attending tomorrow, our house is at the corner of s.22(1) West of Granville. s.22(1) right at the corner with blue Christmas lights.

Telephone: Landline s.22(1), my cell: s.22(1)

There will be lots of food (and wine) so even if you thought you couldn't come and your now can, please feel free to attend!

If I don't see you tomorrow, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the new year.

On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 6:15 PM, Lee Laxton <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com> wrote:

Good Evening Everyone

You and your guest are invited to the Annual VBGA Board/Staff Potluck Christmas Party scheduled for:

Date: Wednesday, December 9th, 2015

Time: 5:30pm - 8:30pm

Place: Ron & Christine McCaffrey's home - s.22(1)

Dress: Smart casual

Please let me know if you are:

- 1) planning to attend
- 2) alone or with a guest
- 3) what you want to bring (hor'd, salad, entree or dessert) :

Best,

Lee

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Mrs. Lee Laxton
Executive Assistant to the Board & Association Director
VanDusen Botanical Garden Association
Phone: s.22(1)

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Regards

Christine

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From: "Coupar, John" <John.Coupar@vancouver.ca>

To: "Yasmin Sidi" <Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org>

Date: 4/7/2015 3:19:16 PM

Subject: Re: Board / Advisor / Patron Celebration

Thank you
Best regards

John C. Coupar ,Chair
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604 761 0795

> On Apr 7, 2015, at 3:43 PM, Yasmin Sidi <Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org> wrote:

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> **John – this is a reminder invite for the Dinner and AGM for Thursday, April 23rd at 5:00 pm***

> -----Original Appointment-----

> From: Yasmin Sidi

> Subject: Board / Advisor / Patron Celebration

> When: Thursday, April 23, 2015 5:00 PM-8:30 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).

> Where: Underwater Arctic Gallery - Vancouver Aquarium

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> Dear Directors, Advisors & Patrons,

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> In place of the normal Board Meeting prior to the AGM, please join us for a Celebration Dinner to mark the next step in the evolution of the Aquarium's governance on Thursday, April 23rd at 5:00 pm in the Underwater Arctic Gallery at the Aquarium.

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> The Dinner will be followed by the AGM at 7:00 pm in the Goldcorp 4-D Theatre.

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> Please RSVP to allow us to cater for the special dinner arrangements. We hope you will join us in recognizing your effort and support in this significant step.

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> Thank you.

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> Janet Landucci

> Board Chair

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> Celebration Dinner with Board / Advisors / Patrons:

> Underwater Gallery

> Thursday, April 23rd, 2015

> 5:00 pm to 6:45 pm

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> Annual General Meeting:

> Goldcorp 4-D Theatre

> 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

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From: "Coupar, John" <John.Coupar@vancouver.ca>

To: "Yasmin Sidi" <Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org>

Date: 10/22/2015 6:54:04 AM

Subject: Re: Board Liaison Report - Sep 2015

Hi Yasmin

I am unable to attend this morning please express my regrets to the Board

Best regards

John

John C. Coupar ,Chair

Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

604 761 0795

On Oct 20, 2015, at 9:04 AM, Yasmin Sidi <Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org> wrote:

Thank you John.

Yasmin Sidi

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre

d. 604 659 3441

From: Coupar, John [mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 8:56 AM

To: Yasmin Sidi

Subject: Re: Board Liaison Report - Sep 2015

Hi Yasmin

I may be a little late as I'm doing some Media re Ghost Train in Stanley Park first

Best regards

John

John C. Coupar ,Chair

Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

604 761 0795

On Oct 20, 2015, at 8:51 AM, Yasmin Sidi <Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org> wrote:

Thank you John. We look forward to seeing you at the Board Meeting on Thursday, October 22 at the offices of Dentons LLP

Yasmin Sidi

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre

d. 604 659 3441

From: Coupar, John [mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca]

Sent: Monday, October 19, 2015 11:54 PM

To: Yasmin Sidi

Subject: Fwd: Board Liaison Report - Sep 2015

See attached report

John C. Coupar ,Chair

Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

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Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <PBCommissioners@vancouver.ca>

From: "Chan, Cheryl" <Cheryl.Chan@vancouver.ca>

Date: October 19, 2015 at 10:15:12 PM PDT

To: PB Commissioners <PBCommissioners@vancouver.ca>

Subject: Board Liaison Report - Sep 2015

Hello Commissioners,

Please see attached Board Liaison Report for Sep 2015.

Thanks,

C.

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**Cheryl Chan**

Office of the General Manager

Vancouver Park Board

2099 Beach Avenue

Vancouver, BC V6G 1Z4

t: 604.257.8451 m: **S.15(1)(I)**

e: [Cheryl.Chan@vancouver.ca](mailto:Cheryl.Chan@vancouver.ca)

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To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 3/21/2016 8:20:59 AM  
Subject: RE: Board Meeting

Will do, John. Thanks for letting us know. Yasmin

Yasmin Sidi  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

-----Original Message-----

From: Coupar, John [mailto:[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)]  
Sent: Saturday, March 19, 2016 7:25 AM  
To: Yasmin Sidi  
Subject: Board Meeting

Hi Yasmin

Sorry I'm unable to attend please express my regrets to the board. Please add my Park Board liaison report to the materials and circulate to the board members.

Thank you

Best regards

John

John C. Coupar ,Commissioner  
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From: "[Yasmin Sidi](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)" <[Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)>  
To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 11/19/2015 12:26:31 PM  
Subject: RE: Board of Directors Meeting

Thanks for letting us know, John. I will include your report to the Board.  
We hope to see you at the December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, which is at 10 am in the classrooms at the Aquarium, followed by luncheon in the Teck Connections Gallery.

**Yasmin Sidi**

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

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**From:** Coupar, John [mailto:[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 19, 2015 12:22 PM  
**To:** Yasmin Sidi  
**Subject:** Re: Board of Directors Meeting

Hi Yasmin

I will be out of the country on the Nov 26 date please express my regrets to the board and include my report  
Thank you  
John

John C. Coupar ,Chair  
Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation  
604 761 0795

On Nov 19, 2015, at 12:19 PM, Yasmin Sidi <[Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)> wrote:

**Yasmin Sidi**

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

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From: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>

To: "[Yasmin Sidi](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)" <[Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)>

Date: 2/6/2015 2:04:44 PM

Subject: Re: Correspondence attached from Chair of Board - Janet Landucci

Hi Yasmin

Thank you, please advise the Chair Janet Landucci that I will attend the Board Meeting in March. I will forward a Park Board Liason report prior, please advise due date for board reports. In addition my wife Heather and I will be honoured to attend the awards dinner on March 3rd we appreciate the invitation and look forward to the event.

Best regards

John C. Coupar ,Chair  
Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation  
604 761 0795

On Feb 5, 2015, at 2:29 PM, Yasmin Sidi <[Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)> wrote:

February 5, 2015.

I have been asked to send you the enclosed letter from our Chair, Janet Landucci.

**Yasmin Sidi**

Executive Assistant to Executive Office  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
[yasmin.sidi@vanaqua.org](mailto:yasmin.sidi@vanaqua.org)  
d. 604 659 3441

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<John Coupar February 2015.pdf>



From: "[Harper, Margo](mailto:Margo.Harper@vancouver.ca)" <[Margo.Harper@vancouver.ca](mailto:Margo.Harper@vancouver.ca)>

To: "[Susan Archibald](mailto:Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org)" <[Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org](mailto:Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org)>  
"[Bromley, Malcolm](mailto:Malcolm.Bromley@vancouver.ca)" <[Malcolm.Bromley@vancouver.ca](mailto:Malcolm.Bromley@vancouver.ca)>  
"[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>

Date: 5/25/2015 4:19:56 PM

Subject: RE: DFO Media Briefing -- Tuesday

Thanks for the heads up Susan.

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**From:** Susan Archibald [mailto:[Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org](mailto:Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org)]

**Sent:** Monday, May 25, 2015 5:06 PM

**To:** Bromley, Malcolm; Coupar, John; Harper, Margo

**Cc:** Clint Wright; Charlene Chiang

**Subject:** DFO Media Briefing -- Tuesday

**Importance:** High

All,

DFO will proceed with an announcement tomorrow regarding the decision that Chester will remain at the Vancouver Aquarium.

If you will recall, in January 2015, Fisheries and Oceans Canada established an external scientific panel to evaluate and help make an informed decision about Chester, the false killer whale (*Pseudorca crassidens*), and his long-term care. The result of that review is that Chester will stay here at the Vancouver Aquarium.

The decision was made prior to the death of Hanna. The habitat must be prepared for Chester which includes some work around its perimeter. This work will raise questions from visitors and staff need to be briefed on why the work is taking place. At this point, very few in the organization are aware of this decision. We need to be able to communicate it out and in order to do that DFO needs to make its announcement.

Talking points are attached FYI. The Media advisory will be distributed at 8:30 a.m. Please feel free to reach out should you have any questions or need further information.

With thanks,

SA

**Susan Archibald**

Senior Vice President, External

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From: "donald zarowny" s.22(1)  
To: "Lee Laxton" <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com>  
Date: 12/5/2015 11:32:44 AM  
Subject: Re: INVITATION - VBGA GUIDE LUNCHEON

Have meetings all day .Thus unable to attend Guides lunch.  
Don.

----- Original Message -----

From: Lee Laxton <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com>

To: Michael Murgatroyd s.22(1), Christine McCaffrey  
s.22(1) >, Thomas Ciz s.22(1) desmond  
s.22(1), Dolf DeJong s.22(1), Donald Zarowny  
s.22(1), ewa\_opalinski s.22(1) Janet Rhodes  
s.22(1), Janet Rhodes s.22(1), jean hurst  
s.22(1) Margaret Lord s.22(1) Norene Kimberley  
s.22(1) Rich Hankin s.22(1) Rolly McLeod  
s.22(1) Shawn Mitchell <smitchell@vandusen.org>, stephane.mouttet  
s.22(1), Susan Jamieson-McLarnon s.22(1), Terri  
Clark s.22(1), Tony DuMoulin s.22(1), Vicky Earle  
s.22(1) John Coupar <john.coupar@vancouver.ca>, Jill Wright  
s.22(1)

Sent: Mon, 30 Nov 2015 13:48:56 -0700 (MST)  
Subject: INVITATION - VBGA GUIDE LUNCHEON

Good Afternoon Everyone,

Please mark your calendar: you are invited to the Annual Guide Luncheon on Thursday,  
December 10th at 11:30 - 2:00pm in the Floral Hall.

Please find attached the Guide invitation.

Best,

Lee

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Mrs. Lee Laxton  
Executive Assistant to the Board & Association Director  
VanDusen Botanical Garden Association  
Phone: s.22(1)

From: "[Yasmin Sidi](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)" <[Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)>  
To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 3/25/2015 2:25:59 PM  
Subject: RE: LIAISON REPORT - 2015-03-24.pdf

Thank you.

Yasmin Sidi  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

-----Original Message-----

From: Coupar, John [mailto:[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 1:20 PM  
To: Kate Perkins; Gerald Massing; Sophie Djordjevic; Isfeld, Lori; Yasmin Sidi; Kazakoff, Laura; Shawn Mitchell  
Subject: LIAISON REPORT - 2015-03-24.pdf

Attached PB Liason report

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From: "[Yasmin Sidi](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)" <[Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org](mailto:Yasmin.Sidi@vanaqua.org)>  
To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 5/21/2015 8:28:04 AM  
Subject: RE: LIAISON REPORT - 2015-05-02.pdf

Thanks for letting us know, John.

Yasmin Sidi  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

-----Original Message-----

From: Coupar, John [mailto:[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2015 10:12 PM  
To: Yasmin Sidi  
Cc: Susan Archibald  
Subject: LIAISON REPORT - 2015-05-02.pdf

Hi Yasmin

Here is the PB liaison report unfortunately I cannot attend tomorrow. Please express my regrets to the Board Best regards John

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To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 11/19/2015 1:01:55 PM  
Subject: RE: Liaison reports

Will do John. Thanks. Yasmin

Yasmin Sidi  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

-----Original Message-----

From: Coupar, John [mailto:[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)]  
Sent: Thursday, November 19, 2015 12:58 PM  
To: Yasmin Sidi  
Subject: Liaison reports

Hi Yasmin

Please sub this report for this upcoming Board meeting and save the Nov report for the Dec Lunch meeting Best regards John

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To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 7/13/2016 2:01:39 PM  
Subject: RE: Park Board Liaison Report July

Thank you John

**Yasmin Sidi**

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

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**From:** Coupar, John [mailto:[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 13, 2016 3:01 PM  
**To:** Yasmin Sidi  
**Subject:** Fwd: Park Board Liaison Report July

See attached July Park Board Liaison Report

John C. Coupar ,Commissioner  
Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation  
604 761 0795

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
**Date:** July 13, 2016 at 2:59:27 PM PDT  
**To:** <[bryan.newson@vancouver.ca](mailto:bryan.newson@vancouver.ca)>, <[leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com](mailto:leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com)>, "Laura Kazakoff" <[laura.kazakoff@vancouver.ca](mailto:laura.kazakoff@vancouver.ca)>, Laurel Giassa <[Laurel.Giassa@vancouver.ca](mailto:Laurel.Giassa@vancouver.ca)>, Kate Perkins s.22(1), s.22(1) <[dale.bracewell@vancouver.ca](mailto:dale.bracewell@vancouver.ca)>, Lori Isfeld <[Lori.Isfeld@vancouver.ca](mailto:Lori.Isfeld@vancouver.ca)>  
**Subject: Park Board Liaison Report July**

Hi All  
Please find attached Report  
Best regards  
John

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To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 4/26/2016 9:14:01 AM  
Subject: RE: PB Liaison report

Thank you, John

Yasmin Sidi  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3441

-----Original Message-----

From: Coupar, John [mailto:[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)]  
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2016 9:20 AM  
To: Isfeld, Lori; Giassa, Laurel; Yasmin Sidi; Newson, Bryan; s.22(1) Shawn Mitchell  
Subject: PB Liaison report

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From: "Susan Archibald" <[Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org](mailto:Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org)>  
To: "Kirby-Yung, Sarah" <[Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca](mailto:Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 1/22/2016 9:19:25 AM  
Subject: RE: quick connect?

Hi Sarah,

Sorry, just tried you a couple of times. I sent my reply back to your Vancouver.ca address last night. Presume that is the email you would like me to use. My apologies. I'll try you again in a few minutes.

Tx

SA

**Susan Archibald**  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
d. 604 659 3575  
f. 604 659 3566  
c. 778 838 9818

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**From:** Susan Archibald  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 10:26 PM  
**To:** Sarah Kirby-Yung  
**Subject:** Fwd: quick connect?

Hi Sarah. I'll call you at 9 a.m. Sorry for the personal email. I think my computer auto corrected. Talk to you tomorrow. Tx

Sent from my iPhone

Susan Archibald  
Vancouver Aquarium

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** s.22(1)  
**Date:** January 21, 2016 at 9:09:21 PM PST  
**To:** Susan Archibald <[Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org](mailto:Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: quick connect?

Hi Susan,

Happy to talk. You can't reach me at s.22(1) before 10am or after Noon.

Also note my Park Board email is [Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca](mailto:Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca)

Regards,

Sarah

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 21, 2016, at 5:00 PM, Susan Archibald <[Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org](mailto:Susan.Archibald@vanaqua.org)> wrote:

Hi Sarah,

I hope this note finds you well. I thought I should reach out and try and find time for us to have a quick connect by phone tomorrow to discuss the recent video that has been released about the Aquarium that contains a lot of inaccuracies. Do you have time for a quick call tomorrow, Friday, Jan 22. Please let me know if tomorrow works and best number to reach you at.

With thanks!

SA

**Susan Archibald**  
Senior Vice President, External Relations  
Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre  
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From: "[Norene Kimberley](#)" s.22(1)  
To: "[Terri Clark](#)" s.22(1)  
"[Lee Laxton](#)" <[leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com](mailto:leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com)>  
Date: 7/11/2015 11:32:45 AM  
Subject: RE: VanDusen on a beautiful evening

What a lovely time!

-----Original Message-----

From: Terri Clark [mailto:s.22(1)]  
Sent: July 11, 2015 9:12 AM  
To: Lee Laxton  
Cc: Hedy Dyck; Jill Wright; John Coupar; May Brown; Normann, Howard; Patrick Lewis; Roy Forster; Michael Murgatroyd; Christine McCaffrey; Ciz, Thomas; desmond; Dolf DeJong; Donald Zarowny; ewa\_opalinski; Janet Rhodes; Janet Rhodes; jean hurst; Joan Bentley; Norene Kimberley; Rich Hankin; Rolly McLeod; Shawn Mitchell; stephane.mouffet; Susan Jamieson-McLarnon; Tony DuMoulin; Vicky Earle  
Subject: VanDusen on a beautiful evening

Hi All

On short notice yesterday we asked a few friends to join us for a potluck picnic in a secluded and verdant area of VanDusen. I of course called first and ascertained that this was allowed. We met at 6:30, new memberships were purchased, as already the uninitiated saw the potential for evening strolls post dinner, splendid walks for visiting guests etc.

It was a magical night, the light perfect through the Robinia trees and all scented by massive displays of Oriental lilies.

We packed up by 8:15 as the gloaming settled giving the white blooms in the Perennial Garden a ghostly hue while they released their fragrance to attract the night-flying moths.

Sharing this with you all on the off chance you haven't spent an evening in this way yet this season.

It gave resonance to that quote from Henry James when asked what the two most beautiful words are in the English Language- he said 'Summer Afternoon' and we couldn't agree more.

Cheers

Terri

From: "donald zarowny" s.22(1)

To: "Lee Laxton" <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com>

Date: 11/26/2015 2:51:15 PM

Subject: Re: VBGA - Donor Appreciation Event - November 26, 2015

Hi Lee,

Will have to miss tonites reception.

Have a s.22(1) and choose not to share it with everyone.

Don.

----- Original Message -----

From: Lee Laxton <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com>

To: Michael Murgatroyd s.22(1), Christine McCaffrey

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s.22(1), ewa\_opalinski s.22(1) Janet Rhodes

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s.22(1), Joan Bentley s.22(1), Norene Kimberley

s.22(1), Rich Hankin s.22(1), Rolly McLeod

s.22(1), Shawn Mitchell <smitchell@vandusen.org>, stephane.mouttet

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Clark s.22(1) Tony DuMoulin s.22(1), Vicky Earle

s.22(1), Hedy Dyck <HDyck@bclna.com>, Jill Wright s.22(1), John

Coupar <john.coupar@vancouver.ca>, Bill Manning <bill.manning@vancouver.ca>, May Brown

s.22(1), Patrick Lewis s.22(1), Roy Forster

s.22(1)

Sent: Mon, 23 Nov 2015 12:04:58 -0700 (MST)

Subject: VBGA - Donor Appreciation Event - November 26, 2015

Good Morning All

Just a quick reminder that the Donor Appreciation Evening is scheduled for this Thursday, November 26th from 7:00 - 9:00pm in BMO Great Hall.

Can you please let me know if you will be attending?

Many thanks,

Lee

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Mrs. Lee Laxton

Executive Assistant to the Board & Association Director

VanDusen Botanical Garden Association

Phone: s.22(1)

From: "[Stephane Mouttet](#)" s.22(1)  
To: "[Norene Kimberley](#)" s.22(1)  
Date: 11/26/2015 8:11:19 AM  
Subject: Re: VBGA - Donor Appreciation Event - November 26, 2015

Good morning

I won't be able to attend. Still having a cold.

I will be at the Concierge Event on Monday though

Stephane

On Mon, Nov 23, 2015 at 11:27 AM, Norene Kimberley s.22(1) wrote:

I will be there.

**From:** Lee Laxton [mailto:[leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com](mailto:leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com)]

**Sent:** November 23, 2015 11:05 AM

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From: "[Stephane Mouttet](#)" s.22(1)

To: "[Lee Laxton](#)" <[leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com](mailto:leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com)>

Date: 2/16/2016 7:50:58 AM

Subject: Re: VBGA - February Board meeting

Good morning.

I am leaving for France this weekend and I will be back on March 10 from France

Stéphane

On Mon, Feb 15, 2016 at 5:21 PM, Lee Laxton <[leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com](mailto:leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hello Everyone

Just a quick reminder that the February board meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, February 24th at 5:15 in the Cedar Room.

Look forward to seeing everyone then.

Best,

Lee

--

Mrs. Lee Laxton

Executive Assistant to the Board & Association Director

VanDusen Botanical Garden Association

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From: "Stephane Mouttet" s.22(1)

To: "Lee Laxton" <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com>

Date: 11/3/2015 7:42:30 AM

Subject: Re: VBGA - November Board meeting - new date

Good morning

I will be there!

Stephane

On Mon, Nov 2, 2015 at 4:34 PM, Lee Laxton <leelaxton.vandusen@gmail.com> wrote:

Good Afternoon Everyone

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

The Board meeting originally scheduled for November 18th has now been rescheduled for:

Monday, November 16th

5:15 - 7:15pm

in the Education Classroom

in the Visitor Centre

Regards,

Lee

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From: "[Janet Rhodes](#)" s.22(1)  
To: "[Rich Hankin](#)" s.22(1)  
Date: 3/17/2016 11:51:09 AM  
Subject: Re: VBGA - Re-scheduled Board meeting

I am iffy-

Janet

Janet L. Rhodes  
s.22(1)

On Mar 17, 2016, at 12:48 PM, Rich Hankin s.22(1) wrote:

I'll be there, Rich.

----- Original Message -----

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**To:** [Michael Murgatroyd](#) ; [Christine McCaffrey](#) ; [Ciz, Thomas](#) ; [desmond](#) ; [Dolf DeJong](#) ; [Donald Zarowny](#) ; [ewa\\_opalinski](#) ; [Janet Rhodes](#) ; [Janet Rhodes](#) ; [jean hurst](#) ; [Margaret Lord](#) ; [Norene Kimberley](#) ; [Rich Hankin](#) ; [Rolly McLeod](#) ; [Shawn Mitchell](#) ; [stephane.mouttet](#) ; [Susan Jamieson-McLarnon](#) ; [Terri Clark](#) ; [Tony DuMoulin](#) ; [Vicky Earle](#)  
**Cc:** [Hedy Dyck](#) ; [Jill Wright](#) ; [John Coupar](#) ; [Manning, Bill](#) ; [May Brown](#) ; [Patrick Lewis](#) ; [Roy Forster](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2016 2:33 PM  
**Subject:** VBGA - Re-scheduled Board meeting

Good Afternoon Everyone

Just a quick confirmation that tonight's meeting has been cancelled due to the lack of a quorum.

It has been re-scheduled for:

Wednesday, March 23rd - 5:00 - 7:15pm in the Cedar Room

Please let me know if you are able to attend next week.

Many thanks,

Lee

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Mrs. Lee Laxton  
Executive Assistant to the Board & Association Director  
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Date: 11/26/2016 11:34:07 AM  
Subject: Remembering Aurora



Dear Aquarium Supporter,

It's with immense sadness that I share the passing of beluga whale Aurora. As detailed last week and through [daily updates](#) on her condition, Aurora had been sick for the past two weeks, showing symptoms of abdominal cramping, loss of appetite and lethargy. Our marine mammal care team, under the guidance of head veterinarian Dr. Martin Haulena, and a host of veterinary specialists, pathologists, marine biologists and other experts from around-the-world, had been working relentlessly to provide treatment, investigate her symptoms, adjust her medication, and ensure she had therapeutic care.

After a determined around-the-clock effort by animal care staff and the veterinary team, she slipped away yesterday evening surrounded by the people who loved her, some of whom have cared for her since she first arrived in 1990. To our team, Aurora was a part of our family and her loss is absolutely heartbreaking. The marine mammal care team, who worked night and day to care for her, are our true heroes, even if we lost the battle.



We will continue to explore the cause or causes of Qila and Aurora's sudden illness — a necropsy will be conducted by Dr. Haulena and he will continue to consult with other specialists across the globe as we continue the investigation.

Named after the aurora borealis, or northern lights, Aurora immediately won hearts and inspired generations of visitors, employees and volunteers with her curious nature and gentle personality. Along with the other belugas at the Aquarium, including her daughter Qila, Aurora taught millions about her incredible species and its rapidly changing ecosystem in the wild.

The past two weeks have been extremely difficult and today's loss has left a hole in our hearts. On behalf of our team of 1,500 staff and volunteers, we'd like to thank everyone who has reached out to us with warm messages of support and offers of help. You've shared countless stories of how Aurora and Qila have impacted you and your family and we're grateful to everyone who has shared those connections with us. Please continue doing so.

Sincerely,

John Nightingale, PhD  
President & CEO

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To: ["Kirby-Yung, Sarah" <Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca>](mailto:Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca)

Date: 2/10/2016 2:02:05 PM

Subject: Richard Louv, author of Last Child in the Woods, in Vancouver May 7

Hi Sarah,

Congratulations on your new position on the parks board! I hope you're enjoying your new role.

We worked together at the Aquarium for a bit while I was in the school programs department.

I'm reaching out to you because I want to talk with you about the best-selling author, [Richard Louv](#), coming to Vancouver on May 7. Richard is best known for his book, "[Last Child in the Woods](#)", and is launching a new book, "Vitamin N" that encourages people of all ages to get into nature. This will be the first Canadian stop for Richard to launch his new book.

We are looking for more partners to join us in bringing this inspiring speaker to our city. The Canadian Wildlife Federation is a partner with us on the project and Van Dusen Botanical Garden is keen to be involved as well. In fact, Shawn Mitchell from VBG suggested I reach out to you.

Please let me know if you're interested in joining us for some great opportunities to get Vancouverites into nature!

I'm happy to discuss over the phone or while having a coffee.

Cheers,

**Jonathan Hultquist**

Manager of Public Programs

Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre

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To: "[Kirby-Yung, Sarah](mailto:Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca)" <[Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca](mailto:Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 4/12/2016 2:30:47 PM  
Subject: [s.22\(1\)](#)

Hi Sarah,

[s.22\(1\)](#)

With many thanks and kindest regards,

SA

**Susan Archibald**

Senior Vice President, External Relations  
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To: "[Coupar, John](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)" <[John.Coupar@vancouver.ca](mailto:John.Coupar@vancouver.ca)>  
Date: 4/12/2016 2:30:14 PM  
Subject: s.22(1)

Hi John,

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With many thanks and kindest regards,

SA

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To: s.22(1)  
Date: 6/7/2016 12:25:42 PM  
Subject: s.22(1)

Hi All,

s.22(1)

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Cheers,

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From: "Vancouver Aquarium" <special.events@vanaqua.org>  
To: "Kirby-Yung, Sarah" <Sarah.Kirby-Yung@vancouver.ca>  
Date: 7/22/2015 7:13:36 PM  
Subject: Thank you for your registration



Dear Ms. Sarah Kirby-Yung,

### Event Information

Thank you for registering for the Marine Mammal Rescue Centre Celebration taking place on Wednesday, August 19 from 12:30 PM to 5:30 PM. This is a drop-in style event.

In our efforts to create a "zero waste" event, paper tickets will not be issued. You simply need to provide your name and the name of your guest at registration upon arrival.

Please note: Due to animal safety and quarantine issues, you cannot visit the Vancouver Aquarium after the event. The following morning is the earliest you may visit. i.e. If you visit the Rescue Centre on Aug 20, you may not attend the Aquarium's After Hours event taking place later that evening.

### Directions



### Guest Names

Please verify that your attendee name(s) are recorded properly below to ensure a fast and smooth entry to the event. Please reply to this email with any changes.

Wednesday, August 19 from 12:30 PM to 5:30 PM  
Sarah Kirby-Yung

If you have any questions, please feel free to call: 604.659.3473 or email: [special.events@vanaqua.org](mailto:special.events@vanaqua.org)  
We look forward to seeing you at the event!

Thank you,

John Nightingale, Ph. D  
President & CEO



From: s.22(1)

To: [reception@vanaqua.org](mailto:reception@vanaqua.org)

Date: 8/13/2016 2:36:18 AM

Subject: Torture for cash, your specialty

Dear all Vancouver Aquarium executives and John Nightingale,

cc: Vancouver Mayor, Gregor Robertson

cc: John Coupar, Parks Board

cc: Vancouver SPCA main office

A short letter to remind the aquarium that people are mobilizing against your animal prison. You are no more than money hungry pimps loaning out beings you think you own. Keep telling yourself you do it for scientific research and the good of the public while innocent beings are bred into captivity living a life of horror and confinement while you pad your bank accounts. You cloak abuse with "education". You are the past. You do not exist in the future. The general public is disgusted with you and when your doors close and you lose your jobs it will not be one day too soon. The Government of Canada does not stand behind you. The public does not stand behind you.

You do not represent the people or culture of Vancouver. We, the people, do not want you here.

s.22(1)

Vancouver BC

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Date: 10/7/2015 4:53:37 PM  
Subject: Update on Corky



Dear Aquarium Supporter,

We are greatly saddened to share that Corky, the rescued sea otter found near Tofino in August, succumbed to his injuries early Wednesday morning. He underwent first-of-its-kind surgery on Monday night to try and save his life due to the injuries he sustained from a suspected boat strike. Despite heroic efforts by the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Mammal Rescue Centre and an international team of veterinarians, Corky was unable to recover.

Corky was rescued near Tofino on August 13 by a team from the Rescue Centre. Head veterinarian Dr. Martin Haulena said the animal had a fractured rib that led to subcutaneous emphysema, or air trapped under his skin. Unable to dive or forage for food, Corky faced certain death in the wild, and was brought to the Rescue Centre for treatment. Once the emphysema subsided, follow-up tests showed one of his kidneys had also likely ruptured.

On Monday night, he underwent the first-ever nephrectomy (removal of a kidney) for a sea otter, a cystotomy to remove blood clots from his bladder, as well as the first-known blood transfusion for a sea otter. Previously rescued sea otter Elfin, one of four otters at the Vancouver Aquarium, was the blood donor for the transfusion. The procedure was performed by Dr. Alex Aguila, a veterinary surgeon from the Animal Surgical Clinic of Seattle, Dr. Lesanna Lahner, head veterinarian for the Seattle Aquarium, and Dr. Karisa Tang, Vancouver Aquarium veterinary fellow.

"Corky's case was such an inspiring rescue effort," said Emily Johnson, manager of the Aquarium's Marine Mammal Rescue Centre, presented by Port Metro Vancouver. "The surgery was nothing short of amazing, and I thought he just might pull through. He seemed to have that much will. He was a special little guy."

"We knew his condition was critical, and that the odds were against him, but we gave it everything we had, including trying new surgery techniques to save him," said Dr. Martin Haulena, head veterinarian at the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre. "We learned so much from him. His treatment contributes to a greater body of veterinary knowledge which will help us with future rescue efforts."

The work conducted through our Marine Mammal Rescue program sets the standard for many such operations around the world. Extraordinary pioneering efforts to save Corky and other similar cases provide incredible opportunities to ultimately uncover better ways to treat, prevent, diagnose, and rescue marine mammals. For more information on how you can help, please visit the [Marine Mammal Rescue Centre](#) website.

This is a difficult loss for our staff and volunteers who took such great care of Corky and we thank everyone for their continued support during this time.

Sincerely,

John Nightingale, PhD  
President & CEO

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Date: 5/25/2015 6:37:11 AM  
Subject: Vancouver Aquarium - Pacific White sided Dolphin - Hana

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Although everyone knew that it was a miracle that she made it through the surgery and that her recovery was a very unlikely long shot, her loss still comes as a devastating blow to those that loved her and put so much of themselves into her care.

Clint Wright has reached out to Malcolm and Charlene is preparing messaging for you.

There will be a media announcement at 9:30 this morning.

You can reach me on my cell anytime.

I have left a message for Margot to call me.

Thank you!

SA

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Date: 12/18/2015 2:45:34 PM

Subject: Vancouver Aquarium holiday greeting

Sarah,

Congratulations on becoming Chair of the Vancouver Park Board. We look forward to working with you over the coming years.

With best wishes over the holiday season.

Susan Archibald



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Date: 1/27/2016 6:13:57 PM

Subject: Vancouver Aquarium Video

Hi Sarah,

As you know, the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre is a conservation organization that Canadians look to for science and facts on important issues. Every now and then we feel the need to clarify inaccurate messages being shared about our conservation efforts and this is one of those times.

With the release of the video *Vancouver Aquarium Uncovered*, and given that you were cited in it, I thought you would want to know the facts. First, this video is not a documentary, as it's not grounded in truth. The Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre invests millions of dollars each year on its conservation, research, rescue and education programs. Egregious claims that state otherwise in a video made and circulated by anti-conservation detractors are clearly untrue.

When the producer approached us last year, we invited him to visit the Aquarium, to speak to our team and to learn about our many conservation and research efforts. He decided not to use the facts we provided and, instead, has deliberately created an inaccurate movie that misleads the viewer. We want to correct several points where he has manipulated the truth.

Please click on the link below to go to a blog post that clarifies the facts about the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre.

<http://www.aquablog.ca/2016/01/our-mission-as-a-marine-science-centre/>

If you have any questions or would like additional clarification on any issue, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any other member of our team at the Vancouver Aquarium.

With thanks!

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Date: 12/9/2015 12:19:08 PM  
Subject: Walter the Sea Otter



Dear Aquarium Supporter,

It is with deep sadness that we let you know Walter the sea otter passed away peacefully in his sleep last night.

Walter came to the Vancouver Aquarium's Marine Mammal Rescue Centre in October of 2013. He was rescued from Tofino with the help of Fisheries and Oceans Canada after he was found with gunshot wounds that caused blindness and other severe injuries. After several procedures at our Rescue Centre to deal with his injuries, we provided a home to Walter at the Aquarium, as he needed long-term care.

He was already an old otter when he was rescued and this was compounded by challenging issues due to his blindness and injuries, but our marine mammal staff did a terrific job making his last few years pain free and comfortable. He was introduced to, and interacted with, our female otters on a regular basis.

In the last month or so, and as expected for an aging otter (he was estimated to be between 15 – 17 years old), his activity had begun to slow down. He could not groom as well, and he started experiencing changes to his body condition. The marine mammal staff worked very hard to adjust their schedules, modify his habitat to be more suitable for an older, weaker otter, and adjust his diet.

Walter's story captivated people around the world. So many of you shared warm thoughts and wishes, and supported his rehabilitation and ongoing care with generous donations. While we are sad at Walter's loss, we are grateful for the outpouring of support over the last two years. Without all of you, our team would not be able to do what they do – to care for injured or abandoned marine mammals and to have made Walter's last few years as safe and comfortable as they were.

Sincerely,

Dr. Martin Haulena  
Head Veterinarian

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Subject: You're Invited to Fin to Tail!



**Learn to cook sustainable seafood from Vancouver's hottest Ocean Wise® chefs.**

**VANCOUVER AQUARIUM    AUGUST 11    7 P.M.**

At this new event, inspired chefs can feast their eyes on four live cooking demonstrations. Set against the beautiful backdrop of the Vancouver Aquarium's galleries, Fin to Tail will feature mouthwatering, sustainable bites from these top local chefs:

- **CHEF NED BELL** | Vancouver Aquarium's Ocean Wise culinary team
- **CHEF JONATHAN CHUY** | La Mezcaleria
- **CHEF CLEMENT CHAN** | Torafuku
- Fresh Ideas Start Here (F.I.S.H.)

Fresh Ocean Wise seafood will be paired with elegant wine, courtesy of Whitehaven Winery, and thirst-quenching beer from Red Truck Beer. Take away tips from the pros and recipes to recreate your favourite dishes at home.

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**Marine Mammal  
Rescue Centre  
Celebration**



**Wednesday, August 19, 2015**  
12:30 - 5:30 p.m.

or

**Thursday, August 20, 2015**  
11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

You are invited to join us at the Vancouver Aquarium's annual Marine Mammal Rescue Centre Celebration, presented by Port Metro Vancouver. This is an exclusive opportunity to meet our patients, veterinarians, dedicated staff and volunteers and learn about all the amazing work taking place there.

Our interactive, award-winning AquaVan will be on hand to share live animals, artifacts and activities with you. Enjoy face painting and ice cream, while discovering connections between animals, environments and ourselves.

The Rescue Centre is at a different location than the Aquarium. Directions, parking and other information will be communicated with you upon receipt of your RSVP.

*Please note: Due to animal safety and quarantine issues, you are not able to visit the Vancouver Aquarium after the event. The following morning is the earliest you may visit.*

**Space is limited for this event. Please RSVP early to avoid disappointment!**



The [Vancouver Aquarium Marine Mammal Rescue Centre](#) is a hospital for sick, injured or orphaned marine mammals. Each year, the Rescue Centre rescues more than 150 marine mammals and rehabilitates them for release back into their natural habitat.

As a self-supporting, non-profit organization, the Vancouver Aquarium does not receive ongoing funds to operate its Marine Mammal Rescue Centre. It is through your voluntary support to

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Date: 5/25/2015 6:47:16 AM

Subject: 052515F Hana Talking Points

Attachments: 052515F PWSD Hana Media Advisory.docx  
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John, Malcolm and Margot,

As per the messages left to each of you via Clint and myself, unfortunately we have some sad news today at the Aquarium.

Last evening around 7pm Hana our female Pacific white-sided dolphin passed away.

As you know last week Hana was diagnosed with a gastro-intestinal blockage that was rapidly progressing and would have certainly led to her death. Just 2 or 3 years ago there were no options to treat, however recent successful advances in surgeries on dolphins provided a glimmer of hope and so last Thursday night the first-ever enterotomy (bowel surgery) on a Pacific white-sided dolphin under general anesthesia was performed by a team of leading specialists from across the continent.

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The marine mammal care team assisted by other volunteers nursed her day and night, 24-hours a day walking in waist deep water, supporting her, providing familiar encouraging words and close gentle contact.

By Saturday morning there were some small signs of improvement enough to raise our care team's spirits - a little glimmer of hope - however by that same evening some of her physiological parameters started to worsen. Unfortunately, on Sunday we had a rapidly deteriorating dolphin.

Although everyone knew that it was a miracle that she made it through the surgery and that her recovery was a very unlikely long shot, her loss still comes as a devastating blow to those that loved her and put so much of themselves into her care.

We owe a great debt of thanks to the veterinary medical specialists that were assembled who are second to none and to the marine mammal veterinary community that provided thoughtful comment and support. We are fortunate to also have an incredible animal husbandry team -- this is the team who cares for them day in and day out, and the ones who spend long, late hours caring for them when they are ill.

Hana was a dolphin that was already given a second chance. Rescued in Japan after being found entangled, emaciated and very sickly, she was rehabilitated and deemed non-releasable. The Vancouver Aquarium was able to offer her a home along with another rescued dolphin, Helen. Together these dolphins have given us new insights into how dolphins detect fishing nets and use sonar, they have inspired millions of visitors connecting them to issues that these animals face in the wild. Most poignantly, perhaps, Hana's legacy will be the huge medical advance informing dolphin surgeries and providing hope in the future to sick animals.

The attached media advisory will go out in a few minutes.

Talking points are attached for your use.

If you have any questions you can reach Clint, Charlene or me directly.

Thank you!

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**FOR MEDIA PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY: MAY 25, 2015**

### **VANCOUVER AQUARIUM PROVIDES UPDATE ON PACIFIC WHITE-SIDED DOLPHIN**

**VANCOUVER, B.C.** – Despite having received unprecedented surgical treatment by a world-class team of veterinarians, Hana, a Pacific white-sided dolphin at the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre, passed away on Sunday evening. Vancouver Aquarium head veterinarian Dr. Martin Haulena will provide a briefing to media.

#### **Media Briefing**

**Where:** Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre; Aquaquest Reception, at the north end of the building  
**When:** Monday, May 25, at 9:30 a.m.  
**What:** Update on Pacific white-sided dolphin Hana  
**Who:** Dr. Martin Haulena, head veterinarian, Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre

**PLEASE NOTE:** This will be a short briefing, with an opportunity for questions afterward. There will be no further opportunities to interview Dr. Haulena after the conference.

Media please RSVP your attendance to [deana.lancaster@vanaqua.org](mailto:deana.lancaster@vanaqua.org)

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**TALKING POINTS: HANA (May 25, 2015 – NOT FOR DISTRIBUTION)**

- In 1996, Vancouver Aquarium became the first aquarium in the world to make a commitment to no longer capture cetaceans from the wild for display. We now only accept and care for whales, dolphins and porpoises that were born in an aquarium or were rescued and deemed non-releasable by an appropriate government authority.
- Vancouver Aquarium is the only marine mammal rescue centre in Canada and the only real hope for stranded, sick and injured marine mammals in B.C. Only by working with whales and dolphins in human care has the Aquarium been able to refine the professional skills needed to rescue marine mammals like BC's endangered and threatened killer whales.
- The few well-cared for cetaceans at the Vancouver Aquarium directly contribute to research efforts that help to conserve wild populations.

**Pacific white-sided dolphins**

- Hana had been at the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre since 2005. She arrived from Enoshima Aquarium where she had been in care for injuries sustained from entanglement in a fixed-location fishing net off the east coast of Japan in 2003. As the only marine mammal rescue centre in Canada, Vancouver Aquarium provides long-term care to several rescued marine mammals; it offered a home to her and to Helen, another rescued Pacific white-sided dolphin, after Japanese officials deemed them unreleasable due to the extent of their injuries, which would have put them at a disadvantage in the wild.
- Animals at the Vancouver Aquarium do not come from drive fisheries in Taiji or from any drive fishery. The Alliance of Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums condemns the inhumane killing of dolphins and other cetaceans in the Japanese drive fisheries. As an Alliance member, the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre does not support, fund, or acquire animals from drive fisheries.
- Pacific white-sided dolphins at the Vancouver Aquarium participate in research to help scientists understand how dolphins perceive nets—a study we hope will lead to the development of dolphin safe nets, ultimately protecting other wild dolphins from a similar fate.
- Dolphins at the Vancouver Aquarium, like those in almost all aquariums, play a direct and vital role in engaging people and helping them connect to the broad range of issues affecting animals living in our oceans. Climate change, overfishing, pollution and marine debris are all very real and large threats to dolphins, and to other ocean dwelling animals. Presenting these issues in the context of the impacts humans are having on living animals makes the message much more effective and drives change.

- All of the animals on display, and the wild ecosystems they live in, are impacted by human actions. This is something we all can do something about. The increasing public interest and participation in conservation programs is testimony to people wanting to help. It's up to institutions such as the Vancouver Aquarium to help make these connections—the whales and dolphins help us get that connection started.

### **Hana's Legacy**

- Last Thursday, under the leadership of Dr. Martin Haulena, a team of best-in-class veterinarians were flown in from across the continent to perform groundbreaking, emergency surgery on Hana. Despite these unprecedented efforts, Hana was unable to recover. She passed away on Sunday evening surrounded by the animal husbandry team who had been caring for her around-the-clock.
- For almost a decade, Hana has inspired and taught more than ten million visitors at the Vancouver Aquarium Marine Science Centre about her own and other ocean species. She also helped scientists learn more about dolphin biology and their conservation. Among the research projects she participated in are studies of energy requirements of Pacific white-sided dolphins, of seasonal resting metabolic rate and food intake, and of dolphin echolocation: to help researchers understand how they use their sonar to locate objects in the water. The discoveries from this latter study may one day help support cetacean-friendly fishing practices that will prevent dolphins from becoming entangled in nets in the future.
- Most recently, Hana participated in a lung-function study that may one day help inform marine mammal rescue efforts around the world, particularly during a mass stranding of cetaceans, which requires quick decisions to save sick and injured animals.