



PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION MINUTES

Tuesday, 2020 February 11

An 'Open' meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission was held at Bill Copeland Sports Centre, 3676 Kensington Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. on Tuesday, 2020 February 11 at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Councillor Paul McDonell, Chair
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal
Commissioner Barbara Larkin, Deputy Chair
Commissioner Karin Alzner
Commissioner Stace Dayment
Commissioner James Jang
Commissioner Barbara Larkin
Commissioner Claire Preston
Commissioner Dan Staschuk
School Trustee Bill Brassington

ABSENT:

STAFF: Mr. Dave Ellenwood, Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Mr. Dean Pelletier, Assistant Director- Business Operations
Mr. Denis Nokony, Assistant Director - Cultural Services
Mr. David O'Connor, Assistant Director - Golf Operations
Mr. Steve Bruneau, Assistant Director - Parks
Mr. Eric Bientjes, Acting Assistant Director - Recreation
Ms. Karen Hung, Planner – Planning and Building
Ms. Kathryn Matts – Commission Secretary
Ms. Theresa Cheng – Recording Secretary

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALI WAL

THAT the Open Commission meeting do now reconvene at 6:02 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Chair, Councillor Paul McDonell, recognized the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmi̓n̓əḥ̓ and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, and extended appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on this shared territory.

The Chair welcomed the audience to Bill Copeland Sports Complex for the Community Meeting and introduced the Commissioners and the Director in attendance. The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services introduced staff members in attendance.

2. CONFIRMATION OF CHAIR

The Chair announced that at the Council meeting of 2019 October 07, he was re-appointed as Chair of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission.

The Chair advised that Council representative Councillor Sav Dhaliwal was also reappointed.

The Chair welcomed newly appointed Commissioner Rainy Kent and advised that Commissioner Kent had been appointed at the Council meeting held on 2020 February 10.

3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR

The Chair called for nominations for the Office of Deputy Chair for 2020.

Commissioner Dayment nominated Commissioner Barbara Larkin.

Commissioner Staschuk seconded the nomination.

Commissioner Larkin accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Commissioner Larkin was elected Deputy Chair for 2020 by acclamation.

The Deputy Chair thanked the Commission for her nomination.

4. APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION SECRETARY FOR 2020

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DAYMENT
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK

That Kathryn Matts be appointed as Commission Secretary of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission for 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. MINUTES

a) Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Open meeting held on 2020 January 21

Commissioner Alzner advised that on page 2 of the minutes the Delegation information should read, an estimated as opposed to about.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAYMENT

THAT the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission held on 2020 January 21 be now adopted.

amended

Arising from discussion, the following motion was introduced:

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAYMENT

THAT page 2, Item 3.a) of the minutes be **AMENDED** to read,

An estimated 100,000 visitors use the trail annually.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER JANG

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

THAT the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission held on 2020 January 21 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. DELEGATIONS

a) Be Active Pass and Yoga Speaker: Katy Alkins-Jang

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Katy Alkins-Jang appeared as a delegation and expressed her concern that yoga is not included in the current Be Active pass model. Ms. Alkins-Jang provided a presentation outlining the current sales of Be Active passes with comparisons between the annual pass and the Yoga pass and privileges that the Be Active and Yoga passes have. Ms. Alkins-Jang advised that current patrons who participate in Yoga, as well as enjoy the fitness classes offered with the Be Active pass pay over

\$1,000 annually. Ms. Alkins-Jang presentation also provided a comparison of some municipalities, which indicated that most of the municipalities include Yoga in their all inclusive pass model. Ms. Alkins-Jang stated that her request is a review of the pass program with a view to extending the privileges of the Yoga passes to include the privileges of the Be Active and drop-in pass model.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

THAT the delegation's presentation be **REFERRED** to staff for report/review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

a) **Correspondence from Carrie Harding** **Re: Summer Lap Swim at C.G Brown Memorial Pool**

Correspondence was received from Carrie Harding regarding summer lap swim at C.G. Brown Memorial Pool. Ms. Harding is a retired North Burnaby resident who has been lap swimming at C.G. Brown Memorial Pool regularly for the last several years. In her letter, Ms. Harding expressed concerns with the lack of lane space available for lane swimming in the summer. A note provided by staff advised that the writer would be contacted and a report on aquatic space and programs for summer lap swimming at C.G. Brown Pool would be forthcoming.

b) **Memorandum from Administrative Officer** **Re: Comprehensive and Inclusive Signage Program**

A memorandum was received from the Administrative Officer advising that at the Open Council meeting held on 2020 January 27, Burnaby City Council received the above noted report and adopted the recommendations contained therein. The report authorized the City Solicitor to bring forward a Capital Reserve Fund Bylaw for \$150,000 to finance the comprehensive and inclusive signage program, as outlined in Section 3.1 of the report. The comprehensive and inclusive signage program will enable a more inclusive and welcoming experience for patrons of all genders and identifications at civic facilities.

8. **REPORT**

a) **Committee Liaisons 2020**

The Chair submitted his report regarding 2020 Committee and Liaison Member Appointments for the approval of Commission. It was noted that the Burnaby Art Gallery Advisory Committee representative was vacant as were the alternate for the Burnaby Arts Council and Other Arts and Culture Groups and the District Community School Advisory and Coordinating Committee.

Commissioner Dayment expressed interest in the Burnaby Arts Council and Other Arts and Cultural Groups Committee.

The Chair took it under advisement.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

THAT the 2020 Committee and Liaison Member Appointments be approved..

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

i) **Burnaby Mountain Biking Association Trail Building Volunteers**

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted a report providing information regarding Burnaby Mountain Biking Association trail building days. At the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission meeting held on 2020 January 21, a delegation from the Burnaby Mountain Biking Association inquired about increasing the number of volunteer days for the trail building events that take place on Burnaby Mountain each year. The report advised that community volunteer activities in Burnaby Parks are supported in principle. The timing and makeup of each event is balanced within the yearly operational work plan. The ability to expand any one program is limited; however, the expansion of the number of volunteers that can participate in the events is not. Staff continue to work with all volunteer groups to enable volunteer day events to continue.

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services recommended:

1. THAT the report be received for information purposes.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Burnaby Mountain Biking Association

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK

THAT the recommendations of the Director Parks, Recreation and Culture Services be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commissioner Preston expressed support for expanding their days by one or two days as the association advised they were unable to keep up with maintenance. Staff took it under advisement

ii) **Confederation Skate Park**

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted a report in response to an information request regarding Confederation Skate Park. At the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Open meeting held on 2020 January 21, correspondence was received from Dylan Kennard, requesting an upgrade to Confederation Skate Park. The report advised that Confederation Park and the skate facility in particular is well used by the public. The request by Dylan Kennard highlighted the need to redesign and refurbish the facility in a timely manner. Mr. Kennard's efforts in bringing the request to the attention of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission are appreciated and staff will endeavor to work with Mr. Kennard and the skate community as the process for design unfolds. If approved, within the 2021-2026 Capital Budget, the public consultation on the design would be scheduled in 2021, with notification of proposed dates and times for public consultation brought forward to Commission for approval

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services recommended:

1. THAT the report be received for information purposes.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Dylan Kennard.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DAYMENT
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

THAT the recommendations of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business brought forward by Commission.

11. INQUIRIES

School Trustee Brassington – Alpha Secondary School Field

School Trustee Brassington inquired regarding the ownership of the school field, that is used by students and whether the City is responsible for the maintenance. Staff advised that the City owns the land, which is solely used and under the responsibility of the school.

Staff undertook to investigate.

12. PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT

The Chair announced the beginning of the public comment/question period. The audience was encouraged to speak to the Commission on matters of interest or concern.

Paul McGown, resident, reminded Commission that he had appeared as a delegation at the November meeting and had been advised that a report would be on the February agenda regarding his delegations request for solutions to the Aquafit instructor shortage.

Staff advised that the report was received in Camera and that Mr. McGown would be updated as soon as information was available.

Mr. McGown inquired if there were any plans to make the new arena Olympic size.

Staff advised that after consultations with user groups and open houses conducted the demand for an Olympic size venue was not sufficient to override the need for NHL sized arenas.

There were no additional comments from the audience. The Chair thanked the audience for their attendance.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER JANG
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

THAT the Open Commission meeting do now adjourn at 6:39 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Kathryn Matts
COMMISSION SECRETARY

Councillor Paul McDonell
CHAIR