



VanSplash: Vancouver Aquatics Strategy

Excerpted from Minutes 2018-01-29

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Report Recommendation:

MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Commissioner Coupar

Amendments (revising A, B & C) MOVED by Commissioner Kirby-Yung
Referral (A & B with proposed amendments) MOVED by Commissioner Evans
Amendment (adding D) MOVED by Commissioner Shum

Final motion as amended & re-numbered (previously C & D):

- A. THAT the Board approve the location for a new full-sized outdoor pool in South Vancouver co-located at Marpole Community Centre in Oak Park;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- B. THAT the Chair of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation, on behalf of Commissioners, write a letter to MLA Ministers David Eby and Shane Simpson in response to their support for keeping neighbourhood pools open, and furthermore direct Park Board staff to engage with the appropriate ministries to secure funding to support the proposed VanSplash strategy pertaining to Lord Byng and Templeton Pools.

CARRIED
(Commissioners Coupar, Crawford, Kirby-Yung opposed)

Referral to staff:

Motion to refer the proposed amendments to paragraphs A and B to staff for further consideration, including the role of neighbourhood pools in relation to the qualitative experience they offer residents.

CARRIED
(Commissioners Coupar, Crawford, Kirby-Yung opposed)

Proposed amendments to A & B as referred:

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve “VanSplash: Vancouver Aquatics Strategy”, as outlined in this report and attached within Appendix A, to guide the planning of aquatic facilities in Vancouver with the following amendments to the report recommendations:
 - 1.1 Support a balanced delivery model that includes neighbourhood scale pools as well as larger community and destination scale facilities to deliver a greater diversity of aquatic experiences.

- 1.2 Insert: full-size before outdoor pools
- 1.4 Strike from recommendations.
- 1.5 Recognizing the opportunity for a cohesive program delivery model at the current pools at the Vancouver Aquatic Centre (VAC) and Kitsilano Beach Park and **a potential future new destination pool with a sport training focus at Connaught Park,** initiate a comprehensive planning process to review how these three facilities could be best integrated, taking into consideration: current state of the facilities; potential for short-term refit or renovation to accommodate sport or leisure needs; innovative possibilities to increase the seasonal usage at Kitsilano outdoor pool; and an analysis of the costs of renovation of VAC in comparison with the build costs of a new facility.

In addition to this staff process, conduct a thorough and complete engagement process to inform and involve the community in the planning of this new destination pool at the Connaught Park/Kitsilano Community Centre site.

- 1.6 Strike from recommendations.
- 1.10 Continue to consider building partnerships with other agencies to gain opportunities for public use of non-park board aquatic facilities consistent with Park Board goals of accessibility and equity.
- NEW Develop an upgrade and renovation plan, extending operational life-span for neighbourhood pools not undergoing renewal as part of this strategy, to increase sustainability and operational efficiency including consideration of implementing green technologies.
- 2.3 Prioritize locating new full-size outdoor pools to fill current service area gaps.
- NEW Provide a new outdoor pool at Mount Pleasant Park as described in the Mount Pleasant Park Upgrade Report dated October 20, 2010.
- NEW Investigate the potential to provide a new naturally-filtered outdoor swimming experience at Trout Lake (John Hendry Park) that addresses and compensates for water quality issues and swimming concerns.

** Renumber original recommendations as required.*

- B. THAT given the amendments outlined in A above, the Board endorse the 10-year Implementation Plan attached within Appendix A, as the basis for making submissions to the City's 2019-2028 Capital Strategic Outlook and 2019-2022 Capital Plan processes.