



DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Park Board Transition Working Group Meeting

January 31st, 2024 (6:00pm – 8:00pm)

Attendees

Working Group: Ken Sim (left early), Trevor Ford, Rebecca Bligh, Sarah Kirby-Yung, Marie-Claire Howard, Catherine Evans, Jordan Nijjar, Shauna Wilton, Gregor Young; Regrets: Jennifer Wood.

Staff: Paul Mochrie, Sandra Singh, Ben Pollard, Conor Doherty, Maria Veras, Luhan Yao.

Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions

The Mayor offered opening remarks and expressed appreciation to the community members who stepped forward to work with the City to envision the future of governance for Council should the transition proceed.

Committee members introduced themselves.

2. Terms of Reference

City Manager Paul Mochrie and Deputy City Manager Sandra Singh provided an overview of the working group's mandate, scope, and terms of reference. The working group's mandate is to engage on the future governance structure of parks and recreation in the City of Vancouver, not operational changes.

Trevor Ford, Paul Mochrie, and Sandra Singh outlined the terms of reference of the working group, including providing clarification regarding the government-to-government process for discussing the transition with the local Nations being the primary platform for discussions with the Nations. Staff advised if any information arises during those discussions that is relevant to the working group's scope, that information will be shared so that the working group can adjust any recommendations accordingly. Ben Pollard provided an overview of current governance and engagement practices for Vancouver City Council, Park Board, along with other jurisdictions.

3. Timelines and Next Steps

Trevor Ford discussed the proposed timeline and activities for this work. The working group discussed the types of information needed by the working group to achieve their mandate, including stakeholder identification, articulation of key questions. There was some discussion

about the importance of engaging the CCAs specifically given the important partnership with them in relation to community centre services and operations.

4. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for **February 7, 2024.**