

VANCOUVER BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION Supports Item No. 1 CS&B Committee Agenda June 11, 2009

June 02, 2009

Mayor Robertson and Members of City Council City Hall Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Mayor Robertson and Members of Council:

## Re: 2009 Capital Budget

The Board at its regular meeting on Monday, June 01, 2009 discussed and unanimously approved a motion presented by Commissioner Jasper regarding the 2009 Capital Budget.

WHEREAS the Park Board at its regular meeting of May 4, 2009 approved a 2009 Capital Budget of \$66,635,600, including full allocations to fund the post-Olympic conversion of the Hillcrest Curling Venue, the renewal of Trout Lake Community Centre and buildings at VanDusen Botanical Garden;

AND WHEREAS a report before Council for its June 2, 2009 meeting recommends a revised 2009 Parks Basic Capital Budget of \$30,410,000, including planning/phase 1 funding only for the three major projects listed above, rather than allocation of the entire 3 year Capital Plan amount in the first year;

AND WHEREAS the Capital Budget approved by Park Board is based upon the 2009 – 2011 Capital Plan for parks and recreation, approved by the electorate in November 2008 after a clear and thorough public process and including significant contributions from external sources, including senior governments;

BE IT RESOLVED that Park Board urge Council to support its commitment to the community to complete three major capital projects in a timely manner, and approve the 2009 Capital Budget of \$66,635,600 as originally approved by the Board.

Regards,

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Susan J. Mundick General Manager

cc: Penny Bellam, City Manager Laurie Best, Director of Communications Jennifer Young, Assistant Director of Communications Marg Coulson, City Clerk