

Britannia Board Meeting

November 9, 2016

Board Room – Information Centre

PRESENT: Gwen Giesbrecht, Ingrid Kolsteren, Craig Ollenberger, Juan Carlos Maldonado, Susanne Dahlin, Freya Kristensen, Tyrus Tracey, Brendan Boylan, Stuart MacKinnon

STAFF: Jeremy Shier, Peter Odynsky, Cynthia Low, Victoria Haenel

REGRETS: Levi Higgs, Madgen Liao, Megan Langley, John Flipse, Sarah Ng

3. New Business

b) City Consultants

- Urban Arts has been hired by the COV to advance the Britannia Renewal to the next phase.
- They met with COV working group, which includes representative of the Britannia Planning and Development Committee, they are ready to move forward with visioning with the partners and public consultations.
- They will tour Britannia site on Nov 16th 9-11am, Board members are invited to attend.
- Urban Arts was chosen as they stood out due to their experience, a creative and innovative proposal, community based approach vs an issue management approach.
- They may consider setting up an “urban lab” which is a living lab/space for the updating all the conversations related to the Renewal and a place for community to drop in, catch up on the progress and provide thoughts, ideas, concerns.
- Nov 18 & 25th are tentative meeting dates for the COV, VSB, VPC and Britannia Society to meet and determine the goals of the community engagement process.

c) Land Use Principles p.35-37

- Came from concern over potential onsite housing which may take away amenities and green space therefor the land use principles were drafted.
- Principles are still a work in progress, the PDC is asking all Britannia committees to review and provide feedback.
- Tuesday November 15th PDC meeting will present again and invite the community.

Introduction of Stuart MacKinnon – VPB Commissioner Liaison

- Currently liaises with Britannia, Ray Cam and Champlain.
- Exciting time with both Britannia and Ray Cam going through renewal projects
- VPB Commissioners not clear on the governance structure of Britannia and encourage the Board to extend a Board meeting an invitation to Commissioners.

Meeting officially opened by chair, Gwen Giesbrecht at 6:37pm once quorum attained.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: TO APPROVE AGENDA AS AMENDED

Ingrid Kolsteren/Juan Carlos Maldonado

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: TO APPROVE MINUTES AS PRESENTED

Ingrid Kolsteren/Freya Kristensen

Abstained – Brendan Boylan

CARRIED

3. New Business Con't

a) 2017 Budget

- Revised template for ease of clarification, it now mirrors the monthly financial statements.
- Net surplus is no longer under Unplanned Special Events for transparency, the Annual Surplus Policy will be applied at year end.
- Capital Renewal Fund agreement between Foundation and Society drafted
- City – some lines go up due to inflation, some changes due to staffing costs.
- Discretionary – interest rates decreasing, Artist in Residence line moved to Recreation, Britannia sign project \$16,000 removed until project moves forward – Jeremy to look into whether or not the \$5,000.00 contribution from Britannia Secondary should go back to them if sign project does not go ahead (to be added as an Agenda item at a future meeting).
- Gaming – no change from 2016, dollar amount unknown until Feb/Mar 2017.
- Recreation – program registration has slight decrease due to removal of gaming money.
- 1739 Venables – Axe revenue is collected through registration and is part of recreation revenue it is not reflected in the revenue line. Facility Coordinator removed as duties are now completed by the FSCs.
- Community Education & Family Education – self-funded programs & finish year-end balanced.
- Child Care – salaries budget a bit higher as new manager salary will be based on experience and may be higher than previous salaries. Preschool/OSC plan to increase spaces.

MOTION: TO APPROVED THE 2017 BUDGET AS PRESENTED.

Brendan Boylan/Craig Ollenberger

CARRIED

**Guests – Britannia Box of Light, Ronnie Dean Harris/Ostwelve and Kelty McKerracher
Ellen Dacamara (Arts & Culture Programmer)**

Introduction to the Britannia Box of Light project and activity with the Board members. Full details on the project are available on p.8 of the Winter 2017 program guide or online at <https://britanniaboxoflight.wordpress.org>

d) Christmas Party

- Thursday December 7th at the Italian Culture Club.
- Tickets available at Britannia Info Centre \$20/staff & \$25/guest, children under 12 free.
- Dinner, 2 live bands lots of prizes

4. Old Business

a) Board Task List – reviewed

b) Board Planning Day

- November 27th, room 304
- Potential Facilitator – Nicki Kahnamoui
- Guest - Brad Marsden
- Topics – Renewal, Programs, Partnerships

c) Motion review – p.5 of October minutes section 8a)

5. Partner Reports

VPB – Stuart – focus has been the Joint Operating Budget
Peter – p26-30

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm due to loss of quorum.