

To: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee

Date: October 29, 2019

From: Harold Steves, City Councillor

RE: "Parks Afloat" Moorage at Imperial Landing

Richmond is a group of islands surrounded by vast areas of water, much of it free of water traffic. This has led to the concept of utilizing surrounding waters as part of our park system. Approximately 25 years ago the concept was initiated at the Britannia Shipyard with a water-based programme with canoes and kayaks at the Britannia. It was discontinued when management changed.

On Feb.6, 2018 committee received a report in answer to a referral on Nov. 28, 2017. It was received for information. While there are a number of issues in the report a first step would be further investigation of moorage potential at Imperial Landing. The area between the Imperial Landing float and the dyke was once the deepest moorage in the harbour, primarily for seine boats

Referred that:

- 1) Staff investigate the actual depth between the east wing of the Imperial landing float and the dyke to determine if it is deep enough for small boats.
- 2) Staff determine how deep the area can be dredged without requiring sheet piling
- 3) Staff investigate the possibility of using used floats and estimate the costs for constructing floats for small craft
- 4) Staff prepare an accurate estimate for the cost of sheet piling if required.