

In this application, and the accompanying brochure, the name Transpo 86 and the theme "Man in Motion" are used for the first time, as is the formalized "International Exposition: Progress in Transportation."

In addition to the Pier BC convention centre and the PNE locations, other planned venues are named in the presentation brochure. They include as secondary sites Jericho Park, site of the United Nations Conference on Habitat, the Vancouver International Airport, and the Boeing plant in Seattle. The City of Victoria is suggested as a site for technical meetings, presentations, and symposia. False Creek is not proposed. Prime Minister Joe Clark and the Progressive Conservatives take office. The Pier BC project is named: The Pacific Rim Trade and Convention Centre.

AUGUST 1979

Federal-Provincial negotiations regarding cost-sharing are opened.

SEPTEMBER 1979

Paul Manning is hired by Premier Bennett to study stadium site.

OCTOBER 1979

Federal Government agrees to give "full support" to Transpo. This lends international credibility to application.

NOVEMBER 1979

Japan accepts 1985 and France drops earlier application. The BIE accepts Vancouver's application for a special category exposition and approves status. Pre-enquete team ordered for following April.

DECEMBER 1979

Manning-Bell Report recommends Transpo be linked to the stadium, and thus located at False Creek site. Ten other locations have been evaluated. They note that the 1986 100th anniversary of Vancouver would be an appropriate occasion and allude to the traditional 50/50 cost-sharing of the Federal Government, based on the Expo 67 and Montreal Olympics models. Premier Bennett also requests \$50 million cost-sharing of stadium with Prime Minister Joe Clark's Conservative Government. Though City Council endorses Transpo and pledges support and involvement, Mayor Jack Volrich criticizes haste and control of report procedure, accusing Manning and Bell of having been less than objective in assessment.