

CITY OF BURNABY
THE PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION

M I N U T E S

2015 MARCH 18

An ‘Open’ meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C., on Wednesday, 2015 March 18 at 19:05 hr. in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Commissioner Volkow in the Chair
 Commissioners Alzner
 Jang
 Kang
 Loftus
 Matricardi
 Peppard
 Purdy
 School Trustee Chen

ABSENT: Commissioner Foley

STAFF PRESENT: D. Ellenwood, Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
 D. Hunter, Assistant Director-Parks
 C. Collis, Assistant Director-Recreation
 D. O’Connor, Assistant Director-Golf Operations
 D. Nokony, Assistant Director-Cultural Services
 H. Edwards, Manager-Parks Planning, Design and Development
 J. Schumann, Community Planner - Planning and Building
 T. Cheng, Recording Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER KANG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI:
“THAT the ‘Open’ Commission meeting do now convene.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The ‘Open’ Commission meeting convened in the Council Chambers at 19:05 hr.

MINUTES

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER KANG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI:
“THAT the Minutes of the ‘Open’ Meeting of 2015 February 18 be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JANG:
“THAT the following items of correspondence be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (a) The City Clerk advised that Council received a report re: Burnaby Lake Sports Complex – West – Field #2 Replacement Funding Bylaw, and forwarded a copy of the report to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission for information.
- (b) The City Clerk advised that Council received a report re: Procedure Bylaw Amendment, and forwarded a copy of the report to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission for information.

REPORTS

- (a) The Chair submitted his report re: 2015 Committee and Liaison Member Appointments for the approval of the Commission.

It was recommended:

1. THAT the 2015 Committee and Liaison Member Appointments be approved.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER KANG:
“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (b) The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted his Report No. 3, dated 2015 March 18, covering the following items listed as 1 - 7.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI:
“THAT the Director’s Report be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 1 – Burnaby Minor Lacrosse Club correspondence

Mr. Tom Kellett, President of the Burnaby Minor Lacrosse Club, expresses concern about continued loss of floor time for the club in spite of increased number of participants in 2014. The 2014 season was difficult as a result of this reduction, affecting practice time for many teams. The club is concerned they may be unable to meet future demands of Burnaby residents with continued reduction in floor time. This report provides Commission with detail of the City arena floor allocation which is conducted with the benefit of established policy and guidelines. Based primarily on proportion of resident participants, the process continues to be fair and equitable for user groups. Arena floor time is in limited supply and staff continue to work with user groups to meet their needs and look for ways to be efficient with the use of floor time for program and community group needs to maximize the use of the three arenas and outdoor sport boxes.

It was recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Tom Kellett, President of the Burnaby Minor Lacrosse Club.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER JANG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY:
“THAT the two recommendations be approved.”

MOTION CARRIED

OPPOSED: COMMISSIONER LOFTUS

Item 2 – 2015 Burnaby Golf Fees Bylaw

A Golf Fees bylaw is required under the Community Charter for all fees and charges related to the public use of municipal facilities. The 2015 Burnaby Golf Fees Bylaw will apply for the period 2015 May 01 to 2016 April 30. This report clarified all fee recommendations for the City’s golf services, including all proposed green fee rates and restrictions for Burnaby Mountain Golf Course and Driving Range, Riverway Golf Course and Driving Range, Kensington Pitch and Putt, and the Central Park Pitch and Putt golf courses. These rates will form the 2015 Burnaby Golf Fees Bylaw.

It was recommended:

1. THAT the 2015 Golf Fees be approved as outlined in this report.
2. THAT Council be requested to approve the 2015 Burnaby Golf Fees Bylaw as detailed on Attachment #1 circulated under separate cover.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI:
“THAT the two recommendations be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 3 – Giro Di Burnaby

On 2015 July 16 the Giro di Burnaby criterium cycling event returns to the historic area of Burnaby Heights for the enjoyment of thousands of fans and spectators. The Giro di Burnaby is a professional cycle race that is part of BC Superweek, the richest event in Canadian cycling with professional racers from around the world competing in the Lower Mainland.

It was recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information and that Commission be requested to forward it to Council for approval of the road closure for the Giro di Burnaby as identified in this report.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY:
“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 4 - Fee waiver request – Gadabouts Picnic

Citizen Support Services requested a waiver of rental fees at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts for the use of Studio 103 on 2015 July 08 for the Gadabouts Summer Picnic. The City of Burnaby’s Citizen Support Services fundraises to provide activities for housebound seniors in the community. Throughout the year various field trips and special events are coordinated for interaction, entertainment and community involvement. This is a valuable community service enriching the lives of many seniors.

It was recommended:

1. THAT Citizen Support Services be granted a fee waiver of \$520 for the use of Studio 103 at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts on 2015 July 08 to host their Gadabouts Summer Picnic.
2. THAT a copy of the report be forwarded to Ms. Shauna Grant, Volunteer Program Coordinator Citizen Support Services.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JANG:
“THAT the two recommendations be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 5 - Donation Program update

The Presenting Burnaby Parks Gift Program began in 1992 and has been in operation for 22 years. The program has been very successful in providing new and replacement opportunities of benches, picnic tables, drinking fountains and trees throughout our park system. The Donation Program operates on a break even policy. Several factors have necessitated an overall cost review in order to maintain a “break even” structure.

Since the last review of the donation program more than five years ago, costs for site furnishings, trees and labour have steadily increased. The styles, brands, and installation standards of drinking fountains and picnic tables have also improved retaining a very high quality donation package.

It was recommended:

1. THAT new pricing for the Presenting Burnaby Parks donation program as outlined in this report be approved.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD:
“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 6 - Community participation in environmental programs

Community activities in Burnaby parks provide a way to undertake activities that would not be possible within the current operational work plan. More importantly, providing opportunities for volunteers to contribute to their community helps to reinforce a pride of ownership for the public. The typical annual events that are currently supported would continue and in addition to manage the ad hoc event requests, a work program with up to 10 events will be created. The final dates would be confirmed on an annual basis with alternate back up dates to allow for rescheduling due to inclement weather.

It was recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER KANG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI:
“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7 - 2015 March - Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Capital Funding Bylaw

The 2015 Annual Financial Plan for Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services contains 9 projects to be funded from Capital Reserves. To enable work to go ahead on these projects, approval is requested to bring down a bylaw for funding.

It was recommended:

1. THAT the expenditure of \$1,265,000 from the 2015 Provisional Financial Plan for the projects outlined in this report be approved.
2. THAT Council be requested to bring down a below to appropriate \$1,324,110 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD:
“THAT the two recommendations be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER JANG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD:
“THAT four green fees for Riverway Golf Course or Burnaby Mountain Golf Course be donated to the Rotary Club of Burnaby Metrotown in support of their fundraising Rotary Wine Food and Music Festival on 2015 April 25.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INQUIRIES

School Trustee Chen advised that students made good use of recreation facilities during the spring break and expressed appreciation of the playground structure replacement approved for Alta Vista Park.

Commissioner Kang advised that she attended a Mason Bee Workshop held by Parks staff on Sunday.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI:
“THAT the ‘Open’ meeting do now adjourn.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The ‘Open’ Meeting adjourned at 19:40 hr.

Confirmed:

Certified Correct:

CHAIR

SECRETARY

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