

# PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION

# NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

DATE:	WEDNESDAY,	<b>2015 APRIL</b>	15
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TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Council Chambers, Burnaby City Hall

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#### CITY OF BURNABY

# THE PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION

# MINUTES

## 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-ParksC. 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) <u>The City Clerk</u> 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) <u>The City Clerk</u> 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**

# <u>Item 1 – Burnaby Minor Lacrosse Club correspondence</u>

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

# <u>Item 2 – 2015 Burnaby Golf Fees Bylaw</u>

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

# <u>Item 3 – Giro Di Burnaby</u>

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

# <u>Item 4 - Fee waiver request – Gadabouts Picnic</u>

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

# <u>Item 5 - Donation Program update</u>

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**

# <u>Item 6 - Community participation in environmental programs</u>

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.	
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From: tewald@telus.net [mailto:tewald@telus.net]

Sent: April-07-15 11:31 AM

To: Clerks

Cc: Ellenwood, Dave

Subject: Request to appear as a delegate

Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Office of the City Clerk 4949 Canada Way Burnaby, BC V5G 1M2

We are requesting to appear as a delegate before Parks, Recreation& Culture commission meeting held at 7:00 pm April 15th 2015.

Name of delegate: Dave Laprise

Address of delegate: 4840 Eton Street Buranaby

Phone number of delegate: 778 838 3715

Subject: Opposition to the proposed comfort women statue.

Should you require above request to be faxed, please let me know as soon as possible Thankyou,

Regards,

Scarlet Ewald 1 778 856 1929 BC Japan Network Dear council and committee members,

My name is Dave Laprise and I was born and raised in North Burnaby. I've lived and worked here in the film industry all of my working life except for the year that I spent in 2012 and 2013 teaching English in Osaka Japan. I discovered that the Japanese are a quiet and non confrontational people who are very polite and civil in their everyday life.

The reason I mention this is to make a contrast between the average Japanese citizen and tourist to Burnaby today, with the Japanese imperial army of 80 years ago. They've apologised, paid reparations, and moved on after the devastations of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. And so should we, here in Canada.

The act of installing a statue to memorialize comfort women will divide the local Japanese, Chinese and Korean communities, and pit them against each other for no other reason than to settle old grudges. It is completely against the ethos of the concept we cherish in Canada called "Multiculturalism". We came to this country from all over the world, but we didn't bring our old battles with us. My family came from Finland, Scotland and Wales, but I didn't pick any fights with Russia, or Sweden or even England for that matter. My grandfather Horace Evans was killed in the battle of Singapore in world war 2, and my father married a Japanese lady, and so did I. Move on, I suppose.

Fifty years ago this year, Burnaby joined with Kushiro in Hokkaido Japan to share sister city status. 25 years later in 1990, a delegation of sculptors installed several Ainu totem poles on Burnaby mountain to represent their gods, and celebrate life. It seems to me that a comfort women statue would represent the Japanese as a devil, and

celebrate only misery. Is this really what Burnaby wants for it's public space? Imposing this statue on people in a happy park setting is a complete and utter fraud on the unsuspecting citizens.

If we are going to remember Japan's use of wartime prostitutes here in Burnaby, should we not also recognize the grievances of Korean comfort women who serviced the South Korean and American soldiers from 1952 to 1992? They are also suing the government of Korea for reparations, and surely they deserve a written plaque as well. Perhaps while we're at it we should have an atrocity memorial walk through the park, where all the indignities of humanity can be displayed for everyone visiting Central park. Canadians interned during world war 2, native children in residential schools, Pol Pot, Indonesia, Rwanda... where does it end?

I sincerely hope that the spirit of multiculturalism can stay alive in Burnaby, and that this proposal does not move forward.

Thanks for hearing me out.

March 25, 2015

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Chair, Nick Volkow Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission City of Burnaby 4949 Canada Way Burnaby, V5G 1M2

Dear Sir:

Re: Burnaby Senior's Issues

I have three issues to bring to your attention.

1. Fees for membership in Burnaby Senior's Centre

I apologize for not raising this issue sooner since I have objected to the change since its inception. At one time there was a single fee for participating at any senior's centre. For the last couple of years seniors have had the choice of joining one or more of the senior's centres with an increasing fee. If one attends many senior's trips it quickly becomes more affordable to join all the centres rather than pay an extra fee for, say an Edmonds trip when you belong only to Bonsor. I can't believe the City of Burnaby has realized a lot of money for this change in policy although it likely has cost senior's, especially those on fixed incomes. It seems mean spirited and a cash grab.

2. Bonsor 55+ Centre – this is not a friendly place to hang out. I am not referring to the staff but the design and layout of this building. I understand the building was built by the developer of the high rise apartment next to it. I wonder if

# **NOTE**

Item 3 of the Director's Report No. 4 refers to this matter

Burnaby had any say in the design of the building and whether there was consultation with seniors. I have chosen to spend more time in the New Westminster Century House and Burnaby's Confederation Senior's Centre but eventually driving will be an issue. I have talked to many Burnaby seniors about the new building and there is agreement about the building not being a place people like to spend time.

3. Bonsor Recreation Centre – I understand there has been a delay in the renovations at the main Bonsor complex due to costs. This dates from last September and to my knowledge nothing has been approved to date thus further delaying any finished construction. Was there any intention to reinstall a canteen type place in the main building? At one time, if seniors were participating in classes they could get together for coffee after the class, upstairs in the seniors centre. They now have to cross the parking lot to the unfriendly new Bonsor 55+ and are not doing that. The only possibility now at the main Bonsor complex is a private facility, very expensive and there is no place to sit.

I am left with the impression that Burnaby is making decisions affecting seniors without consulting them and/or decisions seem to be based on money not on people's needs or what they can afford.

I would appreciate not receiving a political answer to my letter.

In addition I would like information as to how/where I can access future decisions affecting seniors and how I can involve myself in that process.

Yours truly,

Carole Cameron

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Burnaby, B.C.

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## **CITY OF BURNABY**

# PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

DIRECTOR'S REPORT NO. 4, 2015

2015 APRIL 10

BURNABY PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Director reports as follows:

<u>ITEM</u>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
1.	2015/2016 Facility Use, Program and Services Fee Schedule
2.	Move for Health Day
3.	Concerns re: Services for Seniors – Correspondence from Ms. Carole Cameron
4.	Confederation Park Stormwater Management
5.	2015 April – Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Capital Funding Bylaw

# **SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM**

6. Canada Day at Swangard Stadium

Respectfully submitted,

DAVE ELLENWOOD

Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

**CULTURAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT: 2015/2016 FACILITY USE, PROGRAM AND SERVICES FEE

**SCHEDULE** 

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**1. THAT** the 2015/2016 Facility Use Fee Schedule (<u>Attachment "A"</u>) and the 2015/2016 Program and Service Fees (<u>Attachment "B"</u>) be approved as outlined in this report and circulated under separate cover.

- 2. THAT Council be requested to approve the 2015/2016 Facility Use Fee Schedule (Attachment "A") as outlined in this report and circulated under separate cover.
- **3. THAT** Council be requested to amend the fees as proposed in the following bylaws:
  - Burnaby Recreation Fees and Admissions Bylaw 2015.
  - Burnaby Shadbolt Centre and Burnaby Art Gallery Rental Fee Bylaw 2015.
  - Burnaby Village Museum Fees Bylaw 2015.

# **REPORT**

Each spring Commission receives a report outlining the recommended fee structure for the upcoming year's Recreation and Cultural services. The fees are effective September 01 of each year and are established at this time to enable staff to program for the fall session using current fees and prepare the Provisional budget for the upcoming year.

#### The Fee Process

Each year two documents are produced as part of the fees and charges process. The first document, the Facility Use Bylaw fees, establishes rates for admissions and allotments and Council approval is required. The second is the Non-Bylaw fee document that establishes rates for programs and services and is approved by Commission annually.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission
From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Re: 2015/2016 FACILITY USE, PROGRAM AND

SERVICES FEE SCHEDULE

A thorough market survey is completed comparing Burnaby's admission rates, allotment rates and program fees to those of other local cities. The surveys are undertaken to ensure that Burnaby's rates are reasonable and competitive to similar programs and services. If warranted, adjustments to rates are proposed and in some cases scheduled for incremental increases over a 5 year period. The 2015/2016 rates will be advertised in the Fall/Winter Leisure Guide which is distributed 2015 August.

# **Proposed Fees**

Based on this research and analysis, and considering the Finance Department's inflationary projections as well as increased costs, it is recommended that a 2.3% overall increase be applied to 311 of the 2015/2016 Bylaw and Non-Bylaw fees. The exceptions to the 2.3% increase occur when market research illustrates that Burnaby's fees are no longer mid-market and an adjustment is required above or below the recommended increase. There are 66 fees recommended for increase over the rate of inflation. These cover a range of service areas such as youth social/sports, seniors and adapted programs, gym, arena and turf rentals. Exceptions may also be the result of deleting fees no longer used due to current recreation trends, or a re-structuring of a category to simplify fees.

The allotment and program fees that are recommended to increase more than 2.3% cover a range of service areas that include some swim lessons, preschool programs, outdoor sports facilities, arenas and arena facilities. In a few cases, new fees are being proposed for new service areas, or to fine tune the current fee structure based on allotment user needs.

70 fees from a range of service areas are recommended to be maintained at their current level, as market research and demand indicates the inflationary fee increase would not be appropriate. As well, 5 fees will be deleted, as they are no longer required.

A proposed change to fees not identified in the fee tables is one to establish a 25 and under age limit for students. Currently there are no age or course load restrictions for access to the student rate for services. A student age limit is the most common practise in the region (Coquitlam, Delta and North Vancouver). No student rate is offered in Vancouver, Richmond and Abbotsford. Surrey and Langley have no limitations on access to student rates.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 2015/2016 FACILITY USE, PROGRAM AND Re:

SERVICES FEE SCHEDULE

In summary, the vast majority of fees are recommended to increase by 2.3% to keep up with the cost of providing services. The recommended adjustments will continue our practice of providing convenient, quality services at fair and competitive pricing.

Dave Ellenwood

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DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

**CULTURAL SERVICES** 

**SUBJECT:** MOVE FOR HEALTH DAY

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**1. THAT** approval be given to waive the fee for select swim sessions during Move for Health Day on Sunday 2015 May 10 as outlined in this report.

# **REPORT**

Move for Health Day, held annually on May 10, was launched by the World Health Organization in 2002. The purpose of the day is to encourage people to adopt physically active lifestyles as a part of maintaining health and well-being. Every year communities across the province plan activities in local neighbourhoods to promote healthy living, some of which are free.

Move for Health Day events have been held in Burnaby since its inception in 2002 with over 9,700 participants enjoying a broad range of activities. In 2014 more than 620 people participated in 9 opportunities including walks along the Trans Canada and Stoney Creek Trails, an interpretive walk around Deer Lake, canoeing, fitness classes, soccer, free swims and the grand opening of the outdoor fitness circuit at Central Park.

This year, Move for Health day falls on Mother's day and some of the activities planned reflect this theme. New opportunities this year include the Pole Walking Challenge, Tough Mother Obstacle challenge, and the Softball and Cali-Kickball challenge through Youth Services. Of the thirteen activities offered, 8 are organized to include Mom with two focused on family opportunities.

Staff would like to offer free swimming at Fred Randall pool during a regularly scheduled public swim and at Eileen Dailly pool during a special family swim as part of Move for Health Day activities. Since these swim sessions have Commission approved fees, approval is requested to waive the usual admission fee on this day to encourage participation.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

*Move for Health Day* 

The events planned on May 10, vary from year to year so that interest may be piqued by those who do not normally take part in regular programs and services. Offering free activities removes a major barrier to participation. Ultimately the aim is to improve the health of Burnaby residents through participation in one of the many opportunities the City has to offer.

Dave Ellenwood

DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

**CULTURAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT: CONCERNS RE: SERVICES FOR SENIORS -

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MS. CAROLE CAMERON

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

**2. THAT** a copy of this report be forwarded to Ms. Carole Cameron.

# **REPORT**

#### **BACKGROUND**

Ms. Cameron has corresponded with the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission regarding three areas of concern with services for seniors. These include single and multi-center seniors memberships; the design of the new Bonsor 55+ facility; and the Food Services Café/Seniors Lounge coffee bar at Bonsor Recreation Complex & 55+ facility. She also requested information on how to become involved in the decision making process at the Seniors Centers.

#### DISCUSSION

# **Seniors Memberships**

In 2012 the senior's membership structure for access to 55+ Services at the four City of Burnaby Seniors Centers was changed to provide an option to purchase a single center membership or a multi-center membership. Previous to 2012 a \$14.91 (+ tax) membership provided access to programs and services at all four sites which translated to \$3.72 (+ tax) per site. When a lower mainland market survey was conducted, it was determined that the median per site membership price was \$16.74 with the market ranging from \$11.60 to \$25.00 and that the City of Burnaby was valuing our facilities and services at well below market range.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission
From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Re: CONCERNS RE: SERVICES FOR SENIORS –
CORRESPONDENCE FROM MS, CAROLE

CAMERON

In September of 2012, single center memberships at \$16.07 (+ tax) per site were created which allowed members to renew their memberships at a similar price at the site that they frequent the most. A new multi-center membership allowing access to all four sites, was created at \$40.00 (+ tax). Although this was an increase for access to all sites, the membership value remained well below market at only \$10.00 per site. Both fees have increased yearly by the standard rate of inflation that is applied to all programs and services. The market research and proposed new membership structure was presented at each Seniors Society's Board of Directors meetings as well as at the Seniors Advisory Committee meeting. The feedback provided was that the new structure was reasonable. The current single site membership fee is \$16.70 (+ tax) and the multi-center membership fee is \$41.60 (+ tax). The current senior's single membership market range is \$16.70 to \$30.00.

For those who have difficulty affording a seniors membership, the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Recreation Credit Program is available to City of Burnaby residents who qualify. Free Lifetime Memberships are also available to City of Burnaby residents who are 90 years old or better.

## **Bonsor 55+ Facility**

In 2008 the City of Burnaby and Polygon Construction Management Ltd. entered into an agreement that in lieu of Density Bonus Funds, Polygon would build a new building dedicated to seniors. This would provide additional space for Seniors Services. Numerous information sharing activities took place such as displays provided by Polygon and sessions hosted in the Bonsor banquet hall and seniors lounge. The proposal was then brought forward to the Bonsor Seniors Society Annual General Meeting held on 2009 April 17. A ballot vote was taken at the AGM and it was determined that the majority agreed to proceed with construction of the new facility.

A "New Building Committee" was struck consisting of Bonsor Seniors Society Board of Directors representatives; general membership representatives, City Staff and Polygon/Architects. There was extensive consultation with members, activity group leaders, board members and staff as well as many information/feedback presentations at special events, general meetings and in the seniors lounge. Many of the regular seniors programs have moved into the new facility. Larger, active groups such as Line Dance, Fitness, Badminton and Special Events continue to be offered at the original Bonsor Complex. There was a period of transition as members adjusted to the new facility. It is currently a very busy site with ongoing requests for further growth.

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From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Re: CONCERNS RE: SERVICES FOR SENIORS –
CORRESPONDENCE FROM MS, CAROLE

CAMERON

#### **Food Services**

A coffee bar service, very similar to that which was offered in the seniors lounge at the 'old' building is currently operating successfully at the new 55+ facility. It is currently a bright and busy social gathering spot offering hot drinks, cookies and muffins in the same manner as was in the original building. Currently, should you participate in a seniors activity that occurs at Bonsor, you have the choice of using the Food Services located in Bonsor Complex or the Seniors Centre Lounge in the Bonsor 55+ building. Recent statistics show that the new Bonsor 55+ facility coffee bar is busier than the old upper floor one at the original location.

The Bonsor café has been in operation since December 2010. It is run by City Staff from the City's Food Services Division. The prices are set at market within the industry and there are some senior's discounts available. Seating for patrons of the Bonsor Café is provided in the lobby directly across from the Kiosk. It has been noted that the lobby is very busy, and often seats are taken up by other facility patrons. Food service staff will monitor the seating available and determine if additional seating should be provided.

## **Renovations at Bonsor Complex**

The space previously occupied by and dedicated to seniors at Bonsor, is planned to be renovated to create multipurpose, fitness and art space which will allow all of the rooms on the floor to be utilized more effectively. The original tender for work came in over budget and the plans are being revised. The City of Burnaby plans to complete this work this summer.

# **Decision affecting Seniors.**

Members can contribute to future decision making processes through involvement at any of the four seniors centers (Bonsor, Cameron, Confederation and Edmonds). The decision making process at each seniors center is a collaborative process. Each site has an elected board which is supported by City of Burnaby staff.

#### **SUMMARY**

There are numerous opportunities at each Seniors Centers for individuals to volunteer and become involved with each Society's Board of Directors, subcommittees and group activities and influence decisions. Information and feedback requests are posted on site bulletin boards, presented at special events, at various meetings and through displays in the centers and seniors lounges. Comment forms are also available at all sites. Large construction developments incorporate public input sessions which are promoted in local newspapers, newsletters, and in/around existing facilities.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission
From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Re: CONCERNS RE: SERVICES FOR SENIORS –
CORRESPONDENCE FROM MS, CAROLE

**CAMERON** 

The Recreation Division endeavors to provide programs and services to the public at fair market value. The Recreation Service Program is available to City of Burnaby residents who require and qualify for financial assistance.

The new Bonsor 55+ facility was designed in consultation with Bonsor Seniors Society members and staff. There has been a period of adjustment and it is hoped that Ms. Cameron will soon feel comfortable at the new facility. Staff would be happy to help her become acquainted with the new space and introduce her to the members who frequent the facility.

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

**CULTURAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT: CONFEDERATION PARK STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**1. THAT** the expenditure of \$250,000 from the Annual Financial Plan for the project outlined in this report be approved.

**2. THAT** Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$261,680 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

#### **REPORT**

## **BACKGROUND**

Confederation Park is 101 acre District Park site in North Burnaby. The park offers a large forested component north of Penzance Drive and a multi-use recreation based program to the south of Penzance Drive (Attachment #1).

This well used park has been developed incrementally over the years and continues to have park features redeveloped to meet current safety standards and the recreation demand of the community residents. Most recently the spray park and playgrounds have been rebuilt to meet Ministry of Health safety standards.

Parks Operations have brought forward a long standing concern of stormwater management in the park. The underground pipe capacity has been overtaxed and during large rain events it is not adequate. In addition, mass water flows through the park and into Rainbow Creek has caused erosion over time. To address these issues and upgrade the stormwater management system, a stormwater management review will be undertaken to measure water flow coming into the park from the surrounding residential zones, define the capacity deficit and outline the best management options for future reconstruction.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission

From: Manager Parks Planning, Design and Development Re: Confederation Park Water Stormwater Management

System

#### STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Stormwater Management plan is intended to provide clear direction for the future redevelopment of the park. The Work would include:

- Mapping of existing drainage infrastructure
- Assessment of the functionality of the existing system
- Options for green infrastructure to increase source control, including best locations of infrastructure to respect and work in harmony with active recreation zones

#### **TIMING**

The storm water management study would begin in 2015 with site assessment, surveys, watershed assessment and storm water measurements. The park's recreation use plan will be layered onto the review to inform where future possible improvements would be possible. The implementation of the plan would begin with minor above ground improvements in 2015 and major pipe replacements in 2016 -2018.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Sufficient Capital reserves are available to begin the study and works improvements in the 2015 Annual Financial Plan. It is recommended that Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$ 261,680 (inclusive of GST) from Capital reserves to finance these projects.

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: 2015 APRIL - PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

**CAPITAL FUNDING BYLAW** 

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- **1. THAT** the expenditure of \$338,800 from the 2015 Annual Financial Plan for the projects outlined in this report be approved.
- **2. THAT** Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$354,630 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

#### REPORT

The 2015 Annual Financial Plan for Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services contains the following 4 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

## 1. Environmental Upgrades

\$83,800

Invasive species removal, sub-base preparation, native plantings and landscaping of the areas, expand knotweed program, as well of training and education on invasive species. Continue habitat restoration in areas such as Deer Lake Park, Central Park and Burnaby Mountain natural forest areas.

2. Brentwood Park \$175,000

Replacement of the 1993 playground structure to meet life cycle replacement timeline. Accessibility improvements will be included in the work. Completion planned for the Fall of 2015.

## 3. Recreation Equipment

\$40,000

Replacement and purchase of various equipment items such as lobby banners, suncovers and studio cycling bikes for program related activities. To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission
 From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
 Re: 2015 April - Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

Capital Funding Bylaw

# 4. Safety and Security

\$40,000

Replacement and upgrades of security equipment (cameras, recorders, lighting, etc.) at selected recreation centres for public and staff safety.

Sufficient Capital Reserves are available to complete the above projects in the 2015 Annual Financial Plan. It is recommended that Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$354,630 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

**CULTURAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT: CANADA DAY AT SWANGARD STADIUM

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

**1. THAT** approval be granted for the Canada Day Celebration at Swangard Stadium on 2015 July 01 as outlined in this report.

## **REPORT**

The second annual Canada Day Celebration will be held at Swangard Stadium on 2015 July 01 with free-admission musical entertainment. The event is geared to all generations and will complement the other Canada Day celebrations at Edmonds Park and at the Burnaby Village Museum also held in Burnaby that day.

Stadium gates will open at 5:30 p.m. and the show begins at 6:45 p.m. Visitors are reminded to arrive early as seating in Swangard Stadium is limited to 4,200 people on a first-come, first-served basis. While no "picnics" may be brought into the site, concessions will available for purchasing food and drink with a variety of menu choices. Roving entertainers, displays and activities will delight the kids and old folks alike, with plenty of photo opportunities to record memories of Canada's 148<sup>th</sup> birthday as a nation.

Opening remarks will come at 6:45 p.m. and then two introductory acts will be followed by a headliner on stage at the stadium. The headliner on July 1 will be "54-40", from Tsawwassen, B.C., with "Jon and Roy" and "Mostly Marley" starting the evening concert.

Media sponsor, LG 104.3FM "Vancouver's Greatest Hits", will be spreading the news, and bringing a guest MC to guide the cheering crowds through the program. Media sponsor, the Burnaby Now, will help promote and record the day's activities.

At 10:00 p.m. a fireworks display will be presented at the conclusion of the festivities, sponsored this year by G&F Financial Group. A licensed fire-works provider will ensure the appropriate safety measures and permits are in place for this activity. Recorded music will accompany the display ending the evening in grand style.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission
From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Re: CANADA DAY SWANGARD STADIUM

This year is also the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Canadian Flag. With so much to celebrate, Swangard Stadium on Canada Day will be a "must-see" event for the whole community. Bring friends and family to celebrate Canada's birthday in grand style.

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