



CITY OF BURNABY

THE PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION

**MINUTES**

2016 FEBRUARY 17

An 'Open' meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission was held in Lakeview Room at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, Studio 103 on Wednesday, 2016 February 17 at 6:50 p.m. followed immediately by a 'Closed' meeting from which the public was excluded. At the conclusion of the 'Closed' meeting, the 'Open' meeting was reconvened at 7:05 p.m. in Studio 103 at Shadbolt Centre for the Arts

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

PRESENT: Councillor N. Volkow, Chair  
Commissioner W. Peppard  
Commissioner K. Purdy  
Commissioner L. Loftus  
Commissioner L. Matricardi  
Commissioner K. Alzner  
Commissioner B. Larkin  
School Trustee K. Chen

ABSENT: Councillor A. Kang  
Commissioner J. Jang

STAFF: Mr. D. Ellenwood, Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services  
Mr. D. Hunter, Assistant Director - Parks  
Mr. David O'Connor, Assistant Director - Golf Operations  
Mr. D. Pelletier, Manager - Business Operations  
Mr. C. Collis, Assistant Director - Recreation  
Ms. H. Edwards, Manager - Parks, Planning, Design & Development  
Mr. J. Schumann, Planner - Planning and Building  
Ms. G. Parent, Arts Services Manager  
Ms. K. Matts Commission Secretary  
Ms. T. Cheng, Recording Secretary

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI

THAT the "Open" Commission meeting do now reconvene.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The “Open” Commission meeting reconvened in Studio #103, Shadbolt Centre for the Arts at 7:05pm.

The Chair announced the new Commissioner appointed by Council, Barbara Larkin, and welcomed Commissioner Larkin to the Commission.

## **2. CONFIRMATION OF CHAIR FOR 2016**

The Chair advised that he was appointed the 2016 Chair by Council at the February 01 Council Meeting.

## **3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR FOR 2016**

The Chair called for nominations for the Office of Deputy Chair for 2016.

Commissioner Purdy nominated Commissioner Peppard.

Commissioner Peppard declined the nomination.

Commissioner Peppard nominated Commissioner Matricardi.

Commissioner Matricardi accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Commissioner Matricardi was elected Deputy Chair for 2016 by acclamation.

The Deputy Chair thanked the Commission for his nomination.

## **4. APPOINTMENT OF MRS. KATHRYN MATTS AS SECRETARY**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

“THAT Mrs. Kathryn Matts be appointed Secretary to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Chair welcomed the audience to Shadbolt Centre for the Arts and introduced the Commissioners, the Director and the School Trustee in attendance. Councillor Kang and Commissioner Jang sent their regrets. The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services introduced staff members in attendance.

The Chair provided an explanation of the sequence of the agenda, including an invitation for members of the audience to speak with the Commission on matters of interest during the public comment/question period.

**5. MINUTES**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY

“THAT the Minutes of the ‘Open’ Meeting of 2016 January 20 be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY

“THAT the following item of correspondence be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (a) The Clinton Elementary School PAC requested a grant of \$4,000 for playground upgrades.

Item 4 of the Director’s Report No. 2 refers to this matter.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD

“THAT Item 4 of the Director’s report be brought forward for consideration at this time.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Item 4 – Playground Development Grant request from Clinton Elementary School**

Clinton Elementary School PAC requested a grant from the 2016 Annual Operating Playground Development Budget to assist with the redevelopment of their playgrounds. The request meets the Playground Grant guidelines and has approval from the Burnaby School District to install the playground components within 12 months of receiving the Playground Grant.

It was recommended:

1. THAT the playground development grant request from Clinton Elementary be approved.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Brenda Meerkerk, Clinton Elementary PAC Chair, Sunny Vellios, Clinton Elementary PAC Vice Chair, and Lori Magri, Clinton Elementary School Principal
3. THAT Council be requested to authorize the City enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School District for the contribution to the cost of the playground upgrades as detailed in this report.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI

“THAT the three recommendations be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **7. REPORT**

- (a) The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted his Report No. 2, dated 2016 February 17, 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 Festival of Learning

Co-presented by Simon Fraser University and the City of Burnaby with participation from School District # 41 and the Burnaby Public Library, the Burnaby Festival of Learning (BFO) is a weeklong celebration of learning with 50+ free events. Festival events will engage many audiences including children, families, young adults and seniors. The report outlines a more detailed plan for the festival and requests support from the City of Burnaby for facility use.

It was recommended:

1. THAT Commission approve the partnership with Simon Fraser University to facilitate SFU's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Festival of Learning as outlined in this report
2. THAT Council be sent this report for information.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD

"THAT the recommendations be approved."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commissioner Loftus inquired as to how staff will communicate their involvement to the media.

Staff advised that advertisements were being placed in the Spring/Summer Leisure Guide, 10 Bus Shelters will have advertisements and as outlined in the report there is a dedicated website for the event and a large social media presence.

#### Item 2 – 2016 Recognition Night

The purpose of Recognition Night is to recognize the important contribution that the volunteer community groups add to the provision of parks, recreational and cultural programs and services in the city. The opening of the Clubhouse at Riverway Golf Course provided an opportunity to explore a new City venue for this annual event in 2012 and the new location has proven to be very successful. The total budget for the 2016 Recognition Night is \$11,500.

It was recommended:

1. THAT approval be given to host Recognition Night on Friday, 2016 April 22 at the Riverway Golf Course Clubhouse.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

"THAT the recommendation be approved."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 3 – Move for Health Day

Move for Health Day, held annually on May 10, was launched by the World Health Organization in 2002. Move for Health Day events have been held in Burnaby since its inception in 2002 with over 11,000 participants to date enjoying a broad range of activities. Staff would like to offer free swimming at Fred Randall and Eileen Dailly pools as part of Move for Health Day activities.

It was recommended:

1. THAT approval be given to waive the fee for select swim sessions during Move for Health Day on Tuesday 2016 May 10 as outlined in this report.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 4 – Playground Development Grant Request for Clinton Elementary School

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

Item 5 – Willingdon Heights Park  
– Demolition of City-Owned Structure at 1522 Gilmore Avenue

The subject property, 1522 Gilmore Avenue, was acquired on 2001 May 01 for inclusion in Willingdon Heights Park and has since been held as an interim residential rental property. The Director Engineering has requested that the removal and/or demolition of the City owned structure be put forward for consideration by the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission and Council.

It was recommended:

1. THAT Council be requested to authorize the sale for moving or salvage or demolition of the structures, including all outbuildings and fences at 1522 Gilmore Avenue.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY

“THAT the two recommendations be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 6 – Cariboo Hill School Park Artificial Turf Sports Field Replacement

Sufficient Capital Reserves are available to complete the Cariboo Hill School Park artificial turf field replacement. To enable work to go ahead on this project, approval was requested to bring down a bylaw for funding.

It was recommended:

1. THAT Commission approve the capital expenditure of \$1,650,000 from the 2016-2020 Provisional Financial Plan for the project outlined in this report.
2. THAT Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$1,727,100 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance the Cariboo Hill School Park artificial turf field replacement project.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD

“THAT the two recommendations be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7 – 2016 February – Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Capital Funding Bylaw

The 2016 Provisional 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 was requested to bring down a bylaw for funding.

It was recommended:

1. THAT the expenditure of \$1,398,000 from the 2016-2020 Provisional Financial Plan for the projects outlined in this report be approved.
2. THAT Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$1,463,330 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

“THAT the two recommendations be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commissioner Loftus requested additional information on number 9 of the report that refers to the UV disinfection systems and chlorine storage at Edmonds Pool and Bonsor Pools.

Staff advised that it was adding the UV disinfection system to the hot tub and the play-pool at Bonsor. The aquatic fixtures are related to hand-rails, etc. in the pool and the chlorine storage capacity is doubled at Edmonds to reduce the number of deliveries to the facility as the original design for chlorine storage is under-sized.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MATRICARDI

“THAT four golf passes to the Burnaby Mountain and four golf passes to the Riverway Golf Courses and tickets to the Blues & Roots Festival be given to the South Burnaby Neighbourhood House for their Premier Annual Fundraising Event on 2016 February 27.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

School Trustee Chen thanked the Commission and Council for the playground development grant to Clinton Elementary School. It is an example of the School District and the City working together.

## **9. INQUIRIES**

There were no items raised under inquiries.

## **10. PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTION PERIOD**

The Chair announced the beginning of the public comment/question period. The audience was encouraged to speak to the Commission on matters of interest or concern.

Dennis Hansen, 5372 Meadedale Drive, Burnaby, advised that he is the chair of a cycling advocacy group. Mr. Hansen expressed appreciation of programs offered by Shadbolt Centre for the Arts. Mr. Hansen inquired about three trail systems. He proposed extending the current Central Valley Greenway between Still Creek and Sperling Avenue further along the north side of Burnaby Lake between the railroad tracks and the lake. In Burnaby's earlier park plan, there was a bicycle route around the lake. He heard that a sewer line may be put in on the north side of Burnaby. The Commission should look to putting in a multi-use trail there for cycling along the Greenway. Additionally, Beecher Creek Ravine Park has an access road that is more



of a muddy pathway and he would like to see that made into an all-weather gravel trail. It could be a great connection area from Gilmore Skytrain Station for cycling and walking. The third area is the wet and muddy section of the old Interurban Trail that goes from Cariboo Road to Craig Avenue. It would be appropriate to turn it into an all-weather cycling path. It would give an alternate route from Cariboo Road to Sapperton on a much smaller grade.

The Chair thanked Mr. Hansen for taking the time to come to the meeting and provide suggestions for cycling paths.

Staff spoke of the opportunity that may come with the building of the sewer line and that there are other factors such as railroad easement and habitat close to the lake.

Mr. Hansen provided his contact information to staff for follow up and additional information.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Chair thanked the audience for their attendance.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER LOFTUS  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY

“THAT the ‘Open’ meeting do now adjourn.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

Confirmed:

Certified Correct:

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Kathryn Matts  
COMMISSION SECRETARY

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Councillor Nick Volkow  
CHAIR