

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

<u>MINUTES</u>

An Open meeting of the Executive Committee of Council was held in the Council Committee Room, main floor, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, BC on Thursday, **2017 February 16** at 5:00 p.m.

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

PRESENT: Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Chair

Councillor Paul McDonell, Vice Chair

Councillor Dan Johnston, Member (arrived at 5:08 p.m.)

STAFF: Mr. Lambert Chu, City Manager

Mr. Craig Collis, Assistant Director - Recreation Ms. Blanka Zeinabova, Administrative Officer

The Chair called the Open meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

2. MINUTES

(a) Minutes of the Executive Committee of Council
Open meeting held on 2017 January 26

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL

THAT the minutes of the Executive Committee of Council Open meeting held on 2017 January 26 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **DELEGATIONS**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL

THAT the delegations be heard.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(a) <u>parkrun Canada</u>

Re: Deer Lake parkrun Speaker: Euan Bowman, Country Manager

Councillor Johnston arrived at 5:08 p.m.

Mr. Euan Bowman, parkrun Canada Country Manager, and Mr. George Patton, a park runner from North Burnaby Runners, appeared before the Committee advising that parkrun is a not-for-profit organization that has a global track record of creating healthier and happier cities by helping residents to become more active physically and interacting with their community.

The speaker noted that parkrun is a free, weekly, 5km timed run and community event that is open to everyone. Since 2004, parkrun offers over 1,000 events worldwide (i.e. Great Britain, Europe, South Africa, Australia, USA, and Canada) with over 200,000 people taking part every week. The events are completely organized by volunteers.

Mr. Bowman further noted that in addition, parkrun offers the following benefits:

- increase in participation levels in exercise and volunteering;
- more international tourism to the area;
- increase prominent profile of the park (Deer Lake is proposed venue for Burnaby);
- greater sense of well-being in runners and walkers extends to their family and friends.

In conclusion, the speaker noted parkrun is seeking \$5,000 (50% of start-up costs) to establish Deer Lake parkrun in Burnaby. The amount will pay for the equipment, insurance, software, signage and registration items.

(b) Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of BC

Re: Services and Programs

Speakers: Sandy Biggerstaff, Executive Director

Kyle Tiney, Director of Development & Communications

Ms. Sandy Biggerstaff, Executive Director, and Mr. Kyle Tiney, Director of Development and Communications of the Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention Centre of BC, appeared before the Committee providing an overview of services and programs, as well as the impact the Centre has in the region.

Ms. Biggerstaff advised that the Crisis Centre has operated since 1969, and provides 24/7 free support to youth, adults and seniors.

Mr. Tiney noted that each year, the Centre provides support to approximately 5,000 to 7,000 Burnaby residents. The Crisis Centre also organizes workshops on suicide awareness, self-care, mindfulness, etc.

Ms. Biggerstaff noted that the Crisis Centre utilizes a holistic approach to suicide prevention in the communities, always working to further their mandate of empowering individuals to help themselves and others in times of distress. Each year, Youth Distress Services are accessed by thousands of Burnaby residents who are seeking targeted, non-judgmental youth support by highly trained volunteers, as well as informative resources regarding suicide prevention. By remaining adaptive to specific needs such as this and striving to create suicide-safer communities in Burnaby and beyond, the Centre is able to break down stigma surrounding suicide, showing youth they are not alone.

In conclusion, the speaker noted that 24% of their funding is received from the Vancouver Coastal Health, and the rest of the funding is received from the City of Vancouver, United Way, gaming funds, different foundations, and private donations. The Crisis Centre is seeking a grant in support of the services provided to Burnaby residents.

Arising from the delegations and further discussion regarding their grant requests, the Committee introduced the following motions:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON

THAT a parkrun grant request be denied.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON

THAT the Crisis Centre grant request be now **TABLED**.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

This grant request was TABLED to allow Committee members the opportunity for further review.

The Chair advised regarding the upcoming new structure of the Committee, and further requested to forward this matter to the Financial Management Committee meeting on 2017 February 22.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(a) <u>Big Sisters of BC Lower Mainland</u> Re: Letter of Appreciation (#16.34)

Correspondence was received Ms. Brenda Gershkovitch, Executive Director, Big Sisters of BC Lower Mainland, expressing appreciation to the City for funding in support of their programs.

5. FESTIVALS BURNABY GRANTS APPROVED - \$7,900

6. PROGRESSIVE LIST OF GRANTS APPROVED- \$37,095

7. **NEW APPLICATIONS**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON

THAT the New Applications be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(a) #17.11. - Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation

Youth Remembrance Project

An application was received from Canadian Fallen Heroes Foundation requesting a grant to assist with the Youth Remembrance Project to create memorials in honour of Canada's fallen soldiers. Every \$500 raised will get a local classroom involved in a research project, and the classroom will be gifted \$150 to use towards a field trip.

Request: \$500 CPA: 2016 - No Application

2015 - No Application 2014 - No Application

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL

THAT this grant request be denied.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) #17.12. - Community Centred College for the Retired Courses and Programs

An application was received from the Community Centred College for the Retired requesting a grant to assist with the cost of courses and programs provided by the College.

Request: Unspecified CPA: 2016 - \$1,500

2015 - \$2,500 2014 - \$2,500

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON

THAT a grant in the amount of \$1,500 be awarded to the Community Centred College for the Retired to assist with the cost of courses and programs in 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. TABLED MATTER

(a) #17.10. - Burnaby Community Services Society
Burnaby Recreation Credit Program (2017 and 2016 Supplemental)
(Tabled 2017 January 26)

An application was received from Burnaby Community Services Society requesting a grant to assist with the fixed costs (\$17,000) of administering the Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Recreation Credit Program for 2017, as well as a supplemental balance of \$7,912 for 2016. The Recreation Credit program provides low-income residents with credits that can be used towards Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services programs and admissions.

Request: \$24,912 CPA: 2016 - \$17,000

2015 - \$17,000

2915 - \$8,720 Supplemental Grant

2014 - \$17,000

2014 – \$9,260 Supplemental Grant

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL

THAT this grant request be now TABLED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

This grant request was TABLED to allow the Committee members a further opportunity to review the matter.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL

THAT this grant request be now **LIFTED** from the table.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Craig Collis, Assistant Director – Recreation, appeared before the Committee providing an update on Burnaby Recreation Credit Program, as well as 5 year overview of the number of applications, value distributed and value of use.

The Committee inquired regarding:

- Burnaby Community Services Society's purpose;
- streamlining the process and using computers to fill in the applications in order to decrease processing time;
- a number of returning families and the possibility to decrease processing of those applications;
- verifying eligibility of children turning 19; and
- a number of new clients each year.

Staff undertook to investigate.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON

THAT a grant in the amount of \$24,912 be awarded to Burnaby Community Services Society for Burnaby Recreation Credit Program for 2017, including a supplemental balance of 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business brought before the Committee at this time.

10. INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries brought before the Committee at this time.

11. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCDONELL SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON

THAT this Open Committee meeting do now adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open Committee meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.	
Blanka Zeinabova Councillor Sav Dhaliwal Chair	