



PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION MINUTES

Tuesday, 2019 March 12

An Open meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission was held in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Tuesday, March 12 at 6:45 p.m. followed immediately by a Closed meeting from which the public was excluded. At the conclusion of the Closed meeting, the Open meeting reconvened in the Council Chamber.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Councillor Paul McDonell
Commissioner Karin Alzner
Commissioner Guyle Clark
Commissioner James Jang
Commissioner Barbara Larkin
Commissioner Claire Preston
Commissioner Dan Staschuk

ABSENT: Councillor Sav Dhaliwal
Commissioner Stace Dayment
Mr. Bill Brassington, School Board Trustee

STAFF: Mr. Dave Ellenwood, Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Mr. Denis Nokony, Assistant Director - Cultural Services
Mr. David O'Connor, Assistant Director - Golf Operations
Mr. Steve Bruneau, Assistant Director - Parks
Mr. Craig Collis, Assistant Director – Recreation
Mr. Dean Pelletier, Manager - Business Operations
Mr. Johannes Schumann, Planner - Planning and Building
Ms. Kathryn Matts – Commission Secretary
Ms. Theresa Cheng – Recording Secretary

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

THAT the Open Commission meeting do now reconvene.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

The Chair acknowledged the unceded, traditional, and ancestral lands of the *thəŋqəmihən* and *skwxwú7mesh* speaking people, and extended appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on the shared Coast Salish territory.

2. MINUTES

a) **Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Open meeting held on 2019 February 12**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

THAT the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission Open meeting held on 2019 February 12 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. PRESENTATIONS

a) Burnaby Village Museum Overview Speakers: Deborah Tuytens, Museum Services Supervisor Sanya Pleshakov, Museum Program Coordinator Meagen Innes, Indigenous Educator

Ms. Deborah Tuytens, Museum Services Supervisor, Ms. Sanya Pleshakov, Museum Program Coordinator and Ms. Meagan Innes, Indigenous Educator, appeared before the Commission. Ms. Tuytens introduced the presentation on Burnaby Village Museum Indigenous Programming. Ms. Tuytens explained how the programming fits with the City's Corporate Strategic goals by focusing on inclusion and diversity.

Ms. Innes, Indigenous Educator, provided background information on how the programming came to be and how the learning is focused on connectedness and a sense of place. Indigenous programming in a 1920's settler village without the benefit of purpose-built exhibits was challenging. Deciding to have the exhibit in the centre of the village makes the point that despite governments efforts to keep Indigenous and non-Indigenous people separate – by way of reserves, residential schools, incarceration – Indigenous people never “vanished” from the land we now call Burnaby.

Ms. Pleshakov, Museum Program Coordinator explained that in 2017 the museum launched new Indigenous programming for schools based on the First Peoples Principles of Learning. The process of creating new Indigenous programming at Burnaby Village Museum has taken several years of consultation. Since 2013, Museum staff have partnered with several local First Nations, including Tsleil-Waututh, Musqueam, Squamish, and Kwantlen to develop programs.

The museum has hired a team of five local Indigenous educators. The team not only develops and delivers programs to visitors on site; they also deliver school programs to local students year round. The work would not be possible without them and staff acknowledged Cease Wyss, Senaqwila Wyss, Candace Curr, Lacey Baker and Meagen Innes for their dedication to the program.

Ms. Pleshakov advised that the museum is currently updating all of the school programs to reflect Indigenous content and Ms. Innes is working on developing a new Indigenous school program to be launched in the fall. The Museum is also partnering with the Burnaby School District to host a Burnaby Week of Indigenous Learning in October, where five hundred Burnaby students will spend a day at the Museum immersed in learning about Indigenous knowledge from Indigenous elders, knowledge keepers and educators.

Staff thanked the Commission for their continued support and encouraged the Commissioners to visit the Museum in the summer season.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JANG

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- a) **Correspondence from Irene Yung, PAC Treasurer, Chaffey-Burke Elementary School**
Re: Playground Development Grant Application

Correspondence was received from Irene Yung, PAC Treasurer at Chaffey Burke Elementary School. Item # 3 (iii) of the Director's Report refers to this correspondence.

- b) **Correspondence from Linda Schmidt, PAC Chair, Gilpin Elementary School**
Re: Playground Development Grant Application

Correspondence was received from Linda Schmidt, PAC Chair at Gilpin Elementary School. Item # 3 (iii) of the Director's Report refers to this correspondence.

- c) **Correspondence from Keeley Saunders, PAC Chair, Ecole Aubrey Elementary School**
Re: Playground Development Grant Application

Correspondence was received from Keeley Saunders, PAC Chair at Ecole Aubrey Elementary School. Item# 3 (iii) of the Director's Report refers to this correspondence.

5. **DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**

- a) **Director's Report No.03**
2019 March 12

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted his Report No. 3, dated 2019 March 12, covering the following items listed as i-vi:

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

THAT the Director's Report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

i) [Alta Vista Reservoir Site - Pre-School Playground Expansion Plan](#)

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services and the Director Engineering submitted a report to obtain authorization for the expansion of interim pre-school play equipment at the Alta Vista Reservoir site. The Alta Vista reservoir, which is now out of service and considered surplus to city water utility needs, is located at the corner of Royal Oak Avenue and McKee Street on Burnaby's south slope.

It was recommended:

1. THAT the Parks, Recreation, and Culture Commission request Council to authorize the use of the entire Alta Vista Reservoir site, comprising 5172 (two parcels) and 5192 McKee Street, for an expanded pre-school playground.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLARK

THAT the recommendation of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services and the Director Engineering be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ii) [Fee Waiver Request - Gadabouts Picnic](#)

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Service submitted a report to respond to a facility fee waiver request by Citizen Support Services. 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 \$536.25 for the use of Studio 103 at the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts on 2019 July 10 to host their Gadabouts Picnic.

2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Ms. Michele Wilson, Coordinator Community Volunteer Services.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JANG

THAT the recommendations of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

iii) [Playground Development Grant Requests from Ecole Aubrey, Chaffey Burke and Gilpin Elementary Schools](#)

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted a report to request Council's authorization to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School District for the contribution to the cost of the playground upgrades at Ecole Aubrey, Chaffey Burke and Gilpin Elementary Schools. Correspondence was received from the three schools PAC's requesting grants from the 2019 Annual Operating Playground Development Budget to assist with the redevelopment of their playgrounds. All three schools meet the Playground Grant guidelines and have received 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 requests from Ecole Aubrey, Chaffey Burke and Gilpin Elementary schools be approved.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to; Keeley Saunders, Chair, Ecole Aubrey Elementary PAC; Shairoz Merani, Principal, Ecole Aubrey Elementary School; Eugene Lin, Chair, Chaffey Burke Elementary PAC; Claudio Bortolussi, Principal, Chaffey Burke Elementary School; Linda Schmidt, Chair, Gilpin Elementary PAC; Blake Briscoe, Principal, Gilpin Elementary School.
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 STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLARK

THAT the recommendations of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

iv) [Off-Leash Dog Facilities](#)

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted a report providing information regarding development of dog off-leash facilities. At the Commission

meeting of 2019 February 12, Commissioner Preston inquired if all dog parks could be enclosed with fencing. The report outlined a brief summary of the approach for facility design that has guided the creation and development of the variety of dog off-leash facilities in Burnaby. The use of off-leash enclosures is supported as one of several methods of addressing the demands of the dog owning public. The City designs facilities that work within the context of the larger park surroundings. Each site is vetted through a public consultation process. By developing a variety of facility types, including enclosures, the widest number of dog and dog owner needs have been met. Burnaby's dog owners are currently well-served as the Commission has made an effort to provide some form of off-leash facility in each quadrant of the City.

It was recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LARKIN

THAT the recommendation of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

v) **Community Participation in Environmental Programs**

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted a report providing information regarding community participation in environmental programs. City of Burnaby staff and CUPE local 23, in co-operation with local stream keeper groups, neighbourhood groups and community groups have supported annual stream and neighbourhood clean-ups as well as other restoration activities over the past number of years. These community events often coincide with an opportunity for environmental grant funding, an annual environmental campaign such as Earth Day, Environment Week, Rivers Day or TD Friends of the Environment Tree Days.

It was recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

THAT the recommendation of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

vi) **2019 March - Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Capital Funding Bylaw**

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted a report to request a Capital Reserve Fund Bylaw to finance 8 projects outlined in the report.

The projects are:

- Burnaby Mountain Park (DPW.0342)
- Park Signage (DPW.0392)
- Edmonds Park Redevelopment (DPW.0295, DPW.0296)
- Shadbolt Centre for the Arts (DPX.0222, DPY.0110, DPY.0109, DPX.0221)
- Burnaby Village Museum Road Repairs (DPW.0320)
- Burnaby Village Museum Christmas Equipment (DPY.0108)
- Arts Council Gallery (DPX.0223, DPW.0413)
- Hill Cottage Renovations (DPX.0224)

It was recommended:

1. THAT the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend Council authorize the City Solicitor to bring forward a Capital Reserve Fund Bylaw in the amount of \$2,910,000 to finance the projects outlined in this report.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLARK

THAT the recommendation of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Larkin inquired as to the possibility of installing a bridge crossing Owl Creek in Deer Lake to connect the Deer Lake trail to the Perimeter Trail. Arising from discussion the following motion was adopted:

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLARK

THAT staff prepare a report on the feasibility of installing a footbridge to connect the Deer Lake Park Loop Trail to the perimeter trail west of Owl Creek.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Commissioner Jang inquired as to the statistics and information available on the Warming Centres. Arising from discussion the following motion was adopted:

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

THAT staff prepare a summary report on the Warming Centres.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. **INQUIRIES**

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

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STASCHUK
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALZNER

THAT the Open Commission meeting do now adjourn.

The Open Commission meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Kathryn Matts
COMMISSION SECRETARY

Councillor Paul McDonell
CHAIR