

COMMISSION REPORT

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

**SUBJECT: BURNABY FIREFIGHTERS CHARITABLE SOCIETY - REQUEST FOR
TOURNAMENT GREEN FEE WAIVER**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **THAT** approval be given to the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society to co-sponsor the 2015 charity golf tournament with the Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission at the Riverway Golf Course on Wednesday, September 23.
2. **THAT** the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society be granted a fee waiver for all green fees.
3. **THAT** the proceeds of the 2015 charity golf tournament be contributed to a Commission sponsored program to benefit this community.
4. **THAT** a copy of this report be sent to Rob Lamoureux, President of the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society.

REPORT

A letter of request (Attachment #1) was received from the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society, requesting approval to co-sponsor a golf tournament with the Commission at the Riverway Golf Course on 2015 September 23.

The following policy for tournaments benefiting Commission facilities was adopted by the Commission 1995 May.

“That one tournament be allowed per year at either Burnaby Mountain or Riverway Golf Course as a Commission sponsored initiative according to the following:

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- Proposals would be accepted/solicited from Burnaby organizations to organize a tournament on the City's behalf.
- The purpose of the tournament is to benefit a municipal facility or project.
- Subject to Commission approval, the tournament organizer may request a waiver of all fees.
- Date of event to be planned with City staff, to coordinate with other tournaments.”

The Burnaby Firefighters Local 323 Charitable Society is well organized and has staged numerous events which have benefited local charities. Organization of a large charity golf tournament requires tremendous networking in the business community to solicit participation and support in the form of sponsorship and prizes. The Burnaby Firefighters have held annual golf tournaments at Burnaby facilities and have consistently demonstrated their ability to organize and stage this type of event. Staff have held initial meetings with Board Members and have mutually agreed that the event be held at the Riverway Golf Course on 2015 September 23.

It is recommended that approval be given to the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society to co-sponsor the 2015 Burnaby Charity Golf Tournament with the Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission on Wednesday, 2015 September 23. It is further recommended that all green fees be waived and that proceeds of the 2015 event be contributed to an appropriate Burnaby facility or project, mutually determined by the Society and the Commission.



Dave Ellenwood
DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachment

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To: Dave Ellenwood
Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

I would first like to thank you and the City of Burnaby for all of their previous support of the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society. The money we raise from our annual Charitable Ball and Golf Tournament allows us to fund over 60 charitable organizations throughout our community. Your sponsorship of our two main fundraisers makes it possible for our Charitable Society to continue helping those of need, right here in Burnaby. Our Nutritional Snack and CPR Programs are vital to the citizens in Burnaby. That is why we are asking once again for a grant for this year's Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Golf Tournament on: Wednesday September 23rd, 2015. We would be very grateful if the City of Burnaby would continue their ongoing support by waiving the cost of the green fees. This support would allow us to continue providing programs like our Nutritional Snack and CPR Programs.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Lamoureux', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Rob Lamoureux
President
Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society