
TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2015 August 24

FROM: DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: SFU'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

PURPOSE: To present a proposal to Council for consideration to commemorate SFU's 50th Anniversary

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council approve the option as outlined in this report in recognition of SFU's 50th Anniversary.

REPORT**1.0 Introduction**

Simon Fraser University (SFU) opened its first campus on Burnaby Mountain in 1965. Since its opening 50 years ago, SFU has held the honour of Canada's leading comprehensive university for many years. The University currently has a student population of more than 30,000 and approximately 950 faculty members.

2.0 Discussion

To commemorate and celebrate the 50 years of partnership between SFU and the City of Burnaby, the City has been offered an opportunity to create a legacy for the University and its student. The way in which the City can participate in the university celebration is summarized as follows:

Proposal – Pyramid (Figure 1)

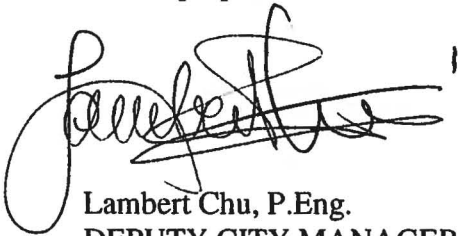
SFU has retained a consultant to prepare plans for the landscaping and construction of a gathering place for use by students. This gathering place is located in Arthur Erikson's iconic academic quadrangle in the centre of SFU. It will be constructed in the form of a pyramid complemented by a full landscape plan. Four stainless steel benches will be installed at the top of the pyramid. The pyramid will spotlight the quadrangle and provides a gathering place for students. The pyramid improvements can be completed in time for the 50th Anniversary Celebration and the benches installation will follow after. Estimated cost of the pyramid and benches is \$65,000.00.

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3.0 Conclusion

SFU will begin its 50th Anniversary Celebration on September 9, 2015. As this is a special occasion to celebrate the success of the University and the excellent partnership between the City and SFU for the past 50 years, the City has been offered the opportunity to participate in the above noted proposal. The construction of a gathering place where students may come to rest and share their campus experience is an excellent way in which the City can participate to commemorate the anniversary.

There are sufficient funds available within the Stabilization Fund to cover the cost of the proposal. It is recommend that Council approve the proposal as outlined in this report.

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DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

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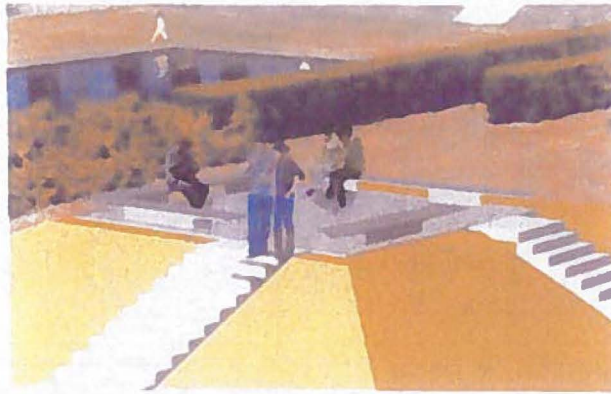


FIGURE 1 – SFU QUADRANGLE PYRAMID

