
TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: 2016 JULY- DEMOLITION OF PAVILION GRANDSTANDS
CAPITAL FUNDING BYLAW

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the expenditure of \$200,000 from the 2016 Annual Financial Plan for the demolition of the Burnaby Lake Pavilion grandstand structure be approved.
2. **THAT** Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$209,350 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance this work.

REPORT**BACKGROUND**

In 1971 Burnaby and New Westminster were approved to host the 1973 Canada Summer Games. Burnaby Lake was selected as the venue for the canoe, kayak, and rowing events. The Burnaby Lake Pavilion and grandstands were constructed at this time as well as preparation of the rowing course on the lake as a legacy from the games.

CURRENT

There are a number of aquatic water sport clubs that use the Burnaby Lake Pavilion pier, Dock and Lake on an ongoing basis for training and special events. These include groups such as Burnaby Lake Rowing Club, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby Canoe and Kayak Club as well as events at provincial and national levels.

The spectator area wooden grandstands have throughout the years only been used for the larger events. The seating area is entirely made of wood and has been exposed to all weather conditions causing considerable deterioration which resulted in their closure in the late 1990's for safety reasons.

The recent dredging of the lake has resulted in reviving the rowing course to host major events like the RCA National Rowing Championships scheduled for September this year.

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The City has been approached by Tourism Burnaby and Rowing British Columbia to work with them to remove the unsightly grandstands prior to this National event and put a longer term plan together for improvements to this site.

SUMMARY

City staff are in the process of securing quotes for the removal of the grandstands and should be in a position to select a demolition contractor by the end of July with work to commence in August.

Sufficient Capital Reserves are available to complete this project in the 2016 Annual Financial Plan. It is recommended that Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$209,350 (inclusive of GST) from Capital Reserves to finance this project. Funding for the project will be allocated to DPX.0156.



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