

COMMISSION REPORT

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE
COMMISSION

DATE: 2019 May 31

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &
CULTURAL SERVICES

FILE: 09500-20

SUBJECT: BURNABY TENNIS CLUB LICENCE AGREEMENT RENEWAL

PURPOSE: To request the renewal of the licence agreement with Burnaby Tennis Club for a further five-year term as noted in the report.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **THAT** approval be granted to renew the licence agreement with the Burnaby Tennis Club, for a further five-year term beginning on 2019 July 01 and ending on 2024 June 30 with changes to the terms and conditions as outlined in this report.
2. **THAT** the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend Council approve the renewal of the licence with the Burnaby Tennis Club as outlined in this report.
3. **THAT** the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission recommend Council authorize the City Solicitor to execute a licence agreement with the Burnaby Tennis Club as outlined in this report.
4. **THAT** a copy of this report be sent to Mr. George McLachrie, President of the Burnaby Tennis Club.

REPORT**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The City has had a licence agreement with the Burnaby Tennis Club since 1973 for their bubble and clubhouse facility. The Burnaby Tennis Club is responsible for all on-going operating costs of their building, as well as general upkeep due to wear and tear, in return for annual rent of \$1.00. The Burnaby Tennis Club has historically also been granted permissive tax exemptions.

Through annual allotments, members are given priority use on 6 of the 17 courts at Burnaby Lake Sports Complex. The City partners with the Burnaby Tennis Club and Tennis BC in the provision of spring/summer tennis lessons and leagues. The Burnaby Tennis Club continues to provide a valuable service to the community and operates within the terms and conditions of their licence. The Burnaby Tennis Club has provided notice that they wish to renew their agreement for five more years.

2.0 POLICY SECTION

Goal

- A Connected Community
 - Social connection –
Enhance social connections throughout Burnaby
- An Inclusive Community
 - Create a sense of community –
Provide opportunities that encourage and welcome all community members and create a sense of belonging
- A Healthy Community
 - Community involvement –
Encourage residents and businesses to give back to and invest in the community

3.0 BACKGROUND

On August 14, 2018, the City of Burnaby and Tennis Canada announced a Memorandum of Understanding that will see the development of the Western Canada Tennis Centre (WCTC). The facility will be located within the Burnaby Lake Sports Complex and will house approximately 12 indoor courts and 12 outdoor courts. The state-of-the-art WCTC will be a multi-use tennis facility providing community access to a broad base of programs for all age groups and skills including persons with a disability, while also housing the junior national training program in Western Canada and a training program for top BC athletes, including wheelchair athletes.

Tennis Canada has begun the process of location analysis, feasibility and the design renderings and cost estimates. This includes soil and geotechnical investigations. A comprehensive fundraising campaign to support the facility has begun and options are being explored for the existence of a new partnership between the Burnaby Tennis Club and Tennis Canada.

The Licence contract will provide for an option to re-examine or re-write the existing contract to facilitate a new agreement if one is required within the next five years.

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The conditions of the licence have been reviewed with the President and executive members of the Burnaby Tennis Club and the following changes are proposed for the new five year term:

1. The new term for the licence will be for five years commencing on 2019 July 01 and ending on 2024 June 30.
2. Insurance requirements will be amended to comply with City standards.

4.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission approve the renewal of the licence agreement with the Burnaby Tennis Club and the Commission recommend Council approve the renewal and authorize the City Solicitor to execute the licence agreement.



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