

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL**

*HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR  
AND COUNCILLORS*

**SUBJECT: COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT Council approve the grant recommendations, as outlined in the report.

## **REPORT**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Executive Committee of Council, at its meeting held on 2020 May 05, considered grant applications from community groups supporting Burnaby residents.

### **POLICY**

The provision of grants to community groups is aligned with the City of Burnaby's Corporate Strategic Plan by supporting the following goals and sub-goals of the Plan:

- 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
  - Healthy life – Encourage opportunities for healthy living and well-being
  - Lifelong learning – Improve upon and develop programs and services that enable ongoing learning

## RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Committee of Council recommends the following grants for Council's approval:

**#20.10. Cameray Child and Family Services \$5,000**  
*Early Childhood Development Education and  
Awareness Raising Community-Wide Events*

An application was received from the Cameray Child and Family Services on behalf of the Burnaby Early Childhood Development (ECD) Table in support of the ECD education and awareness raising community-wide events to be held from 2020 April 01 to 2021 March 31. Events include three ECD education workshops, four community-based events, and two family drop-in programs, which will provide learning opportunities, access to resources, and strengthen community connections. Approximately 2,500 Burnaby residents (i.e. parents and children, service providers, and educators) benefit from the events.

Request: \$15,000

CPA: 2019 – No Application\*  
2018 – No Application  
2017 – No Application

*\*In 2019, the BECD Table received \$7,000 operating grant and in 2020, the organization received \$8,000 operating grant in support of the Program Coordinator position.*

**#20.14. BC Pets and Friends DENIED**  
*BC Pets and Friends Children's Program*

An application was received from BC Pets and Friends requesting a grant in support of planning, designing, implementing and evaluating a program offering pet therapy to children in Burnaby from 2020 June 01 to 2021 May 31. The project includes selection of a children's program training expert; identification of facility partners and venues (i.e. libraries, bookstores, etc.); development and purchase of marketing materials; volunteers' screening and training; and identification of successes and opportunities for growth. Twenty-five volunteer teams (owners and their pets) will be trained to provide one-hour of visitation to 25 children (625 children in total). During the visit children will read to a pet, practicing their reading and life skills (i.e. self-esteem and self-confidence). The newly proposed program is based on a demand from volunteers and facilities involved in provision of a similar program to seniors in 25 Burnaby long-term and senior care facilities.

