

## **PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, April 27, 2016, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Queensborough Community Centre, Poplar Room**

### **MINUTES**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Shawna Barkley	- Community Member
Brynn Bourke	- Community Member
John Davies	- Community Member
Michael Folka	- Community Member
Ted Garbutt	- Community Member
Andrew Hull	- Community Member
Michel Roy	- Community Member

#### **MEMBERS REGRETS:**

Councillor Jaimie McEvoy	- Chair, City Council Member
Casey Cook	- School Board Representative
Vince Kreiser	- Community Member

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Diane Perry	- Manager of Community Development
Renee Chadwick	- Manager of Queensborough Community Centre
Lauren Blake	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m.

### **1.0 ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Item 7.1 – Canada Games Pool Replacement Update be added to the agenda; and,*

*THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

## **2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of February 24, 2016**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the February 24, 2016 Parks and Recreation Committee meeting minutes be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

## **3.0 PRESENTATIONS**

There were no items.

## **4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no items.

## **5.0 REPORTS**

### **5.1 Queensborough Community Centre Services Overview**

Renee Chadwick, Manager of Queensborough Community Centre, provided an overview of the services provided at Queensborough Community Centre.

### **5.2 Queen's Park Preschool Natural Play Area**

Diane Perry, Manager of Community Development, summarized the report dated April 27, 2016, regarding the Queen's Park Preschool natural play area.

In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Perry provided the following information:

- Engineering Operations would remove some invasive species and blackberry plants located within the proposed play space;
- The Society's lease covers maintenance and utilities;
- It is not anticipated that the lease rate would increase;
- Improvements to the space are the responsibility of the Queen's Park Preschool Society; and,
- The new fence must be the same height as existing fences.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the request from the Queen's Park Preschool Society to expand their natural play spaces be supported.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

**5.3 Small Dog Off-Leash Area Trial in Queen's Park**

Diane Perry, Manager of Community Development, summarized the reported dated April 27, 2016 regarding a proposed small dog off-leash area trial in Queen's Park.

In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Perry provided the following information:

- Municipalities utilize different guidelines to determine the requirements for small dogs;
- Small dogs would still be allowed to utilize the remaining portion of the dog park, where large dogs are permitted;
- There would not be any new space allocated for a dog park; and,
- A temporary fence would be required to divide the space.

Discussion ensued, and the Committee suggested that signage to delineate the two parks would be important, and should clearly indicate that the small size refers to dogs that will be utilizing the park, and not the park itself.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT a temporary small dog off-leash area be incorporated into the existing off-leash area in Queen's Park for a four month period commencing June 2016; and,*

*THAT staff report back to the Committee with the results of the trial at the Committee's September meeting.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

**5.4 New Westminster Sports Field Sponsorship Banner Project Content Guidelines**

Diane Perry, Manager of Community Development, summarized the report dated April 27, 2016 regarding the proposed content guidelines for the New Westminster sports field sponsorship banner project.

In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Perry provided the following information:

- The banners for New Westminster Minor Baseball have been temporarily removed so that the appropriate green backing could be implemented;
- There is no ethics code written to address advertising at Queen's Park Arena, however, all advertisements at that location must be approved by the City;
- The proposed guidelines would apply to outdoor advertising only; and,
- As sponsorship programs are an extensive undertaking, it is not anticipated that all associations would have the staffing levels required to participate in the advertising program.

Discussion ensued, and the Committee expressed support for the proposed guidelines. The Committee suggested that the wording on page two of the guidelines be changed from "identify any single product" to "promote any particular product".

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Sports Field Sponsorship Banner Content Principles and Guidelines be amended by changing the wording "identify any single product" to "promote any particular product" on page 2; and,*

*THAT the Principles and Guidelines be supported for a two year trial period as amended.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

**Procedural note:** Mike Folka exited the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

## **5.5 Department Portfolio Realignment**

Diane Perry, Manager of Community Development, advised that the Parks, Culture and Recreation is now known as the Parks and Recreation Department. The culture aspect has been relocated to the CAO's office.

John Davies, Acting Chair, advised that museums and archives responsibilities have also been relocated to the CAO's office.

## **6.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no items.

## **7.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Canada Games Pool Replacement Update**

Diane Perry, Manager of Community Development, advised that a consultant has been retained for the Canada Games Pool replacement project. A Steering Committee, consisting of Parks, Development Services, and Communications staff, has been assembled to address the public engagement process. It is anticipated that public engagement for the pool replacement would commence in May 2016.

In response to questions from the Committee, Ms. Perry advised that Council has been setting aside funds for the pool replacement over the past four or five years. The project must be “shovel ready” in order for the City to apply for Federal infrastructure grants. Ms. Perry noted that the pool has been identified as a strategic initiative of Council.

Discussion ensued, and the Committee requested that staff provide background documents regarding the pool replacement for review. The Committee also suggested that the pool replacement be placed as a standing agenda item.

## **8.0 NEXT MEETING**

**Wednesday, June 22, 2016, 6:00 p.m. Queen’s Park Greenhouse.**

## **9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting was concluded at 7:02 p.m.

Certified Correct,

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**John Davies**  
**Acting Chair**

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**Lauren Blake**  
**Committee Clerk**