

CITY OF BURNABY

THE PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION

**MINUTES**

2011 JUNE 16

An 'Open' meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C., on Thursday, 2011 June 16 at 19:05 hr.

PRESENT: Commissioner Dhaliwal in the Chair  
Commissioners Alkins-Jang  
Calendino  
Di Spirito  
O'Neill  
Peppard  
Purdy

ABSENT: Commissioners Foley  
Nasu  
School Trustee Wang

STAFF PRESENT: D. Ellenwood, Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services  
D. Hunter, Assistant Director-Parks  
W. Scott, Assistant Director-Recreation  
D. Nokony, Assistant Director-Cultural Services  
D. O'Connor, Assistant Director-Golf Operations  
H. Edwards, Manager-Parks Planning, Design and Development  
D. Pelletier, Manager-Business Operations  
E. Kozak, Senior Current Planner - Planning and Building  
M. Cirotto, Commission Secretary  
T. Cheng, Recording Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALENDINO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALKINS-JANG:  
"THAT the 'Open' Commission meeting do now convene."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The 'Open' Commission meeting convened in the Council Chambers at 19:05 hr.

**MINUTES**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALENDINO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD:  
“THAT the Minutes of the ‘Open’ Meeting of 2011 May 18 be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DELEGATIONS**

The following request to appear as a delegation was received:

- (a) Spokespersons: Mr. Hugh Alley and Ms. Katja Rademacher  
Burnaby Canoe and Kayak Club  
Subject: Bid to Host 2014 Canadian Sprint Canoe Kayak National Championships

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALENDINO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD:  
“THAT the delegation be heard.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (a) Mr. Hugh Alley, 7642 Sussex Avenue, Burnaby, B.C., is a member of the 2014 Bid Committee of Burnaby Canoe and Kayak Club, a recreational and sprint paddling club at Burnaby Lake. The committee is preparing a bid to host the 2014 Canadian Sprint Canoe Kayak National Championships and Canadian Masters Championships in late August 2014, which will expose Burnaby and attract over 1,000 athletes and their families. These events will be held for five days at Burnaby Lake, and portions of the fields around the Rugby Clubhouse and parking lot will be used. They think that the proposed events will showcase Burnaby Lake where dredging has been completed and they have a potential to expand the number of Burnaby residents to participate in this sport and use Burnaby Lake more. People aged 10 to 70 and people with disabilities can all participate in this sport. The Championships will require four elements: a larger dock access, a finishing tower, seating for spectators, and temporary lanes on the lake. They asked for a letter of support in principle from the Commission so that they can submit a bid and seek funding. Later on they may request in-kind service from the Commission. Mr. Alley presented a video of the 2010 competition held in Regina.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CALENDINO:  
“THAT staff provide a report regarding comments made by the delegation.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALENDINO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALKINS-JANG:  
“THAT the following items of correspondence be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (a) Ms. Christine Manzer, 208 – 7180 Linden Avenue, Burnaby, B.C., requested that a park space near 7183 Edmonds Street be named Bennett Park in honour of the Bennett family.

It was recommended:

THAT this letter be referred to the Parks Names and Signs Committee and report at a future meeting.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALKINS-JANG:  
“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- (b) Ms. Joanna Illerbrun, Secretary of Community Centred College for the Retired, requested action to address various issues regarding building security, installation of sanitizers, and rental of the banquet hall at Alan Emmott Centre.

A staff notation appended to this correspondence advised that staff have met with the Community Centred College for the Retired and all issues noted in the letter have been resolved.

- (c) Ms. Barb Harris, 2011 Site Coordinator, Terry Fox Run Organizing Committee, Burnaby, requested a fee waiver for one large City tent (canopy) for the Sunday morning of 2011 September 18.

A staff notation appended to this correspondence advised that staff offered the organizers the use of two new 12’x12’ tents that do not require assembly by staff, therefore, there is no fee for use of the tents. Ms. Harris has happily accepted this offer.

- (d) The Deputy City Clerk advised that City Council received a report re: Funding Bylaw and forwarded a copy of the report to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission.

## **REPORT**

- (a) The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted his Report No. 6, dated 2011 June 16, covering the following items listed as 1 - 4.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DI SPIRITO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CALENDINO:  
“THAT the Director’s Report be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 1 – Update on Edmonds Pool and Community Centre

City Council received a report from the Finance & Civic Development Committee regarding a status update on the construction progress for the Edmonds Pool and Community Centre Project. Since the contractor began mobilizing on site in early January, good progress has been made. The contractor's proposed completion date for the project is 2012 October.

It was recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ALKINS-JANG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY:  
“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 2 – Teen lifeguarding courses at Robert Burnaby Park Pool

Ms. Tammy Ozero expressed concern that lifeguarding courses for teens were not offered at Robert Burnaby Park Pool. Staff advised that the decision not to offer lifeguarding or upper level courses at Robert Burnaby Park Pool was due to declining registration for this type of courses. In 2010, only 2 of the 12 courses had sufficient registration. In comparison to other pools, Robert Burnaby Park Pool does not have adequate teaching facilities required for the upper level courses. Teen lifeguarding courses for the southeast area are scheduled at C.G. Brown Memorial Pool.

It was recommended:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Ms. Tammy Ozero.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CALENDINO, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALKINS-JANG:  
“THAT the recommendation be approved.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 3 – Move for Health Day 2011

Move for Health Day is created by the World Health Organization to promote health and well-being through physical activity. This year, Move for Health Day took place on May 10. Burnaby participates in promoting this global event by providing 19 different types of free recreational activities throughout the city for community members to participate in. Each year participation in Burnaby increases as the public seek out new experiences or learn about an activity, and are introduced to a city facility or park space.

It was recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information.

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER O'NEILL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD:  
"THAT the recommendation be approved."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 4 – Highland Park Line/Edmonds Street  
- Demolition of structures at 7173 and 7183 Edmonds Street

The Director Engineering has requested that the removal and/or demolition of the City-owned structure and all outbuildings at 7173 and 7183 Edmonds Street be put forward for consideration by the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission and Council. The subject properties were acquired by the City on 2011 June 01 for park and open space purposes in conjunction with the Highland Park Line, and for road purposes for the future widening and upgrading of Edmonds Street.

An inspection conducted by Engineering and a rental analysis by Finance has concluded that the residence at 7183 Edmonds Street would require significant capital to bring it to an acceptable rental standard. Council approved the removal of 7183 Edmonds Street from the Burnaby Heritage Inventory. The property will be held as a vacant grassed lot in the interim until the portion of the property required for the Edmonds Street widening and upgrading project planned in the Provisional 2011-2015 Capital Program for 2015 is implemented.

It was recommended:

1. THAT Council be requested to authorize the demolition or sale for moving or salvage of all structures, outbuildings and fences at 7173 and 7183 Edmonds Street (Lots 7 & 8, D.L. 95, Group 1, NWD Plan 1152).

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ALKINS-JANG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PURDY:  
"THAT the recommendation be approved."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**NEW BUSINESS**

There were no items raised under New Business.

**INQUIRIES**

Commissioner Alkins-Jang advised that the Hats Off Day parade was very successful. It was suggested that in future Commissioners may participate as a group.

Commissioner Alkins-Jang advised that, on June 09 at the Whistler Westin Resort and Spa, she represented the Commission to receive an Innovation award from Recycling Council of British Columbia.

The Director advised that it is an important award recognizing a program implemented at Swangard Stadium by staff in cooperation with the user to reduce the use of paper by 90 per cent.

The Chair thanked Commissioner Alkins-Jang for receiving the award on behalf of the Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PEPPARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER O'NEILL:  
"THAT the 'Open' meeting do now adjourn."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The 'Open' Meeting adjourned at 19:45 hr.

Confirmed:

Certified Correct:

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY