

ITEM 1
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 23
COUNCIL MEETING Mar. 28/77

Re: FRASER RIVER FORESHORE PARK PROJECT
(Item 15, Report No. 35, May 25, 1976)
(Item 7, Report No. 55, September 7, 1976)
(Item 9, Report No. 57, September 13, 1976)

Following is a report from the Parks and Recreation Administrator regarding the Fraser River Foreshore Park Project.

Copies of previous reports pertaining to this matter have been given to the newer members of Council for their information.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council authorize the application to North Fraser Harbour Commission for matching funding for the development of a foreshore park along the Fraser River between Byrne Road and Tillicum Avenue.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: PARKS AND RECREATION ADMINISTRATOR
RE: FRASER RIVER FORESHORE PARK PROJECT

MARCH 18, 1977

On February 18, 1976, the Parks and Recreation Commission approved a development plan for the section of the Fraser River Foreshore Park between Byrne Road and Tillicum Avenue.

On May 25, 1976, Council was advised that in order to qualify for funding from the North Fraser Harbour Commission and the Provincial Government (Community Recreational Facilities Fund Act), the Municipality had to guarantee that one-tenth of the cost was available. Council agreed to interim fund the amount of \$40,913 pending approval of a Referendum By-law or a reassignment of funds within the Parks and Recreation Budget.

On September 13, 1976, Council authorized the consideration of the preparation of an Official Regional Park Designation By-law which would permit such funding. Discussions respecting this consideration have gone forward between Corporation staff and the staff of the G.V.R.D. and it has now become evident that Provincial funding will not be forthcoming; the main stumbling block being the failure to get unanimous consent from participating Municipalities.

In the absence of the one-third Provincial funding, the North Fraser Harbour Commission is prepared to accept a request from Burnaby for a 50/50 cost-sharing between the Corporation and the Harbour Commission.

The Parks and Recreation 1977 C.I.P. reflects this 50/50 cost-sharing with \$66,950 being attributed to each authority for a total estimate of \$133,900.

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Respectfully submitted,

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