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# RE: RENOVATIONS TO THE JAMES COWAN CENTER

Following is a report from the Parks and Recreation Administrator regarding an expenditure of money for renovations to the James Cowan Center.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Administrator be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

1978 December 07

- FROM: PARKS AND RECREATION ADMINISTRATOR
- RE: 1979 C.I.P. PRIOR APPROVAL RENOVATIONS TO THE JAMES COWAN CENTRE

## RECOMMENDATION:

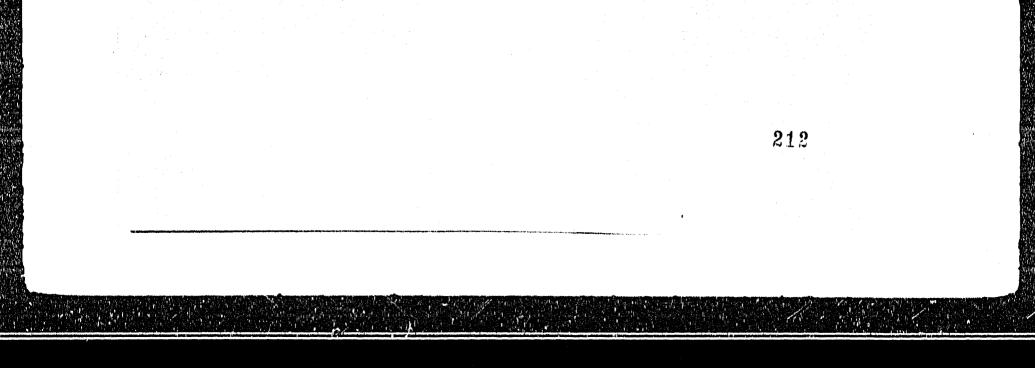
1. THAT Council approve the expenditure of \$60,000 from the 1979 C.I.P. prior to approval of the Annual Budget, for the purpose of completing Stage II of the renovations to James Cowan Centre.

## REPORT

At its meeting of 1978 December 06 the Parks and Recreation Commission received the <u>attached</u> report on the above subject matter and approved the recommendations contained therein.

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RE: JAMES COWAN CENTRE - VENTILATING AND HEATING RENOVATIONS

In 1978 there was \$130,000. available for Stage I renovations of which \$60,500. was for structural renovations and \$69,500. for optional renovations. In the 1979 C.I.P. there is \$60,000. for Stage II renovations.

The 1978 optional renovations included \$53,000. for part of the mechanical work and consultants were hired to design the mechanical requirements. The 1979 funds were to complete the mechanical requirements. It is presumed that a saving could be realized if the total mechanical requirements could be done under one contract. This would then require early budget approval to allow time for specification and tender document preparation so that work could commence early in the new year. An additional saving should also be realized if the job was tendered on 1978 costs as compared to inflationary costs that may be encountered later in 1979.

Although the 1979 mechanical work could be done following the normal time of budget approvals, apart from anticipated savings as previously mentioned; the work would not start until well into 1979. This would mean a lengthy disruption of the activities in the building.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Commission request prior budget approval from Council for the expenditure of \$60,000. from the 1979 C.I.P. Provisional Budget for Stage II of James Cowan Centre renovations.