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RE: PARKS & RECREATION PROPOSED CO-OPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Following is a report from the Parks & Recreation Administrator regarding the above subject.

RECOMMENDATION:

 THAT the recommendations as contained in the report from the Parks & Recreation Administrator be adopted.

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1980 November 5

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: PARKS & RECREATION ADMINISTRATOR

RE: PARKS & RECREATION PROPOSED CO-OPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT Council concur with the Parks & Recreation Commission's endorsement of a co-operative agreement with Simon Fraser University for the development and sharing of mutually agreed to recreation facilities, and advertising programs as outlined in this report.
- 2. THAT Council approach Simon Fraser University Board of Governors for approval and support in this co-operative agreement.

SUMMARY

The Recreation staff were asked to meet with Simon Fraser University's Director of Recreation for the purpose of developing a mutually beneficial working agreement between the two departments. The conclusion is that a co-operative agreement should be established and the co-operation and sharing should occur in the areas of facility use, promotion of recreation services to the public, and capital cost sharing of specific future facilities.

REPORT

The Parks & Recreation Commission requested its staff to meet with the staff of Simon Fraser University to assess the feasibility of developing a co-operative agreement between the two organizations that would increase the recreation opportunities for the Burnaby community and the Simon Fraser University community.

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The following report was received by the Commission at its meeting of 1980 November 5 and the <u>attached</u> agreement was endorsed.

REPORT

At the request of the Commission, staff have been meeting with the Director of Recreation for Simon Fraser University. The purpose has been to assess the feasibility of developing a co-operative agreement between the two organizations, that would increase the recreation opportunities for the Burnaby community, and the Simon Fraser University community.

The areas of common interest pursued in the discussions were: facility accessibility, promotion of recreation services and cost-sharing of future mutually beneficial facilities.

These three areas have potentials for the greatest mutual benefits. The proposed initial approach within these aspects would be:

1. Facility Use

Use of SFU Facilities by Burnaby Parks and Recreation

- (a) Pool if sufficient interest exists in the Burnaby community, then an expanded version of the current SFU Recreation swim program would be attempted.
 - i) Burnaby would staff the program;
 - ii) SFU would provide the facility at no charge.
- (b) Gym
- i) SFG gymnasia to be made available for periodic use by Burnaby Parks and Recreation during non-peak hours;
- ii) Possible special intramural program to be set up on weekends involving Burnaby residents and SFU community;
- iii) Initially, no rental charges for non-used periods.

 Preferred rates during normal rental periods. Situation to be reviewed once pattern established.

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Use of Burnaby Facilities by SFU

(a) Cameron Centre

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- i) "Multi-use rooms", indoor tennis courts and other facility space to be made available for periodic use by SFU during non-peak hours.
- ii) Members of the SFU community will be accorded "Burnaby Resident" status at Cameron; i.e. preferred rates on facility use and court rentals.
- iii) Initially, no rental chargés for non-used periods. Preferred rates during normal rental periods. Situation to be reviewed once pattern established.

(b) Other

- i) preferential booking of Swangard Stadium, as per existing allocation;
- ii) use of Kensington and Burnaby Lake ice rinks during non-peak hours at preferred rates

2. Advertising

- (a) Burnaby Parks and Recreation Brochure(s) advertising of SFU recreation instructional programs in the brochures restricted initially to the Cameron Centre publication, and the annual calendar publication.
- (b) SFU Brochure(s) advertising of appropriate Burnaby community programs restricted initially to Cameron Centre programs only.
- (c) Initially, costs of advertising waived by each department with review of this system to be conducted once a pattern has been established.
- (d) A registration sign-up priority system would be established by each department.

3. Capital Cost Sharing of Future Facilities

Three facilities have been identified as possibilities for future cost sharing ventures:

- (a) sport fields
- (b) squash and racquetball courts
- (c) ice rink

At this point in time, we regard (a) and (b) as initial considerations based on mutual needs of the two communities.

- (a) Sports Fields Two fields are proposed within Squid Lake Park (Burnaby Golf Course area). Cost of both fields could be shared equally given a possible priority system would see Burnaby having first priority on weekends and SFU first priority during the week.
- (b) An extension to the present West Gym complex at SFU is proposed, housing nine racquetball and three squash courts, together with additional locker and changing facilities.

A cost-sharing formula will have to be determined, taking into consideration such factors as usage percentage. For example, due to parking restrictions at SFU, use of courts would possibly be restricted to SFU users between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. - Monday through Friday.

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The benefits to the Corporation and Simon Fraser University would be inherent in each project primarily realizing a cost benefit, increased facility resources and greater public awareness of recreation opportunities. Proposed capital projects would be individually assessed, priorized and budgeted for through the normal C.I.P. process.

The co-operative programming and promotion projects would be handled at the discretion of staff as determined to be mutually beneficial.

It is felt that a good working relationship and a shared recreation development program with Simon Fraser University will result in a wide range of benefits to Burnaby. It is therefore recommended that a formal understanding be established between the Corporation and Simon Fraser University.

Dennis Gaunt Administrator

AG:ps Attach.

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Advertising

- (a) Burnaby Parks and Recreation brochure to include mutually agreed upon S.F.U. courses of recreational benefit to the community.
 - cost of space required for S.F.U. courses to be paid by S.F.U.
- (b) Promotion of appropriate community programs through S.F.U. brochures cost of community advertising met by Burnaby.

If the costs of advertising in each medium is equal then an actual cash exchange would not be necessary - this would be determined as material is prepared.

Objective to increase the total communities awareness of all recreation opportunities available to them.

2. Use of S.F.U. Facilities by Burnaby Parks and Recreation Department

Pool - Through the use of the S.F.U. pool - potential for Burnaby to develop a supplemental swimming program for Burnaby residents. Scope of program to be determined by available pool time and community interest. Cost of swim program to be met by Burnaby Parks and Recreation.

Objective to increase the aquatic program opportunities for Burnaby residents.

Periodic use of S.F.U. gymnasium facility as time and need arises i.e. interconnecting intramural program between S.F.U. and residential community.

3. Use of Burnaby Facilities by S.F.U.

- (a) Cameron Centre
 - use of "multi-use rooms", tennis courts and other general facility space as determined by need and available time in facility.
 - all S.F.U. faculty and students given status of Burnaby residents re facility use, court rentals i.e. preferred rates
- (b) Other
 - continued preferential booking of Swangard Stadium
 - use of Kensington and Burnaby Lake rinks as time permits at a preferred rate.

4. Cost-Sharing of Future Mutually Beneficial Facilities

- (a) Mutually agreed to facilities and sites for:
 - sport fields
 - squash and racquetball courts
 - ice rinks

Cost sharing formula to be determined - dependent on equitable use and benefits.

General intent is to develop a co-operative relationship that will enhance the recreation resources available to all members of the community and Simon Fraser University.

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