

REPORT
Regular Council Meeting
1989 April 24

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

GRANTS AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND ALDERMEN

MADAM/GENTLEMEN:

REPORT OF THE GRANTS AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Grants and Publicity Committee was held on 1989 April 18 to consider the following grant applications and submit the following majority recommendations for Council's approval:

18/89 BURNABY ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION CONFERENCE

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT a grant in the amount of \$1,500 be awarded to the Burnaby Environmental Action Conference as a special line item in the 1989 Operating Budget.
2. THAT the Burnaby Environmental Action Conference provide suitable acknowledgement of this contribution from the Corporation of Burnaby in Conference literature.

REPORT

At the regular Council Meeting held 1989 February 27 Council entertained a delegation from Mr. Gordon Dowding, representing the Steering Committee of the Burnaby Environmental Action Conference who outlined plans for the Conference which is to be held 1989 May 27 in Burnaby and will focus on local environmental issues. The purpose of Mr. Dowding's appearance before Council was to ask for Council's support in this undertaking and request financial assistance in the hosting of the Conference. In response to Mr. Dowding's appearance, Council passed a resolution referring the request for financial assistance to the Grants and Publicity Committee.

It is the opinion of this Committee that although this request does not fall within the guidelines of the Grants and Publicity Committee it is a worthwhile venture, consistent with the goals of this Municipality. The Grants and Publicity Committee would therefore recommend that a grant of \$1,500 be awarded the Burnaby Environmental Action Conference as a special line item in the 1989 Operating Budget under the Municipal Council accountability section. Further, it was considered that if Burnaby was to make a significant contribution to the hosting of the Conference that suitable acknowledgement of such contribution would be appropriate in literature produced by the Burnaby Environmental Action Conference. Finally, in the interests of a successful Conference, your Committee would suggest that the Conference Steering Committee invite participation from all levels of government, and as many civic organizations and interest groups as possible.

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MAGIC YEARS PARENT PARTICIPATION PRESCHOOL

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this grant application be denied.

REPORT

The Magic Years Parent Participation Preschool has submitted a request for a grant in the amount of \$1,000 representing start-up funds for next September.

In 1988 November, Magic Years was awarded a \$500 emergency grant. The preschool, which is normally sustained by revenue from registration fees charged to parents, had been left financially short due to theft of school funds. At that time this Committee was of the opinion the preschool was suffering extreme hardship and on that basis recommended a one-time grant.

However, with respect to the current application; it is the opinion of this Committee that as the operation of preschools does not fall within Council's guidelines for the Grants and Publicity Committee this application be denied.

21/89

NORTH BURNABY FRENCH LANGUAGE PLAYSCHOOL

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this grant request be denied.

REPORT

An application for financial assistance has been received from the North Burnaby French Language Playschool. The Playschool is expecting a financial shortfall in this year's operating budget of approximately \$3,055 and is asking Council's assistance by providing some or all of this amount.

As stated previously in this report your Committee is of the opinion that funding playschool/preschool operations does not fall within the guidelines of the Grants and Publicity Committee and therefore recommends this application be denied.

22/89

MAJOR ART GROUP

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a grant of \$300 be awarded to the Major Art Group for 1989.

REPORT

The Major Art Group is composed of approximately twenty senior citizens who enjoy painting. Their only sources of income are annual membership fees and the remainder of a New Horizons grant received several years ago. Last year Council approved a grant of \$300 to this organization and your Committee recommends the same for 1989.

23/89 BURNABY YMCA

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this grant request be denied.

REPORT

At the regular Council Meeting held on 1989 February 27 Council denied this organization's request for a \$6,000 grant to subsidize out of school child care. This new application, also for \$6,000, is to purchase a computer terminal that could connect with the large Vancouver YMCA computer. The installation of a computer would assist in keeping track of programs, staff, children and members registered at the YMCA.

In past years Burnaby Council have awarded grants to the Burnaby Y.M.C.A. as follows: 1983 - \$1,000 ('Y's Care Start-up grant) and; 1985 - \$4,000 and \$2,000 ('Y's Care furnishings).

It is this Committee's recommendation that this new request be denied as it does not fall within Council's guidelines for grant funding.

24/89 BRITISH COLUMBIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME AND MUSEUM

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a one-time start up grant of \$500 be awarded to the British Columbia Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.

REPORT

At the regular Council meeting held 1988 November 28 Council adopted a resolution to provide a letter of support for the proposal to relocate the B.C. Sports Hall of Fame and Museum to B.C. Place Stadium. In their letter to Council dated 1989 March 17 the B.C. Sports Hall of Fame and Museum requested financial support for this undertaking from Burnaby and all British Columbia Municipalities. The bulk of the projected \$3.5 million budget is to be funded by the Federal Government for \$1.0 million, the Province of B.C. for \$1.0 million and Corporations for \$1.1 million. The suggested formula for municipal financing was 5 cents per capita with a minimum of \$500.

Your Committee is of the opinion that a start-up grant in the amount of \$500 would be appropriate.

25/89 BOY SCOUTS OF CANADA, BURNABY CHAPTER

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a grant of \$2,500 be awarded to the Boy Scouts of Canada, Burnaby Region for 1989.

REPORT

The Boy Scouts of Canada have submitted an application for 1989 requesting a grant of \$3,600. The requested funds are to be used solely for programs within the Burnaby Region. In the past Council has awarded grants to the Boy Scouts of Canada as follows: 1985 and 1986 - \$3,600; 1987 - no application received and; 1988 - \$1,800.

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Upon consideration of this application your Committee is of the opinion that a grant of \$2,500 would be appropriate for 1989.

26/89

VALLEY THERAPEUTIC EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a grant of \$200 be awarded the Valley Therapeutic Equestrian Association for 1989.

REPORT

A letter dated 1989 February 09 was received by the Office of the Mayor inviting Mayor Copeland as well as other Lower Mainland Mayor's to participate in the 2nd Annual Ride for Andrea. The Ride for Andrea is the primary fundraising event for the Valley Therapeutic Equestrian Association. As His Worship, Mayor Copeland is not able to attend this event the letter was referred to the Grants and Publicity Committee for their consideration of sponsorship of the "Ride". The Valley Therapeutic Equestrian Association serves special needs individuals from all over the Lower Mainland. Through qualified physiotherapists and riding instructors these individuals are able to enjoy physical, mental and emotional benefits of therapeutic riding.

After consideration of this request your Committee would recommend that a grant of \$200, the amount to sponsor a "Ride for Andrea Pledge", would be suitable.

27/89

NORTH WEST OPERA

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a grant of \$1,000 be awarded the North West Opera to assist with its production of a Mozart opera to be performed at Burnaby's James Cowan Theatre in June 1989.

REPORT

The North West Opera has submitted an application for a grant to assist specifically with their production of 'Bastien and Bastienne' to be performed in the James Cowan Theatre, Burnaby in June of this year. The North West Opera is in need of financial help for this particular production and request a grant of \$1,500.

It is the opinion of the Grants and Publicity Committee that as this particular production is to be performed in Burnaby it will directly serve the cultural needs of the community. However, your Committee is also of the opinion there are people in the community, i.e. seniors', children, etc., who normally would be unable to attend or have never been exposed to this form of cultural event and that a portion of this grant could be used to provide this opportunity.

28/89

OLYMPICS OF THE MIND
FOREST GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a grant of \$100 be awarded each of seven students from Forest Grove Elementary School who will attend the Olympics of the Mind World Finals in Boulder, Colorado.

REPORT

An application has been received from the Coach of the Burnaby Olympics of the Mind Team who won first place in the Provincial Finals this month. Council may recall that last year three Burnaby Schools won first place honours and eligibility to participate in the Olympics of the Mind World Finals Competition; this year only one Burnaby school has attained that honour, Forest Grove Elementary. A grant has been requested in order to defray the costs involved with attending the Finals Competition to be held this year in Boulder, Colorado.

It is the opinion of this Committee that \$100 per student, the same as that awarded last year, be granted the 1989 Olympics of the Mind Team.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman

Alderman D.R. Corrigan
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