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MANAGER'S REPORT # 33
COUNCIL MEETING 95/07/10

TO : CITY MANAGER

DATE: 1995 JULY 06

FROM : DIRECTOR RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

RE : SCHOOL PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUESTS

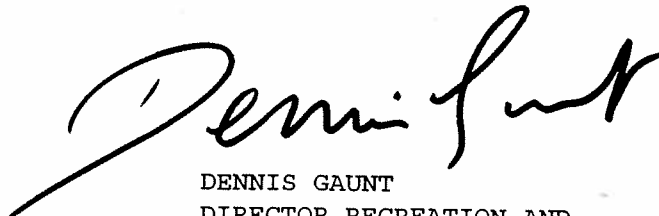
PURPOSE : To request Council to bring down a bylaw under Section 682 (2) of the Municipal Act to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contributions to the cost of playground development.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a bylaw be brought forward under Section 682 (2) of the Municipal Act to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contributions to the cost of playground development as detailed in the attached report.

REPORT

At its meeting of 1995 July 05, the Parks and Recreation Commission received the attached staff report on the above subject and adopted the four recommendations contained therein.



DENNIS GAUNT
DIRECTOR RECREATION AND
CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachment

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cc: Director Finance
City Solicitor

SUBJECT: SCHOOL PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUESTS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Forest Grove School Parent Committee be granted \$3,000 to assist in the development of an asphalt playcourt on Forest Grove School Playground.
2. THAT Brantford School Parent Advisory Committee be granted \$3,000 to assist in the development of a play structure.
3. THAT the Parent Advisory Committees be so advised.
4. THAT Council be requested to bring forward a bylaw under section 682 (2) of the Municipal Act to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contributions to the cost of playground development as detailed in this report.

REPORT

At its meeting of 1995 June 21, the Commission received the attached letter from the Brantford School Parent Committee, and appearing under Correspondence in this Agenda is a letter from Forest Grove Parent Committee. Both groups are requesting a \$3,000 grant to assist them in the development of their school playground facilities.

Forest Grove School

Earlier this year, the Forest Grove Parent Committee requested a grant to assist them in constructing an asphalt playcourt on the school site. At that time, they did not have their funding in place. The Committee has since raised sufficient funds to complete the project (with the Commission's contribution) and is ready to proceed.

The asphalt play surface is going to accommodate school age children and youth for basketball and hockey. This facility is expected to be heavily used during and after school hours. The project is scheduled for this summer. The community will be able to benefit from it this fall. This project meets the criteria as approved by the Commission earlier this year.

The criteria for School Playgrounds:

1. The project funding plan is confirmed and the plan has met with School Board approval.
2. The School Board has approved the project.
3. Capital funding is available and approved in the Commission's capital budget. The School Board must receive the funding for the project within the calendar year for which the grant is approved.
4. The project is initiated and cost shared by a Parent/Citizen group.
5. Projects are approved on a first come, first serve basis.

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6. Priority would be given to first time projects requests. Second time requests would not necessarily be excluded. These would be dealt with after first time requests are considered.
7. The facility would be accessible to the public and provides a public benefit beyond serving the school children during school hours.
8. That Parks and Recreation staff be allowed input into the design process.
9. The projects could include playgrounds, playcourts, and play spaces (sand boxes, mounds).

Brantford School

The Brantford School Parent Advisory Committee also requested a grant earlier this year which was denied as they had insufficient funds to complete the project. The Parent Committee has since raised sufficient funds (with the Commission's contribution) and is ready to proceed. Although the School Board is unable to complete the installation this year due to other priorities, it has been confirmed that the project will be completed in April, 1996. Therefore, approval is recommended since the Parent Committee have the funds in place, and purchasing of equipment will be done early in 1996.

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 City Solicitor

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Ms. Lorraine Shore - Chairperson
Burnaby Parks and Recreation Commission,
4949 Canada Way,
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COMMISSION AGENDA

DATE : 95/06/21

CORRESPONDENCE : (b)

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Dear Ms Shore,

re: Brantford Parent Advisory Council Fundraising Request for a New
Adventure Playground.

This letter is being written on behalf of the Brantford Parent Advisory Council. Brantford School is situated on a parcel of land that borders Imperial Avenue to the south, Brantford Avenue to the west, Sperling Avenue to the east and Stanley Street to the north. Our enrolment is 180 students, k - 7.

There are limited playground facilities for the children to use. At present there is a small wooden adventure playground (age estimated at 15 - 20 years). This consists of only a tire swing which the parents and staff have deemed dangerous, plus one platform with balance bars leading to the ground. Directly behind our school is a wooded area which is mostly out of bounds to students due to limited visibility because of shrubs and trees. As we all are cognizant of the potential danger to our children playing in unsupervised areas, it is important that we provide a safe environment for them now and in the future. These playground facilities are sorely needed.

Our committee has been formed to secure funding for a new playground facilities. 30% of the profits from last years's fundraising projects as well as this years were designated for a new adventure playground and basketball court. This year an application has been sent to the B.C. Gaming Commission to hold a Casino evening to raise funds for the adventure playground. This application was approved and the Casino was held on March 27 and 28, 1995. Brantford School for the two (2) nights made a profit of \$15,914.11. Today in our account, we have enough for phase 1 of our adventure playground. Meetings have been held with the School Board Maintenance Department, and the site plan and configuration for the project has been approved. Money has been allocated and sent to the School Board for phase 1, installation date: Spring - Summer of 96.

We visualize that any monies raised for this project will be used for a new Adventure Playground facility and a Basketball court for all children.

To aim us in achieving our goal, respectfully request a grant from you in the amount of \$3,000.00.

sincerely,

Cheryl Pasholko
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Chairperson, Adventure playground committee

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cc Ms Dale Piller
Ms. Donna Savoie

Mr. Bob Ingram

- Principal Brantford Elementary School
- Program Coordinator - Burnaby Parks and Recreation
- Secretary Treasure, Burnaby School Board

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