

ITEM	07
MANAGER'S REPORT #	22
COUNCIL MEETING	96/08/26

1996 AUGUST 20

TO: CITY MANAGER

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT: DEER LAKE LEASE

PURPOSE: To inform Council that the lease from the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks for Deer Lake will expire on 1997 May 16 and that application for a replacement tenure is required by mid-September.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council authorize staff to pursue an application from the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks for a replacement tenure of Lease No. 29584 covering all that foreshore or land covered by water being the bed of Deer Lake, Group 1, New Westminster District, for recreational purposes, by mid-September.


REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND

On 1977 May 16, the City entered into a 20 year lease with the Province for Deer Lake for recreational purposes. The City has received notice from the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks that Lease No. 29584 "covering all that foreshore or land covered by water being the bed of Deer Lake, Group 1, New Westminster District, for recreational purposes", will expire on 1997 May 16. An application to renew the lease must be made to the Province by mid-September. A nominal application fee (\$53.50) is required to make the application.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

Deer Lake remains the focus of Deer Lake Park. Given the magnitude of City-owned land around the Lake and the recreational and aesthetic opportunities offered by the Lake, staff is of the opinion that the lease should be renewed. It is therefore recommended that Council authorize staff to pursue an application from the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks for a replacement tenure of Lease No. 29584 covering all that foreshore or land covered by water being the bed of Deer Lake, Group 1, New Westminster District, for recreational purposes by mid-September.


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