

TO : CITY MANAGER DATE: 1998 NOVEMBER 19

FROM : DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT : **PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUEST**
STRIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOL AND BUCKINGHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PURPOSE : To request Council's authority to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contributions to the cost of playground development at Stride Avenue Community School and Buckingham Elementary School

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board under section 611 of the Municipal Act for contributions to the cost of playground development as detailed in the attached reports.

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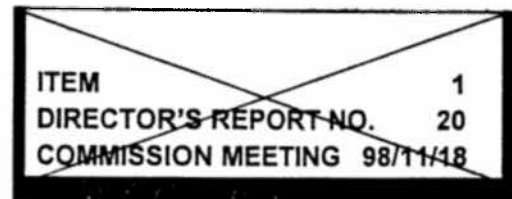
At its meeting of 1998 November 18, the Parks and Recreation Commission received the attached staff reports on the above subject and adopted the recommendations contained therein.



KATE FRIARS
DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION
AND CULTURAL SERVICES

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cc: City Solicitor
Director Finance



SUBJECT: PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUEST - STRIDE AVENUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT \$3,000 be approved to contribute to the upgrade of Stride Avenue Community School playground equipment.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the Chair of the Parent Advisory Council of Stride Avenue Community School
3. THAT Council enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contributions to the cost of playground equipment for the Stride School project.

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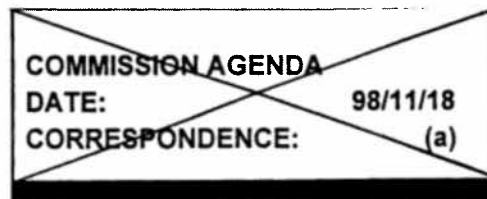
Appearing under correspondence is a letter from the Stride Avenue Community School Parent Advisory Council advising Commission they now have their funding in place and request approval for the \$3,000 grant funding from playground development funds. At its meeting of 1998 July 08 meeting, Commission approved in principle funds for Stride Avenue Community School subject to funding being in place.

It is recommended that approval be given to the parent Advisory Council for \$3,000 of the playground development funds. Sufficient General Revenue Funds are available and the project included under the 1998 Parks General Development component of the 1998 - 2002 Capital Program.

It is further recommended that in accordance with Section 611 of the Municipal Act, Council enter into an agreement with Burnaby School Board for the contribution of the cost of playground equipment for the Stride Avenue Community School project.

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Stride Ave. Community Council

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School Office (604) 664-8854 Fax: 664-8831

Burnaby Parks and Recreation
Commission
c/o Cathy Lavery

Dear Commissioners;

Stride Avenue Community School Council has been seeking support to assist us with our playground project. As you know we serve 500 students and our community. The School Council is working towards a comprehensive playground plan.

Community Council has funds in place to meet the first phase of our playground project. The Burnaby School Board has reviewed and approved of our Phase I plans. We would therefore respectfully request the Playground Development Grant of \$3000.00 to assist us in putting more play in our playground.

Thank-you for considering our request.
Sincerely

Tracie Buzza
President (525-9535h)
Stride Ave. Comm. Council

ITEM	2
DIRECTOR'S REPORT NO	20
COMMISSION MEETING	98/11/18

SUBJECT: PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUEST - BUCKINGHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT \$3,000 be approved to contribute to the upgrade of Buckingham School playground equipment.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Ms. Cindy Hayto of the Parent Advisory Council.
3. THAT Council enter into an agreement with Burnaby School Board for contributions to the cost of playground equipment for the Buckingham School project.

REPORT

Appearing under correspondence on the Commission agenda of 1998 October 21, was a letter from Ms. Cindy Hayto of the Buckingham Elementary School Advisory Council (Attachment #1). In the correspondence the Parent Advisory Council requests a \$3,000 grant from the 1998 Capital Program to assist with the upgrade of the schools playground equipment in order to meet current playground safety standards.

The Parent Advisory Council has raised the necessary funds to complete the project and are ready to proceed as scheduling allows. The estimate to the cost to upgrade the playground equipment is \$23,000. The total funds raised amounts to \$20,000. The City's \$3,000 contribution from the 1998 Capital Budget meet the projects requirements. The school is committed to spending their funds by 1998 December for the purchase of equipment. Installation of the playground equipment will occur in 1999.

The Buckingham Parent Advisory Council meets the criteria for the school playground funding (Attachment #2). Sufficient General Revenue Funds are available and the project included under the 1998 Parks General Development component of the 1998 - 2002 Capital Program. It is therefore recommended that approval of \$3,000 expenditure be given to upgrade the Buckingham School playground equipment.

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Attachments (2)

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ATTACHMENT # 2

That Parks and Recreation Commission provide financial support to local Burnaby elementary schools with respect to the development and/or restoration of playground facilities. Contributions of up to \$3,000 be made available with the following criteria used as guidelines for support or denial of any given request:

1. Funding is available and approved in annual Commission Capital Budget.
2. The project is initiated and cost shared by a Parent/Citizen Group.
3. The project has not been given prior Commission funding. However, the criteria regarding prior funding would not necessarily exclude a project from access to a second grant but would lower it in priority.
4. Projects are considered on a first come, first served basis.
5. The facility will be accessible to the public and thus provide a public benefit beyond serving the school children during school hours.
6. That Parks and Recreation staff be allowed input into the design process.
7. That the remainder of the funding for the entire project needs to either be in place or very close to being finalized.
8. That second time grant requests received within five years of the first approved request be initially placed on a waiting list. Should funds remain available within that given year, the applicant making the second time request may receive approval for the funding.
9. That second time requests received after a period of five years be treated on a first come, first served basis. In other words, this application would be treated as if it was their initial request.
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Oct 2, 1998

Parks + Recreation Commission
City of Burnaby
Suite 101 - 4946 Canada Way
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To Whom It May Concern

The Parents Advisory Committee of Buckingham Elementary School is actively pursuing all information and resources to upgrade our existing playground to meet the current CSA standards. This expensive proposition is mandatory to keep up with the safety standard set by our school board to ultimately insure the safety of our children. To our credit, we are well on the way in fundraising through active parent involvement with our PAC activities including casino funds which must be spent by Dec 31, 1998.

To augment these efforts, we appeal to the Burnaby Parks + Rec Commission and your past cooperation with the Burnaby School Board to assist us with this endeavor. Please consider a grant of \$3,000 towards this cause (approximately 10% of our estimated overall cost). Thank you in advance for your consideration in our efforts to meet the needs of our children and their school community.

Regards,

Cindy Hayto, member
Buckingham PAC

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