

2001 DECEMBER 13

TO: CITY MANAGER

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUEST- GILMORE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

PURPOSE: To request Council's authorization for the City to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contribution to the cost of playground upgrade at Gilmore Community School.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT authorization be given for the City to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contribution to the cost of playground upgrade as detailed in the attached report.

REPORT

At its meeting of 2001 December 12, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission received the above noted report and adopted the three recommendations contained therein.


Kate Friars
DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION
AND CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachment

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cc. Director of Finance
City Solicitor

SUBJECT: PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUEST-GILMORE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT approval be given to contribute \$ 3,000 from the 2001 Annual Capital Budget for an upgrade of the Gilmore Community School playground.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Ms. Judi Fraser, Chair of Gilmore Community School Council.
3. THAT Council be requested to authorize the City to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School Board for contribution to the cost of the playground upgrade as detailed in this report.


REPORT

At its meeting of 2001 November 21, the Commission received correspondence (Attachment #1) from Ms. Judi Fraser , Chair of Gilmore Community School Parent Advisory Council requesting \$3,000 grant from the Provisional 2001 Annual Capital Budget to assist with the upgrade of the Gilmore School playground.

The Parent Advisory Council has raised the necessary funds for the playground project. Further, the Parent Advisory Council have received approval from the Burnaby School Board for the installation of the playground equipment.

The Parent Advisory Council meets the guidelines for the School Playground Funding criteria (Attachment #2) and sufficient funds are provided in the 2001 Annual Capital Budget to complete the playground upgrade. It is recommended that approval be given to expend \$3,000 from the 2001 Annual Capital Budget to complete the playground upgrade.

Staff have discussed the contents of this report with the Chair of the Parent Advisory Council for Gilmore Community School.

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Attachment (2)

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City Solicitor



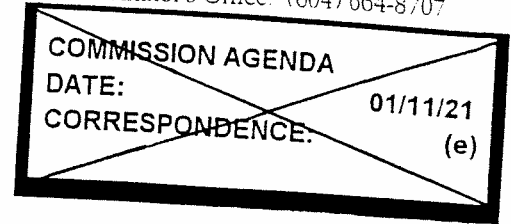
GILMORE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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November 1, 2001

Chairperson
Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services,
Suite 101, 4946 Canada Way,
Burnaby, B.C.
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Dear Ms. Roosa,

RE: PLAYGROUND GRANT

This year, at Gilmore Community School, we are in the beginning stages of a long-term plan to replace our aging playground. In the spring of 2002, we hope to install a small structure in the northwest corner of our primary playground to replace a tire swing, which had become unsafe and was removed last year. We are in the process of purchasing these structures through Habitat Systems. Phase one of our project will cost approximately \$14,000, the funds having been raised through a gaming application and school fundraising projects. The council has made a commitment to the School Board to undertake a minimum three-year plan during which other playground equipment will be replaced as it deteriorates.

It is our understanding that Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services provides a limited number of \$3000. grants for the purchase of playground equipment. Our council would appreciate being considered for one of these grants as we undertake the rather costly task of replacing playground equipment that no longer meets safety standards. We understand that these grants are available once in a five year period.

Please contact us should you require further information about our project. We are awaiting the final drafts of our playground design but would be happy to include this with future correspondence.

Sincerely,

Judi Fraser
Chair,
Gilmore Community School Council

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cc. Brian Shuster, principal (Gilmore)
Tim Millar, supervisor, custodial operations

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NOTE:
A report on this subject will be submitted at a future meeting.

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SCHOOL PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUESTS CRITERIA

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. Please note though, the criterion 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, Recreation and Cultural Services 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.
10. That a maximum of three grants be provided to any one playground/school site.

Approved 1999 April 21 - Commission

- That the maximum contribution for each request is \$ 3,000, and
- That the criteria be expanded to include but not limited to, the purchase and planting of trees and/or shrubs for the playground area or garden projects.

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