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Meeting ..... 2010 Apr 12

COUNCIL REPORT

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**TO:** CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2010 March 18

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

**SUBJECT: PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING REQUEST FOR LOCHDALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

**PURPOSE:** To request authorization for the City to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School District for the contribution to the cost of the playground upgrades at Lochdale Community School.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** authorization be given for the City to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School District for the contribution to the cost of the playground upgrades at Lochdale Community School as detailed in the attached report.

**REPORT**

At its 'Open' meeting of 2010 March 17, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission received the attached report and adopted the three recommendations contained therein.

Dave Ellenwood  
DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachment

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cc: City Solicitor  
Director Finance

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

**SUBJECT:** PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING REQUEST FOR  
LOCHDALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. **THAT** the request for a grant of \$2,000 for a playground upgrade at Lochdale Community School be approved.
2. **THAT** a copy of this report be forwarded to Ms. Stephanie Archer - Community School Coordinator for Lochdale Community School.
3. **THAT** Council be requested to authorize the City to enter into an agreement with the Burnaby School District for the contribution to the cost of the playground upgrades as detailed in this report.

**REPORT**

Appearing as correspondence on this agenda is a letter from Ms. Stephanie Archer, Community School Coordinator for Lochdale Community School requesting a grant from the 2010 Provisional Operating Playground Development Budget for \$2,000.

**Background on Requests for Playground Development Funds**

The Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Commission has provided financial support for the development/re-development of Burnaby elementary school's playgrounds since 1990. Prior to that, the Commission contributed to a school playground only if built on a school site adjacent to a park and only if the playground would contribute to neighbourhood needs. In 1990 due to multiple requests from elementary schools, Commission adopted the policy of providing assistance up to a maximum of \$3,000 to qualifying schools. Out of the 47 elementary schools in Burnaby, 44 schools have received funding from the Playground Development grant as of January 2010.

To: *Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission*  
From: *Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services*  
Re: *LOCHDALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL*  
*PLAYGROUND FUNDING REQUEST*

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### **Current**

There is \$9,000 budgeted annually in the Operating Playground Development Budget and with few exceptions, this entire fund is expended each year. The Playground Development Grant criteria originally was developed to assist with the purchase of playground equipment. The Burnaby School Board covers the cost to install the equipment; the remaining costs are covered through fundraising by the parent/citizen group.

### **Conclusion**

The request from Lochdale Community School meets the criteria of the Playground Development guidelines. The school has raised sufficient funds and received approval from the Burnaby School Board to install the equipment this year. Sufficient funds are available in the 2010 Provisional Operating Playground Development Budget.

It is recommended that the requests for Lochdale Community School be considered for approval. If approved, there will be a balance of \$4,000 still available in the Playground Development budget for 2010.



Dave Ellenwood  
DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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cc: City Solicitor  
Director of Finance