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COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER DATE: 2011 July 21

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

**CULTURAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT: 2011 PARK DEDICATIONS

**PURPOSE:** To request approval for the preparation and enactment of a Park Dedication

Bylaw and the authorization to seek community opinion on the proposed Park Dedication Bylaw, and approval for the wording of the 2011 Park Dedication

Bylaw Community Opinion Questions.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- **1. THAT** approval be given to the preparation and enactment of a Park Dedication Bylaw for those City properties outlined in Attachment #1.
- **2. THAT** authorization be given to seek community opinion on the proposed Park Dedication Bylaw from the electors at the civic election in 2011 November.
- **3. THAT** the wording of the 2011 Park Dedication Bylaw Community Opinion Questions outlined in <u>Attachment #3</u> be approved.

#### **REPORT**

At its 'Open' meeting of 2011 July 20, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission received the attached report and adopted the four recommendations contained therein.

Dave Ellenwood

DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachments

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cc: City Manager

City Clerk

City Solicitor

Director Planning and Building

Director Engineering

**Director Finance** 



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## **COMMISSION REPORT**

**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

**SUBJECT: 2011 PARK DEDICATIONS** 

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- **1. THAT** the preparation and enactment of a Park Dedication Bylaw for those City properties outlined in Attachment #1 be approved.
- **2. THAT** authorization to seek community opinion on the proposed Park Dedication Bylaw from the electors at the civic election in 2011 November be approved.
- **3. THAT** the wording of the 2011 Park Dedication Bylaw Community Opinion Questions outlined in <u>Attachment #3</u> be approved.
- **4. THAT** Council be requested to concur.

#### **REPORT**

## **CONTEXT**

Under the Community Charter, City Council may, by Bylaw, dedicate City lands for park by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of all the members of Council. In order to directly involve the community in the protection of parkland for future generations, Council may also seek community opinion by voting or any other process Council considers appropriate. In 1990, Council initiated a Park Dedication for a number of major park areas in the City. At the same time, Council requested that other park and open space areas be considered for dedication in subsequent election years. As a result, park dedications were put before the electorate in 1993, 1996, 1999, 2002, 2005 and 2008. A total of 2,991.27 acres (1,210.53 hectares) have been dedicated for park and public use since 1990.

The purpose of this report is to recommend Council seek community opinion on the inclusion of a number of park properties in a 2011 Park Dedication Bylaw.

#### PARKS PROPOSED FOR DEDICATION

Dedications are proposed for eight park areas totaling 69.15 acres (27.98 hectares). In previous community opinion surveys and referenda, the electorate has progressively supported dedications of available public lands incorporating most of the City's major park areas. Many of the areas proposed for dedication in this report reflect recent land acquisitions that have not been

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previously dedicated in these major park areas as well as areas that previously were not in a position to be dedicated. The park areas proposed for dedication in 2011 are outlined in <a href="Attachment #1">Attachment #1</a>. Those city lands proposed for dedication are located in Burnaby Lake Regional Nature Park, Burnaby South Memorial Park, Confederation Park, Deer Lake Park and the Burrard Inlet, Cumberland Place, New Haven and Still Creek Conservation Lands as shown in the map of Burnaby in <a href="Attachment #2">Attachment #2</a>. These conservation lands have yet to be formally named and will therefore be presented on the ballot under interim names. It is recommended that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission and Council approve the properties outlined in Attachment #1 for dedication and that Council seek community opinion on the dedication from the electorate in the civic election in November.

# PARK DEDICATION COMMUNITY OPINION QUESTION

To seek community opinion on the proposed park dedications, it is proposed that, at the civic election, a community opinion question be posed on the ballot. The City Clerk, in consultation with staff from the Legal, Parks Recreation and Cultural Services and Planning Departments, is recommending that the community opinion questions, as outlined in <u>Attachment #3</u>, be approved by the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission and Council.

## **CONCLUSION**

Burnaby is fortunate to have an extensive and diverse range of parks, conservation areas and public open spaces. Major natural landscapes and resources conserved include river estuary, marine foreshore, mountain and ravine forest, lakes and waterways. This Parks and Open Space system extends over about 5,424 acres representing about 24.5 percent of the total area of the City. The City and the electorate have previously taken significant steps to protect our irreplaceable park and natural areas for future generations through the park dedication process. The properties proposed for dedication in the 2011 civic election continues this process.

Dave Ellenwood

DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachments (3)

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cc: City Manager

City Clerk

City Solicitor

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**Director Engineering** 

**Director Finance** 

# **2011 PARK DEDICATIONS**

PARK: BURNABY LAKE REGIONAL NATURE PARK		
<b>Address</b> Acreage		
9030 Avalon Avenue	4.62 acres	1.87 hectares
9050 Avalon Avenue	11.74 acres	4.75 hectares
9080 Avalon Avenue	5.11 acres	2.06 hectares
TOTAL	21.47 acres	8.68 hectares

PARK: BURNABY SOUTH MEMORIAL PARK		
Address	Acreage	
6650 Southoaks Crescent	1.50 acres	0.61 hectares
TOTAL	1.50 acres	0.61 hectares

PARK: BURRARD INLET CONSERVATION LANDS		
Address	Acreage	
151 Cliff Avenue	5.49 acres	2.22 hectares
TOTAL	5.49 acres	2.22 hectares

PARK: CONFEDERATION PARK		
Address	Acreage	
Portion of 250 Willingdon Avenue	18.73 acres	7.58 hectares
TOTAL	18.73 acres	7.58 hectares

PARK: CUMBERLAND PLACE CONSERVATION LANDS		
Address	Acreage	
8585 Cumberland Place	4.62 acres	1.87 hectares
TOTAL	4.62 acres	1.87 hectares

PARK: DEER LAKE PARK			
Address	dress Acreage		
6664 Deer Lake Avenue	4.64 acres	1.88 hectares	
5165 Sperling Avenue	1.01 acres	0.41 hectares	
6088 Dufferin Avenue	0.43 acres	0.18 hectares	
5429 Royal Oak Avenue	0.19 acres	0.7 hectares	
TOTAL	6.27 acres	2.54 hectares	

PARK: NEW HAVEN CONSERVATION LANDS		
Address	Acreage	
8488 New Haven Close	7.66 acres	3.09 hectares
TOTAL	<b>7.66</b> acres	3.09 hectares

PARK: STILL CREEK CONSERVATION LANDS			
Address Acreage			
4254 Still Creek Avenue	1.22 acres	0.49 hectares	
4384 Still Creek Drive	2.19 acres	0.89 hectares	
TOTAL	3.41 acres	1.38 hectares	

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OF PARK DEDICATIONS:	69.15 acres	27.98 hectares

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# 2011 PARK DEDICATION BYLAW COMMUNITY OPINION QUESTIONS

# (1) BURNABY LAKE REGIONAL NATURE PARK

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 21.47 acres (8.68 hectares) located in the northeast region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within Burnaby Lake Regional Nature Park?

# (2) <u>BURNABY SOUTH MEMORIAL PARK</u>

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 1.50 acres (0.61 hectares) located in the southeast region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within Burnaby South Memorial Park?

# (3) <u>BURRARD INLET CONSERVATION LANDS</u>\*

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 5.49 acres (2.22 hectares) located in the northeast region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within Burrard Inlet Conservation Lands?

# (4) <u>CONFEDERATION PARK</u>

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 18.73 acres (7.58 hectares) located in the northwest region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within Confederation Park?

# (5) CUMBERLAND PLACE CONSERVATION LANDS\*

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 4.62 acres (1.87 hectares) located in the southeast region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within Cumberland Place Conservation Lands?

# (6) <u>DEER LAKE PARK</u>

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 6.27 acres (2.54 hectares) located in the central region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within Deer Lake Park?

# (7) <u>NEW HAVEN CONSERVATION LANDS</u>\*

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 7.66 acres (3.09 hectares) located in the southwest region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within New Haven Conservation Lands?

# (8) <u>STILL CREEK CONSERVATION LANDS</u>\*

The proposed dedication is an area of approximately 3.41 acres (1.38 hectares) located in the northwest region of Burnaby.

Do you agree to the dedication of the subject lands within Still Creek Conservation Lands?

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