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COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER DATE: 2013 June 20

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: BYLAW TO FUND PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

2013 CAPITAL PROJECTS

PURPOSE: To request to bring forward a bylaw to appropriate \$924,000 from Capital

Reserves to finance eight projects.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a bylaw be brought down to appropriate \$924,000 (inclusive of 5% GST) from Capital Reserves to finance eight projects.

REPORT

At its 'Open' Meeting of 2013 June 19, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission received the <u>attached</u> report and adopted the two recommendations contained therein.

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COMMISSION REPORT

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: BYLAW TO FUND PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

2013 CAPITAL PROJECTS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- **1. THAT** the expenditure of \$880,000 from the Annual Capital Budget for the projects outlined in this report be approved.
- **2. THAT** Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$924,000 (inclusive of 5% GST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

REPORT

The 2013 Annual Capital Budget for Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services contains the following 8 projects to be funded from Capital Reserves. To enable work to go ahead on these projects, approval is requested to bring down a bylaw for funding.

1. Shadbolt Centre \$75,000

Exterior walkway, lighting and power upgrades between the parking lot and Deer Lake side of Shadbolt Centre. This is an extension of the B.C. Hydro beautification of undergrounding power lines between Canada Way and the Mather House.

2. Shadbolt Centre 50,000

Interior fitouts for life cycle replacements of furnishings such as tables, chairs, furniture, window coverings, appliances, benches and specialized equipment.

3. Recreation Equipment

140,000

The majority of these funds will be used to purchase replacement cardio and weight room equipment which ensures new pieces are rotated into the department's cardio and weight rooms. These purchases will be used to replace older equipment which are frequently out of use while they are being repaired. As well, new equipment ensures the cardio and weight rooms have new models of the workout pieces to continually challenge the patrons in their workouts. The remainder of the funds are needed for a variety of equipment such as soccer goals, gymnastics equipment, arts room and games room equipment.

4. Central Park 250,000

In 2004 a comprehensive safety review of Central park recommended several park improvements could be made to reduce opportunities for abnormal behavior in the park. Creating safe paths of travel for winter and night time commuters around the park was recognized as an important objective. Therein the upgrading of the perimeter trails along Paterson, Imperial and Boundary by widening the corridors, lighting and reducing concealment opportunities was identified as a priority in workshop discussions with Commission and Council. The funds for this project will be used to survey the optimal location for a lit 1.5-2 m. wide ashphalt trail and identify and remove concealment areas providing a pedestrian-safe zone and a well defined edge along the park streetscapes.

5. Bill Copeland Sports Centre

80,000

Kitchen renovations, counter upgrades, improvements to catering equipment and beverage service sales equipment.

6. Minor Development

110,000

Minor capital replacement work and upgrades at various park locations due to breakdowns, vandalism or unanticipated capital repairs. Projects undertaken in the past have included such things as irrigation systems, turf replacement and drinking fountain upgrades.

7. Kensington Parking Lot Lighting

95,000

Replacement of the 1974 parking lot lighting at Kensington Arena and fields with LED lighting to improve visibility and reduce operating costs.

8. Taylor Park 80,000

Soil remediation, tree, shrub and ground cover replanting in areas that have a high level of tree failure.

Sufficient Capital Reserves are available to complete the above projects in the 2013 Annual Capital Budget. It is recommended that Council be requested to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$924,000 (inclusive of 5% GST) from Capital Reserves to finance these projects.

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