

COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2018 Sep 18

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND **FILE:** 1650-20
CULTURAL SERVICES *Canada Games*

SUBJECT: FLAG RAISING CEREMONY FOR CANADA GAMES

PURPOSE: To obtain Council approval for raising the Canada Games Flag on Thursday, 2018 October 04 at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council authorize the raising of the Canada Games Flag on Thursday, 2018 October 04 at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall until 2018 October 12.

REPORT**INTRODUCTION**

Staff have received a request from the Canada Winter Games Council to raise the official Canada Games flag on 2018 October 4 at 10:00 a.m. As the City of Burnaby is a past Host Community it is recommended that staff be authorized to raise the flag at City Hall on 2018 October 04 until 2018 October 12.

BACKGROUND

The 2019 Canada Winter Games will take place in Red Deer, AB this February. For the first time in Canada Games history, the Canada Games Torch Relay will be a national event which will see the torch visit nearly 50 communities across the country as it raises awareness and excitement for the upcoming Games.

While the torch relay will visit numerous past Canada Games Host Communities, due to practical and logistical constraints the torch will be unable to visit every single one. In order to celebrate the contributions of all 22 past Host Communities, for 2019 there will be raising of the Canada Games flags at the same time in order to celebrate amateur sport and the spirit of the Canada Games from coast to coast.

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Similar to past Canada Games flag relays, the Canada Games Council is hoping that the City of Burnaby would be able to raise the official Canada Games flag at City Hall to help usher in the start of the torch relay.

The Canada Games Council has asked to have each past host community raise their flags at 10:00 a.m. PST/1:00 p.m. EST, for the commencement of the official Torch Lighting Ceremony.

This is when the torch will be lit and begins its journey across Canada. For more information please visit www.canadagames.ca.

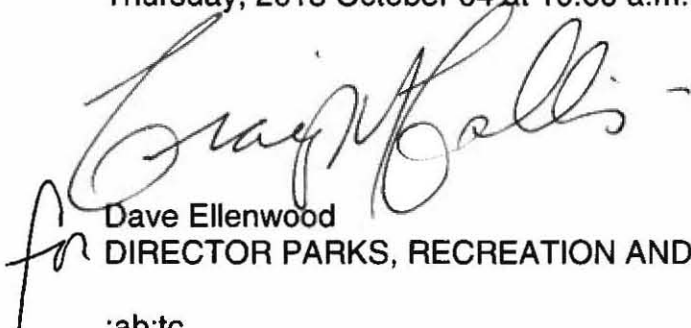
POLICY SECTION

The event identified in this report aligns with the City of Burnaby's Corporate Strategic Plan by supporting the following goals and sub-goals of the Plan:

- A Connected Community – Social Connection and Partnership
- A Healthy Community – Community Involvement
- A Thriving Organization – Communication

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for Dave Ellenwood

DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

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