

Present:

Chairperson: Councillor Martin
C. Annable
R. Benson
J. Grewal
S. Hundal
G. Rai
Mark Pelech for C. Girardi

Absent:

Councillor Gill
C. Girardi

Also Present:

L. Cavan, General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture
O. Croy, Manager, Parks
D. Vestergaard, Administrative Coordinator, Parks,
Recreation & Culture
H. Dmytriw, Legislative Service
H. Norris, Business Ops and Athletic Fields Manager
T. Neufeld, Parks Operations Manager, South
G. Vandebosch, Parks Operations Manager, North

School Board Trustee:

T. Allen

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was

Moved by T. Allen

Seconded by C. Annable

and That the minutes of the Parks, Recreation
and Culture Committee held on January 19, 2011, be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATION

C. REQUEST(S) FOR DELEGATION

D. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

- Gerhard Vandebosch, Parks Operations Manager North** was in attendance and provided a presentation on North Surrey Community Park – Proposed Community room in follow-up to the seniors delegation received at the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee on November 17, 2010.
File No. 6140-20

- 66% of residents had no concerns.
- 34% of the residents expressed concerns about the proposal. A map was presented reflecting the areas from which concerns were expressed. The strongest opposition came from the immediate vicinity of the park:
 - Upkeep and maintenance and graffiti
 - Operation
 - Neighbourhood impact
 - Use of taxpayers dollars
 - Why are schools and community centres not being used.

- Next steps, time-line and conclusions was provided.

Committee comments:

There is strong support for the use of our parks and facilities. If the community is open and we have the opportunity to facilitate their needs, we need to work with the community to find a resolution.

It was Moved by T. Allen
Seconded by C. Annable
That the Parks, Recreation and Culture
Committee refer the proposed meeting room at North Surrey Recreation Centre back to staff to work with the community, to consult groups to address other park concerns, and to take a holistic approach.

Carried

The Chair thanked the delegation for his presentation.

2. Surrey Eagles – South Surrey Recreation Centre Addition
File No. 5080-01

It is recommended that the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee:

1. Receive this report as information; and
2. Support in principle an addition onto the South Surrey Arena of approximately 2,240 square feet, which will expand the current dressing rooms and showers and add a new exercise room and classroom.

It was Moved by Councillor Martin
Seconded by T. Allen
That the Parks, Recreation and Culture
Committee defer the South Surrey Recreation Centre Addition issue to the next meeting of Parks, Recreation and Culture when Councillor Gill will be in attendance.

Carried

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2010 Grants & Sponsorship & Revenue Enhancements
File No. 0811-02

It was Moved by S. Hundal
Seconded by C. Annable
That the Parks, Recreation and Culture
Committee receive the 2010 Grants & Sponsorship & Revenue Enhancements Report for information.

Carried

2. Invitation to Host the BC Seniors Games

File No. 5000-01

It was Moved by C. Annable
Seconded by S. Hundal
That the Parks, Recreation and Culture

Committee:

1. Support in principle the City of Surrey proceeding with a bid submission to host the 2014 BC Seniors Games; and
2. That staff prepare a Corporate Report for Council's consideration that outlines the financial commitments associated with hosting the games that include a minimum financial commitment of \$60,000 plus \$55,000 in additional in-kind services and facilities as stipulated in the bid guidelines and a staffing budget of \$75,000 for a full time Operations Manager for a 10 month period leading up to the Games.

Carried

3. Beer Garden License Days

File No. 0360-20

It was Moved by T. Allan
Seconded by G. Rai
That the Parks, Recreation and Culture

Committee approve the recommendations of the Beer Garden Review Committee that:

1. 41 beer garden days in the City of Surrey be approved; and
2. That all organizations receiving approval for beer gardens provide details of which charitable organization or community project will receive proceeds from their events.

Carried

F. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

G. CORRESPONDENCE

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Calendar of Events

File No. 7800-01-01

2. **Verbal Update – February 23, 2011**
(L. Cavan, GM, Parks, Recreation and Culture)

Cultural Plan for the City

As the Committee members are aware the Department has initiated a Cultural Planning process. Staff in Arts and Heritage Services are working with the Cornerstone Planning Group and a Steering Committee to prepare this Plan. Public Open Houses will begin next month, starting with South Surrey on March 16, 2011 at Elgin Hall beginning at 5:00 pm and running until 8:00 pm. This is a drop-in format and there will be displays, opportunities to ask questions and provide input on a number of topics including the development of new cultural space in South Surrey.

Open Houses will continue throughout April 2011. All dates and locations are listed in the Committee package. Staff will be presenting an up-date on the Cultural Plan to the PRC Committee later this spring. The Plan should be completed by June 2011.

Cultural Spaces Canada Funding

Last night at the Surrey Arts Centre, Dona Cadman MP for Surrey North, and Councillor Marvin Hunt were on hand to announce that the Canada Cultural Spaces fund will be providing \$18,075 towards the renovation of the Surrey Arts Centre Main Stage Theatre. The community has also raised over \$45,000 for this project and the City will be matching these funds. With all of the funds collected the City will be replacing the theatre seats, the carpeting, painting the audience chamber and improving the lighting. The work will take place this summer. Staff are excited to announce that the first show in the **Arts Club - Surrey Spectacular series** for 2011/12 is going to be **Buddy Holly!**

Surrey Children's Festival

The Surrey Children's Festival is pleased to welcome a new sponsor. Terasen Gas is coming on board as a Legacy partner with a cash contribution of \$15,000. They will be joining Guildford Town Centre, Canada – Safeway, BMO (Bank of Montreal), Port Metro Vancouver and others in supporting this year's event taking place May 26–28, 2011, at Bear Creek Park.

WinterFest and the Olympic Flashback Ceremony

Taking place Saturday, February 26, 2011 from noon – 10:00 pm; the Olympic Flashback Ceremony is at 6:00 pm at the Central City Brewing Company. The City received \$50,000 from the federal government to augment the ceremony. The Surrey Orchestra and Surrey Dancers will be performing.

Art Reveal at the Newton Recreation Centre

On Friday, February 25, 2011, at the new Youth Lounge in the Newton Recreation Centre the youth will be unveiling their new art projects. The lounge has been designed specifically for youth and pre-teens. These talented youth have displayed a great amount of devotion and pride in creating these large art pieces and are proud to share with their peers.

Stewart Farm Heritage Bus Tour

The Stewart Farm in partnership with Heritage Planning hosted a bus tour of Surrey's heritage sites to celebrate national Heritage Week. The tour was held on Saturday, February 19, 2011 and was fully booked. The tour went to a number of significant heritage sites in Surrey.

Bhangra!

A new temporary exhibition at the Surrey Museum features the history, traditions, and music of Bhangra. In partnership with the BC Cultural Bhangra Academy, the display showcases colourful costumes, instruments, photographs of performers and video clips of Bhangra dance. This special exhibition is an opportunity for Museum visitors to learn about the culture and traditions of Surrey's South Asian residents. This is on display at the Surrey Museum from February 8 – July 3, 2011.

Youth Park at Tom Binnie Park

Steel work is now being installed for the covered component; this is the first specific covered room park in the Lower Mainland. The expected opening is this summer.

Tamanawis Park

The City received six proposals for the civic work for the artificial turf field for field hockey. The corporate report is going to Council February 28, 2011.

Little Aces Tennis Program

Surrey will be partners with Tennis BC to develop a Little Aces Tennis Program. The overall objective of this major market strategy is to offer affordable and accessible tennis programs and to learn tennis with quality instruction.

I. OTHER BUSINESS**1. Kensington Prairie School**

- Older portion of a separate building is wrapped for the removal of asbestos in some flooring and some beams were rotting.
- Programming is starting in the actual four room classrooms.
- Summer completion. No opening date set yet as they want the whole site completed first.

2. Cloverdale Community Centre

- Centre to open Saturday, May 7, 2011, 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm
- A day of events and the opening ceremony. More details to follow.

3. Chuck Bailey Seniors Centre

- Completion to be around November/December 2011 – date to be determined.
- Sunrise Pavilion has been eliminated. The seniors group are moving to the Chuck Bailey Centre. Are in preliminary meetings with staff and the construction management team to discuss what would best meet their needs.

4. **South Surrey Soccer Clubs** started the Cloverdale Cup – now called the "**Mayor's Cup**". 170 teams from South Surrey, Newton and Cloverdale will stage an opening event on March 19, 2011. Presidents of the clubs would love to have the Councillors and members of the PRC attend.
5. Peace Arch and Semiahmoo soccer organizations applied for the *gold franchise performance league* in soccer and were successfully awarded one franchise.
6. The **Darts Hill** owner, Francisca Darts, is now in a seniors home. Darts Hill is managed by the City of Surrey staff. Owen Croy, Manager, Parks, is very involved as the maintenance and security falls under City jurisdiction. Friends of Darts Hill Society oversee the park.

J. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee is scheduled for March 16, 2011.

K. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by T. Allen

Seconded by S. Hundal

and Culture Committee do now adjourn.

Carried

The meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Certified as true and correct:

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Chairperson, Councillor Mary Martin
Parks & Community Services Committee