

**Present:**

Chairperson: Councillor Martin  
Councillor Gill  
C. Girardi  
J. Grewal  
S. Hundal

**Absent:**

T. Allen, School Board Trustee  
R. Benson  
C. Annable  
G. Rai – Vice Chair

**Also Present:**

L. Cavan, General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture  
O. Croy, Manager, Parks  
L. White, Manager of Community & Recreation Services  
D. Vestergaard, Administrative Coordinator, Parks, Recreation & Culture  
H. Dmytriw, Legislative Services  
Scott Groves, Manager, Civic Facilities

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**A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was  
Moved by Councillor Gill  
Seconded by S. Hundal  
That the Parks, Recreation and Culture  
Committee the minutes of the March 16, 2011, be adopted as amended.  
Carried

Amendment: pg 7, item H.4, Youth Park official opening day is Saturday, May 28, 2011 (not April).

**B. DELEGATION**

**C. REQUEST(S) FOR DELEGATION**

**D. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

**1. Bayside Rugby  
File No. 6140-20/SSAP**

It was  
Moved by Councillor Gill  
Seconded by S. Hundal  
That the Parks, Recreation and Culture  
Committee receive the Bayside Rugby Report as information.  
Carried

The following update was provided regarding a meeting held on April 14, 2011 with the Bayside Rugby committee and the baseball group to discuss design of the new field house.

- The baseball group is not particularly interested in sharing a facility with rugby.
- If the new field house is not attached to the baseball facility, it will create a laneway between ball facility and building, which may cause CPTED concerns. The new field house building will be used by adults and youth, whereas the baseball facility is primarily for youth. The best location for the field house on the site might not be what the baseball wants.
- Have not heard back from the coalition of the South Surrey Rotary on whether they wish to raise funds for the field house. They seem to be more interested in a stadium facility at the track south of 20 Avenue. Will report back on this issue in due course.

## E. NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Good Citizen Award

File No. 0350-01

The Good Citizen Award is given each year to an individual who has demonstrated outstanding service for the betterment of our community. A reminder that nomination submissions are requested by April 29, 2011 for presentation at the Volunteer Recognition event in May 2011.

Website: <http://www.surrey.ca/city-government/8526.aspx>

It was Moved by J. Grewal  
 Seconded by S. Hundal  
 That the Parks, Recreation and Culture  
 Committee receive the Good Citizen Award information as information.  
Carried

### 2. Plans for the Guildford and Grandview Heights Indoor Pools

File No. 8000-50; 1705-05

It was Moved by Councillor Gill  
 Seconded by J. Grewal  
 That the Parks, Recreation and Culture  
 Committee receive the Plans for the Guildford and Grandview Heights Indoor Pools  
 report as information and endorse the course of action outlined in this report in  
 relation to the proposed Guildford indoor 52 meter pool.  
Carried

Laurie Cavan noted that the 10 year strategic plan identified the need for new pools to meet the demands for new aquatic facilities within Surrey. In 2010 the City supported the Build Surrey Program that outlined a capital investment program in all town centres. The Strategic Plan fed into Build Surrey Plan and identified two aquatic facilities: the South Surrey pool in 2013 and a pool into Guildford after that.

- Council requested staff examine the timing of the Guildford pool with an interest to build it at the same time as the South Surrey pool. Council also requested the size of the Guildford pool be examined.
- Staff were requested to work with the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee to examine the timing and size of the Guildford Pool. Staff engaged Cannon

Design to assist in the site evaluation and potential pool capacity of the Guildford site.

Larry Podhora from Cannon Design was in attendance and provided a presentation on the Guildford Recreation Centre Aquatic Expansion and explained the findings in the report. Scott Groves from Civic Facilities was also in attendance.

The challenges and capabilities of the sites to handle the potential 52 metre pool and leisure pool, and parking requirements were discussed.

Committee comments:

- There is considerable support on Council for a larger pool at Guildford. Given the community, the investment and opportunity to look at strategies, from an investment point of view the decision for a bigger pool is not significant.
- Guildford is a significant recreation centre with all the amenities, a prime spot because there are hotels in the vicinity. A 52 metre pool would be ideally situated at this spot.
- A pool is needed in Guildford but also need to think of where there is the land mass.
- South Surrey/Grandview Heights area is being proposed for an aquatic pool complex including a 52 meter, 10 lane pool to accommodate the swim clubs in the South Surrey area. To design that facility with the ability to expand in the future a second 50 meter tank and work towards lobbying other levels of government for financial contributions to build an international level facility. The City would then be able to secure major level competitions such as the Panama Games for future economic development in Surrey. It is more costly to build at Grandview Heights as it is raw land and does not have the infrastructure in.
- Operating costs, subsidies, revenues to other pools, changing demographics of the area, impact to the YCMA pool, maintenance costs for existing outdoor pools, and impact to overall budget need to be considered.

The Build Surrey Program requires the City to project the operating costs associated with all new infrastructure. Interest in the development of a Performing Art Centre will also impact the Operating Budget.

Councillor Gill noted that the Mayor and Council are also interested in the development of cultural facilities. Bing Thom has suggested that *a City that provides for the needs of its community will reap benefits in investment in their community.* Guildford traffic and demographics will likely change and it would be short sighted to put in a smaller pool.

Overall the Committee supported the development of a 52 metre pool and leisure pool development at Guildford Recreation Centre and the facility be developed concurrently with the South Surrey/Grandview Heights Pool. A 52 metre pool and leisure pool complex is planned for Grandview Heights.

**3. Community Garden Provision and Location Guidelines**

File No. 6130-03

It was

Moved by Councillor Gill

Seconded by S. Hundal

That the Parks, Recreation and Culture

Committee receive Community Garden Provision and Location Guidelines report as information.

Carried**F. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL****G. CORRESPONDENCE****H. INFORMATION ITEMS****1. Calendar of Events**

File No. 7800-01

**2. Verbal Update – April, 2011**

(from Laurie Cavan, GM, Parks, Recreation and Culture)

**Party for the Planet**

More than 10,000 people attended Friday and Saturday's Party for the Planet!

The zip line and bike powered stage were a big hit. The City of Surrey dominated the 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm news, stories included revitalization and vibrant city, new library and city hall. Mayor Watts was at the top of the news story live at the event; the CTV chopper flew over our event and had great aerial shots of city centre. CKNW also reported live from our site.

**DIVERSEcity Award**

The City of Surrey received an award at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Cultural DIVERSEcity Awards on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 in the Public Institutions category. The City was recognized for its commitment and dedication to diversity through City programs, events and community development outreach initiatives.

**Wheelchair Basketball Tournament**

The 2011 Canadian Wheelchair Basketball Open held at the South Surrey Recreation Centre was a great success with 6 teams from all over the country competing hard over the weekend. The games were intense and definitely showcased the sport very well to the City of Surrey. There were approximately 53 athletes playing in the tournament.

**North Surrey Community Park – Proposed Community Room**

This is a pilot project. The Manager of Parks noted that the resident that has voiced the most concerns regarding the proposed community room at N.S. Community Park is satisfied with the design and voiced no concerns about the design; her concerns

were about unwanted negative activity and eyes and ears on the site. She has been advised to phone the RCMP each time she sees undesirable activity.

Manager of Parks, to keep Committee informed regarding any correspondence received.

Uniweld has now submitted their design for review by a Professional Engineer. Staff have presented the design to the representative of seniors, who agreed that the design is pleasing and would work for the seniors.

Have contacted companies from USA and central Canada regarding smoking shelters. Still receiving feedback. The shelter design may alter based on what is available elsewhere.

If there is a change to design that is far more cost effective staff will keep Councillors Gill and Martin informed.

## I. OTHER BUSINESS

### 1. **Surrey Eagles** File No. 5080-01

L. Cavan met with Chuck Westgard, one of the owners of the Eagles regarding cost of ice and developing a three year license. Putting final touches on the license.

L. Cavan spoke to Rob Mackie, one of the owners of the Eagles. Will follow up with his proposals on how to achieve an addition at South Surrey Arena with a lower capital cost and will continue to work with him and key people from the City to achieve a positive outcome.

### 2. **Parking**

Mayor and Council had asked staff to work with School District regarding parking at adjacent school and parks sites. Staff to look at opportunities for a more formal agreement with that particular school for more access to parking for the park users. If we need to call on Terry Allen, School Trustee, we will.

## J. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee is scheduled for May 18, 2011.

K. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by J. Grewal  
Seconded by S. Hundal  
That the Parks, Recreation and Cultural

Committee meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Certified as true and correct:

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Claudia Jesson, Deputy City Clerk

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Chairperson, Councillor Mary Martin  
Parks, Recreation and Cultural Committee