

City of Surrey Council-in-Committee Minutes

Council Chamber City Hall 14245 - 56 Avenue Surrey, B.C. **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2001** Time: 5:00 p.m.

Present:	Members of Council entering as	Staff Present:
Councillor Eddington, Chairman	indicated:	City Manager
Mayor McCallum		Acting City Clerk
Councillor Tymoschuk	Councillor Villeneuve	General Manager, Planning & Development
Councillor Steele		General Manager, Parks, Recreation &
Councillor Bose		Culture
Councillor Watts		City Solicitor
Councillor Hunt		Land Development Engineer
Councillor Higginbotham		K. Swaele, Administrative Assistant

The agenda was varied to accommodate the delegations.

C. **DELEGATIONS**

1. Dean Marshall, Steering Committee Member Bob Campbell, Steering Committee Member Jean Lamontagne, Manager, Planning, Research and Design, Parks, Recreation & Culture Department File: 0065-012; 8350-108; 8051-001

Dean Marshall, Steering Committee Member, Bob Campbell, Steering Committee Member, Jean Lamontagne, Manager, Planning, Research and Design, were in attendance to present the Panorama Lands Park Master Plan.

June Christy, Planner with Parks, Recreation & Culture, introduced members of the Steering Committee.

Dean Marshall, West Panorama Ridge Ratepayers Association, advised that they have been involved with the process over the last year. Mr. Marshall noted that the process included several different meetings; initially with the Ratepayers, followed by three open houses, and a survey done by Mark Trend. Mr. Marshall pointed out that the proposal outlines Option No. 2, which is for informal recreation and wildlife enhancement and advised that Option 2 has been the option which was selected through the public process. Mr. Marshall commented that approximately one-third of the people would like to see more usable recreation such as a golf course and noted that in the future, specific interest groups can always come forward to the Parks & Recreation Commission to make their wishes known. Mr. Marshall pointed out that the Parks & Recreation staff have not closed the door to other uses in the future.

Bob Campbell, President Panorama Ratepayers Association stated that the issue of golf courses has been very controversial over the last few years. Mr. Campbell advised that this proposal results from extensive surveying and three open houses. Mr. Campbell then commented that the best showing of support for a golf course was one-third and pointed out that there would be concern in the community for a golf course right now.

The General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture noted that any major change to a plan or concept plan would be brought back to the Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission.

Dean Marshall pointed out that Colebrook school expansions have eliminated all but a soccer field for recreation for the school, and that perhaps some of the Joe Brown lands could be looked at to facilitate proper recreation facilities for the students.

Bob Campbell, expressed the appreciation of the Panorama Ratepayers Association thanked the Parks & Recreation Commission on behalf of the community.

A. CORPORATE REPORTS

1. The following Corporate Report to be considered:

Item No. C001	Panorama Lands Park Master Plan
	File: 8350-108

The General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture submitted a report regarding the Panorama Lands Parks Master Plan.

The General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture was recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in his report.

It was

Moved by Councillor Bose Seconded by Councillor Steele That Council:

- 1. Receive this information; and that
- 2. Option 2 attached as Appendix I to the Panorama Lands Master Plan be approved.

Carried with Councillor Hunt against.

C. DELEGATIONS (cont'd)

2. Asgar Husain Muslim Youth Centre File: 0065-012; 0580-001

> Asgar Husain President of the Muslim Youth Centre, introduced other members of the Muslim Youth Centre who were in attendance, and offered a prayer prior to the presentation. Asgar Husain discussed the need for the youth centre and asked that the centre be granted tax exemption. Mr. Husain stated that the centre is a

non-profit organization that provides a service to the youth of the community and noted that the centre is a safe haven for all youths. Mr. Husain added that all faiths are encouraged to participate. Mr. Husain then advised that there are approximately 50 youth in the centre on Friday and Saturday who are off the streets. He pointed out that the centre does have religious teachings during different times of the week.

The Vice-President of the Muslim Youth Centre gave a brief history of the centre, and the importance of the centre in developing proper ethics and morals through recreation and prayer. She reviewed the many youth activities carried out by the centre; and asked that Council reconsider granting the youth centre a property tax exemption.

B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

D. DELEGATION REQUESTS

E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

G. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved by Councillor Hunt Seconded by Councillor Tymoschuk That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Chairperson