



PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES
COMMUNITY WORKING GROUP

Held Thursday September 23, 2004
M.2.004
Richmond City Hall

In Attendance:

Working Group

Danielle Aldcorn
Julie Halfnights
Michael McCoy
Bob Ransford
Harold Steves

Olive Bassett
Shawkat Hasan
Bill McNulty
Greg Robertson
Jim Tanaka

Nicky Byres
Jim Lamond
Vince Miele
Linda Shirley

Facilitator

David Roach

Recorder

Roxanne Glavina

Staff

Greg Buss
David Semple
Cathy Volkering Carlile

Simon Johnston
Kate Sparrow

Consulting Team

Cheryl Hodgson

Absent:

Sharon Meredith

Kuo Wong

Joann Wong Bittle

1. Opening Remarks

Opening remarks by David Roach

2. Record of Meeting #15

The Record of Meeting dated May 20 was approved, pending the addition of Harold Steves' comments.

3. Members of the CWG reported on events of the summer.

4. Service Delivery Proposal

Kate Sparrow, Director, Recreation and Cultural Services and Dave Semple, Director, Parks presented the information that was compiled in the Service Delivery proposal document.

There was general discussion of the documents prepared by City staff for the meeting, with a member requesting that the definition of the term “City” be more clearly defined. The term “City” is intended to reflect that Council and staff both have roles in the delivery of services, Council decides on policy and staff implement their decisions. Cathy Volkering Carlile agreed that it would be addressed if it were still not clear after presentation of the entire document.

A member of the CWG expressed concern that Appendix 1 of the draft “Recommendation for the Master Plan and the Renewal of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Delivery System” only identified the community groups that made presentations to the CWG, but did not include their specific concerns or requests.

It was pointed out that that input would be accommodated in the Master Plan and that the CWG’s Recommendations could include specific recommendations based on the different groups’ input. Members were advised that staff would ensure that Council receives a summary of each group’s presentation. Staff agreed to include those presentation comments in the final report.

Kate Sparrow and Dave Semple then presented the Draft “Service Delivery for Richmond” (the green document). Each section was presented and discussed, with individual CWG members commenting on what was missing from each section. The document will be revised to include those changes.

5. Approval of Recommendations

The members endorsed each of the Recommendations included in the Draft, as amended in the discussion. The Community Working Group agreed by consensus with the proposed Service Delivery. Staff advised that the recommendations would be included in the CWG report.

6. Report and Recommendations to Council

Cathy Volkering Carlile presented the Draft of the “CWG Recommendations for the Master Plan and the Renewal of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Delivery System” (the yellow document). She pointed out that it would be revised to include input from the night’s discussions with the CWG members.

It was agreed by the majority of the CWG members that the document fairly represented their input and that an Implementation Strategy and Financial Impact was needed. Cathy Volkering Carlile agreed that staff would make revisions as directed by the CWG, as well as draft an Implementation Strategy and Financial Impact document for the next meeting.

7. The next meeting has been set for October 21 @ 5:30pm.
8. The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.