

# Corporate Report

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**April 23, 2004** TO: Mayor & Council DATE:

FROM: FILE: City Manager 0540-20

SUBJECT: **Terms of Reference for Parks & Community** 

**Services Committee** 

## RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the Terms of Reference as described in 'Appendix A' (attached) for the Parks & Community Services Committee of Council.

### DISCUSSION

At the Regular Council meeting of April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004, Council amalgamated the Social Planning Committee and the Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission and established a new committee called Parks & Community Services Committee. The attached Terms of Reference for this Committee reflect this 'broader' scope

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### **Terms of Reference**

#### 1.0 GOAL

To enhance City's parks and other community services for the enjoyment and well being of current and future residents.

#### 2.0 SCOPE

The scope of Parks and Community Services include Parks, Recreation, Arts and Culture Services as well a broad range of activities undertaken by the City in support of the social well being of City's citizens. Such activities include children, youth and senior's programs, multicultural initiatives & training, community development & volunteer programs, use of city lands to community groups, the Community Grants Program and Affordable Home Ownership Program, etc.

#### 3.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

- To advise Council on new policies, critical priorities and future direction to respond to current and emerging needs and expectations of various communities in the City.
- To hear delegations and appeals by community groups, sports organizations and others and advise Council.
- To recommend a schedule of annual fees and charges for various Parks and other community services to Council for approval
- Consider other issues/tasks as may be assigned by the Council from time to time related to Parks and other community services and provide recommendations to Council.

#### 4.0 <u>MEMBERSHIP</u> (Appointed by Council Annually)

- Three Councillors, one as Chair
- One School Board trustee as chosen by the School Board
- Five Community representatives

#### 5.0 **MEETINGS**

- Meetings will be held at the call of the Chair, but not less than once every two months.
- Any member who is absent from three consecutive meetings of the Committee without reason satisfactory to the Committee, may be removed from the Committee.

#### 6.0 STAFF SUPPORT

• Appropriate staff support will be arranged by the City Manager, G.M. Parks, Recreation & Culture and the City Clerk.