

CORPORATE REPORT

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: November 29, 2010

FROM: General Manager, Parks, Recreation FILE: 2320-20/C

and Culture

SUBJECT: Contract No. 1220-30-35-09 for Improvements at Newton Athletic Park, Hjorth

Road Park and Greenaway Park - Expenditure Authorization Increase

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council:

1. Receive this report as information; and

2. Approve an increase of \$598,201 in the expenditure authorization limit from \$2,881,862 to \$3,480,063 (including taxes) related to Contract No. 1220-30-35-09 that was awarded to Cedarcrest Lands (BC) Ltd. for the construction of civil works related to the construction of an artificial turf field at each of Hjorth Road Park and Newton Athletic Park and the construction of tennis courts at Greenaway Park.

INTENT

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council approval to increase the expenditure authorization associated with Contract No. 1220-30-35-09 to cover the costs of works that were added to the contract.

BACKGROUND

In December 2009 Council approved the award of Contract No. 1220-30-35-09 to Cedarcrest Lands (BC) Ltd. (Cedarcrest) that covered the construction of civil works associated with the construction of an artificial turf field at each of Hjorth Road Park and Newton Athletic Park and the construction of tennis courts at Greenaway Park. The award included an expenditure authorization for the work of \$2,881,862 including taxes. The City secured 1/3rd funding assistance for each of the three projects through the RINC Program of the Federal Government. In addition, Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) contributed \$1,050,000 toward the construction of the artificial turf field at Newton Athletic Park.

DISCUSSION

At the time of the award of the subject contract, KPU had not yet confirmed its commitment to being a funding partner for the Newton project. After the award of the contract, the KPU Board

of Governors confirmed their commitment to the project, which allowed the scope of the Newton field project to be expanded to allow for additional amenities including:

- a) the development of a field that is several meters wider than the standard field width;
- b) increased field lighting levels to 500 lux to permit television broadcasts of activities taking place at the field at night;
- c) an electronic score clock;
- d) enhanced player shelters;
- e) bleacher seating for 500 spectators; and
- f) a storage facility at the site.

During the course of the contract, it was also determined that the existing engineering service connections to the Park were not capable of meeting the demands of the new field infrastructure and future fields and amenities that are planned to be constructed at the Newton Athletic Park. The replacement of these service connections was determined to be necessary.

The above described changes to the contract increased its value by approximately \$600,000. Council has deferred authority to staff for approving increases in contracts of up to \$500,000. Council approval is necessary for changes above \$500,000. The works that resulted in the increased contract expenditures were not covered by the RINC grant funding but were in majority covered by the funding contribution made by KPU to the project.

Adequate funds are available in the new project budget to cover the expenditure authorization increase in consideration of the funding that was provided by KPU toward the project.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council approve an increase of \$598,201 in the expenditure authorization limit from \$2,881,862 to \$3,480,063 (including taxes) related to Contract No. 1220-30-35-09 that was awarded to Cedarcrest Lands (BC) Ltd. for the construction of civil works related to the construction of an artificial turf field at each of Hjorth Road Park and Newton Athletic Park and the construction of tennis courts at Greenaway Park.

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