

CORPORATE REPORT

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: January 10, 2011

FROM: General Manager, Parks Recreation FILE: 1500-01

and Culture

General Manager, Finance and

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SUBJECT: RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibit

RECOMMENDATION

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommends that Council:

- Receive this report as information; and
- 2. Approve an allocation of \$20,000 from the Council Initiatives Fund for the purpose of developing and displaying an RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibit as part of the 2011 Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition and, subsequent to the Rodeo and Exhibition, to display the Exhibit on a permanent basis at the Surrey RCMP Main Detachment building for the purposes of celebrating the 60th anniversary of the RCMP providing police services for the City of Surrey and to build civic pride.

INTENT

The purpose of this report is firstly, to provide Council with information on an exhibit that is being planned to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the RCMP Surrey Detachment, which will become a legacy in relation to history and role of the RCMP in Surrey and, secondly, to seek Council approval of funding for the development and display of the exhibit.

BACKGROUND

A request was received from the Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Board for City support in relation to including a 60th Anniversary RCMP Exhibit as part of the 2011 Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition. In response, the Mayor's Office organized meetings with stakeholders to discuss the opportunity and to explore options. It was concluded that either the RCMP travelling exhibition, which is available from the national RCMP Heritage Centre in Regina, could be invited to be a part of the Rodeo or, alternatively, materials could be borrowed from the Centre to develop a Surrey-specific exhibition for display at the 2011 Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition. It was concluded that borrowing materials for a Surrey-specific display was preferable. Unfortunately, as a result of inquiries with the RCMP Heritage Centre, it was determined that the Centre did not have many good quality Surrey-specific exhibits. In response to this information an RCMP Exhibit Planning Committee was established to bring together RCMP staff, Heritage Services staff,

and local RCMP collectors with a view to bringing together local RCMP memorabilia and artifacts for the exhibit. The Committee began meeting in September 2010 and has now completed an Exhibition Concept, Critical Path - Timeline, Project Budget, Artifact List and draft Exhibit Text/Graphic Panels.

DISCUSSION

During the Rodeo, patrons of the Rodeo will be able to attend and view the RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibit in the new Cloverdale Recreation Centre, which is immediately adjacent to the Cloverdale Fairgrounds. Following the Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition, the RCMP Exhibit is proposed to be relocated to become a permanent display in the Surrey RCMP Main Detachment building and form a permanent legacy of the history, contributions and service of the Surrey RCMP Detachment to the City. It will be used for the education and enjoyment of local residents and visitors to the City and will act to build civic pride and pride in current and future personnel at the Surrey Detachment. Parts of exhibition are planned to be portable and will be used at future RCMP events such as the annual Police Awards Banquet, Regimental Dinners and Detachment Open Houses. Many collectors have made a commitment to donate materials for this permanent display at the Surrey Detachment.

The Exhibit will be on display in the new Cloverdale Recreation Centre adjacent to the Cloverdale Fairgrounds during and immediately following the Cloverdale Rodeo from May 19th through 24th, 2011. Following its relocation to the Surrey RCMP Main Detachment building it will be on permanent display at that location.

Budget:

The budget for the RCMP exhibit including both its temporary use during the Rodeo and its permanent exhibition at the Main Detachment building is \$40,000 and includes exhibition equipment and display stands; fabrication costs; curatorial assembly and installation support; security surveillance during the Rodeo event and relocation of exhibit materials to the Main Detachment building. This budget for the RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibit reflects its use as a legacy display with multiple applications and uses in the future.

An amount of \$20,000 is available in the approved 2011 Operating Budget for the subject Exhibit. An additional \$20,000 will allow for the development of a high quality Exhibit that will become a permanent feature in the Surrey RCMP Detachment for the enjoyment of Surrey residents and visitors. It is proposed that \$20,000 be allocated from the Council Initiatives Fund toward the RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibit.

Appendix 1 documents the remaining balance in the Council Initiatives Fund if Council adopts the recommendations of this report.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

The RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibition and Celebration contributes to the following sociocultural goals of the City's Sustainability Charter:

- "Promoting Active Living and Cultural Opportunities"; and
- "Promoting an opportunity for community celebration and gathering".

The proposed RCMP Exhibit as discussed in this report will be accessible to a diverse population including children, youth, seniors, multi-cultural groups, families and individuals with special needs on an on-going basis.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council approve the allocation of \$20,000 from the Council Initiatives Fund for the purpose of developing and displaying an RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibit as part of the 2011 Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition and, subsequent to the Rodeo and Exhibition, to display the Exhibit on a permanent basis at the Surrey RCMP Main Detachment building for the purposes of celebrating the 60th anniversary of the RCMP providing police services for the City of Surrey and to build civic pride.

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Appendix 1: 2011 Financial Plan Council Initiatives

cc Officer in Charge, RCMP Surrey Detachment

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2011 FINANCIAL PLAN COUNCIL INITIATIVES

Description	Amount	Allocation to date	Remaining
Carried Forward from Prior Year	167,697		
2010 Proposed Budget	250,000		\$ 417,697
Surrey Crime Prevention Society - Anti-Graffiti Program	31,000		
2010 Community Opportunities Strategy	20,000		
Peace Arch Hospital Gala April 2010	2,075		
Globe 2010 Biennial Trade Fair & Conference	4,002		
BC High School Bhangra Society	1,429		
Flavours of Surrey	15,000		
Canada-India Networking Initiative	800		
Learning Partnership - Tribute Luncheon	1,250		
Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vancouver	50,000		
President's Farewell Gala	5,000		
Red FM 4th Annual Run	5,000		
Hargobind International Wrestling Event	6,800		
Mayor's Charity Ball (September 10, 2010)	3,000		
Stanley Cup Celebration - City Centre	5,000		
Allocations for 2010		\$ 150,356	\$ 267,341
2011 Proposed Budget	250,000		\$ 517,341
RCMP 60th Anniversary Exhibit	20,000		
Allocations for 2011		\$ 20,000	\$ 497,341