

FIVE STAR COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Five Star Committee was held in the Parks & Recreation Office on April 28, 1994 at 8:00 a.m.

In attendance were Councillor Ron Talbot and Janra Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director.

Item No. 1 Mission Statement

The Parks and Recreation Director reviewed the proposed structure and composition of the Committee (attached). It was suggested that the mission statement and the terms of reference be reviewed over the next couple of weeks. If members agree with the mission statement and the terms of reference then they would be taken to Council.

Recommendation:

That the mission statement and the terms of reference be taken to City Council for approval, once the Committee has had an opportunity to thoroughly review the mission statement and terms of reference.

Carried

Item No. 2 Wheelchair Accessibility - Taxis

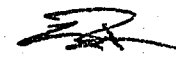
The Committee reviewed the memorandum from the Recreation Manager/Deputy Director to the City Clerk and no response was received. The Parks and Recreation Director suggested that another memorandum be sent inquiring about whether there is a bylaw requiring taxi companies to have a wheelchair accessible taxi. Also, to get the names of the taxi companies and write to them inquiring whether they have taxis that are wheelchair accessible.

Recommendation:

To receive the verbal report from the Parks and Recreation Director.

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Item No. 3 Disabled Parking

The Committee reviewed the attached memorandum from the Recreation Manager/Deputy Director.

Recommendation:

To again write to Public Works requesting a trial period of painting disabled parking spots blue with the white disabled symbol in the centre.

Carried

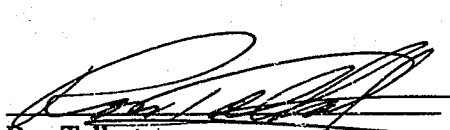
Item No. 4 Meetings

A short discussion took place as to when meetings should take place.

Recommendation:

That the meetings be held the last Thursday of each month starting at 8:00am in the Parks and Recreation Office.


Carried


Ron Talbot
Chair


Janna Taylor, Secretary

Next Meeting:

**Thursday, May 26, 1994
8:00am
Parks & Recreation Office**


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STRUCTURE AND COMPOSITION

NAME: The Five Star Community Committee

MEMBERS: -2 Aldermen appointed by the Mayor
-2 Parks & Recreation staff members
-community members invited by the Aldermen

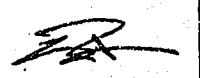
CHAIRPERSON: Alderman-appointed by the Mayor

MEETINGS: Once a month

MISSION STATEMENT: To ensure that The City of Port Coquitlam is accessible to all residents by removing physical, social and attitudinal barriers which impede full participation in all aspects of community life.

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1. To advise Municipal Council, mainly through its various Council Committees, on matters presently under consideration which affect people with special needs, with special attention to public education, awareness and integration, recreation, transportation, housing, education and employment.
2. To respond to any matters concerning people with special needs which may be referred to the committee by council or council committees.
3. To monitor Municipal services and facilities and ensure that the needs of people with special needs are considered.
4. To work co-operatively with Municipal Departments whose activities affect people with special needs and to provide these Dept. with guidance, advice and information.
5. To circulate, document and keep a library of information.
6. To encourage and facilitate feedback through existing channels from people who have a special need.
7. To bring to council, issues identified by the Committee requiring action by the municipality.
8. To receive information from the "Independence That's Living Committee".


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**THE CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM**

MEMORANDUM

October 28, 1993

To: Public Works Committee
From: Larry J. Wheeler, Recreation Manager/Deputy Director
Subject: Disabled Parking
(Five Star Committee - September 16, 1993)

Recommendation:

That the City of Port Coquitlam implement a trial project of painting disabled parking spots blue with the white disabled symbol in the centre.

That this trial project be implemented in Parks and Recreation facility parking areas.

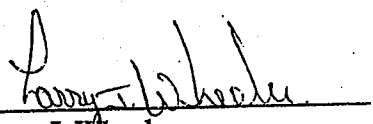
Background Information:

The issue of disabled parking "signage" has often been discussed by staff and members of the various Committees.

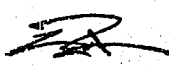
The issue has always been how we can clearly label a parking area for disabled use only in a manner that is easy to check whether someone is abusing the system.

The proposal is to paint disabled parking areas blue and place a disabled symbol in the middle. When a vehicle is parked in a space, the blue will still be visible around the car and would hopefully discourage people from parking illegally.

The cost of painting the stalls has been estimated at \$50.00 per stall.


Larry J. Wheeler
Recreation Manager/Deputy Director

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THE CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

MEMORANDUM

May 21, 1991

TO: Ron Freeman, City Clerk

FROM: Larry J. Wheeler, Recreation Manager

SUBJECT: Wheelchair Accessibility - Taxis

The Five Star Community Committee is currently reviewing how accessible transportation options are for the physically challenged in Port Coquitlam.

During our discussion, the question of wheelchair accessibility in taxi cabs was raised. We would appreciate your assistance with helping us answer the following questions:

a) Does a taxi company have to have wheelchair accessible cars in its fleet?

b) Are there wheelchair accessible cabs in Port Coquitlam? If so, do you have any idea of how many and what models they are?

Any other information you may regarding transportation issues for the physically challenged would also be appreciated.

Larry J. Wheeler

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cc Erin Murphy-Carlson

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