

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee was held in the Parks & Recreation Department Office on March 16th, 1988 at 4:45 p.m.

In attendance were Alderman George Laking and Alderman Mike Gates.

Also in attendance was Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director; Larry Wheeler, Recreation Manager; and Derek Ashford and Randall Sharp, for Dick Barr Development (for Item #1 only).

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee held on March 2nd, 1988 be taken as read and adopted.

Item No. 1 Barr Property - Park Proposal

Randall Sharp outlined the park proposal for committee. Committee indicated that they wanted more time to think about the park requirements and that their initial reaction was that more park land was required. Derek Ashford indicated that they were holding a public information meeting on Wednesday, March 23rd, 1988.

The Parks & Recreation Director indicated that she would like to review the proposal and come back with recommendations to the Parks & Recreation Committee.

Recommendation:

That the verbal presentation be received.

CARRIED

Item No. 2 B.C. Sport & Fitness Council for the Disabled:
B.C. Championships for the Physically Disabled

The Committee reviewed the attached letter.

Recommendation:

That a bid not be submitted for the 1989 games; but that the City would definitely be interested in the future in making application to host the games.

CARRIED

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Item No. 3

Bantam Tournament - Special Requirements

The attached report from the Recreation Manager was reviewed.

Recommendation:

That the recommendation in the report be approved.

CARRIED

Item No. 4

Bantam Tournament - Video Game Arcade Proposal

The attached report from the Recreation Manager was reviewed. Committee members did not agree with the recommendations.

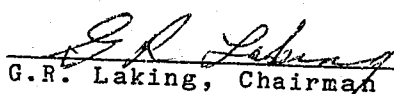
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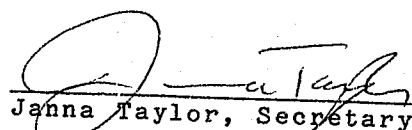
That the video arcade proposal be denied and that this be taken to Council.


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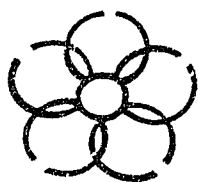
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.


G.R. Laking, Chairman


Janna Taylor, Secretary


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British Columbia
Sport and Fitness
Council for the Disabled

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January 19, 1988

Mayor L. M. Traboulay
City of Port Coquitlam
2272 McAllister Avenue
Port Coquitlam, B.C.
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Dear Mayor Traboulay,

The member groups of the B.C. Sport and Fitness Council for the Disabled (SFCD) invite your community to bid on hosting the 1989 or 1990 B.C. Championships for the Physically Disabled.

These Provincial Championships will attract over 350 amputee, blind, cerebral palsied, and wheelchair athletes from all parts of B.C. as well as neighbouring Provinces and States.

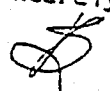
One of the purposes of the Championships is to increase sport opportunities for disabled persons and encourage the disabled within your community to participate. We know that moving this prestigious competition around the province will promote recognition of the abilities of the physically disabled. Additionally, the Championships will leave your community with a heightened awareness of disabled persons and their extraordinary ability to contribute to active community life.

Should you be interested, we will send you a copy of the Policies and Procedures for the B.C. Championships for the Physically Disabled (BCCPD). If you have any questions, please contact the Council office at 687-3333, local 263.

If you are considering submitting a bid for the 1989 Championships, we would appreciate hearing from you, so that we may pass on any pertinent information to you. Formal bid packages are due at the SFCD office (address above) by 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 25, 1988. Early selection of the host community will enable them to have key organizing committee members at the 1988 Championships in Trail, B.C. July 14 - 17.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,


Kerry Bysouth
Chairperson

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Assisted by BC Recreation and Sport

C.C. ALDERMAN, GATES + LUKING
K.J. Taylor,


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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

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MEMORANDUM TO: K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director
MEMORANDUM FROM: Larry Wheeler, Recreation Manager
SUBJECT: Bantam Tournament - Special Requirements

Purpose/Problem:

The purpose of this report is to review the various requests received from Bantam Hockey and provide related information and recommendations for the Parks & Recreation Committee's consideration.

History/Background:

As apparent from the attached letter, these requests were received in early February. Since that time, the scope of the tournament has changed as have some of the requirements. During our ongoing communication with the Bantam Tournament liaison, we have approved the majority of the requests. I have highlighted on the attached letter, (with arrows on the left border), those requirements that still need to be addressed.


The Bantam Tournament will now involve approximately thirty-two teams, (instead of the original 56) and will run less than ten days. The ice bookings in Port Moody have already been cancelled.

Alternatives:

With each of the outstanding issues the Parks & Recreation Committee can choose to accommodate, reject, or modify the request for special considerations.

Financial Implications:

New tournament rates were approved for 1988. The Bantam Tournament organizers are asking that the old formula be applied to their tournament. The request would be very difficult to accommodate for two reasons:


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1. The City is still subsidizing tournament play heavily; and
2. All other tournament organizers would expect similar treatment.

Another request pertains to the installation of Bantam Tournament logos at centre ice. It is estimated that the cost of installing the logos on the two ice surfaces is \$475.00-\$500.00

Citizen/Public Relations Involvement/Implications:

Parking self-contained recreation vehicles on site may result in some criticism. With the popularity of the Wilson Centre, Terry Fox Library, etc., parking is already severely limited. Consideration might be given to allowing overnight parking on a temporary basis at an alternative location, such as Reeve Street Park or Lions Park.

Installation of the logos may also cause some disruption of ice users, as the process takes an estimated sixteen hours.

Conclusion/Summary:


The organizers of the Bantam Tournament have formally submitted a list of requests or special requirements. The majority of these requirements have already been accommodated. A few requirements are still outstanding.

The request to reduce the tournament rental rates would be very difficult to accommodate, as all other tournament organizers would expect equal treatment.

On site parking of self-contained recreational vehicles can certainly be accommodated, but may inconvenience many people, (including seniors) as parking on site will be at a premium during the tournament.

Logos can be installed on each ice sheet although it should be noted that it is a very expensive service that results in further disruption to other facility users.

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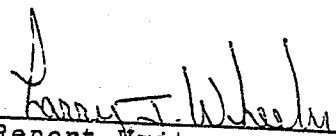

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Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Parks & Recreation Committee:

1. Deny the request to modify the 1988 Tournament Rate Schedule.
2. Agree to install logos in the centre of each ice surface, with the City absorbing all costs.
3. Suggest an alternate location for the temporary parking of self-contained recreation vehicles



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Larry J. Wheeler

Director's Concurrence
K. Janna Taylor

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c.c. - Bev Irvine, Area Supervisor


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**PORT COQUITLAM
BANTAM HOCKEY TOURNAMENT**

P.O. BOX 251, PORT COQUITLAM, B.C., CANADA V3C 2A0

February 7, 1988

Ms. Bev Irvine
Area Supervisor
Parks and Recreation Dept.
City of Port Coquitlam
2253 Leigh Square
Port Coquitlam, B.C.
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Dear Ms. Irvine:

Re: Bantam Tournament '88

The Port Coquitlam Minor Hockey Association through it's Bantam Tournament Committee wishes to advise you that the Bantam Tournament will be operating from March 26 to April 4 inclusive. This years tournament will comprise fifty six (56) teams in four (4) divisions. The total number of games to be played in this years tournament will total one hundred and ninety four (194). However not all these games will be played in the Port Coquitlam Arena. We have obtained the use of the Port Moody Arena, March 28 to April 1, 1988 from 07:00 to 17:30 inclusive. This has been necessitated as a result of the six (6) game guarantee given all teams in the round robin portion of the tournament.

As in the past a tournament of this size will have some special requirements which will necessitate permission from the Parks and Recreation Department and/or City Council. The following is a list of these requirements but should not be considered and exhaustive list as there may be others which will arise as we move closer to opening day.

- 1) Permission for use of the entire arena complex including meeting rooms and the ticket office for the entire time of the Tournament - March 26 to April 4, 1988 and that the City of Port Coquitlam waive the rental fee for the meeting rooms.
- 2) That the City of Port Coquitlam consider (for this year, the 75th Anniversary) that the ice rental fee be as has been acceptable in the past, that is, that the City of Port Coquitlam supply to the Bantam Tournament the ice surfaces a one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) the gross tabulated cost, based upon the Minor Hockey Ice rental schedule.
- 3) Permission to install a telephone in the ticket office for the duration of the Tournament - installation to take place the week before the tournament commencement.

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- 4) Permission to use the east parking lot and against the street for overnight parking of self-contained recreational vehicles.
- 5) Permission be granted to place advertisements in both arenas and in the arena lobbies.
- 6) Permission to install a light show in the Old Arena for purposes of the Opening Ceremonies.
- 7) Permission for access to the Arena Complex in the evening of March 25th for certain set up require for the Tournament.
- 8) Permission to have the Bantam Tournament Logos install in the ice surfaces the week prior to the tournament commencing.

As yet not all teams have registered. As a result of this we can not at this point give you a firm schedule of events or a schedule for the games. This will be forwarded to your office as quickly as possible so as to facilitate your staffing requirements.

Yours Truly

Chris Thomas
Co-Chairman
Bantam Tournament '88

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TO: K. Janna Taylor
Parks & Rec Director

DATE: 1988 03 16

FROM: Larry J. Wheeler
Recreation Manager

RE: 1988 BANTAM TOURNAMENT-
VIDEO GAME ARCADE
PROPOSAL

PURPOSE/PROBLEM:

The purpose of this report is to provide a recommendation for the Parks and Recreation Committee regarding the installation of a video game arcade at the Port Coquitlam Recreation Centre during the Bantam Tournament.

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

This proposal was formally received last week. As outlined on the attached letter the proposal involves temporarily setting up a video game arcade in the lobby of the #1 rink (old lobby). The proposed arcade would consist of approximately 20 to 24 video game machines. Admission to this area would be controlled and would require a tournament pass for entry. It is proposed that this area would be under the supervision of an adult at all times. To facilitate this arcade, two 30 amp. circuits would be installed at tournament expense by a qualified electrician.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Parks and Recreation Committee has two alternatives available for consideration:

- 1 Grant the Bantam Tournament organizers permission to install a video game arcade on a temporary basis.
- 2 Reject the proposal.

If the proposal was accepted, the Parks and Recreation Committee may want to attach some conditions to the approval. These conditions could limit hours of operation, limit number of machines, set up a revenue sharing system, and/or increase the amount of adult supervision.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Financial implications to the City of Port Coquitlam would be limited to electrical power. It is not possible at this time to estimate the costs related to power usage. However, in light of the fact that this project may generate a fair amount of revenue for a private entrepreneur, and in consideration of the fact that the City of Port Coquitlam is already subsidizing the tournament heavily, it may be desirable to instigate a revenue sharing arrangement. Under normal circumstances, 35-45% of gross revenues would likely be an acceptable formula.


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However, taking into consideration the short duration of this proposal, and the costs related to setting up and taking down the arcade, consideration should be given to reducing this percentage, perhaps even to 10-15% of gross revenues.

It is our understanding that the owner of the video equipment has agreed to pay Bantam Tournament organizers a 20-30% split of gross revenues. Cost of playing most of the games will be .25 per play. A few games will cost .50 per play.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC RELATIONS INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS:

There is no question that in the eyes of many citizens the term "video game arcade" creates many negative connotations. However, in a high profile, controlled and supervised environment, video games can be legitimate recreation alternative. Especially during a hockey tournament that lasts ten days and involves forty teams, of which only four can be playing at a time.

OTHER:

After reviewing the most recent tournament schedule, we may be booking late night ice to other hockey organizations. Therefore security of the arcade could become an area of concern. In anticipation of this, we have contacted the Port Coquitlam Fire Department and confirmed that this area can be secured as long as we install the appropriate signage.

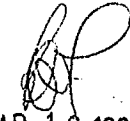
CONCLUSION/SUMMARY:

The Bantam Tournament organizers have approached the City with a proposal to install a video game arcade in the lobby of the #1 arena (old arena) during the tournament. The proposed arcade would consist of 20-24 games and would be supervised by an adult at all times. Admittance would also be limited to tournament pass holders. Although video arcades have been related to many negative factors, they can be a legitimate recreation alternative when facilitated in a controlled and adult supervised environment. Should the Parks and Recreation Committee approve this proposal, consideration should be given to putting several conditions on the approval.

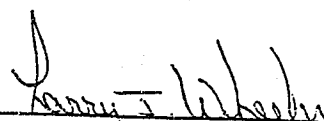
RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Committee approve the proposal to install a video game arcade during the Bantam Tournament, with the following conditions:

- 1 A responsible, mature adult will supervise this area during all hours of operation.
- 2 Hours of operation will be limited to tournament ice time.
- 3 Admission to this area will be strictly controlled and limited to those individuals with tournament passes.

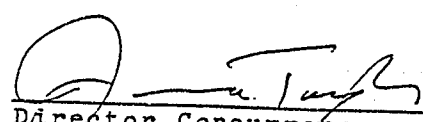

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- 4 The operator of the video machines or the Bantam Tournament organizers will enter into a memorandum of agreement with the City of Port Coquitlam agreeing to pay the City 10-15% of all revenues.
- 5 When not in operation this area must be secured and signed as required by the City of Port Coquitlam.
- 6 The number of video machines will be limited to a maximum of 20.
- 7 The arcade area would not be allowed to become overcrowded.
- 8 A person must be provided at all times by the tournament organizers to supply change.


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**PORT COQUITLAM
BANTAM HOCKEY TOURNAMENT**

P.O. BOX 251, PORT COQUITLAM, B.C., CANADA V3C 2A0

March 5, 1988

Ms. Bev Irvine
Area Supervisor
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2253 Liegh Square
Port Coquitlam, B.C.

Dear Ms. Irvine:

Re: Bantam Tournament '88 signs and arcade

The Bantam Tournament Committee requests permission to install advertising signs (4' X 8' professionally painted) one each at the corners of Shaugnessey and Pitt River Road and Shaugnessey and Lougheed Hwy. We will not require use of the overpass for a banner as was previously discussed.

The Bantam Tournament Committee would further request that a video game arcade be allowed in the Rink #1 lobby. This arcade would consist of approximately 20 to 24 machines. The admission to this area would be controlled and would require a Tournament pass for entry and the area will be under the supervision of an adult at all times. To facilitate this arcade we require Two (2) 30 amp. circuits to be installed at the two (2) postes in the Rink #1 lobby. These circuits will be installed at the Tournaments expense and by a qualified electrician. We would further request the arcade people be allowed access to this lobby as early in the day on Friday, March 25, 1988 as possible to install and set up the machines.

Yours Truly

Chris Thomas
Co-Chairman
Bantam Tournament '88

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