CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee was held in City Hall on Tuesday, June 23rd, 1987, at 4:45 p.m.

In attendance were Alderman George Laking and Alderman Mike Gates.

Also in attendance was K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee held on Tuesday, June 9th, 1987, be taken as read and adopted.

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Janna Taylor indicated that she had met with Tom Harris to discuss the question of the possible upgrading of school fields for this year. Mr. Harris indicated that, at this time, they had no money in the budget for this fiscal year. However, they are prepared to work together in bringing in a full report to both the Parks & Recreation Committee and the School Board as to a proposal for the eventual upgrading of the school fields. As indicated to the Parks & Recreation Committee the discussions are at a fairly preliminary stage at this point and it is hoped that by September of this year a more thorough report will be forthcoming. The meeting went very well and Janna feels that there will be some good plans coming out of this discussion. Other areas which were discussed were areas of jurisdiction on the school fields after school hours. Mr. Harris indicated that he did not see a major problem in obtaining authority for the Parks & Recreation Department to have authority of supervision on the school fields after school hours. A further update will be given on this particular issue.

Recommendation:

School Fields

That the verbal report be received for informa-

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<u>Citadel Heights</u>

Bryan Kirk, City Administrator, requested that we review the attached letter from Mr. & Mrs. McGarrigle. The Parks & Recreation Committee would like to indicate that this particular site referred to in their letter is not appropriate for park use and the Committee does not see it as part of their park plan.

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Recommendation:

That a memorandum will be sent to Bryan Kirk indicating that the Parks & Recreation Committee do not see this area for park purposes.

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<u> Park Crew - Weekend Coverage</u>

Janna Taylor indicated to the Committee that a park person had been hired for the weekend and that this person would be responsible for ensuring that the parks were kept tidy and clean and, in particular, if problems came up in the washrooms that these would be taken care of. The person will be on a ten hour shift, four days a week, starting on Fridays and finishing on Mondays.

Recommendation:

That the verbal report be received for information.

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<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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May 26, 1987

Mr. Brian Kirk City Administrator City Hall 2272 McAllister Ave. Port Coquitlam, B.C. V3C 2A8

Dear Sir:

We have been residents of Port Coquitlam for over 14 years and currently reside in the new Citadel Heights sub-division. Citadel Heights is a very attractive area and we are very happy to be living here. When looking for a new home, we decided to stay in Port Coquitlam if at all possible, since we are very fond of the city and its amenities.

At the rear of our property is a heavily treed area owned by the City (legal description is: "Remainder of No. 6, D.L. 232, Gr 1, Plan 68514")

The Citadel Heights subdivision has very few trees, due to its previous history, and there is danger in losing the few that are left. It would be a great loss to this area if the beautiful evergreen and dogwood trees on this city property were to be removed. This would certainly happen if the property were sold or developed. The property itself has a deep ravine in its center which reduces its suitability for single or multiple family housing. In addition it is home for many birds and small wildlife.

We would appreciate careful consideration by the City to keep this property as a "green belt" to be left in its natural state. Removal or thinning of these trees would remove one of the last few treed areas on this side of Mary Hill and would be a great loss.

We hope the city will take our suggestion to heart and maintain this small portion of remaining natural environment.

Yours very truly Mr. & Mrs. G. F. McGarrigle

cc. His Worship, The Mayor

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