CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 10, 2001

File No.: 1790-03

To: City Manager

From: Acting Recreation Manager

Subject: 2000 Canada Bowl Funding Request

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approve \$5,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to assist the Okanagan Mainline Football Society with funding of the 2000 Canada Bowl as recommended by the Parks and Facilities Committee.

BACKGROUND:

The Okanagan Mainline Football Society (Okanagan Sun) hosted the Canadian Junior Football Championships in November 2000. The event was very successful but resulted in a deficit of \$13,818 to the organization.

The Okanagan Sun received \$1,000 through City Council's Hosting Grant and also requested an additional Grant-in-Aid to address the remaining deficit. Since the Grant in Aid program has been replaced by the Sport Event Development Grant Program, this request was redirected to the Parks and Facilities Committee for their consideration.

During the June 28, 2001 Parks and Facilities Committee Meeting key points of discussion included:

- The Canadian Jr. Football Championships took place prior to the establishment of the Sports Event Development Grant.
- Approving the Okanagan Sun request may limit funding for new and current initiatives.
- Additional applications are expected once sport organizations become more aware of the Sports Event Development Grant process.

Funding available through the Sports Event Development Grant for the 2001 year is \$15,000. To date total for events funded is \$4,868.40 with a pending application to be reviewed at the next Parks and Facilities Committee meeting. Approved grants include:

- Valley of Champions Baseball Society-requested \$8,500: received \$2,933
- Kelowna Maior Men's Fastball Association-requested \$1,000:received \$1,000
- Kelowna Adult Softball Association-requested \$250: received \$250
- Thompson-Okanagan Junior Lacrosse League-requested \$1,000:received \$685.40
- World Jr. Curling Championships (pending application-requesting \$5,000)

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The funding request from the Okanagan Sun through the Sports Event Development Grant was for \$13,818. City related costs for this event that were charged back to the Okanagan Sun were \$12,014.66 which included activities such as field preparation and bleacher relocation.

Jim Gabriel Acting Recreation Manager

Cc: Director of Parks and Leisure Services Financial Planning and Systems Manager