
CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date: December 12, 2002
File No.: 2380-20

To: City Manager

From: Director of Parks & Leisure Services

Subject: **Request for Rental Waiver from the Kelowna Coronary Exercise Society**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the City continue its current level of support to the Kelowna Coronary Exercise Society.

BACKGROUND:

The Kelowna Coronary Exercise Society operates a cardiac rehabilitation program using the Parkinson Recreation Centre gymnasium for its sessions. The program has been operating successfully since 1974 and, since that time, paying the City rent of approximately \$3600 per year. The Ministry of Health has, in the past, provided funding of \$10,000 per year which accounts for about 50% of the Society's budget for the program. This funding has been discontinued and as a result the Society has asked the City to waive rent.

The City has supported the program for many years by charging only half of the rent normally applicable to this type of rental and by providing free storage for the equipment and free use of some of our equipment. For the City to provide a higher level of support such as free rent would result in many other worthwhile community groups seeking free rent of City facilities. This is contrary to our current granting policies.

David Graham
Director of Parks & Leisure Services

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Attachment

cc: Recreation Supervisor