CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date:June 4th, 2003File No.:5820-00

To: Ron Born, City Manager

From: Joe Creron, Parks Manager

Subject: Proposed Park Development Partnership Southwest Mission - Neighbourhood 2,

Prepared by: David Lange, Parks Planning & Administration Supervisor

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Council endorse a partnership to develop a Neighbourhood park with sport field opportunities at the Quarry Development site in Neighbourhood 2 of the Southwest Mission,

AND THAT the partnership be based on the principles outlined within the report from the Parks Manager dated June 4, 2003.

BACKGROUND

The Concept Development Plan for Neighbourhood 2 of the Southwest Mission Area Structure Plan has recommended that a neighbourhood park be located within the Quarry Development parcel on Barnaby Road, (the former Hill Top Sand and Gravel Site).

In discussions between the Parks Division and the developer, a park concept plan has been prepared that could provide a youth oriented baseball field and full sized soccer pitch. This represents recreational amenities that require large areas that need to be flat. In addition to the play fields, typical neighbourhood park amenities such as playgrounds, passive recreational open space, trails, picnic areas, irrigated turf, trees, shrubs and park furniture would also be provided. A waterfall created by an existing natural spring would be incorporated into the design and a small wetland is to be considered within the storm detention facility. The park will be acquired through the typical DCC process.

The Parks Division sees this as an ideal opportunity to ensure the delivery of park and recreation amenities that require flat topography in a neighbourhood that is typically a hillside setting.

In further discussions with the Parks Division, the Developer has agreed to enter into a Partnership agreement to construct the park in a 50/50 cost sharing arrangement. In principal the Developer has offered to enter into an Agreement in Principle based on the following criteria:

1. The Quarry will develop the +/- 1.6 ha (4.0 acres) of park as per an approved concept plan provided to the City. The park will be developed following the City of Kelowna Park Standards.

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- The Quarry will pay for the full cost of the development of the park and the City of Kelowna will reimburse the Quarry up to \$40,000 per acre or 50% of the cost whatever is the lower amount as outlined by criteria 3. Landscape costs will include the costs attributed to the development of the park including Landscape Architect Costs.
- 3. The City of Kelowna's Parks Division shall place this as a 'Priority 1' in their 2005 budget and the City of Kelowna will reimburse the Quarry its pro-rated share of the expenses on or before January 31, 2005, subject to City Council approval.
- 4. The Quarry shall commence development after park development plans have been approved by the Parks Division and proposes substantial completion of the park within 2003.

The Developer and the Parks Division presented and received endorsement of the park concept plan and the principles of the agreement from the Parks and Facilities Committee on May 14th, 2003.

Joe Creron Parks Manager

Cc Director of Parks and Leisure Services