
CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 5, 2004
File No.: 6130-09

To: Ron Born, City Manager

From: Joe Creron, Parks Manager

Subject: Partners in Parks

Recommendation:

That the following report by the Parks Manager be received as information.

Background:

The Partners in Parks program continues to be a successful program. Over the past year several successful partners in parks programs have been developed and many already implemented. The Partners in Parks program is successful as citizens and developers continue to provide resources to improve and build parks that reduces the reliance on tax dollars.

Over the past year or so the following Parks Division partnerships were developed:

1. Southridge Park; city contribution \$50,000 and the developer's contribution, G Group of Companies \$50,000.
2. Winslow Park; city contribution \$50,000 and developer's contribution, Kettle Valley Developments \$50,000.
3. Ben Lee Park fountain; city contribution \$50,000 and Ben Lee Park Society's contribution \$30,000.
4. Martin Centre Playground; city contribution \$40,000, Boys and Girls Club contribution \$15,000 and Capri Rotary contributed \$15,000 and sweat equity.
5. Brevity Sculpture; city contribution \$20,000 and Compassionate Friends Kelowna Chapter's contribution \$20,000.
6. Tree Releaf Program; Tree Canada recently contributed \$12,000 towards reforestation in Kelowna. Evergreen / Unilever also contributed a \$7,000 grant in 2004 towards riparian planting, through Trout Unlimited Canada.
7. Annual Garden Tour contributes \$24,000 to Mission Greenway Phase II
8. Cameron Park playground; city contribution \$15,000 and Ogopogo Rotary Club contribution \$15,000 plus sweat equity.
9. Quarry Park; city contribution \$200,000 and developer's contribution, The Quarry \$400,000.
10. Pioneer Pavilion; city contribution \$400,000 and S.M. Simpson Trust contribution \$450,000.
11. Quilchena Park; city contribution \$50,000, community \$450,000 and developer's contribution, Kettle Valley Developments \$200,000.
12. Ben Lee Park Playground; city contribution \$80,000 and community contribution, Culos Group of Companies \$20,000.
13. Fuel Modification; city contribution \$120,000 and federal government contribution over \$1,000,000 the past 2 years. The B.C. Ministry of Forests also contributed in-kind assistance in 2004 worth over \$7,000.

14. Crawford Estates residents rehabilitated the school site: City contribution \$7,500 and Crawford residents' contribution \$30,000 plus 300 hours sweat equity.
15. Crawford Estates residents rehabilitated Crawford Falls area: City contribution \$5,000 and Crawford residents contributed 100 hours sweat equity.
16. Knox Mountain fencing: City contribution \$20,000 and Friends of Knox Mountain through Katim 150 hours sweat equity.
17. PRC Bocce Court: City Contribution \$2,500 of materials and Kelowna Canadian Italian Club 150 hours of sweat equity.

Therefore over the past year or so, the community has contributed over \$1.7 million to improving our parks or \$2.3 million if you include Mission Greenway Phase II project. The Federal Government has provided about \$1 million in fuel modification resources which is also significant. The above figures do not include all the annual clean up programs, tree planting programs, bench donations or programs such as the Days of Wine and Roses where Prospera Place hosts the event and this year West Wind Nurseries probably donated upwards of \$150,000 to create the magical landscapes.

On behalf of the City of Kelowna I would like to thank all of our partners for making Kelowna a better place to live and play.

Joe Creron
Parks Manager

Cc Director of Parks and Leisure Services.