
CITY OF KELOWNA
MEMORANDUM

Date: July 10, 2006
File No.: 6120-20
To: City Manager
From: Parks Manager
Subject: Paul's Tomb Log Boom

REPORT PREPARED BY: TERRY BARTON, PARKS & LANDSCAPE PLANNER

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT Council support an application to the Province for a Crown Lease over Paul's Tomb Bay in order to construct a log boom to protect the swimming area.

BACKGROUND

The Paul's Tomb Beach Area in Knox Mountain Park is a popular recreation and swimming area (Enclosure I). The limits of the swimming area are currently marked with swim buoys and signage restricting the area to swimming only. However, each year there are numerous conflicts with boat traffic entering the swimming area. Boats have always been prohibited from entering the swimming area since the City has owned this park. The City does not have the ability to enforce the no swimming restriction without having full time staff at this location.

In order to prevent a serious accident in a cost effective manner, Staff recommend taking steps to minimize the conflict and prevent boats from entering the bay area by installing a log boom.

Staff propose that the City pursue a Crown Lease over Paul's Tomb Bay and then construct a Log Boom that clearly delineates and protects the public swimming areas from boats traffic (Enclosure II). Funds for this project were approved in the 2006 budget.

Joe Creron
Parks Manager

cc David Graham, Director of Recreation, Parks and Culture
David Shipclark, Director of Corporate Services
John Grant, Property Officer

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