CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date:

September 18, 2008

File No.:

0760-20

To:

City Manager

From:

Youth Advisory Committee

Subject:

BC Youth Parliament - Nomination of delegates

Report Prepared.by JW Reid Oddleifson

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council authorize the Youth Advisory Committee to nominate two youth from the Youth Forum Steering Committee to the British Columbia Youth Parliament (BCYP) to participate in the 80th Parliament in Victoria from December 27, 2008 to January 1, 2008;

AND THAT the youth who become Members in the BCYP and participate in the 80th Parliament report back to Council by March 31, 2009;

AND THAT Council approve Member fees and expenses not to exceed \$750.00 from Council contingency for two youth for this purpose.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Kelowna has received an invitation from the Youth Parliament of BC – Alumni Society to nominate two youths as delegates to the 80th Youth Parliament to be held in Victoria Dec.27-31, 2008.

In October of 2007, Council authorized the nomination of two youth from the Youth Advisory Committee representatives to attend the BCYP, and provided expense funding of \$730.00 from Council Contingency. These two individuals subsequently were accepted as Members, attended the Parliament, and made a presentation to Council in February of 2008, explaining their experiences, and the positive impact this had on their lives.

One Member nominated by the City in 2007, has been invited back by the BCYP – Alumni Society, and does require a further nomination for 2008. The Youth Advisory Committee has invited expressions of interest from other youth representatives, and will select a nominee in early October, prior to the nomination deadline. The Youth Advisory Committee is recommending that the City provide financial assistance, similar to 2007.

The application deadline is October 22, 2008, and confirmation of acceptance is anticipated by early November, 2008.

INTERNAL CIRCULATION TO:

Director of Recreation Parks and Cultural Services Financial Planning Manager



FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:

Expenses are comprised of;

- 1. Registration fees are \$225.00 per person for a total of \$450.00,
 - This includes transportation and accommodation plus one meal.
- 2. Per diem of \$25.00 for 6 days for two Members for a total of \$300.00 for meals.
 - It is noted that the BCYP does make arrangements for several meals for all the Youth Members at reasonable costs.

Considerations that were not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority:

Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:

Existing Policy:

Personnel Implications:

Technical Requirements:

External Agency/Public Comments:

Communications Considerations:

Alternate Recommendation:

Submitted by:

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Development Manager

Approved for Inclusion:

Director of Recreation Parks and Cultural Services

Financial Planning Manager