May 23, 1996

SUBJECT: Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Garden - 1996 Fee Increase

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Board approve the request of the Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Garden Society of Vancouver to increase the admission fees to the Classical Garden to:

Adult \$ 5.25 (from \$ 4.50) Senior/student/child \$ 3.75 (from \$ 3.00) Family \$12.00 (from \$10.00)

as of June 1, 1996.

DISCUSSION

At its meeting of May 15, 1996 the Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Garden Society agreed to propose an increase in the admission fees to the Classical Garden for the Park Board's consideration and approval (see attached letter).

Their last rate increase at the Classical Garden went into effect on May 1, 1994. Since that time the Society has encouraged increased programming and expanded visitors to the Garden. This rate increase will cover operational costs which are now partially funded through fundraising efforts. Fundraising monies, instead, will contribute to other projects such as building and restoration.

A review of the admission fees to other facilities has been conducted by the Garden Society and the proposed admission fee would fall in line with other similar attractions in the lower Mainland.

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Attachment