

Date: October 9, 1996

**SUBJECT: THE NAMING OF PARK SITES**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- **THAT the Board consider naming the parksite located at Charles and MacLean Streets "Mosaic Creek Park".**

**BOARD POLICY**

The Board's Guidelines for Naming Parks is attached (See Appendix 1).

**DISCUSSION**

Charles and MacLean parksite is 12,000 square feet in size and is located in the Grandview-Woodlands neighbourhood. (See Appendix 2) Staff have received a request from the Britannia Neighbours, who were the impetus for this park's fund raising campaign, to officially name the site "**Mosaic Creek Park**". The Board's usual procedure in naming parks is, in the first instance, to consider the names of boundary streets which gives quick and easy identification for park users. In this particular case both street names of Charles and MacLean already have parks named for them. As well, the "Mosaic Creek" (a metaphor), which courses through this small parcel of land is now a major landmark composed of colourful ceramic tiles designed and created by the artists and residents of this Grandview-Woodlands neighbourhood.

Also in support of this name are the Britannia Community Services Centre, Charles Square Housing Co-op, Grandview-Woodlands Area Council, Public Dreams Society, Watershed Housing Co-op, Environmental Youth Alliance, Eastside Family Place and the Commercial Drive Business Association.

It should be noted here that the Britannia Neighbours, with the support of Park Board staff, have raised over \$100,000 toward the development of the site and helped nurture community involvement along the way including planting the shrub beds and the making plus installing of the mosaic tiles.

A community celebration in late November is planned for the new park.

**JUSTIFICATION**

The name selection of "Mosaic Creek" falls within the Park Board's Guidelines

for the naming of new parks.

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