

Date: October 17, 1996

SUBJECT: GVWD Kersland Reservoir Repair, Queen Elizabeth Park

RECOMMENDATION:

• THAT the Board approve the GVWD's use of the area at Queen Elizabeth Park noted on Schedule A on a temporary basis for the reconstruction of the Kersland Reservoir with details subject to the approval of the General Manager.

BACKGROUND

The Greater Vancouver Water District presently owns one area of Queen Elizabeth Park for the operation and maintenance of the Little Mountain Reservoir and has a statutory right of way on City of Vancouver property for the Kersland Reservoir.

DISCUSSION

The Kersland Reservoir requires structural upgrading to meet current seismic standards. Upgrading of the structure is required to ensure the safety of the area immediately adjacent to the reservoir and to improve the District's ability to provide a safe and reliable supply of water.

The timing of the seismic upgrading construction is planned to be between November 1996, and April 1997. The Park Board will complete its planned tennis court resurfacing on the top of the Kersland Reservoir after this work is done, subject to funding availability.

In order to complete the GVWD project, the contractor will work generally within the footprint of the reservoir. However, temporary use of adjacent areas of the park will be needed for construction access and material and equipment storage. The tennis courts on the roof of the reservoir will be closed while construction takes place. The GVWD is seeking the Board's approval to use Board property on a temporary basis while the construction is underway.

CONCLUSION

The GVWD's seismic upgrading of Kersland Reservoir to be completed in order to ensure that the water supply for the City is safe and reliable requires temporary use of park land.

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