SUBJECT: STANLEY PARK CHRISTMAS TRAIN AND CHILDREN'S FARMYARD - CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL NO LONGER REQUIRED

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. THAT the following two resolutions approved by the Board on February 16, 1998 be rescinded:
 - i. THAT the Board transfer a share of admission fees, as outlined in this report, from the Christmas Train and Children's Farmyard to the City and, subject to receiving the necessary City Council approval, the City shall in turn transfer this amount to the British Columbia Professional Firefighters Burn Fund as a grant.
 - ii. THAT the Board enter into a five year operating agreement, effective July 1, 1998 with the City of Vancouver, the British Columbia Professional Firefighters Burn Fund and CUPE local 1004 with all terms and conditions subject to the approval of the General Manager and Director of Legal Services.
- B. THAT the Board transfer a share of admission fees, as outlined in the Board report of February 16, 1998, to the British Columbia Professional Firefighters Association.
- C. THAT the Board enter into a five year operating agreement, effective July 1, 1998, with the British Columbia Professional Firefighters Burn Fund and CUPE local 1004 with all terms and conditions subject to the approval of the General Manager and Director of Legal Services.

POLICY

Section 11 of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation Procedure By-Law states:

No previous resolution of the Board passed in the current term on any matter shall be rescinded unless by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the Board members present.

DISCUSSION

On February 16, 1998 the Board approved recommendations to accept a new lights display for the Christmas Train and Farmyard in Stanley Park. The minutes from this meeting are attached to this report. (Appendix 'A')

City staff recently advised the Board that they no longer felt that the sharing of revenues with a charitable institution constituted a grant and therefore Council approval was not necessary.

The Board is required to rescind the two resolutions that refer to the City's involvement and approve two new resolutions that omits any reference to the City.

JUSTIFICATION

Since the City will not be a party to the agreement with the Firefighters it is necessary for the Board to rescind two previous resolutions and approve two new ones.

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