SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECT FOR STANLEY PARK TOTEM POLE VISITOR PAVILION

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. THAT the Board award the contract for the supply of full architectural services for the design and construction of a visitor pavilion at the Stanley Park Totem Pole area to Lubor Trubka Associates Architects for an amount not to exceed \$65,000, including disbursements, not including GST.
- B. THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby, and none shall arise until execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.

COUNCIL POLICY

The Board awards all consultant contracts over \$30,000.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of May 5, 1997 the Board passed the following resolutions:

- A. THAT the Board approve the concept of a Concession/Visitor Centre at the Brockton Totem Pole site in Stanley Park.
- B. THAT an architect be retained to prepare a concept design for the Board's approval.
- C. THAT the Board request City Council to provide funding on a loan basis for the proposed Visitor Centre.
- D. THAT staff hold discussions with the lessee of the Prospect Point Cafe and report back on a marketing strategy for the new concession.
- E. THAT the interpretative and commercial components will acknowledge the history of the local First Nations and their involvement; and their counsel will be sought on the development of these elements.
- F. THAT staff be directed to look into the possibility of holding a competition for architects to come up with various concepts and designs for the

visitor centre."

Following further discussions on the method of choosing an architect at the December 1, 1997 meeting of the Board's Planning and Environment Committee, it was decided to choose an architect by the traditional approach of requesting proposals from a limited number of qualified candidates.

DISCUSSION

Staff requested proposals from four architectural firms to provide full architectural consulting services, including required sub-consultants for engineering, landscaping, and cost control. A committee composed of four staff representing both Planning and Income Operations interviewed three architectural firms on April 8, 1998.

The interviewing committee agreed to recommend to the Board the appointment of Lubor Trubka Associates Architects as architects for this project.

Staff propose to first have the architect study the program of needs and analyze the site constraints and opportunities. A general design "recipe" or direction would then be developed and publicly presented, before commencing schematic design. The schematic design would later also be displayed in an appropriate public setting for information and feedback.

Completion and occupancy of the new facility is targeted for the early Spring of 1999.

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