

February 19, 1998

**SUBJECT: ARCHITECT FOR KITSILANO COMMUNITY CENTRE
ADDITION AND RENOVATIONS**

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. THAT the Board award the contract for architectural services for the addition, renovations and code upgrading at Kitsilano Community Centre to Walter Francel Architect Inc., for a cost not to exceed \$184,000 including disbursements, excluding G.S.T.
- 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.

BOARD POLICY

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

BACKGROUND

A total project budget of \$2,282,500 has been established for additions, renovations and code upgrading to the Kitsilano Community Centre as follows: 1996 capital plan \$198,000, 1998 Community Centre Referendum \$400,000, 1998 capital plan \$1,534,500, and a donation of \$150,000 from the Kitsilano Community Association. The project will include both renovations and new construction.

DISCUSSION

Five architectural firms were asked to submit proposals for complete architectural services for the project. A Project Building Committee comprised of members of the Kitsilano Community Association and Planning and Recreation staff was established and reviewed the proposals and references for each architect. The Building Committee also visited one building project completed by each firm. After evaluating the proposals and visiting the buildings, the committee selected three architectural firms: Walter Francel Architect Inc., Nicholson Tamaki Architects Inc. and David Rogers Architect for interviews. Interviews were conducted on January 18, 1998 by the committee, and the unanimous recommendation of the Project Building Committee is to award the contract to Walter Francel Architect Inc.

The Board will be engaging the following consultants separately: cost consultant, geotechnical consultant, and building envelope consultant.

JUSTIFICATION

The architectural firm of Walter Francl Architect Inc. is qualified to provide the architectural services for the Kitsilano Community Centre project. The proposed fee for the project complies with the Tariff of Fees for Architectural Services recommended by the Architectural Institute of British Columbia and is comparable to fee packages submitted by other applicants. There are sufficient funds budgeted for this project. The Architect is the unanimous choice of the Building Committee for the project.

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