



Date: April 25, 2002

**TO: Board Members - Parks and Recreation**  
**FROM: General Manager - Parks and Recreation**  
**SUBJECT: Queen Elizabeth Park - Temporary Licence and Statutory Right of Way**

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

- A. THAT the Board grant a temporary licence to the Greater Vancouver Water District (GVWD) for the purpose of constructing pipeline work and rebuilding the Little Mountain Reservoir;**
- B. THAT, subject to the satisfactory conclusion of the memorandum of understanding between the Park Board and the GVWD with respect to the reconstruction of the reservoir, the City grant a permanent statutory right of way in favour of both the GVWD and the City of Vancouver over a portion of Queen Elizabeth Park: to the GVWD for the purpose of constructing and maintaining water works and to the City/Park Board for the purpose of constructing and maintaining public utilities, including telecommunications facilities;**
- C. THAT, once the form of the temporary licence and permanent statutory right of way has been approved by the General Manager of Parks and Recreation and the Director of Legal Services, the General Manager be authorized to execute and deliver the temporary licence on behalf of the Board and the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver the permanent statutory right of way.**

## **POLICY**

All interests in land which is permanent park must be approved by the Board.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Park Board has been updated on the planning progress for re-construction of the Little Mountain Reservoir several times over the last year, lastly on January 28, 2002.

Staff are in the process of negotiating a memorandum of understanding with the GVWD outlining the rights and responsibilities of the two parties, and are confident that agreement will be reached soon, to be reported to the Board shortly.

## **DISCUSSION**

The proposed temporary license covers the areas shown on the attached map in yellow. The license grants the GVWD use of these areas for the purpose of surveying, laying down, constructing pipelines and backfilling, and for cleaning up and restoring after completing construction. The licence expires upon completion of the construction of the reservoir which is expected to be April 30, 2004. The license is consistent with staff's expectations reported to the Board on January 28, 2002, and is required to allow the GVWD to begin construction of the pipeline work which has to occur before the actual reservoir re-construction, expected to begin in late summer. It should be noted that site preparations for the pipeline work are underway.

The Board is also asked to approve the grant by the City of the permanent statutory right of way for the area shown in blue on the attached plan.

Negotiations regarding the memorandum of understanding are continuing, focusing on details regarding the use of the future reservoir rooftop and the Park Board's in-kind contributions, all in accordance with the expectations reported to the Board on January 28, 2002.

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