



Date: June 25, 2015

TO: Park Board Chair and Commissioners
FROM: General Manager - Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation
SUBJECT: YMCA Childcare at Champlain Community School

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT the Vancouver Park Board approve the renewal of the agreement with the Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Vancouver (YMCA) for the use of activity space located in Champlain Heights Community School for the purpose of providing a licensed out-of-school care program for a three year period, September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2018.
- B. THAT the YMCA will pay to the Park Board a fee of \$1.00 per year for each of the three years of this agreement.
- C. THAT once the form of agreement has been approved by the General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation, and the Director of Legal Services for the City of Vancouver, the General Manager be authorized to execute the document on behalf of the Board.

POLICY

The Park Board approves use of all lands under its jurisdiction.

BACKGROUND

The Park Board is the operator of facility space located in the basement of Champlain Heights Community School. The YMCA has been successfully providing licensed out of school childcare services for 50 neighbourhood families out of this community recreation space (referred to as CR1 and CR2) since September 2011. The program has exclusive use of the space Monday to Friday from 7:00am to 9:00am and 2:30pm to 6:00pm from September 1 to June 30 each year. The exclusive use of the space Monday to Friday is extended to 7:00am to 6:00pm during all district wide school closures, professional development days, the winter holiday break, and Spring break.

DISCUSSION

The YMCA is responsible for all costs related to its childcare program and services including salaries, supplies, furniture, office equipment, appliances, and insurance. During the period of time when the YMCA has exclusive use of the space it must be used for providing only YMCA out-of-school care programs and services as outlined under the Provincial Child Care Licensing Regulations. The YMCA will not sublease to any other group without the permission of the Park Board.

SUMMARY

The YMCA delivers a wide variety of social services and programs to the residents of south Vancouver where significant public benefit is derived. The YMCA is requesting a renewal of their original contract for a further three years.

Staff is recommending that the Park Board approve a three year agreement with the YMCA under the same terms and conditions as the previous agreement.

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