



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

MINUTES of a **SPECIAL** meeting of the **GREATER VERNON ADVISORY COMMITTEE** held in the Board Room at the Regional District Office on Wednesday, November 28, 2012

Members:	Director M. Macnabb Alternate Director B. Spiers Councillor G. Kiss Director B. Fleming Director R. Sawatzky Director J. Cunningham Alternate Director J. Garlick	Electoral Area "C" (Chair) City of Vernon District of Coldstream Electoral Area "B" City of Vernon City of Vernon District of Coldstream
Staff:	T. Hall T. Nelson K. Pinkoski J. Byron D. Sewell H. Roseberry L. Mellott	Administrator Community Development Coordinator Parks Planner Corporate Officer General Manager, Finance Clerk (taking minutes) General Manager, Electoral Area Administration
Also Present:	Councillor M. Besso Alternate Director M. O'Keefe Councillor P. McClean Director D. Dirk Director P. Nicol Director Fairbairn Media and Public	District of Coldstream City of Vernon District of Coldstream District of Coldstream City of Vernon Electoral Area "D"

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Special Agenda – November 28, 2012

Moved and seconded by Director Sawatzky and Alternate Director Garlick
That the Special Agenda of the November 28, 2012 Greater Vernon Advisory Committee meeting, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Referendum Issues

Community Sports Facility – Cost Evaluation

The committee discussed the following topics in relation to the April 6, 2012 Community Sports Facility referendum:

- Public education opportunities
- Legislative process and timeline (bylaw development)
- Bylaw adoption deadline
- Community Steering Committee focus
- Voting eligibility and poll locations
- Project cost evaluation
- Price reduction effects on overall project
- Option to develop the project in phases to lower the initial borrowing cost
- Implications on timeline to go back to re-evaluate project
- Facility options – cost savings checklist (itemizing potential areas to cut costs)
- Property lease requirements with Okanagan College

Moved and seconded by Alternate Director Spiers and Councillor Kiss

That it be recommended to the Board of Directors that Staff be directed to carry out an exercise to examine the estimated costs of the Community Sports Facility with the intention to bring back options for the Community Sports Facility at a lower cost; and further,

That these options meet all the requirements of the property lease agreement with Okanagan College; and further,

That the options may include removing items, reducing the scale of items, or phasing in at a later date any of the proposed facility items not included in the property lease agreement with Okanagan College; and further,

That staff include in this exercise, negotiations on requirements for offsite works with the District of Coldstream to reduce costs; and further,

That staff investigate the costs of other similar facilities at UBCO in Kelowna and Thompson River University in Kamloops as part of this exercise; and further,

That the information and options from this exercise be brought back to GVAC for a decision to be made by the committee on the April 6, 2013 referendum amount for the Community Sports Facility.

CARRIED

Vernon Public Art Gallery and Greater Museum and Archives

The committee discussed the following:

- Vernon Public Art Gallery and Greater Vernon Museum and Archives request to be included on the ballot with the Community Sports Facility in the April 6, 2013 referendum
- Implications of adding additional items to the Community Sports Facility referendum
- Need for an Arts and Culture Master Plan

Moved and seconded by Alternate Directors Garlick and Spiers

That the April 6, 2013 referendum ballot include only the question of borrowing for the Community Sports Facility; and further;

That the next step to address the Art Gallery and Museum is for the City of Vernon to determine suitable locations for the Art Gallery and Museum; and further,

That when suitable locations are determined by the City of Vernon, they are provided to GVAC for review after the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the North Okanagan Arts Culture and Youth (NOACY) Service; and further,

That following the signing of the MOU for the NOACY Service, a plan be developed by the partners of the NOACY Service towards the goal of addressing the future of the Art Gallery and Museum.

CARRIED

Prioritizing Tasks and Initiatives

The committee discussed prioritization of tasks and initiatives in regards to the following:

- Parks, Recreation and Culture MOU's
- Water Review
- Master Water Plan
- Collective Agreement Negotiations
- 2013 Budget

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

Certified Correct:


Chair


Corporate Officer
JEANNE BYRON
CORPORATE OFFICER

