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2007-MAY-31

Mr. Jim Harris
DIGS Community Garden VIP Committee
173 Colvilleton Trail,
Nanaimo BC V9R 6R1

Dear Mr. Harris:

RE: DIGS COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT.

Thank you for your presentation at the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission meeting held Wednesday, 2007-MAR-28, requesting that the Commission allocate a \$15,000 grant from the Volunteer in Park Program for Phase 1 of the DIGS Community Garden project. As you know, the Commission referred this request to the Parks Committee for further review.

I wish to advise that at their 2007-MAY-23 meeting, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission passed the following motion:

1. allocate up to \$15,000 to the development of the DIGS community garden VIP project.
2. request staff work with the DIGS volunteers to establish a temporary park use agreement which would include a one-year trial period for community beds only.
3. request staff to report back, after one year, on the garden's success and make recommendations on how to proceed with the allocation of personal plots.

Mr. Jeff Ritchie, Manager of Parks, and Mr. Jim Plasteras, Supervisor of Parks Operations, will be contacting you to further discuss the DIGS Community Garden proposal. Mr. Ritchie can be reached at 755-7503 and Mr. Plasteras at 755-7505.

~~Thank you again for taking such a positive interest in the development of recreation and park facilities~~
~~and we wish you success with the community garden project.~~

Yours truly,

Larry McNabb, Chair,
Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission.

c R. Harding, Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture
J. Ritchie, Manager of Parks
J. Plasteras, Supervisor of Parks Operations

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