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- PRESENT:** Councillor G. Meyer, Chairperson
Councillor M. Knight, Vice Chairperson
Councillor L. Sinclair
- PUBLIC:** Richard Findlay, Landscape Architect
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- STAFF:** G. St. Louis, Director, Engineering and Municipal Operations
F. Keating, Project Engineer, Engineering and Municipal Operations
S. Watson, Manager, Parks, Engineering and Municipal Operations
E. Stepura, Director, Recreation and Culture
L. Sym, Committee and FOI Clerk
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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Memorial Park Committee adopts the agenda for the September 22, 2016 meeting as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) August 3, 2016

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Memorial Park Committee adopts the minutes from the August 3, 2016 meeting as circulated.

CARRIED

4. RESOLUTIONS FROM COUNCIL

Note: The following recommendations were approved by Council on September 19, 2016

2016-436 THAT Council endorses no accommodation of parking or vehicle access in Memorial Park.

5. STAFF AND STAKEHOLDER REVIEW SUMMARY – FIONA KEATING

The Landscape Architect gave a presentation showing input from members of the community from various information gathering sessions. Draft plans were revised to include input from these sessions.

On August 18 and 31 stakeholder reviews were held to give them an opportunity to review the concept plans and provide input to the Landscape Architect.

On September 14 and 22 two public information sessions were held at the White Rock Community Centre from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Concept boards were displayed, and members of the public were given the opportunity to provide input to the Landscape Architect.

It was noted that public input has determined that the new expanded washroom should be one (1) building, not two (2) separate buildings. There will be a shower outside and an area for lining up to accommodate large volume delays.

6. CONCEPT PLANS – FIONA KEATING

It was noted that the new green space will be expanded to the north, and existing larger trees will be retained to provide shade to the area.

It was suggested that the north edge of the park not have shrubs, instead possibly a curved “wall” where people can sit. It was also suggested that space on the green grass be left open to allow people to play games, i.e. frisbee.

Regarding the tourism kiosk, staff advised that a study is being prepared. It was noted that the public is looking for tourism information online rather than visiting tourism kiosks. The City of Surrey has hired a tourism consultant to determine whether the Visitor Information Centre on 176th Street should remain open. As an alternative to a kiosk, an Ambassador program could be established in the community with roving volunteers offering information to tourists and visitors.

It was requested that an interactive water feature be added to the park upgrade which will be considered if the budget will allow.

It was also suggested that bollards be used to deter vehicle access at the RCMP and accessible parking to the north of the park in order to use the space for equipment drop off during events. These bollards could function as additional seating by design.

Greg St. Louis departed the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

7. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT FEEDBACK SUMMARY – FIONA KEATING

It was requested that a slide be created for the next public information session that shows the existing area with an overlay of the proposed upgrades so everyone can see the changes to the existing park.

The Landscape Architect will be revising the Wave drawing option incorporating comments from the committee and members of the public.

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

9. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on October 4, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

10. **CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 5:10 p.m.



Cllr. Grant Meyer, Chairperson



L. Sym, Committee & FOI Clerk