

To: Members of the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory

Committee

From: Rob Anderson, Recreation Division Coordinator

Phil Jacobs, Parks and Forestry Supervisor

Meeting Date: January 19, 2016

Subject: Report APRC16-002

Controlling Vehicle Access into Del Crary Park

Purpose

A report to inform of measures being taken to control vehicle access into Del Crary Park, in response to an identified risk management issue.

Recommendation

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report APRAC16-002 dated January 19, 2016, of the Recreation Division Coordinator, as follows:

That Report APRAC16-002 be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

The estimated cost of \$18,000 to implement the measures to control vehicle access to Del Crary Park can be accommodated within the uncommitted balance of the approved Marina Dock Replacement Program capital budget (Reference # 6-1.07).

Background

The main entrance to Del Crary Park is located at the Park's northwest corner. The paved entrance-way is designed to provide vehicle drivers with direct access into the municipally owned parking lot, which is situated along the west side of Del Crary Park. The paved entrance-way abuts the interlocking stone situated within the park property, which is also identified as being part of the City's multi-use trail system. As per City By-law 09-164, only authorized vehicles are granted access to City parks and trails. The By-law is intended to protect the safety of people and public property.

There are three decorative bollards along the area where the pavement meets the interlocking stone. There are signs posted on the decorative bollards stating only authorized vehicles are permitted beyond that point. Authorized vehicles would include maintenance vehicles, fuel delivery trucks, large item deliveries to the marina, restaurant, and Liftlock Cruise Line, and those required for the set up of major events such as Musicfest. Unfortunately, unauthorized vehicles regularly drive into the prohibited area. The presence of unauthorized vehicles creates a risk to pedestrians within Del Crary Park, and to the Marina patrons. (For reference, an aerial photo of the Del Crary Park entrance is attached as Appendix "A"). It is anticipated the multi-use trail traffic though Del Crary Park will continue to increase once the trail extension at the east side of the park and around Crescent Street is completed.

Therefore, additional measures are required to ensure unauthorized vehicles do not have access beyond the paved entrance and parking lot area. Prior to the seasonal opening of the Park in 2016, four additional decorative bollards will be added along the area where the pavement meets the interlocking stone (see Appendix "A" for proposed bollard locations). Chains will be strung between the bollards and locked at each end, with one accessible opening maintained for pedestrian access. The Chains can be opened for authorized vehicle access or temporarily removed for major events, such as when the site is used as the start and finish line for running events.

In an effort to minimize negative impacts to the Marina's seasonal boater patrons, manually operated push carts will be purchased and made available to the boaters for transporting items from the parking lot to the docks. Marina Staff will also be equipped with a motorized cart, to assist patrons in situations where the manual carts are insufficient.

Submitted by,

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Attachments:

Appendix A – Aerial Photo of the Controlled Vehicle Access Point

Appendix A

Del Crary Park Controlled Vehicle Access Point

