<u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u> – <u>SEPTEMBER 4, 2001</u>

PARKS DEVELOPMENT DEVELOPER BUILD PARK FOREST FOUNTAIN PARK

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Director of Purchasing and the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

- 1. That Council approve additional funding of \$15,000.00 from taxation, for Forest Fountain Park; and,
- 2. That the Subdivision Agreement be amended to reflect the new amount; and,
- 3. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Purpose

The purpose is to obtain Council approval for additional funding.

Background - Analysis

The project is for the construction of a new park at Forest Fountain Drive and Sonoma Boulevard. This project, which is being undertaken as a developer build project, is a component of the approved 2001 Capital Budget in the amount of \$340,000.00, plus GST. It includes an informal sitting area, concrete walkways to connect into the community, a large playground and site furniture.

United Castlepoint South Inc., the developer for this subdivision, in consultation with staff, determined that the low bidder meets the requirements of the Department. The project's budget is insufficient to complete the park. In order to meet the budget, a gazebo, some paved areas and planting was deleted, however, staff are recommending that the planting be retained in order to provide a more aesthetically pleasing and complete park.

Staff anticipates the completion of some work in the fall of 2001.

Conclusion

Staff recommends that additional funding be provided.

Attachments

none

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Respectfully submitted,

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