COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OCTOBER 1, 2001

MONUMENT TO FALLEN ITALIAN WORKERS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services in consultation with the Executive Director of Buildings, Facilities and Parks recommends:

- 1. That the monument to fallen Italian workers remains at its current location.
- 2. That the staff complete the original design program in consultation with the original architect.
- 3. That the issues identified by the architect be corrected.
- 4. That the original budget of \$50,000 be increased to \$65,000 to complete the above work.

Purpose

To provide an update regarding the issues related to the monument and obtain Council approval to complete the work outlined in this report.

Background - Analysis and Options

At its meeting on August 27, 2001, Council requested that staff provide a report addressing the issues related to the monument to fallen Italian workers.

Staff met with the local Councillor and community representatives to discuss the Monument. It was determined that the monument not be relocated, and that the issues are addressed.

The original architect was contacted to discuss the work that was required. The Architect recommends that in addition to the maintenance issue, that the original design program be completed. This includes waterproofing and installation of a water pump with a control drain. A continuous galvanized rail will be installed around the perimeter of the pool. In addition, smaller railings will also be installed to impede climbing, roller blading and skateboarding. (See drawing #5).

Conclusion

Staff recommends that the monument not be relocated and that the issues identified be addressed in consultation with the architect. Should Council concur, the work will start immediately.

Attachments

Drawing #5

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Respectfully submitted,

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