

Amendments to the P1 zone for City recreation facilities

RECOMMENDATION:

That Committee of Council recommend to Council that the Zoning Bylaw be amended to allow for additional commercial uses at City recreation, arts and culture facilities.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

None.

REPORT SUMMARY

This report recommends Council introduce an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw that would allow for complementary commercial uses to be offered at the Port Coquitlam Community Recreation Center, the Hyde Creek Recreation Center, the Outlet and the Gathering Place.

BACKGROUND

The Community Recreation Center, the Hyde Creek Recreation Center, the Outlet and the Gathering Place are community arts, culture and recreation facilities owned and operated by the City of Port Coquitlam and zoned P1 (Civic Institutional).

The P1 zone is generally intended to regulate public services uses, including municipal government facilities and schools through the provision of “civic use”. The P1 zone also allows for a limited number of additional uses such as child care facilities, offices for non-profit societies, and accessory commercial uses.

DISCUSSION

The Community Recreation Center, the Hyde Creek Recreation Center, the Outlet and the Gathering Place deliver public recreation, arts and culture services to the community. These facilities also currently offer limited accessory commercial uses, such as concessions stands.

In keeping with community demand, the City has identified a future opportunity to house additional supportive and complementary uses at its facilities; these uses could include health related offices and personal services, retail sales of sporting or art supplies, restaurants and cafes. These uses could be delivered by the municipality as part of facility operations or space leased to a private operator as a stand-alone use.

The proposed amendment will clarify the full range of complementary uses that could be established at these facilities. The amendment would also allow the concession at the Community Recreation Center to serve alcoholic beverages to patrons watching sporting events (within


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designated areas) and includes several minor housekeeping changes that do not change the intent of the P1 provisions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None

OPTIONS (✓ = Staff Recommendation)

	#	Description
	1	Recommend that Council amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow for additional commercial uses at City recreation, arts and culture facilities.
	2	Request amendment of the draft bylaw amendments prior to their consideration.
	3	Determine that no changes will be made to existing regulations at this time.

Attachment 1: Proposed Bylaw Amendments

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