

## Appendix A - Report from the Mayor's Forums on the Olympics

### IV. Vancouver's Olympic and Paralympic Legacy: An action plan for youth, sport and the arts

To provide immediate and enduring benefits for the youth of Vancouver, I recommend that the City:

- Create a Vancouver Olympic Youth Legacy for Sport and the Arts for children and youth with the following elements:
- Enforce the goal established by the federal-provincial health ministers and recommended in the Romanow report to increase physical activity in children and youth by 10 per cent by 2010;
- Expand access to community sport, recreation and arts programs by 2010 for residents under 19, starting with free access to some recreational services, including public skating in 2003/2004;
- Seek to double available time in gyms, fields and informal play areas, including coaching and other support, by 2010, through integrated use of existing city, school and park facilities, development of 'lighthouse' programs, athletes in residence programs and other initiatives;
- Seek voter approval in 2005 for the creation of a \$ 10 million youth sports, recreation and the arts endowment fund (\$5 million for sport and \$5 million for the arts) to sustain the program, while seeking to increase the fund through strategic partnerships with foundations and other levels of government;
- Establish a youth and community-driven task force to design and implement the Vancouver Olympic Youth Legacy for Sport and the Arts with program funding for \$200,000 to design and implement pilot programs in each of the next three years;
- Seek partnerships with the Vancouver School Board, the Vancouver Park Board, city amateur sport and recreation groups, LegaciesNOW, youth organizations, the private sector, other levels of government and other stakeholders to develop and implement the program.