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## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council  
FROM: General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation  
SUBJECT: Vancouver Sport Hosting Grant: 2012 Spring Intake Allocations

### *RECOMMENDATION*

THAT Council approve Sport Hosting Grants totalling \$91,934 as listed in the body of this report. Source of funds to be the Sport Hosting Grant Budget.

### *GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS*

The General Manager of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation recommends approval of the foregoing.

### *COUNCIL POLICY*

On July 13, 2006 Council approved a Sport Hosting Policy and Sport Hosting Grant Program effective January 1, 2007, with annual funding of \$200,000 to support a range of sporting events.

Approval of grant recommendations requires eight affirmative votes.

### *SUMMARY*

This report recommends approval of Major Sport Operating Grants totalling \$91,934.

### *BACKGROUND*

On July 13, 2006, as part of a report on the development of a comprehensive Vancouver Sport Strategy, Council approved a Sport Hosting Grant Program with annual funding of \$200,000 to support a range of sporting events.

Specific assessment guidelines were also outlined in the Council report and three types of grants were designed to support sport hosting:

**Major Sport Event Operating Grant** - Funding for direct operating costs not to exceed the lesser of 30% of the event's total gross operating budget or \$100,000.

**Major Sport Event City Service Offset Grant** - Funding to offset direct city services such as police, engineering, parks, not to exceed the lesser of 50% of an event's city service costs or \$10,000.

**Community Sport Event Operating Grant** - Funding for direct operating costs not to exceed the lesser of 30% of an event's total gross operating budget or \$5,000.

Summary of the Sport Hosting Grant Application History			
Intake Years	Total Number of Applications	Amount of Grant Requested	Amount of Grant Approved *
2007-2011	74	\$1,975,377	\$1,083,446

\* \$184,212 has been returned back to the program as some events were cancelled or did not meet spending thresholds

### **DISCUSSION**

All Sport Hosting grant applications are reviewed by a panel comprised of representatives from the Park Board and other key stakeholders in the sport hosting community.

The panel received seven applications during the spring 2012 intake. There were six applications for major operating grants and one for a community grant. The panel met to review applications on April 26, 2012.

### **Summary of Review Panel Recommendations**

The Review Panel applied the criteria outlined in the assessment guidelines carefully. Not all organizations or events met the required criteria and therefore some applications could not be recommended for support.

Table 1 below outlines the organizations and events which applied for grants, and the requested and recommended grants.

**Table 1**

Organization	Event	Event Budget	Grant Requested	Grant Recommended
<b>Major Sport Event Operating Grants</b>				
Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society	Rio Tinto Alcan Dragon Boat Festival	\$805,000	\$88,000	\$0

Organization	Event	Event Budget	Grant Requested	Grant Recommended
Ocean Athletics Track & Field	Canadian Cross Country Running Championship	\$51,200	\$10,000	\$10,000
Tennis BC	Stanley Park Open	\$162,951	\$30,000	\$20,000
UBC Wrestling Club	2012 Canadian Grappling National Championships	\$51,018	\$15,305	\$10,000
Volleyball BC	Youth Beach Volleyball National Championships	\$89,780	\$26,934	\$26,934
Westside Grand Prix of Cycling Society	UBC Grand Prix	\$123,600	\$37,080	\$25,000
<b>Community Sport Event Operating Grants</b>				
JBST Soccer Association	Soccer Camp	N/A	\$5,000	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7 Events</b>	<b>\$1,283,549</b>	<b>\$212,319</b>	<b>\$91,934</b>

The Review Panel is recommending support for 5 Major Sport Operating Grants totaling \$91,934 to be funded from the Sport Hosting Grant budget.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The table below details the funding available for the Sport Hosting Grant program, including future commitments previously approved by Council.

Source and/or Allocation of Funds	Funding	Spent or Committed as at April 27, 2012	Remaining Funding
2011 Carry Forward for events previously approved by Council	\$150,349	\$150,349	\$0
2011 Carry Forward (for future events to be approved by Council)	\$20,751	\$0	\$20,751
2012 Annual Sport Hosting Grant Funding	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$150,000
<b>Total Funding available for allocation</b>	<b>\$371,100</b>	<b>\$200,349</b>	<b>\$170,751</b>

Source and/or Allocation of Funds	Funding	Spent or Committed as at April 27, 2012	Remaining Funding
Recommended allocation in this report			\$91,934
Funding for future events to be approved by Council at a future date			\$78,817

As noted above, \$170,751 is currently available for funding with \$78,817 remaining after approval of the current recommendation. A report recommending allocation of the remaining Sport Hosting grants funding to projects from a second application intake will be presented to City Council later in the year.

It should be noted that there is a commitment of \$200,000 for the remaining portion of the \$250,000 in funding approved by Council on February 3, 2011 (RTS 9059) for hosting the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup. This commitment must be funded from future Sport Hosting Grant funds between 2012 and 2015.

### *CONCLUSION*

The Sport Hosting Grant review panel recommends support for grants totaling \$91,934 as outlined in the body of this report. The recommendations reflect a careful and considered process within the policy and guidelines provided by Council.

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