



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: **Amendment to City Amenity Gift Program
Policy CO – 62**

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RECOMMENDATION:

THAT City Council approve the City Amenity Gift Program Policy CO – 62 as amended.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from City Council to amend City Amenity Gift Program Policy CO – 62.

POLICY:

City Amenity Gift Program Policy CO – 62 provides opportunities for individuals and groups to contribute to the enhancement of parks and public spaces through the gifting of functional, engaging, and attractive amenities that increase the enjoyment of all visitors.

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

One of the proposed amendments to City Amenity Gift Program Policy CO – 62 requires that donations or contributions such as benches, trees or other types of furnishings shall not vary from the City's standard list/catalogue of popular amenities under the policy and/or specifications under other City's policies or standards.

The other amendment is to limit the significant or legacy donations that are generally valued above \$5,000 to playground equipment, picnic shelters and outdoor fitness equipment.

These amendments will ensure that the donated gifts are in conformity with the City's design standards and specifications; allow the City to easily maintain, repair or replace the donated gifts; and reduce the risk of high repair or replacement costs to specialized / non-standard gifts.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

It will be easier and potentially more cost effective to maintain, repair or replace the donated gifts if they are in conformity with the City's design standards and specifications.

ALTERNATIVES:

None provided.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Attachment:

1. City Amenity Gift Program CO – 62