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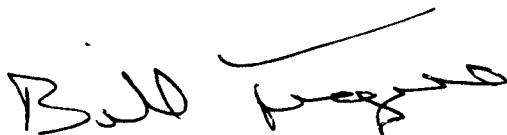
Committee Chairlady.
General Purposes Committee.

General Purposes Committee Meeting; 15th October 2001:

I hereby request the opportunity to make a presentation to the above committee at the 15th of October 2001 meeting, regarding compliance with the dog leashing by-laws.

Sincerely,

Capt. Bill Teague.



Copy to:- **Fran Ashton**,
Administrative Assistant,
Clerks Office.





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September 10, 2001

Bill Teague, Jean Weaver
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Dear Mr. Teague and Ms. Weaver:

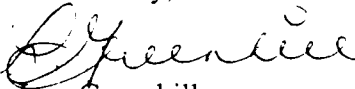
Re: Dogs Off-leash at Garry Point Park

Thank you for your letter, which was received in the Mayor's office on August 28th. I know that you have met with former Mayor Halsey-Brandt, and subsequently Acting Mayor Linda Barnes on July 4th. I understand that Mr. Redpath, who was present at that meeting, agreed to follow-up on several of your concerns, as outlined in the letter to you dated July 6th.

Your request to be kept informed of matters related to the progress of North McLennan Community Park will be referred to staff. In the meanwhile, as you still have some ongoing concerns about the dogs off-leash program, one suggestion I have for you is to make a presentation at the General Purposes Committee meeting scheduled for 4:00 pm, Monday, October 15th. Staff will be presenting a report on the dogs off-leash program at that meeting. If that is your decision, please send a letter to me as the Chair of the Committee, with a copy to the Committee's Administrative Assistant Fran Ashton, Clerks Office at City Hall, by 5:00 pm, Wednesday, October 10th, so that you will be noted on the agenda. All members of Council attend General Purposes Committee meetings.

Another option, if you wish to make your comments to the General Purposes Committee prior to October 15th meeting, is to attend our next meeting on Monday, September 17th. Although there will not be any reports about the dogs off-leash program on that agenda, you still have the option to appear as a delegation. You will need to notify me by September 12th in order to be on the agenda. I trust these options will be suitable if you choose to make a presentation, to bring your concerns to the attention of all members of Council.

Yours truly,


Lyn Greenhill
Acting Mayor

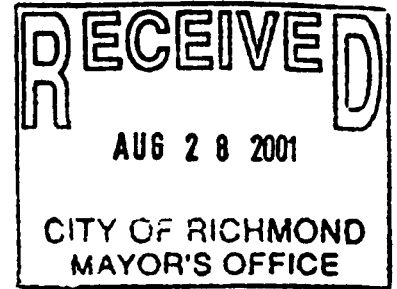
pc: Fran Ashton, Administrative Assistant, Clerks Office
Mike Redpath, Manager, Parks Administration and Programs
Sandra Tokarczyk, Manager, Community Bylaws



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The Mayor,
City of Richmond.



re:- Dogs off leash at Garry Point Park:

Thank you for meeting with us recently regarding the problem of "off leash" dogs.

It has raised a number of points, which we wish to place on record.

It is very disconcerting that our original proposal and the then Mayors reply, have been either lost or misplaced. Attached are copies of both. From the date you will now appreciate our frustration that nothing has been achieved, in spite of it being nearly three years.

We feel aggrieved that if public hearings were held prior to the opening of 7 parks to allow off leash, that we were not invited or even informed as we were on the ad hoc dog committee.

The present policing of enforcement of unleashed dogs in public parks is woefully inadequate and totally ineffective, especially over weekends. In ten years we have yet to see a single official in attendance!! And this in spite of the fact that fully 80% of dogs, in our experience, continue to run off leash, and obviously with impunity & arrogance. This is a very sorry state of affairs and requires immediate remedial action on the part of the authorities.

Recently in Victoria yet another little girl had to undergo surgery to save her scalp after being attacked by a dog. This is just too much.

As a start to offsetting the huge imbalance between parks where off leash is permitted and those where no dogs are allowed, a perfect candidate is the new North McClennan Community Park on Garden City.

We wish to be kept informed of progress in these matters.

Bill Teague.

Jean Weaver.

with best regards,

Bill Teague

Jean Weaver

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The Mayor,
City of Richmond.

Hon; G. Halsey-Brandt,

re: Garry Point Park.

My wife and I wish to make a proposal regarding Garry Point Park.

As parks exist for the benefit of people, and especially children who enjoy using the beach during the Summer, we believe the time has come for a ban on dogs in the park during the Summer months.

From, say, May until October no dogs should be allowed into the park and for the other half of the year dogs should be permitted "off leash". This would be a very fair and equitable compromise in the best Canadian tradition.

There are several well established precedents where this arrangement works satisfactorily.

Sad to relate, but at the present time, it has been our experience that less than 20% of dogs we encounter in both the park and on the West Dyke Trail are ever on a leash. On more than one occasion we have had unpleasant experiences as a result.

We firmly believe this suggestion to be in everyone's best interests and request it be given favourable consideration to be implemented for the Summer of 1999.

Bill Teague
Jean Weaver



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GREG HALSEY-BRANDT
MAYOR

November 19, 1998

Mr. Bill Teague and
Ms. Jean Weaver
#101-8700 Jones Road
Richmond, B.C., V6Y 1L8

Dear Mr. Teague and Ms. Weaver

Re: Dogs "off leash" at Garry Point Park

Thank you for your letter dated November 9, 1998 regarding dogs "off leash" at Garry Point Park. At this time, I have referred your letter to Mr. Dave Semple (Director of Parks). Mr. Semple is currently working with an ad-hoc dog advisory group examining a number of issues related to dogs in Richmond. Dogs "off-leash" at Garry Point Park is one of those issues.

In discussion with Mr. Semple, I have been informed that a staff report to Council regarding dogs "off leash" will be forthcoming. At that time, Council will review options regarding the matter. Your suggestions will undoubtedly be considered in this report. Additionally, both Garry Point Park and the West Dyke trail will be included in this review.

I have asked Mr. Semple to contact you directly to invite you to work with the ad-hoc group in exploring options. Should you not hear from him in the immediate future, please feel free to contact him at 276-4109.

Yours truly,

Greg Halsey-Brandt
Mayor

pc: Dave Semple, Director of Parks

Handwritten notes:
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276-4109
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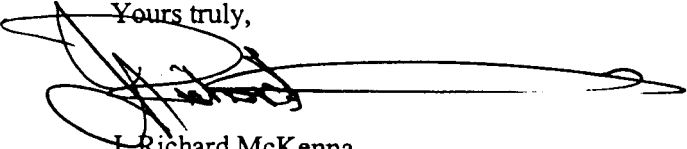
Capt. Bill Teague
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Dear Sir:

Re: Compliance with Dog Leashing Bylaws

In response to your letter dated October 1st, 2001, this is to confirm that arrangements have been made for you to appear as a delegation regarding the above matter at the open General Purposes Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, October 15th, 2001 at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room, located on the 2nd floor, of Richmond City Hall.

Yours truly,



J. Richard McKenna
City Clerk

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pc Manager, Community Bylaws

bpc Acting Mayor Greenhill
Manager, Parks Administration
& Programs