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PARKS AND REC COMMITTEE

CC: Richmond Sports Council

The Dugout Club - a Rmd based Non-For-Profit Registered Society - is contemplating making application for a \$50,000 grant being provided by the **Vancouver Canadians Baseball Foundation** in order to help bring one of our community projects to fruition.

That being to bring an actual BASEBALL diamond to the East Richmond Community that we believe will not only enhance the opportunity for small children to begin to play the game right there in their own neighbourhood, but if done right by **installing an AT infield as being done in many other municipalities**, will provide an opportunity to multiple users from all over Richmond to be benefitted by this addition. Those being baseball associations of all brands, Slo-Pitch, Softball users and perhaps if needed at the time, even for the 2020 Senior Games as "Slo-Pitch" is tentatively scheduled for that location.

While the need for such a facility is already on the recently discussed "**Richmond Sports Council's Facility Needs Assessment**", the actual application requires a semblance of support from the City if not the actual permits, pricing, etc. Our hope is to relay at least that much in our application along with a "ballpark figure" if at all possible.

Thank you in advance for the opportunity to speak on this matter on behalf of not only TDC, but for those in the community that would benefit from this addition to our playing fields.

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