



# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

**To:** Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee      **Date:** November 1, 2019

**From:** Marie Fenwick, Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services      **File:** 11-7000-01/2019-Vol 01

**Re:** **Steveston Harbour Authority Archway Sign - Request for Funding**

### Staff Recommendation

That a funding contribution of \$50,000 be approved from the Council Community Initiative Account to support the Steveston Harbour Authority Archway Sign, and that the expenditure be included in the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2020-2024), as outlined in the staff report "Steveston Harbour Authority Archway Sign – Request for Funding" dated November 1, 2019 from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services.

*CM Fenwick*

Marie Fenwick  
 Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services  
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Att. 1

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## Staff Report

### Origin

At the September 25, 2018 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Meeting staff received the following referral:

*That staff consider the request of the Steveston Harbour Authority to place a new archway on City property at Sixth Avenue, including options to showcase the heritage value of the proposed archway location, and report back.*

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #3 One Community Together:

*Vibrant and diverse arts and cultural activities and opportunities for community engagement and connection.*

*3.3 Utilize an interagency and intercultural approach to service provision.*

*3.4 Celebrate Richmond's unique and diverse history and heritage.*

### Analysis

On September 25, 2018, Robert Kiesman, Chair, and Cheryl Muir, Community Representative, from the Steveston Harbour Authority (SHA) Board of Directors attended the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting to provide an update on the recent activities and the future vision for the SHA. At that time, they presented the concept for an archway sign at the Sixth Avenue entrance to the SHA Gulf Site and expressed their desire to work with the City on the proposed archway. As a result of the discussion that followed, staff were referred to consider the request and report back.

On October 28, 2019, the City received a letter with a proposed design for the archway sign and a formal request for \$50,000 to support the detailed design, construction and installation of the archway sign (Attachment 1). The proposal indicates that this represents 1/3 of the total project cost, with the remaining 2/3 being funded by the SHA and the Musquem Indian Band.

The proposal indicates that the SHA expects the archway sign to achieve the following:

- promote the fishing industry;
- “stamp” the site for fishing-related development, as required by the Steveston Harbour Authority’s mandate;
- produce a collaborative, positive project that reflects the interlocking relationships between governments, industry, the public and First Nations in Steveston; and
- act as a catalyst for the additional fishing-based capital projects at the Gulf Site.

The archway sign will be located on Department of Fisheries and Oceans Small Craft Harbour Property. It is expected the sign will be fabricated and installed by February 28, 2020. The SHA will be responsible for all ongoing maintenance and care of the sign.

**Financial Impact**

\$50,000 for this project is available in the Council Community Initiatives Fund.

**Conclusion**

Steveston Harbour has been the hub of commercial activity in Steveston throughout the community's history. At the turn of the century, tall ships from around the world could be found in the harbour to load salmon for international markets. Today the Steveston Harbour continues to be home to more than 500 commercial fishing vessels and encompasses over 17.5 hectares, making it the largest small craft harbour in Canada.

The installation of the proposed archway sign along a prominent walking path used by both residents and tourists will help to celebrate the importance of the fishing industry, past, present and future.



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Att. 1: Proposal Letter from the Steveston Harbour Authority



October 28, 2019

## STEVESTON HARBOUR AUTHORITY

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Harold Steves, Chair  
Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee  
City of Richmond  
Via Email: hsteves@richmond.ca

Dear Councillor Steves,

**RE: SHA ARCHWAY- 6TH AVENUE – REQUEST FOR \$50,000 FROM CITY OF RICHMOND**

As discussed at our presentation to the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Committee in late 2018, I am happy to advise that Steveston Harbour Authority (SHA) has finally received a quotation for \$150,000 for the design, construction and installation of the archway at the entrance to the Gulf Site at Sixth Avenue and Chatham Street. As discussed with your Committee, the City of Richmond, and the Council of the Musqueam Indian Band, the cost of the archway will be split three ways on an equal-share basis. We also expect that the Department of Fisheries and Oceans will be providing in-kind support, in the form of pile driving and other logistical support.

I have attached a copy of the design which outlines the dimensions for your information. Please note that this design has been revised numerous times as a result of extensive comments from BC Hydro over the past several months. Further, please be reminded that the overall style of the archway is similar to the archway that was erected at our fish sales float in July 2017.

We expect that fabrication of the archway will commence in early December. We are extremely excited about the archway as it will achieve the following objectives:

- promote the fishing industry;
- "stamp" the site for fishing-related development, as required by Steveston Harbour Authority's mandate;
- produce a collaborative, positive project that reflects the interlocking relationships between governments industry, the public and First Nations in Steveston; and act as a catalyst for the additional fishing-based capital projects on the Gulf Site.

Please make arrangements to have the City of Richmond contribute \$50,000 to the cost of building the archway, representing 33.3% of the maximum cost for the project. We request that these funds be provided directly to the SHA in order that we can disperse the funds to the engineers and other contractors.

Please contact Jaime Gusto, General Manager of the SHA, in the event that you require any further information or documentation in order to process our request.

Yours truly,



Robert Kiesman, Board Chairman  
**Steveston Harbour Authority**

CC: SHA Board of Directors  
Jaime Gusto, General Manager  
Marie Fenwick, Director of Art, Culture & Heritage Services

Enclosures (2)



