

# Report to Council



**Date:** May 7, 2018  
**File:** 0610-51  
**To:** City Manager  
**From:** Doug Nicholas, Sport & Event Services Manager  
**Subject:** Kelowna 55+ BC Games – Board of Directors

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## **Recommendation:**

THAT Council receives for information, the report from the Sport & Event Services Manager dated May 7, 2018, with respect to assembling a Board of Directors for the Kelowna 2019 55+ BC Games;

AND THAT Council appoint David Graham, Hugh Gloster, Keith Grayston, Lesley Spiegel, Valaura Vedan, Ron Forbes, Willy Kovacic, Lesley Driscoll, Don Backmeyer, Tom Dyas, Dan Rogers and Mark Fromberg as members of the Kelowna 2019 55+ BC Games Board of Directors.

## **Purpose:**

To obtain Council approval of the appointment of the Board of Directors responsible for organizing and hosting the Kelowna 2019 55+ BC Games on behalf of the City of Kelowna.

## **Background:**

The 55+ BC Games, formerly known as the BC Seniors Games, is an annual multi-sport event in BC that brings together approximately 3,800 participants annually to celebrate community and athletic achievement. Kelowna was selected to host the 2019 55+ BC Games, scheduled for September 10 to 14, 2019, and preparations are now underway.

A nominations committee, chaired by Mayor Basran, was established to recommend and recruit a list of candidates to serve on the Board of Directors that will form a new Society, under the Societies Act of BC, responsible for organizing and hosting the Games. Based on the work of the nominations committee, the following people were nominated, and have agreed to serve in one or more of the thirteen (13) portfolios identified for the Kelowna 55+ BC Games' Board of Directors (Biographies attached):

- President – David Graham

- Vice President/Administration – Hugh Gloster
- Administration – Keith Grayston
- Ceremonies – Lesley Spiegel
- Promotions – Valaura Vedan
- Registration & Results – Ron Forbes
- Friends of the Games – Willy Kovacic
- Sport – Lesley Driscoll
- Security/Transportation – Don Backmeyer
- Protocol – Tom Dyas/Dan Rogers
- Medical – Mark Fromberg

Recruitment continues for two director portfolios (Communications and Special Events) and these additional directors will be added by the Board of Directors for the new Society as soon as possible. Additionally, Games preparations will begin immediately for Board members with the “Games & Guidelines Session” and “Directorate Specific Meetings” scheduled to take place in May. City staff will liaise with and support the Board of Directors, and provide progress updates to Council throughout the planning process.

**Internal Circulation:**

Jim Gabriel, Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture  
 Amanda Lamberti, Communications Advisor

**Financial/Budgetary Considerations:**

On May 25, 2015, Council committed to the Games a cash contribution of \$60,000 and in-kind support of services and facilities with a deemed value of \$55,000

**Considerations not applicable to this report:**

Legal/Statutory Authority:  
 Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:  
 Existing Policy:  
 Personnel Implications:  
 External Agency/Public Comments:  
 Communications Comments:  
 Alternate Recommendation:

**Submitted by:**

Doug Nicholas, Sport & Event Services Manager

**Approved for inclusion:**

Jim Gabriel, Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture

**Attachments:**

Kelowna 55+ BC Games – Board Biographies

cc: Jim Gabriel, Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture