



STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

Membership of the Canadian Standards Association Children's Playspaces Technical Committee

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To:	City Council
From:	General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation
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SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide follow up information as requested by the Parks and Environment Committee, at its meeting of June 17, 2010, to the staff report "Making City Playgrounds Fully Accessible" on the composition of the membership of the Canadian Standards Association Children's Playspaces Technical Committee to the July 6, 2010 City Council meeting.

Financial Impact

This report is for information purposes only. There is no financial impact with the receipt of this report.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of June 17, 2010, the Parks and Environment Committee requested a report to the July 6, 2010 City Council meeting on the composition of the Canadian Standards Association Children's Playspaces Technical Committee.

Link to the Parks and Environment Committee Decision Document (PE31.2):
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2010/pe/decisions/2010-06-17-pe31-dd.htm>

Link to the Staff Report "Making City Playgrounds Fully Accessible"
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2010/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-30629.pdf>

COMMENTS

Canadian Standards Association

The Canadian Standards Association (CSA) is not a government agency, but an independent not-for-profit membership-based organization serving business, industry, government and consumers in Canada. The CSA develops standards that address the need to enhance public safety and health. Compliance with all CSA standards is voluntary unless mandated by government or enforced by regulatory authorities. CSA committees are created using a balanced matrix approach to ensure that one interest group does not dominate and the development process is fair and unbiased. Committee members volunteer, and their experience varies to include business, industry, labour, government and consumer groups.

CSA Playspaces Technical Committee

The CSA Playspaces Technical Committee is composed of volunteer members representing stakeholders likely to be affected by the playspaces standard and include representatives from Canadian Child Care Federation, Health Canada, Canadian Parks and Recreation Association, Safe Kids Canada, Ville de Montreal, as well as various manufacturers and municipalities from across Canada.

The fourth and latest edition of the CSA-Z614 Children's Playspaces and Equipment standard was announced in May 2007 and this update included guidance on how to design more inclusive playspaces for children with disabilities.

Technical Committee on Children's Playspaces and Equipment Members

The following is a list of committee member organizations represented on the CSA Playspaces Technical Committee:

# of members	Organization	City
1 – Associate Member	Active Living Alliance for Canadians with Disabilities/Recreation Integration Victoria	Victoria, BC
1 – Member	Alpha-Omega International	Pierrefonds, QB
1 – Associate Member	Blue Imp Recreational Products	Edmonton, AB
1 – Associate Member	British Columbia Ministry of Health Services	Victoria, BC
1 – Associate Member	Calgary Board of Education	Calgary, AB
1 – Member	Canadian Child Care Federation	Verdun, QB
1 – Vice-Chair	Canadian Parks & Recreation Association	Edmonton, AB
1 – Associate Member	Canadian Parks & Recreation Association	Ottawa, ON

1 – Member	City of Calgary	Calgary, AB
1 – Member	City of Edmonton	Edmonton, AB
1 – Member	City of Toronto	Toronto, ON
1 – Member	Community Child Care Consulting	Vancouver, BC
1 – Project Manager	CSA	Mississauga, ON
1 – Associate Member	Detroit Testing Laboratory Inc.	Warren, Michigan, USA
1 – Associate Member	Equipments Recreatifs Jambette Inc.	Levis, QB
1 – Member	Everplay International Inc.	Brampton, ON
1 – Associate Member	Fortco Synthetic Safety Surfaces Ltd.	Oakville, ON
1 – Member	Grace-Kells Consultant Inc.	Ottawa, ON
1 – Member	Health Canada	Hamilton, ON
1 – Member	Henderson Recreation Equipment Ltd.	Simcoe, ON
1 – Member	KSL Design Ltd.	Brantford, ON
1 – Associate Member	Ministere de la famille et del'enfance	Montreal, QB
1 – Member	Ontario Ministry of Children and Youth Services	Toronto, ON
1 – Member	Ontario Parks Association	Milton, ON
1 – Associate Member	Ontario School Boards' Insurance Exchange	Guelph, ON
1 – Associate Member	Playcare Inc.	Schomberg, ON
1 – Member	Playpower LT (Canada) Inc.	Paris, ON
1 – Associate Member	Recreation Playsystems, A Division of RTS Plastics Inc.	Waterloo, ON
1 – Associate Member	Regroupement des centres de la petite enfance de la Monteregie	St-Hubert, QB
1 – Member	Reliable Reporting Services Inc.	Toronto, ON
1 – Member	Rubaroc/International Inc.	Hamilton, ON
1 – Member	Ryerson University	Toronto, ON
1 – Member	Safe Kids Canada	Toronto, ON
1 – Associate Member	Tessier Recreo Parc Inc.	Nicolet, QB
1 – Member	University of Manitoba	Winnipeg, MB
1 – Member	Vancouver Island Health Authority	Victoria, BC
1 – Member	Ville de Montreal	Montreal, QB

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