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Re: Scarborough Community Council New Business item – Engraved Bench Donation for McCowan District Park.

SUMMARY:

Following an extensive parkland enhancement project, McCowan District Park is scheduled to officially open in December 2016. This 20-acre park will operate year round activities including: an outdoor skating rink and skating path, a splash pad, sports field, community green space, playground and recreational trails.

Community members were recently able to secure a granite bench valued at approximately \$5,000, donated by Resthaven Memorial Gardens at no cost to the City, engraved to commemorate Yen Zhang - a 36 year old mother who lost her life to a drunk driver in the area ten years ago.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Parks, Forestry and Recreation and Economic Development staff investigate the feasibility of accepting the donation of one engraved granite bench from Resthaven Memorial Gardens and report back to the next meeting of Scarborough Community Council with their recommendations, as well as any possible issues involving installation, location and maintenance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Gary Crawford", written in a cursive style.

Gary Crawford
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