COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor & Council

Date: December 7, 2009

From: Jennifer Findlay, Economic Development Officer

Re: Beaches Parks & Trails Development Project

Background

The Beaches Parks & Trails project will develop conceptual drawings and class C estimates for the re-development of Kenora's beaches, parks and trails. The re-development of these greens spaces is identified in the Economic Development Plan and Tourism Strategy as a project that will increase Kenora's potential as a destination community.

The project will also develop a streetscaping plan for Keewatin's business area.

The project was tendered in the fall and Scatliff, Miller, Murray have been chosen as the consulting firm to lead the project.

The project will be managed by a steering committee comprised of city staff from planning, economic development, tourism and parks as well as volunteers from the trails, tourism, and economic development committees and one member of City Council.

Recommendation:

THAT Councillor Wendy Cuthbert be appointed as the Council representative to the Beaches Parks & Trails Development Project Steering Committee.