9. PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH AN ADVENTURE PARK ON RECREATIONAL RESERVE AT SPENCERVILLE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval to grant Adrenalin Forest Limited, (Mr Jean Caillibert) a licence so it can proceed to establish a French ropes-based "Adventure Park".

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. Mr Jean Caillibert, on behalf of Adrenalin Forest Limited, has negotiated with Council staff over the last two years to install the adventure-based ropes course at Seafield Park, Spencerville. Negotiations have how reached the point to enable proceeding with the granting of a licence that meets the Council's requirements over an area of approximately 5 ha on recreation land/forest opposite Spencer Park, for a maximum term of five years.
- 3. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board was presented with a number of financial and legal considerations in a report dated 26 January 2005 (refer attachment) which led to support in principle for this project.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 4. Public Notice to comply with the provisions of the Reserves Act 1977 has been undertaken, no objections were received, enabling a licence to be negotiated.
- 5. The Board has delegated authority to grant a licence under The Reserves Act 1977.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board:

- (a) Approve the granting of a licence under Section 54 (1)(d) of the Reserves Act 1977 to Adrenalin Forest Limited for a term of up to five years over part of Rural Section 40231 Spencerville.
- (b) Grant authority to the Corporate Support Manager to conclude and administer a licence on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Council.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND

- 6. Mr Jean Caillibert through "Deputations by Appointment" briefed the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee on 23 September 2004 of his intention to bring a French ropes-based adventure park concept to Christchurch. He sought to find a suitable Council site to implement this concept. The Committee decided that staff confer with Mr Caillibert on his proposal and report back.
- 7. Mr Caillibert, after discussions with staff, sought to utilise a parcel of land at Seafield Park, Spencerville. The proposal was publicly advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Reserves Act 1977 as part of a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. No objections or other proposals other than Mr Caillibert's proposal and tender, were received. The Department of Conservation will need to provide final approval for the project.
- 8. Negotiations to meet Council terms and conditions to satisfy any licence have now been satisfactorily concluded. A copy of the final proposal will be available for tabling at the meeting.

OPTIONS

9. The Board, having approved this proposal in principle, and the licensee having satisfied all Council's terms and conditions, now has no practical option other than to approve this licence and have the project proceed. This report therefore seeks the approvals and delegations for this to occur.