

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

January 14, 1965.

HIS WORSHIP, REEVE EMMOTT,
AND MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL:

Gentlemen:

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION

(1) Joint Planning Conference of the Community Planning Association of Canada and American Society of Planning Officials

The Commission received an advance notice from the above Association that a Joint Conference of the American Society of Planning Officials - Community Planning Association of Canada will be held between April 25 and 29, 1965 in the Royal York Hotel in Toronto.

Though we naturally do not know the matters that are scheduled for deliberation at the Conference, we do feel it would be extremely worthwhile for this Municipality to be represented there.

We would recommend that Council authorize someone to attend the Conference on behalf of the Municipality. We would respectfully ask that Council advise who this person will be and whether Council wishes the Commission to suggest the name of a delegate.

(2) National Objectives of the Community Planning Association of Canada

We were asked for comments on the following two National Objectives of the Community Planning Association of Canada:

- (a) WHEREAS the Community Planning Association of Canada is aware of the growing importance of the work of the Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act (ARDA) in rural areas, and

WHEREAS the revitalization of rural areas has a profound impact on both housing and planning in small towns in those areas,

THEREFORE, the CPAC proclaims for the year 1964-65 the following national objective:

To further understanding and development of the principles of town and regional planning in rural areas in order that current thought about the development of those areas may be both aided and accelerated.

To this end the Association will work with, or will provide information for, any other group or association pursuing this same objective, and will vigorously urge all levels of government to pursue studies of and take steps to resolve the problems of such areas.

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(b) WHEREAS the CPAC recognizes the importance of open space of all kinds in the growth and renewal of cities in Canada, and

WHEREAS the Association is concerned that regional and urban plans should make adequate provision for such open spaces, and that all those responsible for the manifold aspects of growth and change in our cities should appreciate these needs,

THEREFORE the CPAC proclaims for the year 1964-65 the following national objective:

To seek understanding of the need for adequate open space of all kinds so that the diverse needs of both the urban and rural population may be met;

particularly to urge the conservation of open space at the periphery of cities which may soon be developed through normal processes of growth, and in those older parts of the city where new opportunities for inserting open space occur in consequence of urban renewal action;

to present the need for the provision of both small and large open spaces, notably for recreation but also for reflection and amenity;

to urge the development of existing and new open spaces to high standards;

to resist proposals by public bodies and private interests for withdrawing accessible open space for land uses in conflict with the interests of the public;

to urge all levels of government to formulate and implement comprehensive plans for open space at the national, provincial and local level.

We are of the opinion that, with the present trend of thought prevailing in our Municipality with respect to planning matters, we have no need to be concerned about the hazards mentioned in the two objectives contained in the submissions from the Association.

We would therefore recommend that this view be endorsed and the Association so advised.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman,
ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION.