

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

Manager's (SUPPLEMENTARY) Report No. 83, 1978

1978 November 27

His Worship, the Mayor  
and Members of Council

Your Manager reports as follows:

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Respectfully submitted

  
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MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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ITEM 20 (SUPPLEMENTARY)

MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 83

COUNCIL MEETING 1978 11 27

RE: LETTER FROM THE ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF HEALTH OF BRITISH COLUMBIA  
435 GLENWOOD AVENUE, KELOWNA, B.C.  
BOARDS OF HEALTH

Appearing on the agenda for the 1978 November 27 meeting of Council is a letter from Alderman Don Porter, Chairman for the Associated Boards of Health of British Columbia.

Alderman Lewarne is our present representative on the Metropolitan Board of Health of Greater Vancouver. Alderman Gunn is the alternate. These appointments were made by Mayor Constable on 1977 December 05. New one year appointments will be announced at the Inaugural meeting on December 04.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Alderman Don Porter, Chairman, Associated Boards of Health of British Columbia, 435 Glenwood Avenue, Kelowna, B.C. V1Y 5L9.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

1978 NOVEMBER 27

FROM: MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICER

RE: THE LETTER FROM THE ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF HEALTH OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT this report be received for information purposes.

REPORT

In the Public Health Act it is stated that there shall be a Local Board of Health in each municipality which shall consist of the Council of the municipality. This is the case in Burnaby.

A municipality may by by-law join with another municipality or other municipalities that adopt concurrent and like by-laws in establishing a Union Board of Health on which each of the municipalities is represented. A Board of School Trustees may transfer certain duties to a Union Board and appoint one or more members to the Union Board. A Union Board exercises coordinating, supervisory, advisory and consultative functions in the administration of health services, but does not exercise any legislative function. This remains with Municipal Councils or Boards of School Trustees. In all Provincial Health Units and in the North Shore there is a Union Board of Health. The exceptions in the Province are the City of Vancouver, the Municipalities of Burnaby and Richmond, and the Capital Regional District of Victoria.

In 1965 the Councils and Boards of School Trustees of the City of Vancouver, the Municipalities of Richmond and Burnaby, and the North Shore Union Board of Health agreed to form a Metropolitan Board of Health of Greater Vancouver which acts in similar ways to the Union Board, i.e. exercises coordinating, supervisory, advisory and consultative functions, and such other functions, powers and duties as the Minister may prescribe in the administration of health services. Burnaby is represented at the Metropolitan Board by one School Trustee and one Alderman. The Metropolitan Board of Health sends representatives to the Associated Boards of Health of British Columbia.

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The Health Act is under review and considerable discussion has taken place concerning the role of Union Boards of Health and their composition. This revision of the Health Act is in a very preliminary stage and nothing definite has as yet been decided.

This is for the information of Council.

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