

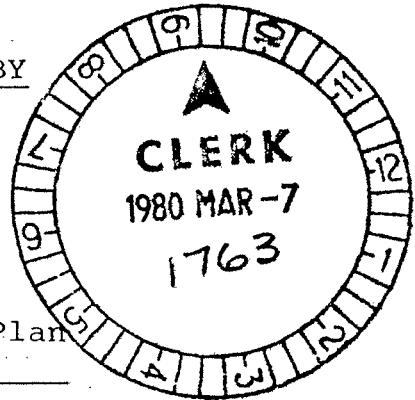
R E P O R T
Regular Council Meeting
1980 March 10

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

TO MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL:

Madam and Gentlemen:

Re: Comprehensive Transportation Plan
- Agreement With The Province



On 1979 December 05 members of the Transportation Committee and I met with the Honourable Alex Fraser, Minister of Transportation and Highways; the Honourable William N. Vander Zalm, Minister of Municipal Affairs and senior Provincial and Burnaby staff members, to discuss Burnaby's adopted Comprehensive Transportation Plan and the Province's commitment to its implementation. At that time, there was concern expressed by the Province with regard to some elements of the Plan. Since then, senior staff of the Municipality and the Ministry of Highways have met to deal with those items.

The Transportation Plan adopted by our Council involved an overall financial program for road improvements of \$134 million with \$39 million funded by Burnaby, \$87 million by the Province (including \$19 million from revenue sharing funds) and the remainder by other parties (developers, other municipalities, Canadian Transport Commission).

To advise regarding the current status, our Municipal Manager reports (Item 13 in his accompanying report) that substantial agreement has been reached with the Province regarding details of the Plan. Agreed objectives, subject to project by project approval in detail, would encompass approximately \$120 million of improvements of which Burnaby would be expected to provide \$38 million and the Province \$71 million (including \$18 million from revenue sharing). The value of the roadworks still under discussion amounts to about 10% of the total Plan.

It is appropriate that our Transportation Committee now consider the unresolved issues while bearing in mind the substantial progress and agreement that has been achieved.

Our next step is to determine what our dollar commitment to the project costs will be and to that purpose, adopt the recommendations in the Manager's Report on this subject.

Recognizing the keen competition that exists for Provincial funding assistance, we must prepare a logical but forceful argument, then approach the Province to seek specific financial support for the vitally needed transportation improvements in our Municipality.

Respectfully submitted,

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