

RE: BILL 9 - MEMO DATED 1983 SEPTEMBER 22
FROM MAYOR DON ROSS, CHAIRMAN
G.V.R.D. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ITEM 5
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 62
COUNCIL MEETING 1983 10 17

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendations of the Director Planning & Building Inspection be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1983 October 12

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION Our File: 02.191

SUBJECT: BILL 9 - MEMO DATED 1983 SEPTEMBER 22
FROM MAYOR DON ROSS, CHAIRMAN,
G.V.R.D. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council endorse the UBCM Resolution passed at the UBCM Convention and attached to the above memo.
2. THAT the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Burnaby Members of the Legislature be advised of Council's endorsement of the UBCM Resolution.
3. THAT the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Burnaby Members of the Legislature be forwarded a copy of the Manager's Report No. 50, Item 14, Council Meeting of 1983 07 25; and be advised of Council's adoption of the Recommendations contained therein.

REPORT

The memo from Mayor Don Ross, Chairman of the GVRD Board of Directors, asks Council to endorse a UBCM Resolution passed at the UBCM Convention which supports the need for Regional Planning, opposes the passage of Bill 9 in its present form and requests a meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Mayor Ross also requests the Council to inform the Premier, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and our Members of the Legislature of the endorsement.

Council originally dealt with this subject at its meeting of 1983 July 25, when it received the attached report dated 1983 July 19, and adopted the following recommendations:

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- "1. THAT Council advise the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it strongly endorses the need for Regional Planning with its associated technical support in the Greater Vancouver Regional District.
2. THAT Council is prepared to meet at any time with all involved parties to discuss improvements to the existing legislation.
3. THAT Bill 9 should not be passed in its present form, but that legislation should ultimately be drafted to reflect the discussions referred to above aimed at creating a system of Regional Planning which satisfies the concerns of those directly affected; namely, the Provincial Government, the Greater Vancouver Regional District and the member municipalities."

It will be clear to Council that the UBCM Resolution and the adopted position of Council are virtually identical, and therefore the request of Mayor Don Ross can be complied with.

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Attachment



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DIRECTOR PLANNING &
BUILDING INSPECTION

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ITEM 14
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 50
COUNCIL MEETING 1983 07 25

RE: BILL 9

LETTER DATED 1983 JULY 12 FROM DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Director Planning and Building Inspection be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1983 JULY 19

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING &
BUILDING INSPECTION

SUBJECT: BILL 9
LETTER DATED 1983 JULY 12 FROM DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council advise the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it strongly endorses the need for Regional Planning with its associated technical support in the Greater Vancouver Regional District.
2. THAT Council is prepared to meet at any time with all involved parties to discuss improvements to the existing legislation.
3. THAT Bill 9 should not be passed in its present form, but that legislation should ultimately be drafted to reflect the discussions referred to above aimed at creating a system of Regional Planning which satisfies the concerns of those directly affected; namely, the Provincial Government, the Greater Vancouver Regional District and the member municipalities.

REPORT

The letter from Mayor Don Ross, Deputy Chairman of the G.V.R.D., asks Council to re-examine ten previously endorsed recommendations, and convey Council's position on them to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Rather than deal with the recommendations in detail, I believe there is agreement with the essence of the recommendations and the accompanying material; namely, that there is a need for Regional Planning within the G.V.R.D.; that such a function requires staff support; and that a formal vehicle (currently provided by a Technical Planning Committee) is necessary to enable Municipal and Provincial staff to meet to discuss matters of common interest.

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It goes without saying that municipal autonomy is not strengthened by unilateral actions by an individual municipality, but rather by carefully considered actions which respect the needs and views of all municipalities which constitute the G.V.R.D.

Nevertheless, it has been recognized for some time that improvements can and should be made in the present organization to overcome perceived problems of conflict and delay. However, to do away with Regional Planning in its entirety within this metropolitan area merely creates new problems rather than solving old ones.

A preferred approach is to postpone passage of Bill 9 until the involved parties can sit down together, discuss the matter in all its complexity, and propose a system which satisfactorily maintains Regional Planning in the G.V.R.D. at both a political and technical level.

It is therefore recommended that the Council:

1. Advise the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it strongly endorses the need for Regional Planning with its associated technical support in the G.V.R.D.; and
2. That it is prepared to meet at any time with all involved parties to discuss improvements to the existing legislation; and
3. That Bill 9 should not be passed in its present form, but that legislation should ultimately be drafted to reflect the discussions referred to above aimed at creating a system of Regional Planning which satisfies the concerns of those directly affected; namely, the Provincial Government, the Greater Vancouver Regional District, and the member municipalities.


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