

RE: BURNABY SCHOOL DISTRICT PLAN FOR ADJUSTMENT
MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

ITEM 11
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 5
COUNCIL MEETING 88/01/18

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

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To: Municipal Manager 1988 January 12
From: Director Planning & Building Inspection Our File: 10.101.1
Subject: Burnaby School District Plan For Adjustment

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council authorize the participation of Municipal staff in the planning process for the Burnaby School District Plan for Adjustment as outlined in this report.

R E P O R T

1.0 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

The Burnaby School Board on 1987 June 10 approved a major "District Plan For Adjustment" that if totally implemented will reorganize the district's secondary schools in response to changing demographic conditions and program requirements. The overall goal of the plan is to provide educational programs in Burnaby that will meet the community's educational needs to the year 2000. This report outlines the major components of the planned adjustments to the system and seeks authority for staff participation in the planning and implementation process.

2.0 COMPONENTS OF THE PLAN

The District Plan for Adjustment has two distinct components. The first is the implementation of a school district organizational plan based on kindergarten-grade 7 elementary schools and grades 8-12 secondary schools by 1988 September. The second relates to facilities planning and the development of three comprehensive secondary schools (grades 8-12) located along the mid north-south axis of the municipality. This structuring was developed partially in response to two key findings associated with the plan having land use implications that included:

- * the three existing secondary schools in South Burnaby (Edmonds, McPherson Park and Burnaby South) are expected to be disadvantaged in terms of facility, location and demographic conditions,
- * the north-east region of Burnaby could face a major deficit in terms of secondary school facilities and related services.

The secondary school facility plan developed in response to these and other concerns is comprised of four components as follows:

1. Three comprehensive secondary schools including:
 - * Burnaby North Secondary School (program consolidation completed)
 - * Burnaby Central Secondary School (grades 8-12 configuration by 1988 September)
 - * a new Burnaby South Secondary School (proposed to be operational by 1990)
2. Two smaller comprehensive secondary schools (grades 8-12) offering a unique specialized program in addition to the basic program:
 - * Alpha Secondary School (Pacific Rim Studies Program, est. 1987)
 - * Cariboo Hill Secondary School (Advanced Exploration in Technology, est. 1987)

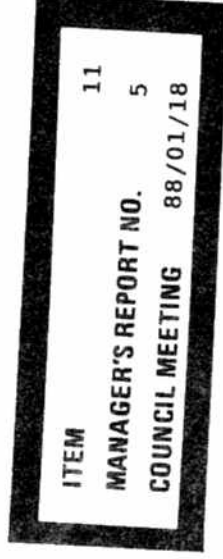
3. A middle grade academy utilizing the Moscrop School facility to deliver the basic curriculum combined with a secondary school French immersion program.

4. The construction, if residential development trends continue, of an additional secondary school during the 1990's in north-east Burnaby (Beaverbrook site) to accommodate secondary school population growth.

3.0 MUNICIPAL PARTICIPATION

The move to a grade 8-12 configuration anticipates the replacement of the existing McPherson Park, Edmonds and Burnaby South facilities with a new, more modern secondary school in South Burnaby, to be known as "Burnaby South 2000". Three planning committees with outside representation are proposed to address the various aspects of planning for this new facility. These committees include a Parent Advisory, a Community Advisory and a Program Advisory Committee that are to be coordinated by a Steering Committee (see attached figure 1).

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Municipal staff have had discussions with the School District to ensure that the Municipality has proper and adequate representation on these committees. As a result and with the concurrence of Council, it is intended that the Director Planning & Building Inspection will represent the municipality on the overall Steering Committee, while the Assistant Director - Long Range Planning will sit as a resource person on the Community Advisory Committee. In addition, arrangements have been made for appropriate municipal representation on the Parent Advisory and Program Advisory Committees as warranted.

The Steering Committee will have three major functions:

1. To coordinate the activities of the three working subcommittees and determine the appropriate time frame for the investigations.
2. To conduct public forums for input when requested to do so by the Board.
3. To develop a report (in-committee) in regard to the three areas of investigation and make recommendations to the Board through the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

The participation of municipal staff is recommended to provide a municipal context and perspective in the committee deliberations and also to help facilitate the implementation of the overall program following its detailed development and subsequent approval (e.g. community plans, rezonings for redundant sites). Municipal staff will ensure that the Municipal Council is kept apprised of major steps in the process as it develops.

A copy of the report " Burnaby Schools Review" and a consolidated set of materials relating to the District Plan for Adjustment is available for review within the Planning & Building Inspection Department.



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Attachment

cc: Director Recreation and Cultural Services
Director Administrative & Cultural Services
Superintendent - School District No. 41-Burnaby

Burnaby Schools Review Project

Planning Process - 1987-88

