

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
(TRANSPORTATION DIVISION)

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND ALDERMEN

REPORT OF THE TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

A. PROVINCIAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN:
GVRD CORRESPONDENCE

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council receive this report for information.

R E P O R T

The Traffic and Transportation Committee, at its meeting held on 1990 September 12 received the following report from the Director Planning and Building Inspection:

"1.0 BACKGROUND

At its regular meeting of 1990 August 13 Council received correspondence from Mayor G. Blair, Chairperson of the GVRD Board of Directors, providing a comparison of the transportation projects defined in the Provincial Transportation Plan with those identified by the GVRD as priorities and identified by Burnaby as priorities.

This comparison was provided in three attachments including the following:

- i) Committed Projects
The Provincial Transportation Plan's references to projects considered by the Task Force to be prior commitments of the municipalities or the Province.
- ii) GVRD Priority Projects
Projects that the GVRD Board identified to the Minister as being of priority and the references of the Provincial Plan to these projects. The Provincial Plan's references to projects not on the Board's list are also presented.
- iii) Burnaby Priority Projects
Transportation Projects supported by Burnaby. Other projects in the Provincial Plan that may affect Burnaby are also listed.

The following provides an analysis of each of these groups of projects from the Municipality's perspective as defined in its original submission to the GVRD Transportation Task Force.

INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION:

- : - AGENDA - 1990 OCTOBER 01
- : - COPY - MUNICIPAL MANAGER
 - DIRECTOR ENGINEERING
 - DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION

2.0 COMMITTED PROJECTS

2.1 Committed Projects Included in Provincial Plan

The Provincial Transportation Plan includes the following projects identified by the GVRD Transportation Task Force Report as 'committed'.

- i) Broadway Avenue - widen to four lanes from Gaglardi Way to North Road. The Municipality is reviewing a proposed design for a bridge crossing of Stoney Creek which has been an outstanding issue regarding implementation of this project.
- ii) Lougheed Mall SkyTrain Extension - the study of route options for this extension has commenced.

2.2 Committed Projects Not Included in Provincial Plan

A GVRD 'committed' project which was not included in the Provincial Transportation Plan was the Marine-Tenth Connector. While this project is known to be a high priority of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways for revenue sharing, further discussion is required between the District of Burnaby and the City of New Westminster.

3.0 GVRD PRIORITY PROJECTS

3.1 GVRD Priority Projects Included in Provincial Plan

The Provincial Transportation Plan includes the following projects identified as GVRD priority projects in the Transportation Task Force Report. Those projects of relevance to Burnaby include the following:

- i) Barnet Highway Major Project - includes the Hastings/Gaglardi Connector. A technical committee design study is underway with representation from affected municipalities including Burnaby.
- ii) Rapid Transit to Coquitlam Centre - included in Provincial Plan for planning and construction from 1992-1996. Extension beyond Lougheed Town Centre has been included in terms of reference of Coquitlam Extension Study currently undertaken by B.C. Transit in conjunction with affected municipalities including Burnaby.
- iii) Burnaby Freeway Major Project - in Burnaby includes the widening of Highway 1 and the Stormont-McBride Connector. Identified as a priority in the Municipality's submission to the GVRD Transportation Task Force.
- iv) Park-Ride Lots - the Plan includes park-ride lots at the Lougheed Town Centre in 1992-96 and at the Kootenay Loop relocated to the P.N.E. The Municipality's submission to the GVRD Task Force opposes a park-ride lot at the Lougheed Town Centre.

4.0 MUNICIPAL PRIORITY PROJECTS

As previously noted, the Provincial Transportation Plan includes all of the following projects identified by the Municipality as priorities:

- i) Barnet Highway Major Project - including Hastings/Gaglardi Connector
- ii) Highway 1 Major Project - including Stormont-McBride Connector
- iii) SkyTrain Extension to Coquitlam
- iv) Broadway widening

A municipal priority not included in the Provincial Transportation Plan however, is the Lougheed Highway widening to six lanes. This project was identified in Burnaby's submission to the Transportation Task Force as a necessary adjunct to the Barnet/Hastings project in providing east-west corridor capacity. The GVRD Transportation Task Force Report however, has not accepted this project as a priority for the upcoming five year period.

5.0 CONCLUSION

In general the Provincial Transportation Plan attaches a high priority to improvements to the transportation system (both road and transit) in Burnaby. With the exception of the Lougheed Highway widening and the Marine-Tenth Connector most of the major municipal priorities have been recognized in the Plan. Regarding the Lougheed Highway, this may become a requirement as an alternate route during construction of the Burnaby Freeway. The Marine-Tenth Connector is recognized by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways as a priority, but may not be included in the Plan until the District of Burnaby resolves outstanding issues with the City of New Westminster.

As noted in the GVRD correspondence and in direct discussions with the Minister of Transportation and Highways, the Provincial Transportation Plan will be subject to annual review. The Minister of Transportation and Highways has also indicated to the Municipality that only those individual projects within the GVRD that have been approved as part of the GVRD Board submission to the Ministry will be considered as eligible projects within the context of the Provincial Transportation Plan. Therefore, as part of the upcoming annual review individual municipalities, including Burnaby, will have the opportunity to present new proposals and/or amendments to the Provincial Transportation Plan but only by way of the final submission from the GVRD Board to the Province."

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman

Alderman R.G. Begin
Member

Alderman L.A. Rankin
Member

