

RE: BURNABY - S.F.U. CENTENNIAL PROJECT

ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

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

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
 FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION
 1990 FEBRUARY 06

SUBJECT: BURNABY - S.F.U. CENTENNIAL PROJECT

PURPOSE: To provide information regarding the request from Simon Fraser University for a \$10,000 grant contribution from Burnaby for a joint Centennial project.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) THAT the request from Simon Fraser University for a \$10,000 joint centennial project grant, together with this report, be referred to the Executive Committee of Council (Grants).

REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 On 1989 October 16, Council received a letter from President William Saywell of Simon Fraser University requesting the Municipality's support for a joint research project and Conference in 1992 that will be focussed on aspects of the history of Burnaby. (Refer attached Appendix I). Phase I of the project would cost \$20,000 of which Burnaby is being requested to provide \$10,000. These first phase funds would be utilized to hire four students as researchers for approximately a six-month period and to sponsor a workshop in the summer of 1990. The first phase pilot project research would involve doing an inventory of sources for the study of Burnaby and the organizing of the workshop for April/May 1990 to review the work on the sources and prepare a more detailed study design and cost estimates for the second phase of the work. Burnaby would have input to the design of the second phase of the work through the anticipated participation on an Advisory Coordinating Committee that is to be set up for the workshop and to continue to meet over the course of the project. The student researchers will be supervised by Mr. Robert Anderson of the Community Economic Development Centre. This work has in fact been started and two of the four researchers have been hired. (Refer attached Appendix II).

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2.0 STEPS TAKEN TO DATE:

2.1 COUNCIL ACTION:

On 1989 October 16, Council passed the following motion upon receipt of the proposal from President Saywell:

"**THAT** this item of correspondence be referred to the Heritage Advisory Committee, the Burnaby Public Library Board and the Centennial Committee and further, that staff prepare a report regarding the overall cost of the entire project".

These Committees have all provided their support for the project.

2.2 SCOPE OF WORK FOR PHASE II:

Staff have met with Mr. Robert Anderson of the S.F.U. Community Economic Development Centre, the Chairman of the Coordinating Committee, to discuss the objectives and the procedure and costs for Phase II of the work.

In terms of activities, the scope of the Phase II work will be defined following completion of the Phase I work and the 1990 April workshop session. The work is expected to include interviews with Burnaby residents, preparation of maps detailing Burnaby's development and other topics that may be identified.

The results of the Phase II work will be written up as academic historical research and presented to a B. C. Studies Conference tentatively titled "Celebrating Burnaby's Centennial" to be held in 1992 at S.F.U. The papers will be published in a volume tentatively titled "Families, Neighbours and Communities in Burnaby: Past and Present" and copies of research work would be made available to the Burnaby Public Library and the Municipality of Burnaby.

2.3 COSTS OF PHASE II:

In terms of costs, the University advises us that there is no fixed budget at this point as the scope of the work will not be determined until completion of Phase I and the degree to which the University is able to raise funds from outside private sources is not known at this time.

It would be expected that if Phase I costs total \$20,000 for basically a six-month project, a project that runs from mid-1990 to mid-1992 could involve a larger commitment, depending upon the scope of the work to be done.

3.0 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS:

3.1 Burnaby has been invited to participate in a joint research project with Simon Fraser University, the first phase of which has been initiated by the University. Burnaby has been requested to contribute \$10,000 towards the first phase of the work which is basically data gathering and source research.

Upon completion of a workshop in April 1990 to which Burnaby representatives will be invited, the design of a second more detailed phase of the research will be set up. These costs include research and publication of information for a conference on this history of Burnaby to be held during the Centennial in 1992.

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The costs of the Phase II work will be known in mid-1990 and a decision on that funding will need to be taken by Council at that time. Council, however, needs to respond to the outstanding request from S.F.U. for \$10,000 to participate in the Phase I project.


While this joint Burnaby - S.F.U. Centennial project is to be conducted within an academic research framework, it is anticipated that the work produced will assist in recording and documenting aspects of the history of Burnaby that are presently not available in the existing anecdotal histories of the Municipality that have been published. This work will serve as a good basis for the future study of the history of Burnaby.

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Attachments

cc: Director Finance
Chief Librarian

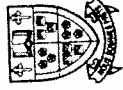

A. L. Parr
DIRECTOR PLANNING &
BUILDING INSPECTION

APPENDIX I

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SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE



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October 3, 1989

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Dear Bill:

I am writing to bring you up to date on the Burnaby - SFU Centennial Project. Since you met Professors Anderson, Evenden, and Strong-Boag in February, they have prepared a plan for Phase I and submitted a budget for it (see attached). The objective of Phase I, as we see it, is to create a vigorous inventory of what has been done and what needs to be done as a lasting testimonial to Burnaby and its citizens. More immediately, I think it would be valuable to Burnaby in the year it would be complete, that is 1992. Certainly I am confident that the project, managed under the auspices of our Community Economic Development Centre, deserves our full cooperation and support.

When Phase I is complete in the summer of 1990, the plan at present is to seek major funding for a conference and a volume of articles on Burnaby. At that stage, the views of a wide range of experts and the Centennial Committee would be integrated into the project. This schedule would allow us almost two years to bring a finished manuscript on Burnaby's past and present to fruition. You should know, too, that Simon Fraser has been very fortunate in arranging for the biennial meetings of the B.C. Studies Association, in 1992, to focus on Burnaby. In this way, the significance of the municipality will be brought to the attention of a broad audience of professionals and amateurs committed to the study of this province.

I think that this is an important SFU - Burnaby joint venture, and the three members of the team tell me that you have, on a number of occasions, indicated your support for the project. SFU is ready to fund half of the cost of Phase I, and the team is ready to start now. The question, however, remains, will Burnaby provide the other half of the cost of Phase I, some \$10,000?

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COFY - MUNICIPAL MANAGER
- DIRECTOR FINANCE
- CHAIRMAN, BBY. CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

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Please let me know how you intend to proceed. We look forward to discussing the matter with you at the earliest opportunity.

Best personal wishes.

Yours sincerely,



William G. Saywell
President

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Att.

CELEBRATING BURNABY'S CENTENNIAL

A Proposal for Collaboration
between
the Municipality of Burnaby and Simon Fraser University
1989-92

Working Title: BURNABY - SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Objectives:

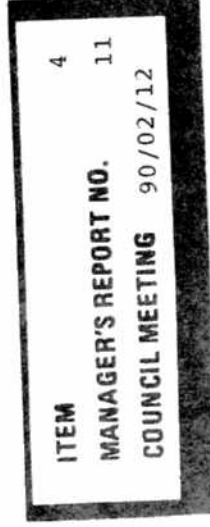
1. To develop an inventory of sources for the study of Burnaby;
2. To hold a conference in 1992 on Burnaby's history and present character;
3. To publish a book, based on this conference, in order to provide a lasting record of a century of development and growth.

Process:

1. *Community Consultation 1989-92.* The purpose would be to meet with representatives of as many local organizations as possible in order to determine the range of possibilities for the project, engage in collaborative activities where feasible, and to establish an Advisory Committee for the project as a whole, drawn from informed and interested citizens.
2. *Pilot Project on Oral History starting in late 1989.* The aim would be to interview former elected office holders and to identify other individuals critical in the development of Burnaby as significant sources of "living history". The latter might include representatives of labour and business, the professions, the churches and the voluntary sector. The intention would be to interview them during the second

year of the project. These interviews would not duplicate the existing volume of reminiscences, entitled Pioneer Tales of Burnaby, but would add to our knowledge through directed interviews with selected individuals who for the most part have not been asked to reflect upon their experience of life in the municipality.

3. *Develop a map or maps detailing Burnaby's development* suitable for publication in the volume mentioned in item 7.
4. *Workshop on Sources* to be held during the first half of 1990. The objective would be to invite participants from Burnaby and Simon Fraser University to evaluate the pilot project and the development of map(s), to consolidate the knowledge of sources available and to prepare a bibliography on Burnaby, to review the planning of the project, and to develop a budget for the Conference in 1992. It is anticipated that the Advisory Committee would play an active role at this stage. The collaborators would develop a revised budget for the next stage.
5. *The Advisory Committee* would meet from time to time, as necessary, throughout the duration of the project.
6. *Conference "Celebrating Burnaby's Centennial", to be held in 1992 at Simon Fraser University.* A series of papers on various aspects of Burnaby's history and heritage would be presented at Simon Fraser University. The public would be invited. Perhaps it would be possible to arrange a public reception, at about the time of the conference, to be held at the Municipal Hall, and a travelling exhibition on aspects of Burnaby's heritage might be shown in public locations.
7. *A volume tentatively entitled Families, Neighbours and Communities in Burnaby: Past and Present*, that brings together edited versions of the papers presented at the conference, to be published as soon as possible following the conference, perhaps in late 1992.



Collaborators: 1. Simon Fraser University faculty, staff and students as
coordinated by Professors R. S. Anderson (Department of
Communications), L. J. Evenden (Department of
Geography), and V. Strong-Boag (Department of History
and Women's Studies Program). 121

2. The Municipality of Burnaby.
3. Community Advisory Committee.

Preliminary Budget:

1. Pilot Oral History Project
 - 4 research assistants for 4 months ea
@ c. \$3600 14400
 - supplies 1000
 2. Map production (estimates to be obtained) say 2000
 3. 1990 Workshop 5000
- SubTotal 22,400
- Contingency 2600
- Total 25,000

4. Further oral history research
 - Further map research and production 3
 - Further research on documentary sources
 - Further research in the field if determined to be needed
 - Consolidation, analysis and writing
- 1992 Final conference

Estimates of the costs involved in these items can only
be determined as the project proceeds. This is the
intention of the note regarding budgets in item 4 of
Process above.

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January 31, 1990

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Dear Bill,

RE: STATUS OF BURNABY/SFU CENTENNIAL PROJECT PHASE I 31 JANUARY 1990

In January 1990 the Community Economic Development Centre appointed two project researchers (Jane Parkinson and Rod Fowler) for the period January - April 1990. Their work is guided by a five person committee, co-ordinated by the Chair of the Centre, (Robert Anderson). The result of their work will be presented at a special workshop at the end of April, following which (and based on their inventory) the Centre will co-ordinate proposals for major funding to occur between 1990 and 1992. These proposals will be for activities and events which will be carefully co-ordinated with the Centennial Committee and the Municipal Council. The list includes (but is not restricted to) photographic exhibits, scholarly conferences, community-level workshops, books and articles, archival collections, etc.

Phase I will result in:

- (i) inventories of existing data on the past and present in Burnaby
- (ii) workshop to assess quality of existing data and need for more basic studies
- (iii) inventories available in copy form to public at libraries, and to Council
- (iv) proposals and a research agenda for Phase II 1990 - 1992

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF PROJECT RESEARCHERS

Researcher One

1. Identify and characterize organizations which have made a significant contribution to the cultural development of Burnaby, including administrative histories and description of materials.

Researcher Two

2. Identify and chronicle the women and men, and the groups who contributed to the community identity and structure of Burnaby, including search for oral history and documents.

NOTE:

Because Phase I has been partially-financed (by SFU), these two researchers are currently attempting to complete an agenda designed for four persons.

When the other half of Phase I funding is approved by Council, up to two new researchers will be appointed and the time frame extended to cover the weeks lost. The research agenda will then be divided thus:

Cultural
Commercial and Industrial
Labour and Professional
Civil elected bodies (Council, School, Parks)
Recreation and Sport

Sincerely,



For Robert S. Anderson
Chair,
Community Economic Development Centre

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