

REPORT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
1992 July 13

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY
ENVIRONMENT AND WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND ALDERMEN:

SUBJECT: INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM -
USE OF "SOFT" CHEMICAL CONTROLS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council approve the use of pesticidal soaps and related organic, inorganic and botanical controls on an as required basis by Municipal staff in the containment of pests within the Parks System.

R E P O R T

The Environment and Waste Management Committee, at its meeting held 1992 June 30 received and adopted the attached staff report requesting Council's approval to use pesticidal soaps and related organic, inorganic and botanical controls on an as needed basis.

The Committee therefore submits the report for Council's endorsement.

Respectfully submitted,

Alderman L. Rankin
Chair

Alderman D.P. Drummond
Member

Alderman D. Evans
Member

Alderman D. Lawson
Member

Alderman C. Redman
Member

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

1992 June 26

TO: Chair and Members
Environmental & Waste Management Committee

FROM: Acting Director Recreation & Cultural Services

RE: INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM - USE OF "SOFT" CHEMICAL CONTROLS
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RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council be asked to approve the use of pesticidal soaps and related organic, inorganic and botanical controls on an as required basis by Municipal staff in the containment of pests within the Parks System.

REPORT

At the meeting of 1990 November 26, Council approved recommendations from the Environmental and Waste Management Committee that the use of pesticides in public areas be carried out only upon approval of Municipal Council. Since that time, there has been only one occasion on which the approval of Council has been required.

One of the issues which was unclear in the 1990 report was that of the use of insecticidal soaps and related "soft" chemicals in a pest containment program. These are organic substances and as such are not usually classed with the chemical pesticides which the ban was intended to address.

It would assist greatly in the maintenance of the Park System if it were formally recognized that the ban did not apply to these products. This request applies to six specific organic, inorganic and botanical control agents including:

- Safer's insecticidal soap
- Domestic Safer's "Trounce" (insecticidal soap plus pyrethrum)
- Safer's herbicidal soap "sharpshooter"
- Diatomaceous earth
- Domestic Pyrethrum
- Rotenone

Because the 1990 report was non-specific on this issue, this opportunity is being taken of requesting Council's consideration of this request and authority to proceed with the use of soaps and derivatives on an as needed basis.

Since these chemicals are exempted pesticides in Annex I of the Pesticide Control Act Regulation (B.C.), they are by definition exempted from our pesticide notification bylaw. No signs will be posted prior to application. This same procedure is in place in the City of Vancouver. The Acting Public Health Inspector concurs with this procedure.

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Acting Director Recreation
& Cultural Services

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