

TO: ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER June 10, 1992

FROM: MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICER

SUBJECT: PROVINCIAL FUNDING FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFFING

PURPOSE: TO OUTLINE THE PROPOSED USE OF \$303,750 ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH EQUALIZATION GRANT

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Medical Health Officer be authorized to hire 8.25 FTE staff to expand the health services to the citizens of Burnaby, providing no additional funds are required from local tax draw.

REPORT

BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Health has advised that it will "cost share" public health funding for 2.25 full-time positions or its equivalent to address increased immunizations for Haemophilus B and Hepatitis B (1.25 FTE) and child care licensing issues (1.0 FTE to be funded by the Ministry of Women's Equality).

In addition, the Ministry of Health will also provide funding for 6.75 FTE's in the pursuit of equity amongst health departments on the assumption that these resources are directed to the areas of highest need and reflect community priorities.

In order to maintain a cost neutral position within the municipal budget, this funding at the 70% level will finance the equivalent of 6 FTE positions, in addition to the 2.25 positions listed above.

In accord with the terms of the Public Health Equalization Grant, an increase to the Grant will be initiated as soon as the new FTE positions have been identified.

The areas of highest need have been identified and it is proposed that 6 additional staff be allocated as follows:

- 1.0 FTE Speech/Language Pathologist
- 1.5 FTE Community Health Nurses for Preventive Programs
- 1.0 FTE Clerical Staff
- 2.5 FTE Public Health Inspectors for Environmental Control, Food and Communicable Disease

The following proposal has been prepared in a manner so as to have no negative impact upon the tax draw of the Corporation.

ITEM	3
MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	42
COUNCIL MEETING	92/06/15

107

<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>
	(12 months)

Funding Generated

2.25 cost shared position @\$45,000 (provincial - 70%) (9 mon.)	\$ 75,937	\$101,250
6.75 cost shared positions (equity) @\$45,000 (provincial - 70%) (9 mon.)	<u>227,813</u>	<u>303,750</u>
	\$303,750	\$405,000
	=====	=====

Funding Required

2.25 cost shared positions @\$64,285 (all inclusive) (6 mon.)	\$ 72,321	\$144,641
6.0 additional FTE staff @\$42,856 (average) (6 mon.)	128,570	257,140
One-time costs for furniture, equipment, casual staff, etc.	<u>100,000</u>	---
Total Funding Request	\$300,891	\$401,781
	=====	=====
Net Increase in Municipal Revenues	\$ 2,859	\$ 3,219
	=====	=====

The request for additional staff to avail the Corporation of additional funding for the provision of services to its citizens is for 8.25 FTE staff in the areas of Preventive and Public Health.

*S.L. Henning*

S. L. Henning, M.B.Ch.B., F.R.C.P. (C)  
Medical Health Officer

KT/cl

cc: Director Administrative & Community Services  
Municipal Clerk  
Director Planning