

REPORT
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
1992 FEBRUARY 03

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

TO: COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM: MAYOR W.J. COPELAND
SUBJECT: COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Alderman Evans be appointed Council's Representative to the Burnaby Public Library Board for a term of one (1) year expiring on 1992 December 07.

2. THAT
Mr. Tom McGauley
#201 - 204 Alpha Avenue
Burnaby, B.C.
V5C 5J9

be appointed to the Burnaby Public Library Board for a term of two (2) years to expire on 1993 December 06.

3. THAT the number of Council members appointed to the Community Issues and Social Planning Committee be reduced from five (5) to three (3) leaving the committee appointees as:

Alderman Nikolai, Chairman
Alderman Young
Alderman Redman

4. THAT Council establish a Council Indemnity Advisory Committee with the following persons being appointed to this committee for a one year term:

1. Mr. George R. Kawaguchi
4554 Sunland Place
Burnaby, B.C.
V5J 3A4
2. Mr. Donald Rankin
3795 Victory Street
Burnaby, B.C.
V5J 1P4
3. Mrs. Anne Harvey
7330 Jubilee Avenue
Burnaby, B.C.
V5J 4B6

SUMMARY

This report recommends appointments to the Burnaby Public Library Board that were unable to be made at the 1991 December 02 Inaugural Meeting, and recommends a reduction in the number of Council members appointed to the Community Issues and Social Planning Committee. This report also provides information on the subject of establishing a Council Indemnity Advisory Committee, recommends that such a committee be established and further recommends appointments to this committee.

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LIBRARY BOARD AND COMMUNITY ISSUES AND
SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Alderman Lawson, once the committee meeting schedule was approved, found that a conflict arose in the meeting times of the Community Issues and Social Planning Committee and the Heritage Advisory Committee. Alderman Lawson was initially appointed to both committees and because of the number of committees requiring monthly meeting dates and the lack of availability of suitable times, it has been difficult to reschedule the meetings of either of the two committees. As a result of the conflict, Alderman Lawson has chosen to continue her appointment as Vice Chair of the Heritage Advisory Committee and in doing so has agreed to relinquish her role on the Community Issues and Social Planning Committee, leaving a vacancy to be filled.

Rather than appoint another Member of Council to replace Alderman Lawson, I am recommending that the number of Council Members appointed to the Community Issues and Social Planning Committee be reduced from five (5) to three (3). In light of the current Council workload and the tight meeting schedule, it would appear to make more sense to consider reducing the Council Members' time commitment and increasing the opportunity for citizen participation on various committees. This whole matter of increased citizen participation will be the subject of further reports, however, for the time being, the recommended reduction in Council participation on the Community Issues and Social Planning Committee will solve Alderman Lawson's problem of conflicting meeting dates and allow the committee to get on with its mandate.

INDEMNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The City of Richmond in 1989 established a Citizen's Task Force to review elected officials stipends. The Terms of Reference for the Richmond Task Force were:

"The Citizens Task Force on Council Indemnities shall review and report to Council on appropriate remuneration for the Mayor and Aldermen, using materials generally available for the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, other municipal jurisdictions of a similar size, private sector sources, the Greater Vancouver Regional District and questionnaires which may be circulated to Council members to show allocation of time to public business.

The Task Force shall limit its investigation to remuneration only and not expenses related to holding public office in local government.

The Task Force should report to Council by the end of March, 1989 and present its report at a public meeting.

The Task Force shall be provided with adequate staff resources and secretarial support to carry out its mandate."

The Richmond Task Force was composed of five members selected from the following sectors or groups:

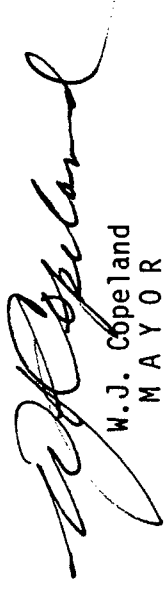
- Chartered Bank or Credit Union
- Chamber of Commerce/Law Profession
- Organized Labour
- Volunteer Based Community Organization
- Senior Executive from Richmond Based Company

One of the recommendations of the initial task force was that a similar task force be struck every three (3) years to review Council indemnities, and currently plans are under way in Richmond to appoint a new task force in compliance with this recommendation. During the years 1990 and 1991 Richmond Council accepted increases in their indemnities equal to the increase received by their staff.

It has always been a difficult task for Council to determine its own stipend and therefore, I am recommending an alternative solution by way of establishing a Council Indemnity Advisory Committee. The Terms of Reference for the committee shall be determined by the Executive Committee of Council prior to the committee beginning its work.

The report of the Richmond Task Force outlining its methodology and findings has been provided to Council under separate cover.

Respectfully submitted,



W.J. Copeland
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