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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	22
COUNCIL MEETING	93/02/22

TO: CITY MANAGER

FEBRUARY 17, 1993

FROM: CITY SOLICITOR

SUBJECT: EDMONDS AREA CHILD CARE CENTRE -
6786 SOUTHPOINT DRIVE, BURNABY

PURPOSE: TO SEEK COUNCIL AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
FOR A \$346,260.00 GRANT TO BUILD A CHILDCARE CENTRE
AT 6786 SOUTHPOINT DRIVE, BURNABY

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council authorize the execution of an agreement with the Province of British Columbia for a \$346,260.00 grant to assist in the construction and set-up of a childcare centre at 6786 Southpoint Drive, Burnaby.

REPORT


The lands at 6786 Southpoint Drive were transferred to the City of Burnaby by B.C. Hydro as part of the development approval for the adjacent B.C. Hydro headquarters lands and for the purpose of establishing a childcare centre. B.C. Hydro also provided Burnaby with a \$250,000 payment toward the cost of building a childcare centre on the lands.

The Province of British Columbia has now agreed to provide Burnaby with a grant of \$346,260.00 (or 50% of project costs for establishing the childcare centre, whichever is less) under the Ministry of Women's Equality, Child Care Branch, Facilities and Equipment Grant Program. According to information received from the Province this is the largest single grant which has been made under this program to date (see Attachment 1).

The Province requires Burnaby to execute an agreement (copy available in City Solicitor's office) in order to receive the grant. The main purpose of the agreement is to ensure that the grant funds go towards the cost of establishing the childcare centre. The agreement would require Burnaby to repay the grant if Burnaby ceased to use the lands as a childcare centre within ten years from the date of completion of the childcare centre.

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The Provincial grant will provide substantial assistance in the building and establishment of the childcare centre. The terms of the grant agreement are reasonable. It is therefore recommended that the grant be accepted on the terms set out in the agreement.


Patricia W. Flieger
City Solicitor

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Attach.

cc: Director Administrative & Community Services
Director Finance
Director Planning & Building



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
DECEMBER 16, 1992**

MINISTRY OF WOMEN'S EQUALITY

**FUNDING FOR CHILD CARE TO CREATE
MORE SPACES PROVINCE-WIDE**

VICTORIA -- About 1,400 licensed child care spaces will be created and upgraded throughout British Columbia with the help of more than \$1.6 million in provincial government grants, Women's Equality Minister Penny Priddy announced today.

Priddy said her ministry will provide dollars through its Facilities and Equipment Grants program, with funds going to 34 projects to help pay for purchase of land, buildings, facilities, equipment and furniture.

"This grant program is one step in our government's commitment to working with communities, and giving them the resources to provide safer and more accessible care for their children," Priddy said.

"A new centre that meets the particular child care needs of a community is more than just new spaces," said Priddy. "It's a safe and caring place for children whose parents work outside the home."

"In these tough economic times, that kind of support is essential to help parents manage demanding work schedules. It will also strengthen the growth and development of our economy by creating work in the construction industry and new jobs in the child care field."

Child care is an important factor in the growth of a skilled labour force -- mothers with children under 12 currently make up 62 per cent of the female workforce. Child care directly provides about 15,000 paid full-time jobs in British Columbia, and indirectly creates another 3,000.

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MINISTRY OF WOMEN'S EQUALITY FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT GRANTS AWARDED BACKGROUND

In April 1992, the government of British Columbia announced a \$17 million child care plan for 1992/93. The new Facilities and Equipment Grant program is part of a larger strategy to expand child care in British Columbia, focusing on the most under-served areas such as school-age and infant/toddler care, and care which supports flexible work hours.

Facilities and Equipment Grants are available to non-profit societies, regional districts and municipalities to create licensed child care spaces. Funding is available for up to 50% of eligible capital costs to a maximum total grant of \$500,000. Dollars are eligible for:

- land or facility acquisition;
- construction or renovation of an existing facility; and
- purchase of furnishings and equipment.

Since the program's implementation in September 1992, over \$2 million has been approved for child care projects across the province.

<u>ORGANIZATION & PROJECT</u>	<u>COMMUNITY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
<u>Vancouver/Burnaby/Richmond Region</u>		
Affordable Housing Charitable Association Princess Place Daycare	Vancouver	\$10,000.00
Burnaby Association for the Mentally Handicapped and Brentwood Nursery School Brentwood Cooperative Project	Burnaby	\$110,000.00
City of Burnaby Child Care Centre: Edmonds	Burnaby	\$346,260.00
City of Vancouver Grandview Terrace Child Care	Vancouver	\$138,192.00
Douglas Park Community Centre Douglas Park After School Care	Vancouver	\$80,000.00
Dunbar Heights Baptist Church Crown Street Kid's Club	Vancouver	\$9,790.00

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ORGANIZATION & PROJECT**COMMUNITY **AMOUNT******Fraser Valley/North Shore Region**

Bradner Community Preschool Association Bradner Community Preschool	Bradner	\$1,490.00
Kolumbia Inn Daycare Society Kolumbia Inn Daycare (K.I.D.S.)	New Westminster	\$134,647.00
Mission Community Services Mission Teen Daycare	Mission	\$68,000.00
North Shore Neighbourhood House North Shore Neighbourhood House Daycare	North Vancouver	\$66,159.00
Satnam Education Society of British Columbia Khalsa Day Care Centre	Surrey	\$10,000.00
Squamish Community Services Society Howe Sound Teen Parent Education	Squamish	\$41,100.00
Upper Fraser Valley Neurological Society Fraser Valley Child Development Centre	Abbotsford	\$157,966.00
YMCA of Greater Vancouver YMCA Teen Mom's Daycare	Coquitlam	\$19,788.00

Vancouver Island Region

Capital Families Association Belmont Day Care	Victoria	\$51,500.00
J. Puddleduck Parent Participation Preschool Society J. Puddleduck Daycare	Courtenay	\$92,000.00
Knox Presbyterian Church "R and R" Club	Port Alberni	\$9,453.00

