

REPORT
1993 MAY 25

CITY OF BURNABY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND COUNCILLORS

RE: BURNABY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FEE FOR SERVICE
AND TOURIST INFOCENTER - SPROTT STREET

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council award a grant in the amount of \$50,000 to the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce as an interim, one-time only grant for 1993 Economic Development Fee for service and further, a one time only grant for the operation of the Tourist Infocentre at 6525 Sprott Street for the months of 1993 June, July, August, September and October.
2. THAT the funds be appropriated from Burnaby's Stabilization Fund.
3. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Ms. Abbey Anderson, General Manager and Business Information Officer, Burnaby Chamber of Commerce, Suite #149, 9855 Austin Avenue, Professional Wing, Lougheed Mall, Burnaby, B.C. V3J 1N4.

R E P O R T

The Executive Committee of Council, at its meeting held on 1993 May 10 entertained representatives from the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce who were in attendance to introduce and support their proposal for a fee-for-service request regarding Economic Development in the City of Burnaby for the year 1993. A copy of the proposal is being distributed to Council under separate cover.

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- DIRECTOR FINANCE
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The Executive Committee of Council in reviewing the current proposal, together with services performed at the Spratt Street location, requested the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce to provide detailed monthly operational costs for the Spratt Street Tourist Infocentre. The proposed Infocentre facility at 6525 Spratt Street is presently vacant and the Chamber advises that renovations would have to take place on the interior of the facility to meet the appropriate standards for tourist clientele.

The Executive Committee of Council at its meeting held on 1993 May 17 received statistics from the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce outlining the costs for the operation of the Spratt Street Tourist Infocentre. As a result of reviewing the figures, (distributed to Council under separate cover), the Executive Committee recommended that, on an interim basis, a one-time only grant of \$50,000 be awarded to the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce, with a stipulation that the funds are to be appropriated towards a portion of the operation of the Tourist Infocentre at Spratt Street for the months of 1993 June, July, August, September and October and further, a portion would be directed for the promotion of Economic Development for the City of Burnaby.

Council's approval of the recommendations is therefore requested at this time in order to meet the requirements for the 1993 tourism year.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor D.P. Drummond,
Chair

Mayor W.J. Copeland,
Member

Councillor D. Corrigan,
Member

Councillor L.A. Rankin,
Member

Councillor J. Young,
Member