ITEM MANAGER'S REPORT NO. COUNCIL MEETING 94/01/17

DATE: 1994 JANUARY 13

TO CITY MANAGER

DIRECTOR RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES FROM

BURNABY LAKE SPORTS COMPLEX - UPGRADING SPORTS FIELDS RE

To request approval to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$225,000 from Capital Reserves to finance the upgrading of PURPOSE:

sports fields at Burnaby Lake Sports Complex.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT approval be granted to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$225,000 from Capital Reserves to finance the upgrading of sports fields at Burnaby Lake Sports Complex.

REPORT

The fields were built on hog fuel and sand in 1972, and over the years they have settled. The result is that the fields are uneven, with many slopes and hollows. The turf is badly worn in the centre field areas and goal mouths, and annual maintenance has become expensive, and is only cosmetic.

Upgrading would be undertaken to Soccer pitches #8 and #9 and Rugby field #2. This would be done in stages commencing in April with completion in September. Approval at this time is required in order to provide advance notice to user groups of closure of sports fields. Alternate fields have to be made available to them.

This project is not included in the 1993 - 1997 Capital Program. If approved by Council, this expenditure will be included in the 1994 - 1998 Capital Program.

At its meeting of 1994 January 12, the Parks and Recreation Commission by motion adopted the recommendation to Council to bring down a bylaw to appropriate \$225,000 from Capital Reserves for this project.

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DIRECTOR RECREATION &

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cc: Director Finance