TO:

CITY MANAGER

1994 FEBRUARY 01

FROM:

DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

OUR FILE: 00.890

SUBJECT:

1994 FCM RESOLUTIONS

PURPOSE:

To recommend Council endorsement of resolutions for submission to the 1994

Federation of Canadian Municipalities' annual conference.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council endorse the resubmission of the resolutions presented in Appendix 1 of this report to the 1994 Federation of Canadian Municipalities annual conference.

2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to

- a) The Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- b) Mr. Svend Robinson, M.P.
- c) Mr. Paul Forseth, M.P.

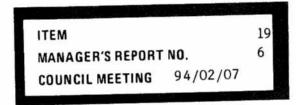
REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND

At its meeting of 1993 December 20, Council requested staff to review all resolutions sent by Burnaby to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) during the past three years. The intent was to determine which, if any, should be resubmitted for FCM to discuss with the newly formed Federal Government.

At its meeting of 1994 January 10, Council received correspondence from the FCM which indicated that the deadline for submission of resolutions to the FCM's annual conference is 1994 February 7.

This report discusses possible new resolutions for submission to the FCM and recommends the resubmission of pertinent resolutions from the past three years.



2.0 POSSIBLE NEW RESOLUTIONS

Staff considered development of resolutions on two matters: i) providing income tax incentives for the restoration of heritage buildings in commercial areas and ii) the continuation and enhancement of the Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP). Tax incentives have been used in the U.S. to promote heritage preservation and it is believed that similar measures might provide a cost-effective approach for meeting heritage protection goals in Canada. Staff intend to research the option further. Depending on our findings, we may propose a heritage incentive resolution for submission to the 1995 FCM annual conference.

With respect to RRAP, Council was informed last spring that the program would be cancelled as of 1993 December 31. It further learned that the program would be extended in a scaled-down version, on an interim basis. On behalf of Council, the Mayor wrote several letters to the Minister Responsible for CMHC during 1993 recommending the continuation and enhancement of RRAP. Staff had planned to propose submission of an FCM resolution concerning the strengthening of RRAP. We refrained from doing so, however, upon learning that the Federal Government will be reinstating the program. A report on this matter will be forthcoming in the near future.

3.0 PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS

Between 1991 and 1993, the City of Burnaby submitted seven resolutions to FCM. These resolutions focused on the following topics: installation of audible pedestrian signals, recyclable materials, financial assistance for urban infrastructure improvements, anti-stalking legislation, crossbows, prostitution in public, and excessive packaging. Five of the resolutions were endorsed by the FCM (see Appendix 1, *attached*). The urban infrastructure resolution was not endorsed, as FCM had already adopted a similar resolution in the preceding three years. The resolution on anti-stalking legislation was deemed unnecessary, as the Federal Government had introduced the proposed legislation shortly after Burnaby had submitted the resolution.

4.0 DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION

The five resolutions presented in Appendix 1 continue to be relevant. Given the outcome of the recent Federal election, it may be appropriate to have these resolutions brought to the attention of the new government.

As indicated, the deadline for submission of FCM resolutions is 1994 February 7. Staff notified the FCM office that given the cancellation of the 1994 January 31 Council meeting, the City would be unable to meet that deadline. We were assured Burnaby's submission would be considered if it was faxed to the FCM on February 8.

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It is therefore recommended that Council endorse the resubmission of the resolutions in Appendix 1 to the 1994 FCM annual conference. It is further recommended that a copy of this report be forwarded to the FCM and Burnaby's two Members of Parliament.

D.G. Stenson, Director

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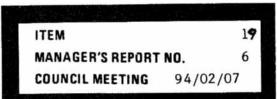
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Attachment

cc: Director Engineering

Director Administrative & Community Services

O.I.C. R.C.M.P.



APPENDIX 1

NT91.2.11 - INSTALLATION OF AUDIBLE PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS

WHEREAS Burnaby Council is concerned for the safety of persons with severe eyesight problems at heavy traffic intersections;

WHEREAS Canada is developing a population with increasing eyesight problems;

WHEREAS there are some municipal government actions taken to install audible signals at heavy traffic intersections;

WHEREAS there are no national standards for audible signals;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities support the development of national standards for installation of audible pedestrian signals on all heavy traffic intersections by the Transportation Association of Canada.

Submitted by: District of Burnaby, British Columbia

RECOMMENDATION: Category A; Standing Committee on National

Transportation: Concurrence.

DECISION: CARRIED

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RECEIVED BY FCM ON APRIL 7, 1993 BACKGROUND INFORMATION ATTACHED

ENV93.3.03 RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

WHEREAS curbside and depot-based multi-material recycling programs are becoming integral parts of municipal waste management programs in all parts of Canada;

WHEREAS the viability of municipal recycling programs is dependent on reliable markets for materials collected through these programs;

WHEREAS demand for recyclable materials is highly susceptible to fluctuations in markets for these materials;

WHEREAS the City of Burnaby, British Columbia intends to adopt a State of the Environment Report for the City which includes the goal, "To mandate end use, materials banning and minimum recycled material content in new production and potential packaging and deposit requirements for a wide range of materials through legislative changes";

BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities urge the Government of Canada and, through its provincial/territorial municipal associations, urge provincial and territorial governments to enact appropriate legislation to require manufacturers of products composed of paper (including newsprint), glass, plastic, metals and such other materials that may be reclaimed from the waste stream to include a suitable percentage of recyclable materials in these products; and

Canadian the Federation of FURTHER RESOLVED that Municipalities urge the Government of Canada and, through its provincial/territorial municipal associations, urge provincial and territorial governments to adopt policies and/or legislation requiring all federal agencies (including but not limited to federal ministries, Crown corporations, the RCMP, and the Armed Service) and all provincial and territorial agencies, Crown regional districts, municipalities and school corporations, districts) to give preference to suppliers of goods and materials that include a suitable component of recycled content in their products.

Submitted by the District of Burnaby, British Columbia

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICIES AND RESOLUTIONS: Category A

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: Category A; CONCURRENCE

SEPTEMBER '93 BOARD DECISION: Category A; ENDORSED

ENV93.3.04 EXCESSIVE PACKAGING

WHEREAS municipalities are taking steps to provide recycling and waste reduction programs for residents;

WHEREAS unnecessary and wasteful packaging is a significant contributor to the waste stream;

WHEREAS the established hierarchy of the 3R's of waste management is REDUCE, before REUSE, before RECYCLE;

WHEREAS municipalities cannot recycle all of the components of an ever growing wastestream;

WHEREAS the City of Burnaby, British Columbia intends to adopt a State of the Environment Report for the City which includes the goal, "To mandate end use, materials banning and minimum recycled material content in new production and potential packaging and deposit requirements for a wide range of materials through legislative changes";

BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities request the Government of Canada and, through its provincial/territorial municipal associations, request provincial and territorial governments to enact suitable legislation and/or policies to require manufacturers and distributors of goods and materials to reduce the amount of packaging used for their products;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities request the Government of Canada and, through its provincial/territorial municipal associations, request provincial and territorial governments to enact policies and or legislation whereby all federal agencies (including but not necessarily limited to federal ministries, Crown corporations, the RCMP, and the Armed Services) and all provincial and territorial agencies (including but not necessarily limited to provincial/territorial agencies, Crown corporations, regional districts, municipalities, and school districts) give preference to suppliers of goods and materials that employ reduced methods of packaging.

Submitted by the District of Burnaby, British Columbia

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICIES AND RESOLUTIONS: Category A

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES: Category A; CONCURRENCE

SEPTEMBER '93 BOARD DECISION: Category A; ENDORSED

RECEIVED BY FCM ON MARCH 12, 1993

USCP93.3.05 CROSSBOWS

WHEREAS a crossbow in any form is a highly effective and silent killing machine;

WHEREAS there are currently no restrictions on who may purchase crossbows nor any control over their storage, transport or use;

WHEREAS there is also no record kept of crossbow purchasers;

WHEREAS a crossbow was recently used in the brutal murder of a young female B.C.I.T. student in Burnaby and the Police are frustrated in their efforts to trace the weapon used;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities request the Government of Canada to amend the Criminal Code and related legislation to treat crossbows as "restricted" weapons requiring an acquisition certificate and registry for purchases; a registry of current owners; a requirement for a visible and hidden unique serial number on each weapon; requirements for secure storage and transport in a dismantled state; and prohibiting their use within urban limits unless at a sanctioned competition.

Submitted by the District of Burnaby, British Columbia

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICIES AND RESOLUTIONS: Category A

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON URBAN SAFETY AND CRIME PREVENTION: Category A; CONCURRENCE as amended

SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS: In the operative clause, delete the sentence after the word "state".

SEPTEMBER '93 BOARD DECISION: Category A; ENDORSED as amended.

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USCP93.3.04 PROSTITUTION IN PUBLIC

WHEREAS prostitution in public has become a major problem in Burnaby;

WHEREAS the present provisions of the Criminal Code and the interpretation of those provisions by the court have not led to a solution to the problem;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities request the Minister of Justice to review and strengthen the provisions of the Criminal Code relating to prostitution in public to enable the police to more effectively deal with this problem.

Submitted by the City of Burnaby, British Columbia

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POLICIES AND RESOLUTIONS: Category A

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON URBAN SAFETY AND CRIME PREVENTION: Category A; CONCURRENCE as amended.

SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS: Replace the word "prostitution" throughout the resolution with "solicitation for the purpose of prostitution".

In the first descriptive clause, delete "in Burnaby" after the word "problem".

SEPTEMBER '93 BOARD DECISION: Category A; ENDORSED as amended.

