## **CITY OF BURNABY**

## COMMUNITY ISSUES AND SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

# HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

RE: LEASE AGREEMENT TERMS - C.A.S.I./O.A.S.I

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. THAT Council authorize staff to adjust the lease agreement for space at the Burnaby Heights Centre with the organization of Comitato Attivita Scholastiche Italiane (C.A.S.I.) as outlined in the attached report.
- 2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Salvatore Palidda, Executive Director of C.A.S.I. and O.A.S.I. at Room 25 250 South Willingdon Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5C 5E9.

## REPORT

The Community Issues and Social Planning Committee, at its meeting held on 1994 October 26, received the <u>attached</u> report seeking approval to adjust the Burnaby Heights lease agreement of Comitato Attivita Scholastiche Italiane (C.A.S.I.)

The Committee therefore places the recommendations before Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor C. Redman Chair

Councillor D. Johnston Vice Chair

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- DIR. ADMIN. & COMM. SERV.

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- CITY SOLICITOR

TO:

**COMMUNITY ISSUES &** 

SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

**1994 SEPTEMBER 30** 

FROM:

**DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING** 

SUBJECT:

LEASE AGREEMENT TERMS - C.A.S.I. / O.A.S.I.

Purpose:

To seek approval to adjust the Burnaby Heights lease agreement of Comitato

Attivita Scholastiche Italiane (C.A.S.I.).

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. **THAT** staff be authorized to adjust the lease agreement for space at the Burnaby Heights centre with the organization of Comitato Attivita Scholastiche Italiane (C.A.S.I.). as outline in this report.

2. **That** a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Salvatore Palidda, Executive Director of C.A.S.I. and O.A.S.I. at Room 25 250 South Willingdon Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5C 5E9.

# REPORT

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

In 1994 May, Mr. Salvatore Palidda, Executive Director of C.A.S.I. requested that staff review the status of the lease agreement between the City and C.A.S.I., at the Burnaby Heights Community Resource Centre. Specifically, Mr. Palidda is requesting that a second related organization, known as the Organization for Assistance and Services to Italians (O.A.S.I.)., be included in the lease agreement.

This report provides information on the request of Mr. Palidda, and proposes to include O.A.S.I. in the lease agreement with C.A.S.I. for space at the Burnaby Heights centre.

#### 2.0 LEASE HISTORY

In 1991, when the City acquired ownership of the Burnaby Heights centre, the City entered into a lease agreement with C.A.S.I. for Rooms 25A & B. Previously, C.A.S.I. had leased the space from the Burnaby School District. In 1991 March, C.A.S.I. applied for and received additional space, Room 26, at the centre. As part of this application, C.A.S.I. listed the activities and services provided by O.A.S.I.

During the terms of its lease agreements with the City, and previously with the School District, C.A.S.I. supported the development of the related organization, O.A.S.I., from its space at Burnaby Heights.

Initially, O.A.S.I. was largely inactive, with C.A.S.I. providing a mailing address and some office support to the organization. More recently, Mr. Palidda has advised staff that O.A.S.I. has become more active in providing direct services people of Italian backgrounds in the Burnaby area. As such, Mr. Palidda, who is also the Executive Director of O.A.S.I., has requested that the City recognize this organization in the existing lease agreement between the City and C.A.S.I.

## 3.0 REVIEW OF REQUEST

Historically, O.A.S.I. has provided some service from the Burnaby Heights centre, although it was perceived that these services were provided under the auspices of C.A.S.I. The two organizations are closely related having the same executive director, sharing office and classroom space, and serving the Italian community. C.A.S.I. provides the heritage language services, while O.A.S.I. provides the direct settlement and adjustment services to the Italian community.

Both organizations meet the guidelines for the allocation of space and the issuance of lease grants for community resource centres. Staff have confirmed with the Registrar of Companies that O.A.S.I. is a society in good standing.

As such, staff support the request of Mr. Palidda to include O.A.S.I. in the lease agreement between C.A.S.I. and the City. Both organizations would be listed in the agreement and have equal access and responsibility for their allocated space at Burnaby Heights. Lease grant support would continue to be based on the total square foot area allocated to the two organizations, along with an annual review of the provision of services to Burnaby residents.

## 4.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is proposed that staff be directed to include O.A.S.I. in the 1995 lease agreement with C.A.S.I. for Rooms 25A, 25B and 26 at the Burnaby Heights centre.

It is also proposed that a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Palidda, Executive Director of C.A.S.I. and O.A.S.I.

D.G. Stenson, Director PLANNING & BUILDING

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City Manager Director Finance City Solicitor

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