

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 1995 09 19
FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING **FILE:** 50-06-05
SUBJECT: CANADA WAY CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

PURPOSE: To obtain Council's commitment to cost sharing in the traffic improvements along Canada Way specifically at the Edmonds and Imperial intersections and to bring down a Capital Works Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$800,000 to cover the City of Burnaby's share.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council confirm Burnaby's cost sharing participation in the road improvements on Canada Way at the Edmonds and Imperial intersections;
2. THAT Council authorize the bringing down of a Capital Works Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$800,000 for the design and construction of traffic improvements on Canada Way at the Edmonds and Imperial intersections as the City's share of the total cost as outlined in this report.
3. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Ministry of Transportation and Highways.


REPORT

In 1995 June, Premier Mike Harcourt and Burnaby-Edmonds MLA Fred Randall announced that construction will begin this fall on the upgrading of two key intersections on Canada Way, namely Edmonds and Imperial. These improvements will consist primarily of adding left turn storage lanes to all four legs of the Canada Way/Edmonds intersection plus the construction of a left turn storage lane on Canada Way for northbound to westbound Imperial traffic and a right turn deceleration lane for southbound Canada Way to westbound Imperial traffic. These intersection improvements will improve traffic flow along Canada Way and reduce congestion thereby providing better safety for pedestrians and vehicles.

As Canada Way is a Provincial responsibility, the cost sharing formula is structured in such a manner that all road improvements on Canada Way are the responsibility of the Ministry and all improvements on the cross streets such as Edmonds are the responsibility of the City. In addition, the City will be responsible for the cost of upgrading the watermains on Canada Way which will be undertaken concurrently with the road improvements.

The Ministry of Transportation and Highways has requested written confirmation of Burnaby's cost share participation in this project. As the project is currently out to tender the Ministry is anticipating awarding a construction contract by the end of September and is seeking written confirmation of Burnaby's participation prior to making such an award. It is, therefore, recommended that Council confirm its cost sharing participation in the upgrading of the Canada Way/Edmonds and the Canada Way/Imperial intersections.

The estimated cost of Burnaby's share for these works is \$800,000. Sufficient Capital Reserves are available and the project is included under the 1996 Major Roads component of the 1995-1999 Capital Program. The City will be billed on the basis of actual costs. On a cash flow basis, the MOTHS has indicated that it will not invoice Burnaby until after completion of the works which is scheduled for early 1996. It is recommended that a Capital Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$800,000 be brought down.


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