# REPORT 1996 MAY 13

# CITY OF BURNABY

# TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TRAFFIC SAFETY DIVISION)

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

# E. <u>DRIVER AWARENESS SIGNING</u>

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. *THAT* Council forward a copy of this report to Mitch Bloomfield at the Burnaby School Board and the District Parent Advisory Council.

#### REPORT

The Traffic and Transportation Committee (Traffic Safety Division), at its meeting held on 1996 May 07, adopted the <u>attached</u> staff report outlining a program for installation of driver awareness signing in designated 30 km\h zones adjacent to school grounds.

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### City of Burnaby

### INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO:

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

**DATE:** 1996 04 29

FROM:

ASST. DIRECTOR ENGINEERING,

**FILE:** 55-13-02

TRAFFIC & ENGINEERING SYSTEMS

**SUBJECT:** 

DRIVER AWARENESS SIGNING

PURPOSE: Respond to requests of parents and staff of Burnaby schools for school zone speed

limit awareness signing.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mitch Bloomfield at the Burnaby School 1. Board.

#### **REPORT**

Staff have been contacted by a number of parents and staff from Burnaby Schools requesting the placement of driver awareness signing in designated 30 Km/h zones adjacent to school grounds.

The committee will recall that we first installed a large non regulatory sign advising motorists of the "30 Km/h speed limit at Burnaby Schools" at Suncrest School. While we have no objective data that confirms the effectiveness of such signing, there has been sufficient anecdotal evidence of the merit of this approach to lead us to try additional installations. We have however also received some criticism that these signs are an "eyesore" and also that they lose their effectiveness once they become a fixture at a particular location. Notwithstanding these reservations, we now have a significant number of requests for installations.

To maintain a cost effective program and optimize the impact of the signs, we propose rotating them amongst various schools as requested by the school principals. Staff propose three installation periods throughout the school year:

- 1) September December break.
- 2) January Spring break (beginning)
- 3) Spring break (end) End of school year

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