TO:

CITY MANAGER

DATE: 1996 FEBRUARY 13

FROM:

DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

CORPORATE LABOUR RELATIONS

SUBJECT:

CONTRACT FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO

THE BURNABY HEALTH BOARD

PURPOSE:

TO SEEK COUNCIL'S AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT

WITH THE BURNABY HEALTH BOARD FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE

CITY'S HEALTH DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council authorize staff to enter into a contractual agreement with the Burnaby Health Board for the provision of services by the City Health Department.

2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the Burnaby Health Board.

REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND

The Burnaby Health Board has been designated under the Health Authorities Act to plan and deliver Health Services within the boundaries of the City of Burnaby. Part of the services which the Burnaby Health Board has been designated to plan and deliver are those currently being provided by the City's Health Department. The Board during its transition period has asked the City to continue providing the services of the Health Department until they are in a position to assume this function. This report recommends that Council authorize staff to enter into a contractual agreement (circulated to Council) with the Burnaby Health Board for the provision of services by our Health Department.

2.0 CONTRACT WITH THE BURNABY HEALTH BOARD

Staff from the Ministry of Health, Burnaby Health Board and the City Manager's Office have finalized a contractual agreement between the Burnaby Health Board and the City of Burnaby. This contract has been developed with the assistance of the City Solicitor, Medical Health Officer and Director Finance. The contract allows the City to provide to the Burnaby Health Board the services of our Health Department for the period of 1996 April 1 to 1996 September 30. The funding levels detailed in the agreement represent an additional contribution by the Provincial Government to the City of approximately \$135,000 per month, (1996 April 1 to 1996 September 30).

3.0 NEXT PROCESS

Should Council authorize staff to enter into the agreement, the Human Resources Department will immediately begin working with staff from the Burnaby Health Board and Ministry of Health on the transfer of Health Department employees and services to the employment of the Burnaby Health Board. There are a number of legal, human resources and administrative support issues which have to be addressed. Ministry of Health Staff have advised that the transfer is planned to take place at the end of the agreement, 1996 September 30th or earlier should the Burnaby Health Board be in a position to assume responsibility as the Employer.

The Human Resources Department will be working with CUPE Local 23 and the BCNU to inform our employees on the agreement for services with the Burnaby Health Board and the schedule for eventual transfer of employer responsibility to the Burnaby Health Board.

A further report on the details of the transfer will be submitted to Council.

4.0 SUMMARY

The Burnaby Health Board has been designated under the Health Authorities Act to plan and deliver Health Services within the City of Burnaby. The Board's responsibility for Health Services include those services currently being provided by the City's Health Department. This report recommends that Council approve a 6 month contractual agreement with the Burnaby Health Board which will serve to have the City continue to provide these services until 1996 September 30. It is expected that at the expiry of this contract the Burnaby Health Board will assume the responsibility of being the Employer for the Health Department.

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