

CITY OF BURNABY

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
(TRAFFIC SAFETY DIVISION)

*HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND COUNCILLORS*

D. TRANSIT ROUTE CHANGES: NEW BUS STOPS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. *THAT* Council forward a copy of the *attached* report to B.C. Transit and the Moscrop residents who have corresponded on this issue.

REPORT

The Traffic and Transportation Committee (Traffic Safety Division), at its meeting held on 1997 March 04, adopted the *attached* report advising of the installation of bus stops on Moscrop Street as part of the North Burnaby Plan.

MEMBERS:

Mr. N. Smith
Mr. D. Berardine
Mrs. M. Canessa
Mr. E. Fourchalk
Ms. L. Kapp
Mrs. D. Mumford
Mr. D. Richardson
Mr. A. MacDonald

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J. Young
Chair

Councillor D. Evans
Member

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City of Burnaby

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO: TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE **DATE:** 1997 02 19
FROM: ASST. DIRECTOR ENGINEERING,
TRAFFIC & ENGINEERING SYSTEMS **FILE:** 55-09-03
SUBJECT: TRANSIT ROUTE CHANGES: NEW BUS STOPS
PURPOSE: To advise the Committee of the installation of bus stops on Moscrop Street as part of the North Burnaby Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to B.C. Transit and the Moscrop residents who have corresponded on this issue.

REPORT

BACKGROUND

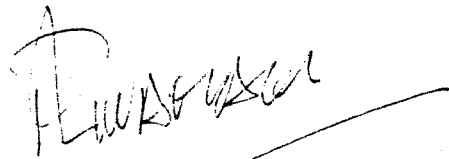
BC Transit will be implementing the North Burnaby Transit Route Plan in 1997 April. The route changes required as part of this plan have been approved by City Council as has the funding necessary for civil improvements required before implementation. All requested/required works have been reviewed by the Engineering Department and construction is under way. The City work required involves curb reconstruction for bus turning, adjustments to exiting stops to allow for handicap access and the installation of new stops. The majority of this work will have little impact on Burnaby residents along the routes. One of three new stops proposed on Moscrop Street has, however, drawn some resident concern.

STOP REQUIREMENTS

Moscrop Street between Patterson Avenue and Smith Avenue is currently without bus service. Under the new 129 routing busses will operate on this portion of Moscrop as part of a route tying Metrotown and Patterson Station to Brentwood Mall. This route will considerably enhance transit access to Burnaby General Hospital for Burnaby residents given the transit focal point interchanges at Brentwood and Metrotown. This is also an excellent routing for local area residents to access either of these town centres via only one bus. To incorporate Moscrop as part of the route, three new stops along Moscrop, one westbound at Inman and two eastbound at Smith and at Inman are proposed.

We have contacted all residents in writing who may be affected by the stop installations. The letter sent to the residents briefly describes BC Transit's North Burnaby Plan and advised that due to stop requirements on Moscrop it may be necessary to restrict some parking adjacent their property for the purposes of installing bus pull-ins, landing pads and/or bus zones. Nine letters in total were delivered and to date, there has only been serious concern raised regarding the eastbound stop nearside Inman (correspondence attached). Without this stop the distance between stops would be approximately 450m which exceeds the B.C. Transit guideline for desirable stop spacing. We note that stops in Burnaby are typically 200-300m apart. We also note that the stop proposed is located across the street from a new westbound stop and it is generally considered desirable to pair stops in this way from a customer service perspective.

Without a viable alternative location, staff do not recommend removal of this stop from the proposed routing. Rather, we propose that the implementation of the stop be deferred, if necessary, to provide time for additional review by B.C. Transit staff. B.C. Transit's evaluation will be provided at a forthcoming meeting.



ASST. DIRECTOR ENGINEERING,
TRAFFIC & ENG. SYSTEMS

EJ/PL:
Attach.

cc: City Manager

