

COMMUNITY ISSUES AND SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

*HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND COUNCILLORS*

Re: ALLOCATION OF SPACE BURNABY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY RESOURCE
CENTRE

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **THAT** Council allocate Room 38 at the Burnaby Heights Community Resource Centre to the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Vancouver/Lower Mainland Chapter.
2. THAT staff be authorized to undertake the necessary lease arrangements between the City and Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.
3. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the following applicants for the space:

Vancouver Community College, Marta Gardiner, Associate Dean, 1155 East Broadway, P.O. Box 24620 Station F., Vancouver, BC V5N 5T9 and Burnaby School District, Don Jacobs, Manager, Adult and Continuing Education and Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Vancouver/Lower Mainland Chapter, Kimberly Tokaryk, Administrator, #13 - 4849 Kingsway, Burnaby BC V5H 2C8

REPORT

The Community Issues and Social Planning Committee, at its meeting held on 1997 April 30, received the attached report and in consideration of the staff recommendations, resolved to adopt the abovenoted recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor C. Redman
Chair

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TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
COMMUNITY ISSUES &
SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

1997 MARCH 11

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FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING

SUBJECT: ALLOCATION OF SPACE
BURNABY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

PURPOSE: To present a proposal for the allocation of Room 38 at the Burnaby Heights Community Resource Centre.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT the Committee recommend to Council:

1. **THAT** Room 38 at the Burnaby Heights Community Resource Centre be allocated to the Burnaby School District.
2. **THAT** staff be authorized to undertake the necessary lease arrangements between the City and Burnaby School District.
3. **THAT** a copy of this report be sent to the following applicants for the space: Vancouver Community College, Marta Gardiner, Associate Dean, 1155 East Broadway, P.O. Box 24620 Station F., Vancouver, B.C., V5N 5T9, and Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Vancouver / Lower Mainland Chapter, Kimberly Tokaryk, Administrator, #13 - 4849 Kingsway, Burnaby B.C., V5H 2C8.

REPORT

1.0 INTRODUCTION

On 1996 July 31, Room 38 at the Burnaby Heights Resource Centre was vacated by the Burnaby Seniors Outreach Services Society. On 1996 October 7 the room was allocated to the Burnaby Family Life Institute. Subsequently, the Institute advised that the room was not suitable for its purposes and declined the allocation. The room is currently being made available for community bookings.

Applications for Room 38 were re-solicited from non-profit community groups through the distribution of a community notice and poster to approximately 100 Burnaby community organizations, groups and centres in 1996 November.

2.0 APPLICANTS

As of 1997 March 4, the following three applications have been received for the lease of Room 38 on the second floor of the resource centre.

Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is a non-profit health charity established in 1960. The Lower Mainland Chapter was formed in 1961. The role of the Foundation is to assist those afflicted with cystic fibrosis, conduct research into improved care and treatment, promote public awareness, and raise funds for these purposes. Approximately 25% of the membership and patients of the Vancouver / Lower Mainland Chapter of the Foundation reside in Burnaby. The Foundation is proposing to use Room 38 primarily for office administration, fund raising and other related activities.

Vancouver Community College - ESL Outreach Department

Vancouver Community College is a Provincially publicly-funded college governed by the Colleges and Institutes Act. The College is proposing to use Room 38 for its outreach Adult ESL programs in the north Burnaby area to provide ESL classes and an adult ESL learning centre function. A learning centre provides fee drop-in tutorial and assisted self-study opportunities for people wishing to improve their English skills outside of a scheduled classroom environment. In 1996 January, the College opened an Adult ESL Learning Centre in space provided by the Burnaby Kingsway Library. Currently, the College does not have a Burnaby location for ESL classes.

Burnaby School District - ESL & Adult Education Classes

The Burnaby School District offers a variety of ESL programs and adult education classes. Currently, the School District lease space at the Edmonds and Burnaby Heights resource centres. The School District proposes to use Room 38 for an expansion of its existing ESL and adult education programs.

3.0 PROPOSED ALLOCATION

In principle, all applicants for Room 38 meet the basic guidelines for the allocation of space for the community resource centre. In summary, the organizations:

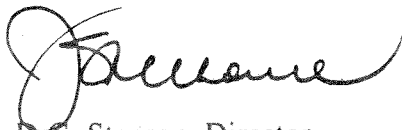
- ▶ operate on a non-profit basis
- ▶ provide a service of benefit to Burnaby residents
- ▶ meet a specific need in the community
- ▶ would be compatible with existing uses while expanding the depth of services available at the resource centre

However, it is noted that the guidelines give preference to Burnaby based local or neighbourhood community groups, while organizations meeting a regional, provincial or national mandate may also be accommodated. In this case, the Burnaby School District is the only organization that is solely Burnaby based.

As such, based on the space allocation guidelines, it is recommended that the space be allocated to the Burnaby School District for the delivery of ESL and adult education classes.

4.0 CONCLUDING COMMENTS

With Council approval of the Committee's recommendation for the allocation of this space, staff will undertake the necessary lease arrangements for the approved applicant. Consistent with City policy, the lease cost for the space is set at \$9.28 per square foot per year for 1997.


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