

TO: CITY MANAGER

1997 NOVEMBER 12

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE PUBLICITY
TRANS CANADA TRAIL**

PURPOSE: To inform Council of the publicity to advertise the two forthcoming Public Open Houses for the Trans Canada Trail.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** a copy of this report be sent to the Parks and Recreation Commission for information as well as to the Hon. Joan Sawicki, MLA.

REPORT

At the 1997 October 06 meeting, Council received a report informing about the Trans Canada Trail initiative, intended to be a celebration of Canada's history as a nation of trail builders and the magnificence of our environment. On the same agenda was an item of correspondence from Joan A. Sawicki, MLA, Burnaby-Willington, expressing support for the initiative. At that time, Council authorized staff to work with Trails B.C. in the preparation of a phased implementation program for the Trans Canada Trail on the understanding that the process will include the scheduling of two Open Houses this fall informing the public of the Trans Canada Trail project and affording the public, including residents, an opportunity to comment on the project, and that a further report will be submitted on the proposed implementation program.

The two Open Houses have now been scheduled for:

- a) 1997 December 02, 5 - 9 p.m.
Gilmore Community School, 50 Gilmore Avenue
- b) 1997 December 03, 5 - 9 p.m.
Cameron Recreation Centre, 9523 Cameron Street

These Open Houses offer an opportunity for the public to learn more from staff and Trails B.C. volunteers about the Trans Canada Trail as a national project to celebrate the Millennium and to comment on the proposed Lower Mainland route through North Burnaby. Publicity for these Open Houses is being provided through a notice in the mid-November Information Burnaby, newspaper

ads in the 1997 November 23 editions of the Burnaby Now and Burnaby News Leader as well as through fliers being distributed to all recreation centres in Burnaby.

A further report on an implementation program incorporating the general feedback received at these Public Open Houses would then be submitted in due course to Council.

This is for the information of Council.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. G. Stenson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

D. G. Stenson
Director Planning and Building

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cc. Director Recreation and Cultural Services
Director Finance
Director Engineering
City Solicitor