

TO: CITY MANAGER

DATE: 1997 07 02

FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

FILE: 50-06-21

SUBJECT: BOUNDARY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS -
KINGSWAY TO THURSTON STREET

PURPOSE: To seek council approval to bring forward a Capital Works Expenditure Bylaw for \$600,000 to finance the construction of improvements on Boundary Road at Kingsway.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council authorize bringing forward a Capital Works Expenditure Bylaw for \$600,000 to finance the construction of improvements on Boundary Road at Kingsway.

REPORT

This project provides for the reconstruction of Boundary Road to a six lane standard from north of Vanness Avenue to a point south of Kingsway including a traffic signal with transit actuation at the Boundary/Vanness intersection which would accommodate pedestrians and cyclists crossing Boundary Road at grade and the left turn movement for buses and emergency vehicles wanting to go northbound on Boundary Road. This project would also accommodate some modifications of the existing signals at Kingsway and Boundary Road plus the widening of Kingsway east of Boundary Road to the pedestrian overpass. The reconstruction of Boundary Road would also relocate the parking/stopping area adjacent to B.C. Tel and realign B.C. Tel's current driveway access from Boundary Road. This project will be cost shared with the City of Vancouver, Ministry of Highways and B.C. Telephone, however, as the overall project manager, the City of Burnaby will enter into the construction contract and therefore must ensure that sufficient funding is in place.

The current estimate to complete this project is \$2.4 million. At its regular meeting of 1996 May 27, Council approved a Capital Works Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$1.8 million. The design is now complete and the City is currently tendering this project. It is therefore recommended that a Capital Works Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$600,000 including 7% G.S.T. be brought forward to provide the balance of funding required. Sufficient Capital Reserves are available and these expenditures are included in the Major Roads component of the 1997 - 2001 Capital Program. The Bylaw for this project appears elsewhere on the agenda.

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An application has been made under the Canada/B.C. Infrastructure Program for this portion of Boundary Road plus the widening of an extended portion of Kingsway between Boundary and Patterson. To date the City has not received any indication as to the status of this application. Should the City be successful, Council would, at that time, be advised and staff would present a revised budget and cost sharing arrangement.


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cc: Director Finance
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