

CITY OF BURNABY

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
(TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT DIVISION)

*HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR  
AND COUNCILLORS*

Re: #109 Bus Re-Routing

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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REPORT

The Traffic and Transportation Committee (Transportation and Transit Division), at its meeting held on 1998 January 14, adopted the attached report advising of a proposal by BC Transit to re-route the #109 Brentwood Mall/Boundary Loop.

MEMBERS:

Ms. L. Boivin  
Mr. R. Lupien  
Mr. W.B. Roxburgh  
Ms. L. Tatangelo

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Respectfully submitted,

Councillor D. Evans  
Chair

Councillor J. Young  
Vice Chair

Councillor N. Volkow  
Member

**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
(TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT DIVISION)

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING                      Our File: 08.211

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**PURPOSE:** To advise the Traffic and Transportation Committee of a proposal by B.C. Transit to re-route the #109 Brentwood Mall/Boundary Loop.

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**REPORT**

**1.0 BACKGROUND**

At its regular meeting of 1997 November 12, the Traffic and Transportation Committee received a verbal report from the Manager, Transportation Planning with regard to the re-routing of the #109 bus route. The committee was advised that B.C. Transit was considering re-routing the #109 from its current route as shown in **Attachment A, Figure 1** to a new route via Gilmore Avenue and Henning Drive as shown in **Attachment A, Figure 2**. B.C. Transit has been considering this re-routing in response to longstanding concerns expressed by a number of residents residing in the immediate vicinity of the Burnaby Transit Centre in regard to the large numbers of B.C. Transit buses operating on Kitchener Street (Boundary-Douglas) and Douglas Road. This report reviews the recently received proposal from B.C. Transit (**Attachment A**) regarding the re-routing of the #109 and requests favourable consideration be given to approving the use of buses on Gilmore Avenue and Henning Street to accommodate this re-routing.

## 2.0 EVALUATION

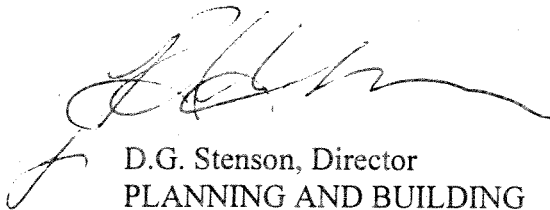
The #109 currently operates as a shuttle service between Brentwood Mall and Boundary Loop via Halifax, Rosser, Lougheed, Boundary and return via Douglas and Halifax to Brentwood Mall.

This shuttle service is only required after cessation of operation on the #99 B-Line service which provides service between Brentwood and Boundary all day until late evening. At some point in the future, the #109 bus route may be entirely replaced by extending the #99 service later into the evenings but at this point, B.C. Transit wishes to continue evening service on the #109.

To respond to neighbourhood concerns however, B.C. Transit proposes re-routing the #109 from Brentwood Mall via Halifax, Rosser, Lougheed, Gilmore, Henning to Boundary and return via Lougheed to Willingdon. As #109 is a shuttle service operating in the later evening hours only, no bus stops would be required between Brentwood and Boundary Road.

## 3.0 CONCLUSION

The current routing of the #109 has been a continuing issue for residents of the Douglas/Kitchener area residing in close proximity to the Burnaby Transit Centre. The proposed re-routing relocates the #109 bus to the office/industrial area south of Lougheed Highway and therefore approval of the #109 re-routing and bus use of Gilmore Avenue and Henning Drive is recommended. It is expected that this change could be implemented by B.C. Transit in a very short time frame, possibly two weeks.



D.G. Stenson, Director  
PLANNING AND BUILDING

Attachment

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cc: City Manager

January 13, 1998

Mr. R. Glover  
City of Burnaby  
Engineering Department  
4949 Canada Way  
Burnaby, BC V5G 1M2

Dear Mr. Glover:

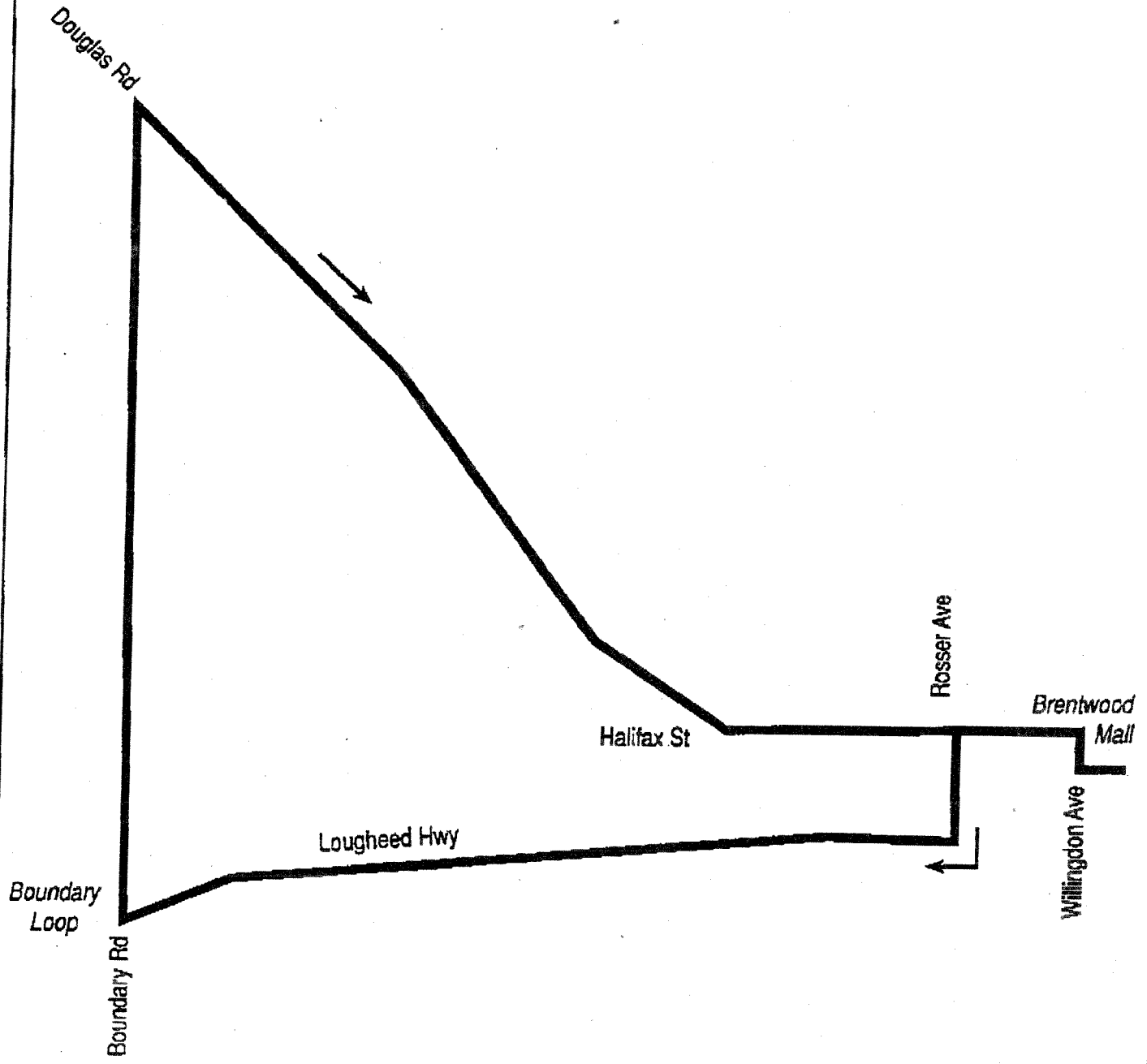
Re: Proposal to Re-route the #109 Brentwood Mall/Boundary Loop Route

The #109 Brentwood Mall/Boundary Loop route operates between Brentwood Mall and Boundary Loop, providing local service every 15 minutes at those times when the #99 B Line is not operating.

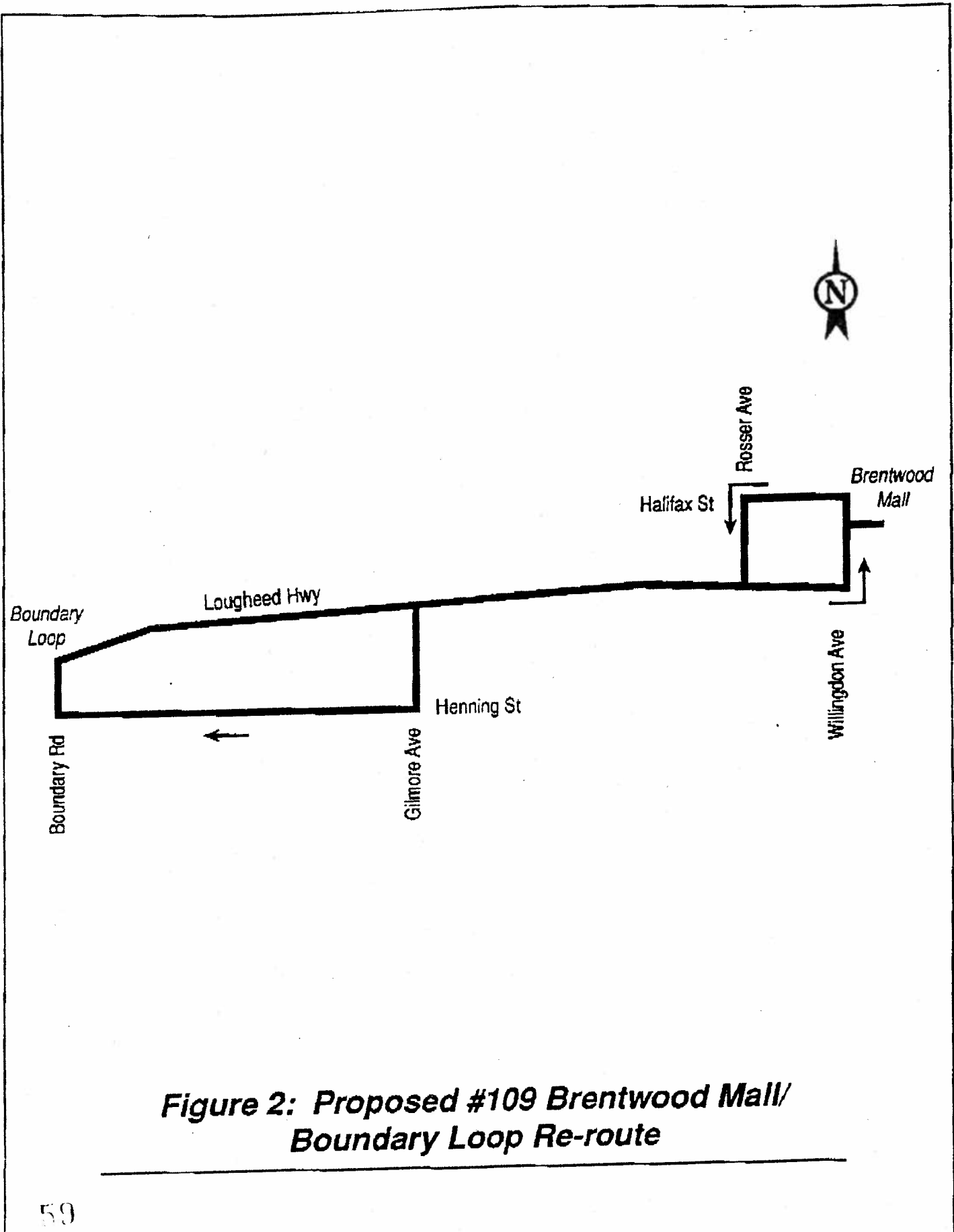
The #109 route was initially introduced at the request of Brentwood Mall merchants who wanted an improved public transit connection to Broadway trolley services. The route operated between the two termini until January 1996 when increased traffic volumes on Lougheed Highway made the eastbound left-turn movement for buses leaving Boundary Loop unsafe. A temporary re-route had to be introduced. As a result, the #109 Brentwood Mall currently operates from a temporary terminus on Boundary Road, north of Lougheed Highway, via Boundary, Douglas, Halifax, Willingdon and into Brentwood Mall Transit Loop. The westbound #109 Boundary Loop routing is via Halifax, Rosser, Lougheed to the temporary terminus. Figure 1 illustrates the current routing.

The existing routing of the #109 is through the Douglas Road neighbourhood, an area that is sensitive to the movement of buses. Both the City of Burnaby and BC Transit have received complaints from area residents about the presence of this temporary bus route. Further, this area has not generated any notable ridership increases.

To address these neighbourhood concerns, BC Transit would like to pursue another temporary re-route of the #109 route, as shown in Figure 2. From Brentwood, the re-route would be via the regular route to Gilmore, then via Henning and Boundary to a layover position within the vicinity of Lougheed and Boundary. In the reverse direction, the bus would operate on Lougheed to Willingdon, then into Brentwood Transit Exchange.



**Figure 1: Existing #109 Brentwood Mall/  
Boundary Loop Routing**



**Figure 2: Proposed #109 Brentwood Mall/  
Boundary Loop Re-route**