

TO: CITY MANAGER

1999 January 12

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT: TRANS CANADA TRAIL IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

PURPOSE: To request that Council bring down a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$72,900 for construction of the Trans Canada Trail in 1999.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$72,900 be brought down to finance the Trans Canada Trail project for 1999.

R E P O R T

1. BACKGROUND

At the 1998 July 27 Council meeting, Council adopted a report outlining the details of the Trans Canada Trail project, which is a national celebration of Canada's history as a nation of trail builders. The report outlined the route of the Trail through North Burnaby (see *attached* Map 1), a phased implementation schedule for the project and proposed route amenities such as feature areas along the trail. Council also adopted the recommendation in this report that the Trans Canada Trail be declared a walking and touring cycling project in celebration of the Millennium.

2. CURRENT STATUS

During the summer of 1998 construction was completed on the first phase of the Trans Canada Trail which is the Joe's Trail portion on Burnaby Mountain. Construction of this portion was funded jointly by the City and an E-Team Grant from the Provincial Government. As was outlined in the 1998 July 27 report, work was scheduled to start in 1998 on the western end of the trail from Boundary Road to Willingdon Avenue. Parks staff did prepare designs for this portion of the trail which entails upgrading what is, for the most part, an existing trail through parkland. Unfortunately, due to the large amount of rain which has fallen during the past few months, parks crews have been unable to commence construction in this area. Construction on this section of the trail will commence as soon as soils in the area adequately dry out and stabilize.

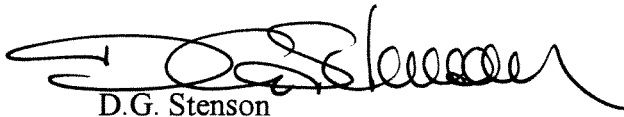
Staff are currently working on designs for the areas of the trail where alignments have not been finalized due to a variety of issues. Designs for these more complex areas of the trail will continue to be pursued during 1999 with some construction intended to occur on these portions in the fall. Any unfinished portions of the trail at that time will be constructed during the spring and early summer of 2000.

The official opening day of the Trans Canada Trail is set for 2000 September 09.

3. FINANCING

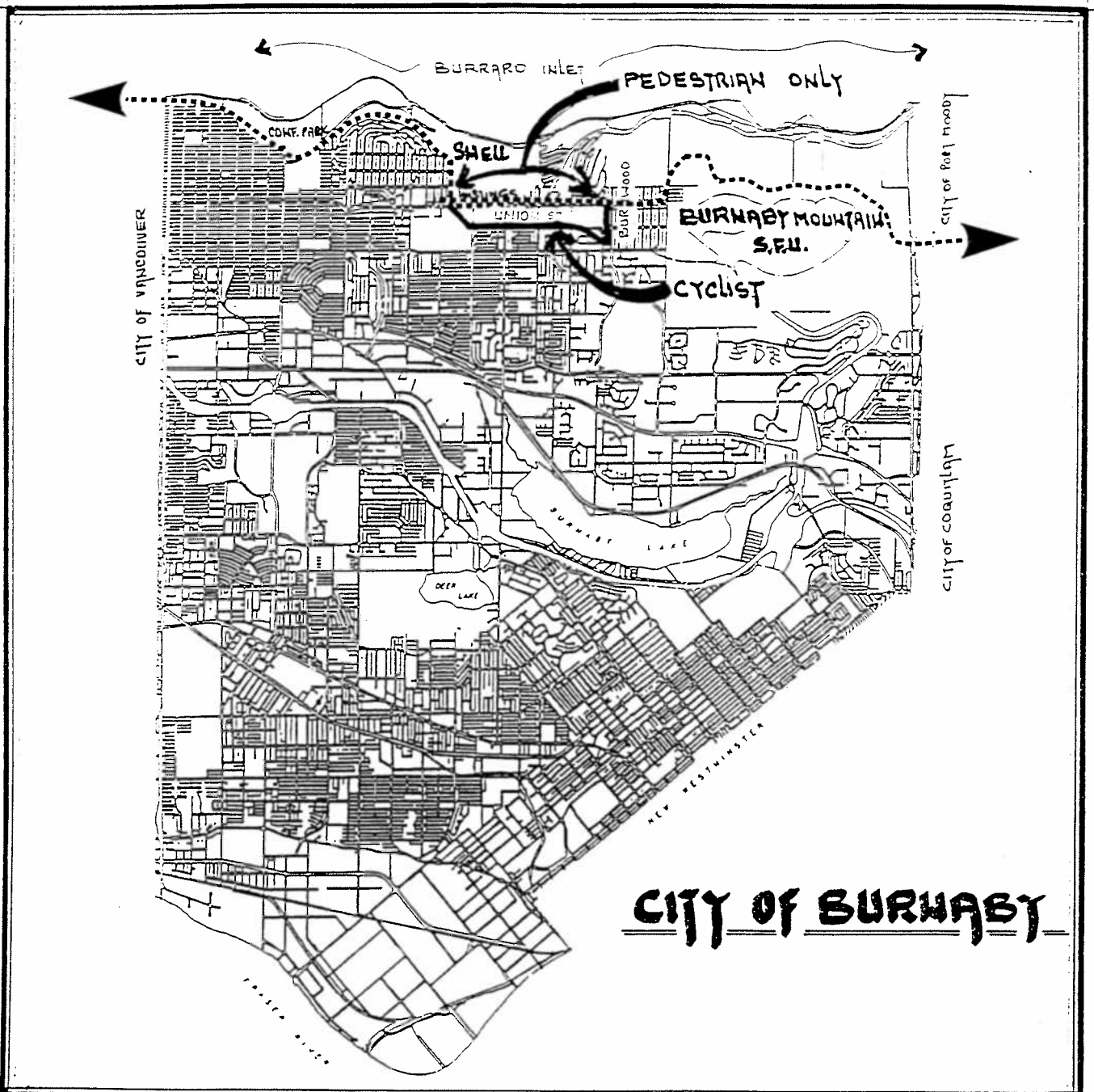
Sufficient Capital Reserves are available to finance this project which is included under the 1999 Urban Trail component of the 1999 - 2003 Provisional Capital Program. However, expenditures are expected to exceed the 1999 approved budgetary provision by \$10,000. The 1999 Annual Capital Budget will be adjusted accordingly.

It is therefore recommended that a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$72,900 (inclusive of 7% G.S.T.) be brought down to finance this phase of the project.


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