

ROYAL OAK ADVISORY COMMITTEE

REPORT
1999 JUNE 28

His Worship, The Mayor
and Councillors

Subject: ROYAL OAK COMMUNITY PLAN

Purpose: To submit the finalized Royal Oak Community Plan prepared by the Royal Oak Advisory Committee for Council's consideration and approval.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **THAT** the finalized Royal Oak Community Plan be approved.
2. **THAT** following Council adoption of the Royal Oak Community Plan, copies of the Plan be forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Commission, Environment and Waste Management Committee, Community Planning and Housing Committee, Community Issues and Social Planning Committee, Traffic and Transportation Committee (both divisions), Community Heritage Commission, Bicycle Advisory Committee, Community Policing Committee, Burnaby School Board, and Burnaby Public Library Board.

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A citizen-based advisory committee was established by City Council to undertake a review of the Royal Oak area. The Royal Oak Advisory Committee is comprised of two Councillors, a School Trustee and twelve citizen members appointed by Council. The Royal Oak Advisory Committee has been meeting since the spring of 1997.

The mandate of the Royal Oak Advisory Committee has been to prepare recommendations for consideration by Council for a Royal Oak Community Plan that establishes a longer term vision for the future development of the area, while addressing the needs and issues of current and future residents, businesses and industry.

Over a two-year period, the Royal Oak Advisory Committee has worked to develop such recommendations for the Royal Oak Community Plan. The Committee's deliberations included consideration of a range of issues raised at initial community meetings and were assisted by two sub-committees, the Facilities and Youth Sub-Committee which also pursued a major youth survey and the Public Safety, Transportation and Traffic Sub-Committee.

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To provide for broad public review and comment, the Advisory Committee distributed a brochure summarizing a draft Royal Oak Community Plan to all households, businesses and non-resident owners in the Royal Oak area. Arising from the distribution of about 10,000 copies of the brochure and advertisements in the local newspapers, about 200 people attended an Open House on 1999 April 20 at the Burnaby South Secondary School. Many comments and suggestions on the draft Plan were received from this public input process. In preparing the finalized Royal Oak Community Plan for Council consideration, certain aspects of the draft Plan were amended or clarified in response to the public comments received by the Advisory Committee. The finalized Plan was approved by the Committee at its meeting of 1999 June 16.

The Committee is pleased to submit the finalized Royal Oak Community Plan to Council for its consideration and approval. Due to its volume, the finalized Royal Oak Community Plan document is being provided to members of Council under separate cover, and copies are available for viewing at the City Clerk's and Planning Department counters. Copies of the approved Plan would be sent to all subscribers of the Planning Information Program and to all Burnaby Public Libraries and would be available at the Planning Department counter.

The Royal Oak Advisory Committee would like to express its appreciation to Council for providing the opportunity to take a lead role in the planning of their community. It has been a constructive and enriching experience with the objective of the betterment of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Royal Oak Advisory Committee

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