

TO: CITY MANAGER 2000 March 20

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT: REZONING REFERENCE #99-30  
BRENTWOOD TOWN CENTRE SKYTRAIN STATION  
PUBLIC HEARING SUBMISSIONS

Purpose: To provide a response to the submissions made at the Public Hearing held on 2000 January 25 for Rezoning Reference #99-30.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** a copy of this report and a copy of the Public Hearing Minutes for Rezoning Reference #99-30 be sent to Rapid Transit Project 2000 Ltd., #200-3875 Henning Drive, Burnaby, B.C., V5C 6N5 and TransLink, 1700 - 4720 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 4M2, with the view that this information, including expressed concerns, would assist the Rapid Transit Project 2000 Ltd. and TransLink in pursuing the appropriate final design and construction of the SkyTrain stations and associated provisions.

**REPORT**

At the Public Hearing held on 2000 January 25 for Rezoning Reference #99-30, Brentwood Town Centre SkyTrain Station, representations were made on behalf of the Brentwood Mall property owner, on whose property the primary linkage to the station as well as the bus loop are located, and by four residents. Council subsequently on 2000 February 07 requested staff to submit a report responding to these Public Hearing submissions.

The responses to the Public Hearing submissions are outlined as follows:

- a) The Brentwood Mall supports the SkyTrain station as generally presented. Since the Public Hearing, further coordination of the station components including the land bridge and north station house, and their design specifications and integration with the mall site have been pursued. It is noted that primary access to the station is from the north side of the Lougheed Highway including an elevator to the sidewalk and proposed pedestrian ramp towards the bus loop and mall. Elevators and escalators are provided from the landbridge up to the station platforms. A number of these integration components have also been resolved with the mall expansion (London Drugs) rezoning bylaw, Rezoning Reference #99-22, which was given Final Adoption by Council on 2000 March 06.

It is also noted that the level of site servicing and infrastructure including road improvements to be provided in relation to the station development and rezoning by RTPO, TransLink and the Municipal Integration Fund (MIF) has been determined through a further agreement involving RTPO, TransLink and the City which was approved by Council at its meeting of 2000 March 13. Other desirable infrastructure improvements in the vicinity of the station will be achieved through other auspices including future rezoning applications in the area.

- b) Four Burnaby residents also spoke, raising various concerns with two speakers specifically expressing opposition to the rezoning application. Concerns were raised regarding safety and security issues, increased crime, potential traffic and parking problems, water run-off and noise environmental assessments and geotechnical studies.

Discussions which included RCMP input have indicated the need for Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) and station policing to be addressed in the station designs and operations. A report entitled "Security, Safety and Rapid Transit" had been prepared by a security consultant engaged by RTPO. The report is general in nature and not site specific. Staff have requested more detailed information on the security arrangements that TransLink intends to put in place but have not yet received such information.

Staff are cognizant of potential traffic and parking problems relative to SkyTrain stations and are addressing these issues in continuing discussions and through the agreements with Rapid Transit Project 2000 Ltd. (RTPO) and TransLink. Continued monitoring of the situation is considered appropriate.

The structural design of the station takes into consideration station-specific geotechnical studies which have been carried out. Water run-off will be handled in the usual manner for this urban site located within the Brentwood Town Centre core. RTPO engaged a consultant to provide a noise impact assessment of the SkyTrain project with respect to proximate existing residential development with this assessment not indicating the need for any mitigation in the Brentwood Station area.

As previously indicated, the City is pursuing the rezoning applications for the stations in Burnaby. The RTPO has agreed to cooperate with this rezoning process and is providing the necessary information to advance the rezoning applications. Although representatives of both RTPO and TransLink were in attendance at the Public Hearing for this subject rezoning held on 2000 January 25, it is recommended that a copy of this report as well as a copy of the Public Hearing minutes be sent by the City Clerk to both RTPO and TransLink. The RTPO and TransLink are requested to consider this information including expressed concerns in pursuing the appropriate final design and construction of the SkyTrain stations and associated provisions.



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