Item 08 Manager's Report No. 20
Council Meeting

TO: CITY MANAGER 2000 JULY 25

FROM: APPROVING OFFICER

SUBJECT: CAPITOL HILL RESERVOIR LANDS

ROAD CLOSURE REF. #8/93 SUBDIVISION REF.#41/91 215 N. HYTHE AVENUE

PURPOSE: To request Council authority for the introduction of a Highway Exchange Bylaw to

facilitate the development of the Capitol Hill Reservoir Lands and to the granting of

various rights-of-way.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council authorize the introduction of a Highway Exchange Bylaw involving closure of a portion of the Cambridge Street road allowance in exchange for the dedication of a portion of City-owned land at 215 N. Hythe Avenue for lane.

- 2. THAT Council authorize the Director Engineering to arrange for preparation of the required Highway Exchange Bylaw plan, subdivision plan and right-of-way plans.
- **THAT** Council authorize the granting and execution of a right-of-way in favour of B.C. Hydro and Power Authority and Telus as outlined in Section 2.0 of this report.
- 4. THAT Council authorize the granting and execution of a statutory right-of-way to provide construction/maintenance access to an existing city water pumping station.

REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND:

On 1996 October 28, Council approved the redevelopment of the Capitol Hill Water Reservoir lands. This involves creation of two single-family lots, a public open space lot which recognizes the historical presence of this neighbourhood viewpoint, and closure of the adjacent redundant Cambridge Street right-of-way (see Sketch <u>attached</u>). The road allowance area would be closed and consolidated with the open space lot in exchange for dedication of a lane which the prevailing topography dictates as being required.

2.0 CURRENT SITUATION:

Various departments and outside agencies having an interest in the road closure were advised to report any concerns and/or requirements, and details are provided as follows:

- a) The Director Engineering has reported that a statutory right-of-way is required over the entire road closure area as well as approximately 4 m of the adjacent former reservoir site to provide construction/maintenance access to the existing water pumping station complete with inflow and outflow watermains, an emergency genset fuel tank and associated sewer services within this area.
- b) B.C. Hydro and Telus have reported they have plant on a joint pole lead and will require a 4 m right-of-way north of the south property line of the closed Cambridge Street road allowance as well as a 1 m right-of-way on the west side as noted on the sketch.

Engineering design drawings have been completed and on 2000 July 10, Council awarded a contract for the construction of roadworks, storm and sanitary sewers, street lighting and utility works, and the demolition of the abandoned reservoir structure.

3.0 **CONCLUSION**:

Servicing of the planned development of the Capitol Hill Reservoir Lands has been approved by Council and it is appropriate at this time to close a redundant portion of Cambridge Street in exchange for dedication of lane. Therefore, Council authority is requested for preparation and introduction of a Highway Exchange Bylaw, preparation of all necessary plans and granting and execution of various rights-of-way.

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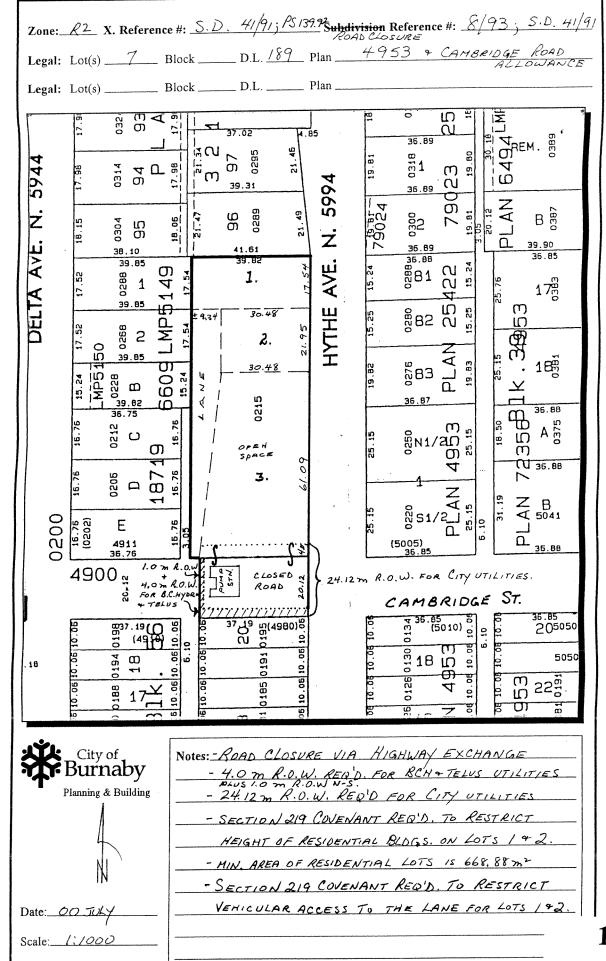
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AD/ds Attach.

cc: City Solicitor

Director Engineering

Director Recreation & Cultural Services



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