

TO: CITY MANAGER

2002 DECEMBER 11

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT: NEW STUDENT RESIDENCES AT SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

PURPOSE: To advise Council regarding a development application for additional student residences at Simon Fraser University.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** this report be received for information.

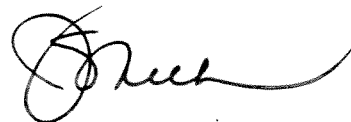
REPORT

The SFU Official Community Plan was adopted by Council in 1996. In addition to providing for development of market residential neighbourhoods within the Ring Road, the Plan also noted the University's intent to increase student housing to accommodate from the current 1,400 students to a total of about 5,600 students over the longer term.

The University has now made a Preliminary Plan Approval application for a significant expansion of student housing on campus. This \$16 million project includes 492 units in 2 student residence buildings as well as a dining hall with associated facilities, all in one interconnected complex. The location is in the western portion of the site in proximity to existing student housing along the University's main pedestrian circulation spine, facing the existing Louis Riel student residence building (see **attached** Sketch #1). Construction will commence early next year with occupancy expected by September 2004.

As background, the development of the market residential UniverCity Neighbourhood in the east portion of the site provided for by the SFU Official Community Plan is also progressing with approval of the first phase subdivision expected before the end of the year. Servicing is already underway. The first phase of residential will include about 540 units in four residential developments and one mixed-use commercial-residential development. Construction will commence in early 2003 with occupancy expected in Spring 2004. As part of this proposed market housing, further student accommodation in the form of multi-family flex units continues to be encouraged.

This is for the information of Council.



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