

TO: CITY MANAGER January 29, 2002

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT: 2001 GEORGIE AWARDS

PURPOSE: To inform Council of the results of the 2001 Grand Georgie Awards as related to the City of Burnaby.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** a copy of this report be forwarded to Mr. Kevin Mahon, President and CEO, Adera Development Corporation, 700 - 111 Melville Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6E 3V6.

REPORT

The 10th Annual Georgie Awards recognizing excellence in residential construction within BC and the Yukon during 2001 were presented on January 26, 2002. This event is sponsored by the Canadian Home Builders' Association of British Columbia and involves a number of different categories.

The Grand Georgie Awards are major awards based on an accumulation of points earned from judging in a series of individual categories. One of the Grand Georgie Awards is *Best Residential Development in BC and the Yukon*. Staff are pleased to report that this award was presented to Adera Development Corporation for The Village in the Edmonds Town Centre West area of Burnaby.

The Village is a multi-phased development that occupies the former Weiser Lock industrial property between Beresford and Prenter Streets west of Griffiths Drive. The Powerhouse Creek Development Plan which guided the development of these lands was the product of a public review process completed in 1996.

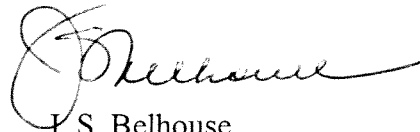
The completed project incorporates six development sites on 10.4 acres with a combined total of 406 townhouses and apartments. Apart from the market housing components, the Village includes 14 guaranteed market rental units, 9 adaptable units for aging in place, a purpose built daycare unit, a childrens' play area and provision for a small commercial convenience space.

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The City and the developer were able to collaborate closely on this project and include a number of elements such as a density transfer to the site in exchange for development of an adjacent hydro right-of-way for local park and riparian purposes, reduced setbacks, tandem parking and a non-standard road approach. The collaborative approach on this project also earned a Silver Georgie Award in the category of *Excellence by Public-Private Partnerships in Creating Affordable Housing and Healthy Communities* co-presented to the City of Burnaby and Adera Development Corporation.

It is opportune to acknowledge the success of Adera's Village Project both in the market place and in the eyes of its peers in the development community and to offer the City's congratulations to Adera for receipt of this prestigious award. The City appreciates the significant investment made in the redevelopment of the Edmonds Town Centre Area by Adera and shares in the pride of the recognized excellence attained.



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