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Manager's Report No.	13
Council Meeting	02/05/06

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2002 05 01
FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING **FILE:** 50-06-06
SUBJECT: GILMORE AVENUE - DAWSON STREET TO STILL CREEK AVENUE
PURPOSE: To seek approval to bring down a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$200,000 be brought down for engineering services for the design of Gilmore Avenue Improvements.

R E P O R T

1.0 BACKGROUND


Gilmore Avenue between Lougheed Highway and Canada Way is designated as a Secondary Arterial and is also a part of Burnaby's Truck Route Network. The portion between the Lougheed Highway and Still Creek Avenue requires extensive upgrading to bring it up to arterial standards. The scope of the improvements include widening to four lanes to accommodate the increase in traffic volumes due to extensive new development in this area and the introduction of rapid transit of the Lougheed Corridor. It also includes raising the grade of the roadway to eliminate the potential for flooding.

On 2002 March 25, Council approved the award of a construction contract for the block of Gilmore Avenue between Lougheed Highway and Dawson Street. This block is being undertaken at this time in order to coordinate with the planned opening of the Gilmore SkyTrain Station later this Summer.

The construction of the remaining section of Gilmore Avenue from Dawson Street to Still Creek Avenue is scheduled to begin later this year and be completed in 2004. In order to meet this schedule, engineering design work must be undertaken as soon as possible. The estimated cost of this engineering work is \$200,000 and includes geotechnical investigation, environmental assessment and detailed design.

2.0 FINANCING

Sufficient Capital Reserves are available and this project is included under the 2002 Major Roads component of the 2002-2006 Capital Program. The net cost of the project after claiming the 4% GST Rebate is \$192,500. A Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$200,000 which includes full 7% GST is required to finance the gross cost of the engineering design fees.


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