REPORT 2002 MAY 06

CITY OF BURNABY

TO:

BURNABY CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

HIS WORSHIP, MAYOR DRUMMOND

SUBJECT: SISTER CITY VISIT 2002

RECOMMENDATION:

 THAT Council authorize the payment of expenses in association with the Mesa Sister City visit 2002 August 14 to 18.

REPORT

The City of Mesa, Arizona have accepted our invitation to visit Burnaby from 2002 August 14 to 18. The purpose of this visit will be to learn about, discuss and develop ideas around the issues of cross border trade and how we may facilitate economic development opportunities between our two communities; development of joint education opportunities and exchanges between Mesa Community College and BCIT; and to share knowledge and ideas with respect to various community planning, public transportation and neighbourhood development issues.

The City of Burnaby, BCIT and the Board of Trade are working together to develop a program which will be informative and useful for delegates from both municipalities. It is hoped this exchange of ideas will further foster a mutually beneficial relationship between the two cities.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas P. Drummond, MAYOR