CITY OF BURNABY FAMILY COURT & YOUTH JUSTICE COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

RE: WORKING TOGETHER: YOUTH JUSTICE REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2002

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council authorize up to two members of the Family Court & Youth Justice Committee and one staff person to attend an event entitled "Working Together: Youth Justice Regional Conference 2002" at an approximate cost of \$270.

REPORT

The Family Court & Youth Justice Committee, at its 'Open' meeting held on 2002 January 02, expressed an interest in attending the subject conference in Vancouver on 2002 January 14 and 15. The event is sponsored by the Provincial Association of Residential and Community Agencies.

The goal of the conference is to assist youth justice practitioners and new community partners to improve and broaden services at a regional and community level. Participants will be assisted to design and deliver stronger programs in their communities. The conference will strengthen partnerships among government agencies, community justice programs and new community partners.

The program includes:

- i) training for community agencies in the new Youth Criminal Justice Act;
- ii) an opportunity to begin to build regional and local action plans and protocols to deliver stronger youth justice programs consistent with strategies supported by the research literature;
- iii) workshops on:
 - prevention and early intervention strategies
 - working with chronic offenders
 - integrated case management
 - · involvement of community partners
 - parents and the system
 - aboriginal youth justice initiatives and opportunities
 - youth dialogue with community partners
 - violent offender program

Funds for the costs associated with attending the Conference are available in the Boards, Committees and Commissions - Conference Budget.

CC: -CITY MANAGER
-DIRECTOR FINANCE
-DIRECTOR PLNG & BLDG

Respectfully submitted.

Ms. Donna MacLean, Acting Chair

Councillor Nancy Harris, Member