

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2006 May 24
FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING **FILE:** 35000-40
Reference: MNEL
SUBJECT: FUNDING FOR MARINE WAY/NELSON AVENUE INTERSECTION
PURPOSE: Approval to bring down a Capital Reserves Expenditure By-law for the upgrading of the Marine Way/Nelson Avenue intersection.

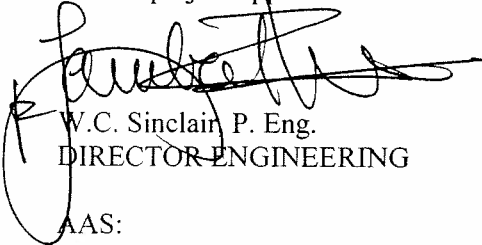
RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a Capital Reserves Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$900,000 (inclusive of 7% GST) be brought down to finance the construction of road improvements at the intersection of Marine Way and Nelson Avenue

REPORT

Increased traffic on Marine Way and an increasing demand to access Nelson Avenue off Marine Way has resulted in the need to expand the length of the left turn lane, provide a right-turn sweep from Marine Way to Nelson Avenue and install a traffic signal at the intersection. Council at its regular meeting of 2005 May 24 approved \$749,000 (inclusive of 7% GST) for engineering services and construction of initial drainage and traffic signal works. Total projects cost have now been more closely defined through the tendering process and is estimated at \$1.649 Million, including contingencies and 7% GST.

TransLink has previously approved 50% cost sharing for this project from the 2005 MRN Minor Capital Program. A revised application based on recently tendered prices will be submitted for their approval. The City must, however, finance the total project cost based on receiving TransLink's share on completion of the project. Sufficient Capital Reserve funds are available and this project is included in the 2006 Capital Program. However, the total project costs of \$1.649 Million exceed the current budget allocation of \$1.311 Million. In order to proceed in a timely manner with the contract award process, it is recommended that this allocation be increased by \$338,000, and that a Capital Works Expenditure Bylaw in the amount of \$900,000 (inclusive of 7% GST) be brought forward to finance these works. The bylaw for this project appears elsewhere on the agenda.



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