

COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2006 April 24
FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING **FILE:** 39500-04
SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO WATERWORKS BYLAW
PURPOSE: To seek Council's approval to amend the Waterworks Regulation Bylaw No. 3325
- Schedule "B" Water Shortage Regulations

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Burnaby Waterworks Regulation Bylaw be amended to provide further clarification on compliance requirements with respect to the water shortage restrictions previously approved by Council.

REPORT**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Council at its meeting of 2004 August 23 adopted amendments to the Waterworks Regulation Bylaw that incorporated the GVRD's latest water shortage restrictions on water use during the period from June 01 to September 30. Since the adoption of the bylaw amendment, staff have administered the water shortage restrictions to conserve the water supply and to reduce water use in the summer months.

2.0 DISCUSSION

In the implementation of the water use restrictions in 2005, several areas of administrative improvements were identified to further clarify some of the definitions included in the bylaw. In order to provide a more practical alternate water use plan for the golf courses, staff propose that provisions be added to the current Bylaw for the Director Engineering to approve alternate water shortage restrictions as appropriate for the golf courses in a manner that is consistent with the goals and principles of the Waterworks Regulation Bylaw.

The proposed amendments to the bylaw will provide further clarity on the administrative requirements of the City's water shortage restrictions and give the golf course operation a more flexible approach to meet the intent of the water use restrictions. It is recommended that the bylaw be amended based on the aforementioned discussion.



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