

2007 DECEMBER 03

An 'Open' meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Monday, 2007 December 03 at 6:30 p.m. followed immediately by a 'Closed' meeting from which the public was excluded. At the conclusion of the 'Closed' meeting, the 'Open' meeting was reconvened at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

PRESENT: His Worship, Mayor D.R. Corrigan In the Chair
Councillor G. Begin
Councillor P. Calendino
Councillor S. Dhaliwal
Councillor D. Johnston
Councillor C. Jordan
Councillor L.A. Rankin
Councillor N.M. Volkow

ABSENT: Councillor G. Evans

STAFF: Mr. R.H. Moncur, City Manager
Mr. C.A. Turpin, Deputy City Manager
Mr. L.S. Chu, Director Engineering
Mr. R. Earle, Director Finance
Ms. K. Friars, Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Mr. B. Luksun, Director Planning & Building
Mrs. D.R. Comis, City Clerk
Mrs. A.L. Lorentsen, A/Deputy City Clerk

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

"THAT the 'Open' Council meeting do now reconvene."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The 'Open' Council meeting reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor's Annual Address to the City

Good evening everyone. I am pleased to deliver this Inaugural Address today to reflect on the past year and look ahead to the opportunities in 2008.

Our City continues to grow and prosper, as we move to fulfil our goal of creating a community that balances economic growth with liveability and environmental sustainability. We are also a City of tremendous ethnic diversity representing a world of cultures and experience. I am truly honoured to be the Mayor of this City that

embraces these values and that is committed to fostering a better society for all of our citizens.

In reviewing the achievements of 2007, I am confident in Burnaby's dedication to that vision.

The ongoing development of Burnaby in part reflects the growth of our Province and region, with the quality, liveability and excellent urban design of our City being the direct result of many years of careful planning. The Planning and Building Department has overseen continued high levels of development and investment in our community, which has changed our skyline, but not our citizen's vision for Burnaby's future.

The total construction value of permits issued to date is \$521 million. This mirrors the accomplishments of last year's record growth. However, the total construction value of certain sectors has been more impressive this year. The construction value for multi-family units is up 20% from \$168 Million last year to \$203 Million in 2007. In addition, the investment in new commercial developments has seen the most dramatic increase of 200% from 2006 for a total of \$117 Million to date. Industrial building construction values have added another \$31 Million of investment, demonstrating a balance of growth that continues to make Burnaby an economic leader.

Perhaps the most important and promising of the revitalization efforts are being seen in Burnaby's oldest Town Centre - Edmonds.

Highgate Village is now nearing completion -- which has shaped the core of this town centre. This development contributed a valuable amenity space which allowed us to open the Donald N. Brown Community Police Office. Dedicated to this former Burnaby police officer, councillor and Freeman, this is an important community facility that will add to our civic presence and provide more services for our Edmonds residents.

Construction of the new and green Leeds certified Public Library will commence in 2008 and will add another modern landmark to Edmonds town centre, supporting our ongoing efforts for the rejuvenation of this community. The library will adjoin and share a new public square with the Esprit mixed-use development which is now under construction and transforming the corner of Kingsway and Edmonds.

Planning is also proceeding for the long-awaited renewal of the Eastburn Community Centre, which will include a swimming pool and expanded recreational facility. This project in part reflects an investment in this neighbourhood and its youth who need our ongoing commitment to ensure that our facilities are built with their needs in mind. I am especially proud of the involvement of the Edmonds youth who participated in the Parks Department design of the innovative Taylor Park which opened in 2007. Their input ensured that this facility features a bike challenge course, basketball courts and a

playground. The area's extensive Urban Trail network continues to be extended with a new bridge which will link pedestrians and cyclists with our expanded parks, Byrne Creek Secondary School and Edmonds SkyTrain station.

The development of Metrotown continues to mature, confirming its stature as one of the primary urban centres in Metro Vancouver. Burnaby's regional town centre is a magnet for economic investment in our community drawing together residents, workers and tourists to its employment, shopping and recreational facilities. Many new developments of note have been initiated or completed in 2007.

The most important of these new commercial and residential investments is the impressive "Centrepont" project, with its outstanding pedestrian overpass. The graceful arch and architecture of this bridge, funded by area Development Cost Charges, exemplify the quality and vision of excellence for urban design that we are committed to achieving in Burnaby. Its completion will create a modern landmark feature which will further define and unite the north and south areas of Metrotown.

The new bridge is just one of the projects that the City has been working to implement for the benefit of pedestrians and commuters. Planning for the reconstruction and improvement of the Metrotown SkyTrain Station is underway. Similarly, Council has recently endorsed a new vision for the BC Parkway to provide a safe and expanded pedestrian and cycle route through South Burnaby. This route, established as the first Urban Trail in Burnaby in 1986, illustrates our commitment to creating a greenway that reflects its importance to our citizens as a major public space and link across Burnaby and between our town centres.

Without doubt the most dramatic urban transformation of our City in 2007 was seen in the advancement of the Brentwood Town Centre plan. The Millennium SkyTrain line has contributed to the remarkable development activity of high density, mixed use development around its stations which has become the core of new neighbourhoods. The rapid changes to this area are the result of over a decade of careful planning to ensure the vision of a well-planned community, created to a standard that is Burnaby's trademark.

Since 2001, nearly 600,000 square feet of commercial floor space has been approved and is under construction, reflecting a rising demand by employers for office space in Burnaby. Over 2,600 high-rise apartment units and 800 low-rise or townhouse units on several key development sites have been approved and are either complete or under construction. Over 1,000 additional apartment units are now in the development approval process.

In concert with the growing town centre, the City has ensured that the full spectrum of parks, recreation and cultural facilities will be realized through opportunities provided

by high density redevelopment. The citizens of Brentwood Town Centre have benefited from the City's density bonusing program which has received commitments of \$29 million in funding for a range of new and expanded public amenities across the City.

A 10,000 square foot community meeting and office facility, obtained by the City through a density bonus arrangement, is nearing completion in the mixed use development at the Holdom SkyTrain Station. Childcare centres have been funded for construction at Madison Centre and Yukon Crescent. 19 dwelling units for affordable rental or adaptable housing purposes have been secured and a substantial planned expansion of the Willingdon Heights Community Centre will provide increased recreational opportunities for this expanding neighbourhood.

Additionally, the ongoing expansion of the Urban Trail system, including the Central Valley Greenway, will grow to link Brentwood's urban green spaces with the natural beauty of the protected Still Creek corridor and Burnaby Lake. Jim Lorimer Park, near Gilmore Station, has been designed to include significant enhancements to Chubb Creek for wildlife habitat, with provision for trails and play space. These park improvements have also been funded through the City's density bonus program for town centre development. This site will be linked by an Urban Trail to the Madison and Dawson green spaces to create an 8 acre contiguous parcel of green space and substantially enhance our vision of creating an urban oasis for the public's enjoyment.

In the well established Lougheed Town Centre, development continues to be balanced with several new commercial and residential projects initiated in 2007. Northgate Village is the largest of these developments and is underway at the corner of North Road and Cameron. With two residential towers comprising of 503 units and over 100,000 sq. ft. of retail and office space, it will provide a focus for the town centre and integrate with the future Evergreen Line. Once again, through our successful density bonus program, we have been able to secure a City-owned 4,000 square feet space to establish a new childcare centre and funds for the improvement of Cameron Park.

One of the unique aspects of this town centre is its relationship to Coquitlam and the partnership forged between the two communities by the North Road Business Improvement Association. This group has raised the area's profile through beautification projects, responded to many issues of mutual concern and are working towards the formation of an official Business Improvement Area.

Significant development activity is ongoing at nearby Simon Fraser University. The award-winning and sustainable UniverCity Highlands Neighbourhood continues to grow with over 1,000 apartment and townhouse units completed and further residential and commercial developments being pursued. Burnaby is committed to doing its part for

this brand new neighbourhood. In 2007, we dedicated Richard Bolton Park for residents to enjoy a new playground and forest lined trails. We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with SFU and UniverCity to complete the vision of this model of sustainable development on Burnaby Mountain.

The advancement of Burnaby's industrial development program and growth can be seen in the advancement of the Big Bend area with 8.5 million sq. ft. of industrial and warehouse space and 2 million sq. ft. of office floor area currently constructed or approved. In addition, there is an additional 2 million sq. ft. of industrial/warehouse floor area and 500,000 sq. ft. of office floor space currently in the development approval process. The Byrne Road and Marine Way Commercial Precinct is also well underway with two large scale commercial developments north and south of Marine Way nearing completion contributing approximately 700,000 sq. ft. of commercial retail space to the area to meet the needs of the growing employment and businesses based in the Big Bend.

The success of the Big Bend continues with Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers and Houle Electric recently announcing the relocation of their head offices to the Glenlyon Business Centre. The final phases of Burnaby Business Parks and Glenwood Industrial Estates are underway and will allow for the advancement of the construction of the last section of North Fraser Way by 2009. The New Haven Development Plan is nearing final adoption which will provide high quality office, industrial and residential development and will also protect a significant heritage conservation area and contribute 3.43 hectares of parkland to the City.

A primary challenge for our Council has been the protection of our City's transportation plan in the face of the Province's stated intention to twin the Port Mann Bridge and widen Highway 1 as part of the Gateway Project. This plan is in direct conflict with the Premier's stated intentions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in British Columbia. I also believe it has unacceptable consequences on our City. Staff have worked diligently to influence the development of this project to reduce its overall impacts on Burnaby and the region. We initiated a public consultation process to inform our citizens of the project's implications for our transportation plan, neighbourhood liveability and the impact on the City's protected park lands and civic assets. Council has chosen not to negotiate a Memorandum of Understanding with the Province, until such time as some of the project's major deficiencies are addressed.

Council's vision and goal is to ensure that Burnaby is well served by a comprehensive and integrated transportation plan. For transit, a key focus has been the proposed Evergreen Line from the Lougheed Town Centre to the Coquitlam Town Centre and the expansion of HOV. City staff will continue to work with TransLink to see this project implemented in a way that integrates well with our Lougheed town centre, and serves our citizens and businesses.

Council is also committed to further develop and improve the arterial road network through the use of technology in the form of an Integrated Traffic Signal System. This system will not only improve traffic management but assist in the reduction of fuel consumption and emissions. Construction work is also continuing on Marine Way near Byrne Road to increase capacity and to improve vehicle safety in the developing Big Bend area.

As part of our overall goal of infrastructure improvement, Council recently adopted a major beautification plan for our roads and major civic entrances to promote civic pride and a sense of community. One of these related efforts is the Moscrop Greenway project. This road improvement project on Moscrop Street between Boundary Road and Willingdon will serve as a model greenway entrance to Burnaby and will feature many innovative boulevard landscape improvements and sustainable features.

Burnaby has made great strides towards its sustainability initiative in its development of a comprehensive network of cycling routes that spans the City for commuters and recreation. The Midtown Bikeway, which will extend across the centre of the City, will be under construction next year. The Central Valley Greenway is one of our major achievements of 2007 that will link our network with those being developed in adjacent cities. The Lakes Bikeway is now under construction on Sperling Avenue. Work will include a major bike/pedestrian overpass connecting the Burnaby Lake SkyTrain Station with the regional nature park and civic sports facilities along Sperling and Kensington Avenues. This work is strategic and will be advanced for completion to provide direct access for athletes and spectators to the sports complex in time for the World Police and Fire Games in 2009 and form a legacy for our citizens and park development over the long-term.

Much of the work accomplished in our town centres and throughout the City can be credited to the outstanding improvement of our civic infrastructure by the Engineering Department. In 2007, the City has worked to balance the need for development with our vision of sustainability and the care of our local environment.

Many of our older sections of the City have combined storm and sanitary sewers that can overflow during heavy rainfall into our local waterways. Last year, the City committed over \$6 million to a program to separate over three kilometres of sewers. Additionally, over 11 kilometres of aging water mains have also been replaced and a new water reservoir established on Capitol Hill to better serve over 4,000 residents.

In every area of our City, the improvement of infrastructure has been better facilitated by an enhanced Local Area Services Program to coordinate the work of the City and Metro Vancouver. In 2007, over 50 projects were initiated for local property owners' approval which represents a 100% increase from previous years.

The City is proceeding with a new environmental initiative as part of the Metro Vancouver Zero Waste program to divert recyclables from the waste stream. We are dedicated to increasing recycling in both multi-family and business sectors as part of our overall strategy.

Similarly, the City is committed to establishing a bylaw to regulate the use of cosmetic herbicides on private properties in cooperation and consultation with residents and businesses. This initiative has been well received by our citizens and Council will work with everyone to establish effective regulations and implementation guidelines.

Burnaby's economy is one of the most robust and diverse in the Province and yet there are many untapped opportunities for Burnaby to create far greater economic synergy.

In 2007, Council approved the Economic Development Strategy 2020 which was developed by a diverse Steering Committee from the input of over 100 local industry leaders representing 23 different sectors of the local economy. It was a committee that I was privileged to chair. The goal of this strategy was to make Burnaby a preferred location in the Lower Mainland for a broad range of sectors. Fundamentally, the EDS 2020 is grounded in the vision for a smart, prosperous and sustainable local economy.

Many of the EDS 2020 directions will require partnerships to build on past successes. This includes a commitment to working with the Burnaby Board of Trade and Tourism Burnaby on initiatives to support and grow businesses and increase the number of visitors to our City.

The EDS 2020 process highlighted key prospects for growth over the next decade and includes:

- Information technology and communications;
- Biotechnology, Health and Life Sciences;
- Film and television production including digital entertainment;
- Education;
- Environmental technology and services;
- Tourism and
- Financial management and professional services.

Our challenge is to be a preferred location within Metro Vancouver for the growth of these sectors in order to maintain or exceed our historic share of employment growth and investment. In doing so, we will be ensuring that we are supporting and enhancing our environment and social infrastructure that are integral to the economic health of the City.

We have consistently demonstrated a commitment to environmental stewardship. Our Official Community Plan and related policies and programs have successfully promoted smart growth and sustainability. Our City's many communities are self sufficient, shaped by transit, connected by greenways and are sensitive to ecosystems.

This broad environmental framework acknowledges that stewardship cannot be created through regulation alone. Civic stewardship and the creation of a balance between environmental priorities and progressive development are what makes the City of Burnaby a liveable, prosperous, resilient and innovative place to live.

Some examples of the major environmental initiatives that we have undertaken include programs and policies in accordance with Burnaby's State of the Environment Report: adopting storm-water management technologies and practices, applying streamside protection regulations, offering density bonuses in exchange for community amenities and environmental improvements and ensuring that we meaningfully incorporate environmental principles into all aspects of City policy, decision making and operating procedures.

Burnaby has an enviable record as being one of the most economically, environmentally and socially sustainable cities in the region, if not Canada. City Council, building on the success of the Economic Development Strategy this past year, adopted a process to prepare complimentary and comprehensive Social and Environmental Sustainability Strategies.

We, as a growing urban city, are confronted with increasingly complex, difficult and multi-faceted issues. We also have the larger responsibility to do our part in the face of our world's changing and fragile environment. The Social and Environmental Sustainability Strategies will be a major initiative of 2008 and will involve a comprehensive process that will be informed by a steering committee of knowledgeable leaders from within our community. I look forward to their recommendations which we will incorporate into a revised Official Community Plan. It is my hope that, with these three inter-related strategies, we will be able to continue to move towards becoming a more liveable, vibrant and sustainable Burnaby – a place which facilitates a healthy economy, strong respect for and stewardship of our natural environment and the establishment of high quality services and facilities to meet the needs of an engaged and active citizenry.

The Housing Committee presented a report to Council in 2007 highlighting the complexity of the creation of affordable housing and the issue of homelessness in our community. Although Burnaby will continue to press the Provincial and Federal Governments to fulfil their legislated mandates for financing these services, the report identified several key initiatives for our City to better facilitate the creation of affordable housing in our community.

Council has requested staff to undertake a report to examine the potential of using our density bonus program to assist and support the development of additional affordable housing units. Planning staff are currently examining this opportunity and other initiatives and will be reporting their findings in 2008.

Burnaby has an enviable record of supporting volunteer non-profit organizations which support the health and well-being of citizens. We have provided subsidized leases for both office and meeting spaces at both the Edmonds and Heights Community Resource Centres. Our amenity space at Holdom Station will provide a new opportunity to continue this program as we phase out the old Heights building in favour of an expanded recreation centre for North Burnaby.

Another area of social planning that concerns both citizens and Council was the increasing vandalism and the proliferation of graffiti. Responding to these issues was made easier by a community task force that was chaired by Councillor Jordan, to create a comprehensive anti-graffiti strategy. Council has endorsed the outcome of this work and has immediately moved to adopt a Graffiti Bylaw and hire an Anti-Graffiti Coordinator to ensure the implementation of the strategy to combat graffiti involves the cooperation of staff, businesses and citizens.

One of the keys to Burnaby's success of creating a liveable City has been our investment in our parks and the opportunities they provide for recreation and cultural services. In 2007, Burnaby's staff continued to deliver a comprehensive program of recreation and cultural services to our community. In every community our facilities and staff have provided programs and services that enrich the lives of our citizens and contribute immeasurably to the liveability and economic vitality of our City.

The opportunity of the FIFA U-20 World Cup provided the momentum to upgrade and expand Swangard Stadium and put staff to the test with the largest sporting event ever held in this City. During each of the four match games, the stadium was sold out and filled to capacity with over 10,000 spectators. Similarly, the second annual Giro di Burnaby, spearheaded by Councillor Calendino, was another success both in terms of attendance, with over 10,000 lining the streets, and our capacity to provide the necessary organization. These projects are strategic and necessary in our preparations for the 2009 World and Police Games.

Our City's ambitious parkland acquisition program continues to have success acquiring lands throughout the City for various parks. The most important of these, was a parcel on the south shore of Deer Lake which will provide for the completion of the lake loop trail. Staff will now focus on preparing for the completion of this amenity in 2008, demonstrating that with vision and commitment our community's vision has its rewards.

Festivals and summer concerts showed amazing growth with the 8th Annual Burnaby Blues and Roots Festival and the Vancouver Symphony Concert leading the way. Additional concert programming brought audiences of over 52,000 to our festival lawn providing a substantial economic investment in our community and facilities at Deer Lake Park.

Our City's business operations would not be as efficient or effective if it was not for the strong leadership of the Finance Department. Burnaby's success in every sector of our operation is based on its ability to manage its financial resources. As a public corporation, our City is required to be accountable, modern and ensure that we are taking advantage of new technology. The Enterprise Resource Planning Project is an important capital investment that will create an efficient business system and ensure that our staff will be better able to serve Burnaby's citizens into the future.

Burnaby remains one of the most financially successful municipalities in B.C. which provides us with the ability to offer our community competitive residential and business tax rates. Our financial reserves and revenues from local gaming are also managed with expert dedication to ensure that they provide the ability to continue to dedicate resources to our ambitious capital programs and parkland acquisitions.

Another area of management that we often take for granted, but which is critical to our success, is the governance and operation of Council and its committees. Our diverse committees provide Council with invaluable insight into many aspects of our community offering us a breadth of knowledge that is important to our decision making process.

As part of our mandate to provide citizens with better access to our Council's meetings, the City has implemented the modernization of the Council Chambers with the goal of improving televised broadcasts. This work includes the installation of permanently mounted cameras and new digital sound to allow for better public broadcasting.

Recording the actions of local government is an important part of retaining our history. Burnaby has a proud heritage and history which we want to share with our citizens. The Community Heritage Commission has led a new project to create "Heritage Burnaby" an interactive website that celebrates our City. In 2008, all citizens will have the opportunity to view a database of over 12,000 historic photographs, archival records, artefacts of Burnaby Village and Burnaby's heritage landmarks.

Under the guidance of the Burnaby Public Library Board we are planning for the future and are developing a new strategic plan. The Library is also looking forward to breaking ground for the new library branch in Edmonds. We are proud of our library's

accomplishments and its commitment to improve the literacy of our citizens including programs for new immigrants and those with a second language. Over 6,000 children registered for their 2007 Summer Reading Club and coveted medals were awarded to children who completed the program, with many taking part in a ceremony at the Civic Square.

One of the challenges of being a major urban centre is maintaining a policing service that is effective and responsible to its citizens. The Burnaby RCMP Detachment has fulfilled this role providing a strong and committed policing service. Our force is the second largest RCMP Detachment in Canada with 265 regular members, approximately 100 civilian support staff, and more than 500 community volunteers.

Council supports an approved Burnaby detachment crime reduction program, which is strategic and intelligence-led, focusing on prolific offenders and chronic crime areas, which are keys to the reduction of crime and victimization, resulting in a safe and secure community. Over the last year, the Burnaby Detachment has continued to evolve and build on partnerships to improve the responsiveness of the organization.

Our Traffic Services Unit focused their education and enforcement activities on strategic, initiatives to address high-incident crash locations, aggressive driving, seatbelts and child restraints, and to curb speeding in playgrounds and school zones. Our Youth Services, Victim Services and School Liaison Officers continue their fine work across our community, addressing youth-involved crimes and victimization of youth on many fronts.

Our Community Policing Stations and Neighborhood Liaison Constables have been working hard to address chronic crime and social issues in every quadrant of the City. The Burnaby Detachment will continue with the important strategic priorities of prevention, education, intelligence, investigation, enforcement and protection as the cornerstones of the City's policing program.

The safety of our residents is always a top priority. The Fire Department continues to provide highly trained firefighters to ensure the safety of our residents. Continued growth throughout the City has placed enormous pressure on the needs of our emergency response system. The Department and the City have taken the lead to ensure that the requirements of our fire response system are maintained to an excellent standard.

The new Fire Station No. 7 was put out to tender in the Spring of 2007 and is now under construction at 3151 Gilmore Diversion. This new facility is a three bay drive-through post disaster facility that will accommodate up to 16 personnel. The building is also designed to be the City's first LEED-Silver project by incorporating a green roof,

water recycling and an energy efficient climate control system. Completion is anticipated to be in November 2008.

Our City's Emergency Operations staff were put to the test by the oil spill incident that occurred on July 24, 2007. On behalf of Council, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to everyone who worked so diligently to assist our citizens affected by the oil spill. This incident drew us together to help our neighbours and we learned valuable lessons in order to better protect citizens and the environment in the future. We continue to work with all of the agencies and organizations involved to ensure the final issues concerning the cleanup are conducted as efficiently and effectively as possible. I would like to thank those citizens that were directly affected by the oil spill for their amazing courtesy, patience and understanding.

The City of Burnaby is the proud host of the World Police and Fire Games to be held in July, 2009 with planning already well underway. These international games will be a spectacular sporting event, as we will welcome more than 12,000 athletes competing in over 60 sports at more than 40 venues across the Lower Mainland. The Games are open to all Law Enforcement officers, Firefighters, Customs and Correctional Officers from around the world bringing together the emergency services community for 10 days, celebrating comradeship, community and competition. We are proud of the important role that both our Fire Department and the Burnaby RCMP have in organizing this event. Over 35 percent of the participants in the 2009 World Police and Fire Games will compete in Burnaby, which will result in a positive economic impact for our community.

As we look forward to 2008, Burnaby should be proud of its accomplishments to date. We have a City that has an enviable record of success as one of the most economically, environmentally and socially sustainable communities in Canada. However, it is always important not to rest on our laurels. We must be critical and look for opportunities to be better and strive to attain a higher level of achievement to ensure an improved quality of life of all of our citizens.

The success of our City to date is due largely to the coordinated efforts of all our dedicated civic staff and the citizens who volunteer on our Commissions and Committees. On behalf of City Council and the residents of Burnaby, I would like to thank them for their outstanding contributions.

Finally I would like to recognize the tremendous efforts and dedication of our City Councillors: Gary Begin, Pietro Calendino, Sav Dhaliwal, Garth Evans, Dan Johnston, Colleen Jordan, Lee Rankin and Nick Volkow, each serves on numerous committees and have worked to achieve the vision of this City.

I'm proud of our accomplishments and I'm confident that we can continue to make Burnaby the most progressive, and sustainable City in the province. Thank you for being with us tonight, as we celebrate an excellent year and prepare for an even brighter future.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

"THAT the 2007 Annual address be received."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. MINUTES

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

"THAT the minutes of the 'Open' Council meeting held on 2007 November 26 be now adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

"THAT all of the following listed items of correspondence be received and those items of the City Manager's Report dated 2007 December 03 which pertain thereto be brought forward for consideration at this time."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan read the following items of correspondence:

- A) Metro Vancouver
Re: Impact of 2006 Federal Census Population
on Weighted Voting and Member Representation

A letter was received from Metro Vancouver informing the City of Burnaby that, according to federal census population figures, the population of the City of Burnaby has increased by more than 20,000 since the last census. Accordingly, the City of Burnaby is entitled to 3 Directors to be represented on the GVRD Board and their voting power has increased from 10 votes to 11 votes. The number of votes assigned to each director is to be provided to Metro Vancouver no later than December 4th.

- B) Metro Vancouver
Re: Appointments to the 2008 Greater
Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau

A letter from Metro Vancouver seeking Council's appointment by resolution to the GVRD Labour Relations Bureau.

3. REPORTS

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

"THAT Council do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Ai) His Worship, Mayor D.R. Corrigan
Re: Council Appointments to Regional
Committees for 2008

His Worship, Mayor Corrigan submitted a report requesting Council approval to appoint members and alternate members to the GVRD Board for 2008 and vote allocation, as well as appoint a representative to the GVRD Labour Relation Bureau.

His Worship, Mayor Corrigan recommended:

1. THAT the following appointments and respective vote allocations for the Greater Vancouver Regional District be approved for a term of one year:

Director:	Mayor Derek Corrigan	4 Votes
Alternate:	Councillor Pietro Calendino	

Director:	Councillor Colleen Jordan	4 Votes
Alternate:	Councillor Dan Johnston	

Director:	Councillor Sav Dhaliwal	3 Votes
Alternate:	Councillor Pietro Calendino	

2. THAT the following appointment to the Greater Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau be approved for a term of one year:

Director: Councillor Pietro Calendino
Alternate: Mayor Derek Corrigan

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

"THAT the recommendations of His Worship, Mayor Corrigan be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A) The City Manager presented a report dated 2007 December 03 on the matters listed following as Items 01 to 06 either providing the information shown or recommending the courses of action indicated for the reasons given:

1. Waterworks Utility Rates for 2008

The City Manager submitted a report from the Director Finance requesting Council approval for 2008 water rates.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council Burnaby Waterworks Regulation Bylaw be amended to provide for the water rates contained in Schedule A, effective 2008 January 01 including the additional amendments as outlined in this report.
2. THAT sections 17 and 18 of the Burnaby Waterworks Regulation Bylaw be amended to provide for greater flexibility for the Collector to determine the estimation of consumption.
3. THAT Burnaby Waterworks Regulation Bylaw be amended to reflect current staff positions and terminology.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

"THAT the recommendations of the City Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Sanitary Sewer Utility Rates for 2008

The City Manager submitted a report from the Director Finance requesting Council approval for 2008 sanitary sewer rates.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT the following bylaws be amended to provide for the fees outlined in Schedule C, effective 2008 January 01:
 - a) Burnaby Sewerage System Parcel Tax Bylaw
 - b) Burnaby Sewer Charge Bylaw

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT the recommendation of the City Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. City Land Sale and Amenity Bonus Contribution
Rezoning Reference #06-40
Brentwood Town Centre, Sub-Area 4**

The City Manager submitted a report from the Director Planning and Building requesting Council approval for the sale of City land and receipt of the amenity bonus contribution related to the subject rezoning application.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the terms of sale for City land and receipt of the amenity bonus contribution related to Rezoning Reference #06-40, as outlined in this report.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

"THAT the recommendation of the City Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Contract No. 2007-27

The City Manager submitted a report from the Director Finance requesting Council approval to award a contract for pedestrian bridge construction.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT a contract be awarded to the lowest bidder, Smith Bros. & Wilson (BC) Ltd., for the construction of a pedestrian bridge for a total cost of \$5,329,337.65 with final payment based on actual quantities and unit prices tendered.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT the recommendation of the City Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. 2008 MRN and Watermain Pavement Rehabilitation

The City Manager submitted a report from the Director Engineering requesting Council's approval for engineering design and construction inspection services related to the 2008 and 2009 MRN pavement and watermain rehabilitation program.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the retention of ISL Engineering and Land Services Ltd for engineering services related to the 2008 and 2009 MRN pavement and watermain rehabilitation program on the Major Roads Network within the City at an estimated cost of \$350,000 (inclusive of 6% GST).

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BEGIN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT the recommendation of the City Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Policing Statistics Update

The City Manager submitted a report from the Director Finance providing information regarding policing statistics in Burnaby.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for the information of Council.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

"THAT the recommendation of the City Manager be adopted."

Councillor Dhaliwal retired from the Council Chamber at 8:10 p.m.

Councillor Dhaliwal returned to the Council Chamber at 8:13 p.m. and took his place at the Council table.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

"THAT the Committee now rise and report."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council reconvened.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT the report of the Committee be now adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. BYLAWS

FIRST READING

#12368 Text Amendment

#12388 3718/24/28/34/38/44 Laurel Street

REZ #07-27

#12389	6410 Empress Ave and Ptn. of 6460 Empress	REZ #07-46
#12390	7555 Edmonds Street	REZ #07-20
#12391	4680 Kingsway (Unit #300)	REZ #07-47

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 50, 2007	#12368
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Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 51, 2007	#12388
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Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 52, 2007	#12389
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Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 53, 2007	#12390
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Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 54, 2007	#12391
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be now introduced and read a first time."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT

Burnaby Second-Hand Dealers Regulation Bylaw 1924, Amendment Bylaw 2007	#12385
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Burnaby Highway Closure Bylaw No. 10, 2007	#12386
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Burnaby Capital Works, Machinery and Equipment
Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 29, 2007

#12392

be now introduced and read three times."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND READING:

#12360	7650 Sapperton Avenue	REZ #07-34
#12361	7645 & 7655 Edmonds Street	REZ #07-19
#12362	6842, 6858 & 6876 Royal Oak Avenue	REZ #06-46
#12363	2781 North Road	REZ #07-32
#12364	5389 & 5411 Imperial Street	REZ #06-70
#12365	4450 Still Creek Drive	REZ #07-23
#12367	Text Amendment	

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 43, 2007	#12360
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 44, 2007	#12361
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 45, 2007	#12362
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 46, 2007	#12363
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 47, 2007	#12364

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment #12365
Bylaw No. 48, 2007

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment #12367
Bylaw No. 49, 2007

be now read a second time."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSIDERATION AND THIRD READING:

#11990 6546-6570 Hardwick St./6545-6596 Woodsworth St/6545-6597 Sprott Street/3625 Auckland Ave/ 3711 Kensington Avenue REZ #05-27

#12196 4710 & 4738 Lougheed Hwy & Ptn. of Sumas St. REZ #06-40

#12197 2190, 2200 & 2244 Douglas Road REZ #05-47

#12216 5300 Byrne Road REZ #06-43

Councillor Calendino retired from the Council Chamber at 8:31 p.m.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment #11990
Bylaw No. 51, 2005

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment #12196
Bylaw No. 59, 2006

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment #12197
Bylaw No. 60, 2006

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment #12216
Bylaw No. 06 2007

be now read a third time."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECONSIDERATION AND FINAL ADOPTION:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BEGIN:

"THAT

Burnaby Temporary Financing Bylaw 2008

#12387

be now reconsidered and Finally Adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Calendino returned to the Council Chamber at 8:34 p.m. and took his place at the Council table.

Arising from consideration of bylaws, Council requested His Worship, Mayor Corrigan to arrange a workshop in the New Year regarding transportation issues related to development of Brentwood/Lougheed area.

5. NOTICE OF MOTION

- A) Councillor Colleen Jordan
Re: Remove or Transfer Land from
Pacific Spirit Regional Park

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

"THAT Burnaby City Council oppose any plan to remove or transfer land from Pacific Spirit Regional Park; and further, does not support the appropriation of local government assets to achieve the settlement of aboriginal claims."

Councillor Begin retired from the Council meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Councillor Begin returned to the Council Chamber at 8:58 p.m. and took his place at the Council table.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR RANKIN

6. NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

"THAT the minutes of the Public Hearing (Zoning) meeting held on 2007 November 27 be now adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Johnston

Councillor Johnston advised he and Councillor Garth Evans visited Wenzhou, China to attend a government sponsored trade meeting with Chinese business people and other international businesses. The Councillors gained insight into the Chinese business model and how it works. Wenzhou has two primary issues: environment and business prosperity. It is a clean and modern city with wide open streets. Councillor Johnston toured many different industries and met with Canadian Trade Commissioner from Beijing. He also met with Secretary of Chinese Communist Party who in turn sent a gift of a Buddha statue to Mayor Corrigan.

Councillor Begin

Councillor Begin referred to an article on the CBC about the increase in assaults on transit workers. Burnaby MP Peter Julian has brought forward a private member's bill in response to this issue, requesting stronger penalties for those who assault transit workers.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BEGIN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:

"THAT His Worship, Mayor Corrigan on behalf of Council Council write to the Federal government expressing support for the Private Member's bill and requesting the Bill include assault on taxi drivers as well as transit workers."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries brought before Council at this time.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

"THAT this 'Open' Council Meeting do now adjourn."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The 'Open' Council Meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Confirmed:


MAYOR

Certified Correct:


A/DEPUTY CITY CLERK