

FINANCE AND CIVIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

BURNABY BOARD OF TRADE

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council provide a grant in the amount of \$100,000 to the Burnaby Board of Trade for the yearly operation of the City of Burnaby Economic Development Program which is to be paid in quarterly instalments of \$25,000, commencing 2009 October 01 and continuing on 2010 January 01, 2010 April 01 and 2010 July 01.

REPORT

The Finance and Civic Development Committee, at its Open meeting held on 2009 October 22, completed its annual review of the Economic Development program operated by the Burnaby Board of Trade (BBOT).

A presentation was made to the Committee by the Executive Director and CEO of the Burnaby Board of Trade, Ms. Darlene Gering, outlining the important economic development achievements over the past year, and noting the many initiatives that have been supported throughout the City of Burnaby.

The Finance and Civic Development Committee in reviewing the information on achievements in membership growth, events, receptions, and other initiatives, as presented by the Burnaby Board of Trade, is in support of the continued operation of the City's Economic Development Program and recommend Council approve the annual \$100,000 grant, to be paid in quarterly installments from 2009 October 01 to 2010 July 01.

Respectfully submitted,

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