

Item
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**COUNCIL REPORT** 

TO: CITY MANAGER DATE: 2009 March 31

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &

**CULTURAL SERVICES** 

SUBJECT: 2009 CANARY SOAPBOX DERBY

**PURPOSE:** To seek approval for the road closures for the 2009 Canary Soapbox Derby.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. THAT Council approve the road closure, as discussed in this report.

- 2. THAT the coordinator of the event, Stephanie Price, 25 788 West 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5Z 1R5 be sent a copy of this report.
- 3. THAT the operator of Silent Waters Ltd. (Deer Lake Boat Rentals), Damien Liu, 5435 Sperling Avenue, Burnaby, BC V5E 2T2 be sent a copy of this report.

### **REPORT**

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

A request to use City streets for the 2009 Canary Soapbox Derby on 2009 June 27 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm has been received from Stephanie Price of the Canary Foundation. The event would require the closure of Deer Lake Drive and Sperling Avenue adjacent to the Deer Lake Park. The races would run from 11:00 am – 3:00 pm (Attachment #1). Leading technology companies will build soapbox derby cars and then race them down Deer Lake Drive. There will be children's entertainment and awards for the fastest soap box and most stylish one. Money raised will go to the Canary Foundation, which is dedicated to funding early cancer detection and intervention. The Canary Foundation works in conjunction with the BC Cancer Foundation, supporting research at BC Cancer Agency.

#### 2.0 ROAD CLOSURE

The road closure would close down Deer Lake Drive and Sperling Avenue adjacent to the Deer Lake Park from 9:00 am to approximately 4:00 pm. Organizers will provide a letter to all affected residents by the end of April that will be impacted by the road closure (Attachment #2). The organizers will have designated volunteers manning the road barricades at the top of Deer Lake Drive and bottom of Sperling Avenue with access available for all local residents and Deer Lake Boat Rentals during the entire event.

To: City Manager

From: Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

Re: "2009 Canary Soapbox Derby"

Access to and from the parking lot at Deer Lake will be open to all via the north gate and the south gate will be closed to the public. The park beside Deer Lake Boat Rentals will be used for the event.

#### 3.0 CONCLUSION

City staff are satisfied that the proposed road closure as outlined is practicable. In accordance with the Street & Traffic Bylaw, Council approval is required for the derby.

The organizers are aware that Council approval for road closure is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the road closure be conducted under the supervision of one person as Marshall or organizer.
- 2. That all participants be instructed to respect the rights and property of the individuals encountered en route.
- 3. That the road closure be covered with liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$2 million with the City of Burnaby named as co-insured, and that the insurance policy include a 30 day cancellation notice and a cross liability clause.
- 4. That the barricades be manned by volunteers for the entire length of the road closure.
- 5. That the organizers provide a letter to all affected businesses and residents that will be impacted by the road closure.

The Engineering Department concurs with this report.

Dave Ellenwood

DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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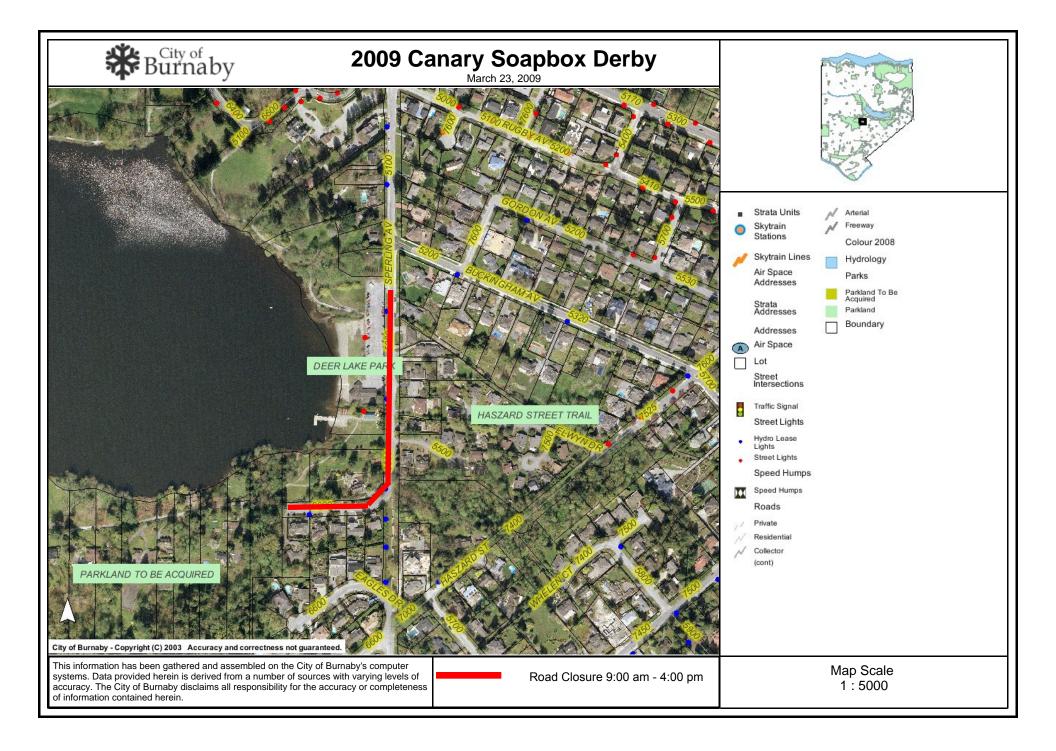
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Director of Engineering

**Director Finance** 

Fire Chief - Bob Cook

BC Ambulance - Carlisa Hampton - Special Operations #302 - 2755 Virtual Way, Vancouver, BC V5M 4X6





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March 31st

### Dear Resident,

On Saturday, June 27, 2009, the second annual **Greater Vancouver Canary Derby** will be held in Deer Lake Park, Burnaby. Vancouver technology companies are being challenged to design and build soapbox cars that will be raced by CEOs to raise money for the Canary Foundation, an organization dedicated to funding early cancer detection and intervention. Funds raised through the Canary Derby will be donated to the BC Cancer Foundation to support early cancer detection research. The race will start at the top of Deer Lake Drive and finish by the entrance of the parking lot on Sperling Ave.

Access to your residence will be limited during the event.

We are proposing the following schedule:

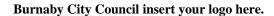
### **ROAD ACCESS FOR RESIDENTS**

Before 9:00am 9:45am – 10:00am 10:45am – 11:00am 11:45am – 12noon 12:45 – 1:00pm 1:45 –2:00pm 2:45 – 3:00pm After 3:30pm – Road open

## Link to map:

http://maps.google.com:80/maps/ms?hl=en&ie=UTF8&oe=UTF8&msa=0&msid=114689422171853132156.00046326 0cdff6f92089a&t=h&ll=49.234904,-122.964563&spn=0.003061,0.006695&z=17

We encourage you to come out and cheer the teams on. We will be holding a family picnic for all the participants and racers. Please let us know if you would like to be invited – you are most welcome! Contact <a href="mailto:stephanieprice@shaw.ca">stephanieprice@shaw.ca</a> for more information.





# SPECIAL EVENT NOTICE CANARY DERBY

### **DATE & TIME**

# 9:00AM-4:00PM

#### **ROAD CLOSURES**

The following street closures will be in effect from 7:00AM to 5:00PM on Saturday June 27, 2009

Sperling Avenue north of the parking lot will be closed to vehicular traffic (we urge you to utilize the parking lot after 9am if you are planning to leave your home for the day – otherwise you will be able to access your residence along the racecourse between races

(a schedule of times will be determined)

Parking will be restricted on Deer Lake Drive and on Sperling Avenue.

A PORTION OF DEER LAKE PARKADE WILL BE ALLOCATED TO THE RACE CARS WHERE THEY WILL BE ON DISPLAY FOR THE PUBLIC.

Sperling Avenue just north of the parking lot will be closed from 7:00AM to 5:00PM (except for local residents where controlled access will be in effect 15 minutes prior to every hour we are racing)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Stephanie at 604-644-6401