

2010 DECEMBER 06

An 'Open' meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Monday, 2010 December 06 at 5:00 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 P. Calendino
Councillor R. Chang
Councillor S. Dhaliwal
Councillor D. Johnston
Councillor C. Jordan
Councillor A. Kang
Councillor P. McDonell
Councillor N.M. Volkow

STAFF: Mr. R.H. Moncur, City Manager
Mr. C.A. Turpin, Deputy City Manager
Mr. R. Earle, Deputy City Manager
Mr. L. Chu, Director Engineering
Mrs. D. Jorgenson, Director Finance
Mr. D. Ellenwood, Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Mr. B. Luksun, Director Planning & Building
Mrs. D.R. Comis, City Clerk
Ms. B. Zeinabova, Administrative Officer I

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KANG:

“THAT the 'Open' Council meeting do now reconvene.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

2010 INAUGURAL ADDRESS

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan delivered the following 2010 Inaugural Address:

Good evening everyone. On behalf of City Council, I am very pleased to deliver this Inaugural Address that reviews many of the past year's achievements and anticipates some of the many exciting initiatives planned for our City's future.

Our City programs are exemplary and the staff who create, design, build and deliver our services – in

collaboration with our business community and hundreds of citizen volunteers – are second to none. I would like to congratulate our City Manager, Bob Moncur, Deputy City Managers, Chad Turpin and Rick Earle, and all City employees for continuing to ensure excellent delivery of public service to all Burnaby Citizens. I would also like to thank the citizens of Burnaby, the Burnaby Board of Trade, Tourism Burnaby and our leading-edge business community for their participation in City initiatives and for their continued support.

The year 2010 saw the City advance many key initiatives and launch several new programs. I will highlight some of them for you tonight, but first I'll set the stage by talking a bit about our City's unique and dynamic demographics.

Today, Burnaby has a population of about 223,000 making us the third-largest municipality in B.C. Our population is ethnically and culturally diverse: 56.5% have a mother tongue other than English or French; 53% are immigrants; and 55% are visible minorities. Our population is also well educated, with 75.5% of local residents aged 25 to 34 years having a post-secondary certificate, diploma, or degree. Further, our population consists of a range of income groups, with 18.4% of Burnaby households having incomes of less than \$30,000 (in 2005) and 18% having incomes above \$100,000. According to the 2006 Census, more than 58 languages were spoken in the homes of Burnaby residents. With local dialects, it is estimated that there are now more than 100 languages spoken by Burnaby residents and business owners. The City of Burnaby firmly believes that the diversity of our population enriches and strengthens our community. Fortunately, while differences may cause friction in other parts of the world, this hasn't been the case for Burnaby. Indeed, our city is distinguished by its welcoming, accepting, and mutually supportive character.

Burnaby's Planning and Building Department, under our Director of Planning and Building, Basil Luksun, continues to work with Council, its committees and the community to create innovative policies to ensure that the City remains one of the most economically, environmentally and socially sustainable cities in Canada. Burnaby's commitment to these ideals continues to attract significant development in all sectors and the City's approval process continues to be one of the most efficient and respected in the region.

Burnaby continues to attract a significant number of office, institutional, industrial and commercial developments as the recovery from the recent economic recession continues.

The City advanced and completed a number of major civic projects in 2010. These include projects like the Burnaby Mountain Golf Driving Range.

Construction was completed in June this year on the new driving range at the Burnaby Mountain Golf Course. The new state-of-the-art, two-level building features 30 driving bays on each floor, including a teaching and instructional area.

Fairway grid drainage systems were also completed, including installation of more than 120 kilometres of piping, at both the Riverway and Burnaby Mountain golf courses. The project has

greatly improved operational efficiency, giving us a dramatic improvement in recovery from off-season storms and weather conditions. We are now able to maintain high-quality playing conditions on a year-round basis.

Improvements in 2011 include 10,000 square feet of green surface, which includes a chipping area for instruction, the first phase of a three-year program of upgrades for sand traps at both courses, and continued paving of cart paths.

The construction of an impressive new Clubhouse at the Riverway Golf Course is almost finished. The building is a single-storey structure of approximately 11,500 square feet and has a “west coast” design theme, making extensive use of wood and stone elements that integrate well with the surrounding buildings and landscape. The building contains a restaurant and bar services, capable of being converted into banquet facilities to accommodate up to 225 guests. This will enable the City to host tournaments, banquets and other special functions. The expected completion date is early 2011.

We are progressing with the long-awaited Still Creek Works Yard and Recycling/Green Waste Depot. The City has retained the firm of Walter Francl Architecture to undertake the detailed design of the new works yard and recycling/green waste depot located at Still Creek Avenue. The proposed development will also accommodate some of the City’s engineering and parks functions being relocated from the overcrowded Laurel Street site.

In addition to developing significant civic projects during the year, the Planning Department advanced a supplementary density policy. Since its adoption by Council in 1997, the Community Benefit Density Bonus Program has proven very successful in providing for exceptional community amenities. The City’s four town centres have achieved significant civic facilities, including childcare centres, non-profit office space, affordable/special needs housing units, environmental enhancements, community police offices and improvements to parks and park facilities. In addition, the existing density bonus program provides for funds to support affordable housing initiatives.

In 2010, Council advanced to public hearing an amendment to the Burnaby Zoning Bylaw to provide for a Supplementary Community Benefit Bonus Density Policy. The overall objective is to allow for the accommodation of increased residential densities in the Town Centres, consistent with the goals of the City’s Official Community Plan and other Council-adopted policies such as the Economic Development Strategy.

In combination with the existing density bonus provisions, the implementation of a supplementary density policy would provide for additional community amenities and for more efficient use of urban land in Town Centre areas.

Overall, the accommodation of increased residential densities in the City’s Town Centre areas would relieve pressures to densify single- and two-family neighbourhoods. It also supports the City’s plans to focus new development in areas that are well served by transit. The new policy is consistent with

the City's long-standing growth management approach, which has enabled the City to maintain and protect more than 25% of its land area as park and open space, while protecting the character and stability of our single- and two-family areas.

As a result of these priorities, urban areas were the main focus during the past year.

Metrotown development continues to mature, confirming its stature as one of the prime urban centres in Metro Vancouver. Our regional town centre is a magnet for economic investment in our community, drawing residents, workers and tourists to its shopping and recreational facilities. Many new developments of note have been initiated – and many substantially completed – in 2010. These include:

- The Jewel II – a 21-storey residential apartment with 98 units at Beresford and Wilson
- The Empress – a 45-storey mixed use tower with a hotel and 202 residential units at Willingdon and Kingsway
- The Concord-Pacific Development – a 21-storey residential apartment tower on Nelson Avenue
- Polygon Development – a residential high-rise and townhouses (245 units) located between Bennett and Nelson.

Our focus on making Burnaby a “Creative City” is leading to the development of lively and diverse streetscapes and public places within our town centres. One example is the proposed “Metroplace” development at the Metrotown SkyTrain station. This landmark 46-storey residential tower is proposed to include street-fronting commercial on Beresford Street and townhouses on Telford Avenue.

The proposed development would be distinguished by an innovative approach to the design and of the streetscape, in both its commercial and residential components. BC Parkway and the main streets of Beresford and Central Boulevard create an important opportunity to make this area come alive as the heart of the town centre with the City's first “art walk” and a pedestrian friendly ambience.

We hope Metroplace contributes to a new standard of development expectations in the City's primary Town Centre.

Just down Willingdon, the Brentwood Town Centre continues to accommodate a substantial portion of overall growth in the City. With a strong vision of the importance of creating a sustainable community, Brentwood development is creating memorable architecture and new public gathering places. In support, the City continues to create greenways connecting parks, community centres, libraries and recreation facilities.

Interest in Brentwood remains strong, as indicated by several major development applications approved and advanced in 2010. Among the largest of these projects is the ‘Motif at Citi’ by Appia Developments. It is a mixed-use project that features a 30-storey residential tower with 152 units and

a 12-storey office tower. At the southwest corner of Lougheed and Willingdon, Appia Developments is advancing an even bigger project that would include three highrise residential towers with 644 units and a 12-storey commercial office and retail building with 324,000 square feet.

In the Lougheed Town Centre, the North Road Business Improvement Association continues to bring local merchants in Burnaby and Coquitlam together to fight crime, take action on graffiti and raise the area's profile through beautification projects.

While redevelopment proposals are being considered in this important economic hub, the City continues to press the provincial government to include a rapid transit station at Cameron Street and North Road, should the Evergreen Line proceed. We are very frustrated that this station was removed as a result of the Provincial government change from light rail technology to SkyTrain.

The UniverCity community at SFU advanced in 2010 with a third phase of development. This high profile, award-winning community has attracted regional, national, and worldwide attention as an innovative and complete community. In 1995, SFU and the City agreed to work together to create a new residential community at SFU through a co-operative planning process, testing our creativity and our commitment to the environment.

This public/public partnership formed the basis for mixed-use, residential, and commercial developments meeting the high standard of an integrated, successful and sustainable community.

Another important part of a complete community – University Highlands Elementary School – officially opened on November 23 and is a welcome addition to the growing UniverCity area. Located in the heart of the community, University Highlands is a key element in the growth of this neighbourhood. Designed to accommodate 40 kindergarten children and 275 elementary students, University Highlands features a new gymnasium and meets Gold LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification.

Following our tradition of maximizing the efficiency of public investments, the City of Burnaby contributed \$1.4 million to University Highlands, partnering with the School District to add community space and an expanded gymnasium for public use. Programs are currently being planned in conjunction with community members. Evening rentals will be scheduled beginning in 2011.

With the first phases of development nearing completion, UniverCity now has more than 1,300 housing units developed, and is home to nearly 3,000 residents.

The success of UniverCity is also good news for the students. The development has generated a \$25 million dollar endowment to fund teaching and research at SFU. It is estimated that the project will generate \$150 to \$170 million dollars for the endowment, upon completion.

Of course, the Edmonds Town Centre continues to develop and improve as a vibrant, mixed-used community. Everyone is very excited in that neighbourhood as detailed planning is proceeding for the replacement of Eastburn Community Centre.

The City engaged the design firm of CEI Architecture to complete the detailed design of the Edmonds Aquatic and Community Centre. The new Centre will replace Eastburn Recreation Centre in Richmond Park which closed its doors after 30 years of operation. Programs and staff have been temporarily relocated to the old Kingsway Library building. The new Centre will contain a six-lane, 25-metre lap pool, a leisure pool, two gyms, a fitness centre, a seniors' centre, day care, a youth centre and multi-purpose and meeting rooms.

When complete, the Edmonds Aquatic and Community Centre will provide a much-needed public resource and amenity space for the community. Construction of the Centre should begin early next year and is scheduled to be complete in 2012. This, together with the Tommy Douglas Library, will strongly support the ongoing revitalization of the Edmonds Town Centre.

As icing on the cake, concept plans have been completed for a community plaza at Richmond Park in conjunction with the development of the new Aquatic and Community Centre facility.

Also in East Burnaby, the City will prepare an updated Cariboo Heights Community Plan. Planning staff will begin a new process to update plans for the City's large land holdings in the Cariboo Heights Area. This new plan will seek to bring a creative approach to future development, incorporating modern sustainable planning and design in order to maximize the opportunities these lands will provide to the community.

The progress of Burnaby's industrial development program can be seen in the advancement of the Big Bend area, with 8.5 million square feet of industrial and warehouse space and two million square feet of office floor area currently constructed or approved. In addition, two million square feet of industrial/warehouse floor area and 500,000 square feet of office floor space are currently in the development approval process. The Byrne Road and Marine Way Commercial Precinct is providing approximately 700,000 square feet of commercial retail space to meet the needs of the growing number of businesses and employees based in the Big Bend area.

The success continues with the final phases of Burnaby Business Parks and Glenwood Industrial Estates under way. The New Haven Development Plan has seen the completion of the first phase of its high-quality office and industrial development. This project will also protect an important heritage conservation area and contribute 3.43 hectares of parkland to the City.

Speaking of heritage, the City is very proud of its award-winning Heritage Program administered through the Community Heritage Commission.

The Heritage Burnaby website was updated with many features including "Charting Change: An Interactive Atlas of Burnaby's Heritage", an online database of Burnaby history. This community-based lesson in history won ArchivesNext's "Best re-purposing of descriptive data" award. Remarkably, we shared the honour with the Smithsonian Institute.

And I must make special mention of a heartwarming project completed this year. The restoration of

the historic 1950s neon sign known as the “Swinging Girl”, that once marked Helen’s Children’s Wear, was celebrated earlier this year with a crowd of 200 that cheered the relighting of the sign by Helen Arnold. Purchased and restored by the City, this much-loved heritage landmark will now mark and brand the Heights shopping district for new generations of shoppers

As our citizens know, the City of Burnaby is committed to social, financial, environmental and cultural sustainability. Our commitment to social sustainability is now being advanced through the Social Sustainability Strategy process launched in 2010.

Burnaby Council assembled a blue-ribbon panel, selected for their commitment to: social issues; broad and balanced base of experience; belief in Burnaby’s potential; and willingness to contribute to and advocate on behalf of the community. With significant opportunities for public involvement built into the plan, Committee members are now drawing on the energy, creativity and innovation of all Burnaby citizens. The development of the strategy will be complete in spring of 2011.

The City of Burnaby has a longstanding reputation for supporting the development of affordable housing. Burnaby Council has never wavered in our determination to make every effort to have the provincial and federal governments live up to their responsibility to fund the creation of a safe, affordable home for every citizen.

In Burnaby, our legacy of commitment to creating affordable housing opportunities can be seen throughout the City. The City has offered a number of innovative programs to increase the opportunity for the construction of affordable housing. Council recently initiated the Community Benefit Housing Fund which has provided grants totalling over \$327,000 to non-profit groups, such as the South Burnaby Legion and the Marguerite Dixon Society, to assist them in building new units.

To date, the City has independently raised more than \$2.3 million in funds committed under the Housing Bonus Density fund and has created 19 units of housing through our Density Bonus Program in our town centres.

Burnaby will continue to press the federal and provincial governments to use the Hastings Street Urban Renewal Site in a creative and imaginative way for a major affordable housing initiative. This parcel of land, which has been vacant for decades, would provide an excellent opportunity for our senior levels of government to expand much-needed housing within the Heights neighbourhood – one of Burnaby’s vibrant Urban Villages. Unfortunately, there are virtually no affordable housing programs available through either the province or the federal government to alleviate the pressing needs in our communities. We need a national housing initiative and we need it now.

Back on a positive note, this was the 14th year that the City of Burnaby celebrated citizens who have made outstanding contributions to community well-being. Many new Local Heroes – people who represent diverse interests and backgrounds, and who have contributed to the community in a variety of ways – were recognized. Since 1997, the City has recognized more than 200 individuals as Burnaby Local Heroes.

The City of Burnaby also continues to demonstrate its commitment to environmental stewardship.

Our Official Community Plan has successfully promoted smart growth and sustainability and our many communities are self sufficient, shaped by transit, connected by greenways and sensitive to ecosystems.

Under Director of Engineering, Lambert Chu, our engineers are equal parts environmentalists. It has been one year since the City implemented the automated garbage and yard waste collection program. The new program is extended to 35,000 single- and two-family homes in Burnaby and has been well received by residents. Building on the success, the City is embarking on a pilot organic kitchen waste collection program for the multi-family sector. Up to five multi-family complexes will be selected for the six-month pilot project that will be used to design the full scale, multi-family food waste collection program. This will be the first in the Greater Vancouver region.

The automated collection infrastructure (trucks and toters), implemented in 2009, provides the perfect tool to facilitate the implementation of the multi-family food waste program. It is estimated that the food waste diversion program will reduce the garbage stream by a further 15%, moving closer to the regional waste reduction goal of 70% by 2015.

The Southpoint Drive Rain Garden project is another green engineering initiative that has transformed 2,300 square metres of paved surface into an environmental and public amenity. The project involves restoring a paved area back to a more natural state, complete with planting, a multi-use trail and a meandering drainage channel. The benefits of this project include enhanced stormwater runoff quality, reduced erosion, improved groundwater recharge, new fish habitat, and an environmental learning opportunity.

In March 2010, the City commenced the dredging program for Burnaby Lake. The program is proceeding well and significant progress has been made by the contractor. When the project is complete in March 2011, approximately 180,000 cubic meters of sediment will have been removed from the lake bottom. A large percentage of the lake bed sediments removed has been tested and found to be contaminated with elevated levels of metals and hydrocarbon. During the dredging operations, tons of debris and waste were found, including car/truck tires, plastic bags, bottles, pop cans and metal objects and they were removed from the lake bottom. The dredging provides multiple benefits to the ecosystem of the lake and future on-lake recreational opportunities. The lake rejuvenation plan will create a healthier and cleaner environment for the lake, improve fish passage and wildlife habitat, and restore the lake as a world-class recreational facility for rowing, kayaking and canoeing.

On the conservation front, in 2010 the City received 50% funding from BC Hydro to create an Energy Conservation Coordinator position to facilitate energy-efficient retrofitting projects and to identify future energy saving opportunities. A Request for Qualification has been initiated for Phase 2 of the Energy Performance Study for selected civic facilities. The implementation of the Phase 2 program will be an engineering priority in 2011. Looking ahead to 2011, LED fixtures and dimming technology will be examined to confirm their financial feasibility.

Our environmental awareness initiatives also continue to be successful. Burnaby's annual

Environment Week was held this year from May 31 to June 6. The main event was a festival held at the City Hall plaza in conjunction with the Farmers' Market. Other activities included the annual Environmental Awards Reception at Burnaby Lake Pavilion, library displays, our staff Commuter Challenge and an Environment Week Edition Car Trunk Sale. World Rivers Day (September 26) took place at Burnaby Fraser Foreshore Park, in partnership with BCIT and the Outdoor Recreation Council of B.C. Approximately 1,200 people attended, with close to 30 exhibitors .

The Environmental Sustainability Strategy will launch in 2011, with much background planning currently being pursued to prepare for a comprehensive process that will be guided by a community steering committee.

Burnaby is looking forward to initiating a Transportation Plan update in 2011 under the guidance of the Council and the Transportation Committee. Under a new plan, the City will generate creative and environmentally sustainable initiatives to manage the City's transportation needs and new infrastructure, using our road network, public transit and cycling programs.

A primary challenge to the City's livability has been the provincial government's Gateway program to replace the Port Mann Bridge and widen Highway 1. Council directed City staff to do everything reasonable to minimize damage to the City and the region.

Upon completion of significant negotiations related to environmental issues, residential neighbourhood protection and integration with municipal infrastructure, Council approved an agreement that provided substantial benefits to the City. Burnaby received:

- 9.76 acres of titled land for Park and Conservation purposes in exchange for 2.6 acres of civic land required for the Gateway project.
- significant project integration features and infrastructure.
- confirmation of environmental measures to protect Burnaby's natural areas, including special provision for Burnaby Lake Regional Nature Park.
- discretionary infrastructure funding of \$400,000 to mitigate unforeseen impacts.

As a point of interest, Burnaby has 740 kilometres of roads, so repairing pavement is a very big job. In 2010, the City placed approximately 30,000 tonnes of asphalt on various major and local roads.

Burnaby continues to grow as the home of leading-edge technology companies, the movie industry, communications, education and many other knowledge-based businesses. The opportunities are endless for those who are smart and ambitious.

Council endorsed the Economic Development Strategy 2020, which presents Burnaby's strategy for further improving the local economy by enhancing the City's attractiveness to residents and businesses, and by aiming to keep Burnaby a preferred location in the Lower Mainland for business in a broad range of sectors. Fundamentally, the EDS 2020 is grounded in the vision for a "smart, prosperous and sustainable" local economy that is consistent with Burnaby's goals for quality of environment, community, and life.

In 2010, the City partnered with Tourism Burnaby to pursue Provincial Community Tourism Program funding. The goal of the project was an Integrated Marketing and Communications Plan to target advertising and capitalize on opportunities to market the City.

In another business/government partnership, Burnaby's relationship with our Board of Trade is truly unique. Together, through all of our various innovative programs and projects, we have created a dynamic city government and business synergy. Burnaby Council is well-served by this ongoing partnership, which is a model for local economic development initiatives.

Another key economic development initiative was the Burnaby Friendship Sister City initiative. Partly funded through Provincial grants, a number of trade delegations visited Asia and especially economically strategic cities in China, Taiwan and Korea. These trade and friendship visits focussed on pursuing economic partnerships through cultural exchanges and knowledge sharing. As a direct result of these visits, Burnaby has hosted a number of return trade delegations. Business is already starting to flow from these connections.

A healthy economic base helps support necessary services. In 2010, under Chief Bob Cook, the Burnaby Fire Department put into service four new engines that replaced some well-used veterans of 1980s vintage.

In addition, the restoration of a 1951 Ford Mercury pumper truck that once served Burnaby as "Pumper 3" is nearing completion. Look for it in upcoming parades.

The Department continues to provide highly trained firefighters who ensure the safety of our residents and visitors by providing fire, rescue and medical emergency response services as well as fire inspection, fire investigation and public education services through our Fire Prevention Division.

I want to also mention that individual firefighters continue to work tirelessly in the community, volunteering and supporting organizations, while the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society raises thousands of dollars annually for an impressive list of programs and recipients. Our firefighters deserve our support in these endeavors.

In addition to fire safety, community safety remains a top priority for our citizens. The Burnaby RCMP Detachment has forged ahead with many innovative initiatives in 2010, including their Crime Reduction Strategy, which is fast becoming known as a best practice. This intelligence-led initiative not only provides effective deployment of our police and civilian support resources, but also engages the full spectrum of our community. From volunteers to mental health agencies, this strategy has led to an overall decrease in crime in our community, notably a 10% drop in criminal code offences (all crime types).

In March of this year, the position of Officer in Charge at Burnaby detachment was increased to Chief Superintendent in recognition of growing staff complement. I was pleased to support the promotion of Superintendent Rick Taylor. With more than 400 police officers and civilian staff, the Burnaby Detachment is the second largest RCMP Detachment in Canada.

In July, the Detachment launched their new internet website (www.burnaby.rcmp.ca), through which citizens can access important community public safety information and materials. We are all pleased to see this contact with our citizens and look forward to continuing development of this access point.

Burnaby Detachment's policing priorities continue to focus on the issues that our citizens consistently tell us concern them most – traffic safety, drug interdiction, and property crime. Our Annual Public Safety forums encourage our citizens to talk about issues with members of Council, our Chief of Police and senior police leaders. The Community Policing Committee provides advice and information to our police service on an ongoing basis, making our detachment one of the most accountable in the nation. Our new Business Watch Program, launched in the Hastings-Brentwood area, provides the opportunity for businesses and police to share information and to work together to identify opportunities to enhance business safety. Business Watch will expand to all areas of the City in 2011.

I also want to get in a plug for our successful new Community Policing feature in the Burnaby NewsLeader titled It's Your Community – Keep it Safe. This column offers timely safety tips, provides information about Burnaby's four community police offices, highlights local citizens who champion crime prevention, and salutes local businesses that have taken concrete action to reduce crime.

Of special note, on August 15, 2010, the Burnaby RCMP celebrated the 60th Anniversary of providing policing services to the citizens of Burnaby. As we move toward 2011 and beyond, I am confident our Burnaby RCMP will continue to work collaboratively with all of us, as "Partners for a Safe Community."

Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services, Dave Ellenwood, and the Parks Commission had another great year improving our services in recreation and culture. The design of the new 8,500-square-foot Bonsor Seniors' Facility is nearing completion. The facility will provide appealing new and expanded space to meet the growing needs of seniors' services at Bonsor.

Also at Bonsor, renovations to the leisure pool area were completed in August.

As a good example of changing community uses, Bonsor Recreation Complex hosted the Chinese Community Health Fair 2010. This event was organized and supported by the SUCCESS organization, with more than 2,500 participants.

The Burnaby Spirit Square opened July 11, 2010 at Deer Lake Park. It was partially funded through the provincial B.C. Spirit Squares Legacy Program. Work included expansion and improvements to the festival lawn and plaza including a new piece of public art entitled "Vitality" created by First Nations artist, Thomas Cannell.

The Burnaby Parks Recreation and Culture Commission was also pleased to honour Mr. George H. F. McLean for his commitment to the community with the official dedication of George McLean Park on June 19, 2010.

In the past year, the Eco-Sculpture Program further developed its educational and community involvement program components at 10 community events, inviting more than 500 community members to learn about eco-sculptures. A new 16-foot dragon eco-sculpture was created in honour of Cameron Recreation Centre's 30th Anniversary.

The Shadbolt Centre for the Arts hit a significant milestone this year, celebrating its fifteenth season. The Centre also formally established an "Artists in Residence" program, with a call for submissions in the spring.

Annual cultural festivals continued to attract large crowds to Shadbolt and Deer Lake Park, including the 22nd annual Rhododendron Festival in May, the 26th annual Discovery Day Festival and the 22nd annual Vancouver Symphony Orchestra Performance in Deer Lake Park in July. In addition, the third season of the Summer Sundays at Civic Square program began to gather momentum with music and themed activities offered in July and August.

The very successful 11th Annual Burnaby Blues and Roots Festival took place on Saturday, August 14.

On February 11, the day before the opening of the 2010 Winter Olympics, the Burnaby Village Museum was host to a community celebration during which the Olympic Torch was carried through the Village by a torchbearer. More than 5,000 Burnaby residents enthusiastically welcomed the torch.

Summer programs in the studios and Deer Lake Park included an exciting partnership with Bard on the Beach. After two weeks of intensive work, to adoring audiences, the teen and children's programs performed productions of Romeo and Juliet and A Midsummer Night's Dream, complete with costumes, props and special lighting.

Turning to the ever-evolving world of enterprise resource planning, this year the City streamlined its manual process of preparing its Annual Financial Plan by using a combination of technologies. The SAP Business Objects Live Office application enabled the Finance Department to embed current corporate data from SAP Financials into a visually appealing format for citizens with easy-to-use navigational features. The resulting product marked a significant change in how the document was produced and distributed and substantially reduced the City's hard copy print.

And I'm very excited to report that Council initiated a Virtual City Hall project that will ensure we provide citizen-centered services – including enabling on-line business services – through a new city website design. Making it easier for citizens to connect with City Hall and to access services and information on-line are key objectives for the Virtual City Hall, with an initial launch planned for the fall of 2011.

Internally, the City continues to look at ways to be more environmentally friendly, placing more reliance on on-line access to information using the SAP Portal. The home page for news and events, access to business applications and reports, collaboration rooms and discussion forums, along with

organizational charts, a calendar of events, on-line help and self-paced learning, all help the City streamline processes, automate approvals through workflow, and reduce paper consumption.

The upgrade of our computer system is only one of the responsibilities undertaken by the new Director of Finance, Denise Jorgenson. The Treasury Services division continues to effectively manage the City's cash flows and investment portfolio in order to maximize the return on the City's investments. For 2010, the City will earn approximately 5.08% on the investment portfolio. Interest income on the portfolio will be just under \$33 million. The investment income from the portfolio is used to help minimize annual tax increases related to increased public services.

Something we don't often consider is the area of risk management, but we are also on top of this important issue. Work is under way to increase the effectiveness of management and resolution of third-party claims. In addition, significant efforts have been focused on loss prevention programs, which have helped the City to manage its corporate insurance costs. Work-to-date has resulted in a 5% saving in premiums over the prior year for property insurance, while the liability and other insurance programs have effectively maintained premium levels without increase.

Finally, I am proud to speak about our libraries' achievements for the year.

The Tommy Douglas Library celebrated its first full year of operation on November 20. The Branch has proven to be very popular with the public – use is up more than 34%. The Library's redesign of its website has also proven popular – visits to the site are up more than 65%. And future readers are looking good, with 6,424 children registered for the 2010 Summer Reading Club.

In October, the Library launched a new family literacy initiative. My First Language kits are for use by new immigrant families with young children and by more established families interested in maintaining first-language use at home. Burnaby Public Library continues to demonstrate its commitment to recognizing and celebrating the diversity in this community by supporting home language development.

The Library, along with its partners, Burnaby Family Life Institute and the Burnaby Intercultural Planning Table, received Welcoming and Inclusive Communities and Workplaces Program (WICWP) funding for the Embracing Diversity: Sharing Our Songs and Rhymes Project. This is scheduled to launch in February 2011.

On behalf of Council, I congratulate the Library Board and Chief Librarian, Edel Toner-Rogala for their continuing innovation and dedication.

Thank you for your patience in listening to my lengthy address, but there are so many good things happening in the city we all love. In fact, I've missed mentioning so many festivals, events, successes and new ideas, I know I'll be awake all night thinking about things I should have said. Then again, there is always next year.

I am truly honoured to be the Mayor of the City of Burnaby, proud of this year's many achievements and anticipating an exceptional 2011 for Burnaby citizens and businesses. I want to thank Councillors Pietro Calendino, Richard Chang, Sav Dhaliwal, Dan Johnston, Colleen Jordan, Anne Kang, Paul McDonell and Nick Volkow for all their leadership and plain hard work on committees and in the community. Also, thank you to the City Clerk, Debbie Comis, and her staff. A special vote of appreciation to my long-suffering staff in the Mayor's office.

On behalf of Council, thank you for your attention tonight and for your role throughout the year in making Burnaby a great place to live, work, learn and play.

1. MINUTES

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR McDONELL:

“THAT the minutes of the ‘Open’ Council meeting held on 2010 November 22 be now adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

“THAT the minutes of the Public Hearing (Zoning) held on 2010 November 23 be now adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

“THAT the following item of correspondence be received.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A) Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee
Re: 2011 Appointments to LMTAC

A letter was received from Mayor Ralph Drew, Chair of the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC), requesting the appointment of Burnaby representatives to their Board and providing a preliminary meeting schedule for 2011.

A staff note advises that a resolution of Council is required for appointments to the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

“THAT Councillor Dan Johnston be appointed as Burnaby’s representative on the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee and THAT Councillor Sav Dhaliwal be appointed the alternate.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. REPORTS

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A) His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan
Re: Appointment of Municipal Directors to the
Metro Vancouver Board of Directors and
Distribution of Votes

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan submitted a report appointing members of Council as municipal directors to the Metro Vancouver Board and allocating the distribution of 11 votes.

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan recommended:

1. THAT the following appointments and respective vote allocations for the Metro Vancouver Board of Directors and Alternates be approved for a term of one year:

Director:	Mayor Derek Corrigan	4 Votes
Alternate:	Councillor Pietro Calendino	
Alternate:	Councillor Dan Johnston	
Director:	Councillor Colleen Jordan	4 Votes
Alternate:	Councillor Dan Johnston	
Alternate:	Councillor Pietro Calendino	
Director:	Councillor Sav Dhaliwal	3 Votes
Alternate:	Councillor Pietro Calendino	
Alternate:	Councillor Dan Johnston.	

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

“THAT the recommendation of His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan
Re: Appointment of Municipal Directors to the
Metro Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan submitted a report appointing members of Council as Municipal Directors to the Metro Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau for 2011.

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan recommended:

1. THAT the following appointments for the Metro Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau be approved for a term of one year:

Director:	Councillor Pietro Calendino
Alternate:	Mayor Derek Corrigan.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

“THAT the recommendation of His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan
Re: Acting Mayor Appointments - 2011

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan submitted a schedule showing the Council members to be appointed as Acting Mayor for 2011.

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan recommended:

1. THAT the following Council members be appointed as Acting Mayor for the months indicated in 2011:

January	Councillor Pietro Calendino
February	Councillor Richard Chang
March	Councillor Sav Dhaliwal
April	Councillor Dan Johnston
May	Councillor Colleen Jordan

June	Councillor Anne Kang
July	Councillor Paul McDonell
August	Councillor Nick Volkow
September	Councillor Pietro Calendino
October	Councillor Richard Chang
November	Councillor Sav Dhaliwal
December	Councillor Dan Johnston.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KANG:

“THAT the recommendation of His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D) Community Development Committee
Re: R12 District Area Rezoning
Public Consultation Results

The Community Development Committee submitted a report providing Council with the results of the consultation process regarding a request for an area rezoning of the block bounded by Hurst Street, Dow Avenue, Victory Street, and Sussex Avenue from the R5 and R9 Residential District to the R12 Residential District. The requirement for support for the proposal amongst residents in the rezoning area, consistent with Council adopted guidelines, has been met.

The Community Development Committee recommended:

1. THAT Council deny the request for the R5 and R9 District area rezoning for the subject block bounded by Hurst Street, Dow Avenue, Victory Street, and Sussex Avenue.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the property owners and residents in the petition and consultation areas.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

“THAT the recommendations of the Community Development Committee be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E) Community Policing Committee
Re: Monthly Community Policing Supplement
in the Burnaby NewsLeader

The Community Policing Committee submitted a report seeking Council approval to renew the City's agreement for the monthly Community Policing supplement, "CommSafe", in the Burnaby NewsLeader for 2011.

The Community Policing Committee recommended:

1. THAT Council approve funding for twelve City advertisements in 2011 to accompany the Community Policing supplement in the Burnaby NewsLeader.
2. THAT Tracy Keenan, publisher of the Burnaby NewsLeader, be informed in writing of Council's decision.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR McDONELL:

"THAT the recommendations of the Community Policing Committee be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Community Policing Committee
Re: Burnaby Business Property Crime
Reduction Initiative CPTED Pilot Project

The Community Policing Committee submitted a report seeking Council authorization to conclude the CPTED pilot project, so that police and staff resources may focus their energies on the RCMP Crime Reduction Strategy.

The Community Policing Committee recommended:

1. THAT Council authorize the CPTED Pilot Project in the Royal Oak, Kingsway and Palm area be concluded and further THAT the RCMP work with victimized businesses to reduce crime.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR McDONELL:

"THAT the recommendation of the Community Policing Committee be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Executive Committee of Council
Re: Grant Applications

The Executive Committee of Council submitted the following grant applications for Council's consideration:

#10/73 Burnaby Board of Trade

The Executive Committee of Council recommended:

1. THAT an in-kind grant up to a value of \$750 for printing costs be awarded to the Burnaby Board of Trade.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR McDONELL:

“THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee of Council be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#10/74 Seton Villa Society

The Executive Committee of Council recommended:

1. THAT the grant application be denied.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR McDONELL:

“THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee of Council be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#10/75 BC Federation 16th Annual Labour Community Christmas Dinner

The Executive Committee of Council recommended:

1. THAT a grant in the amount of \$1,500 be awarded to BC Federation 16th Annual Labour Community Christmas Dinner to assist with the cost of providing a Christmas dinner for approximately 2,500 guests.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

“THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee of Council be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#10/76 Burnaby Citizen’s Crime Watch

The Executive Committee of Council recommended:

1. THAT a grant in the amount of \$500 be awarded to the Burnaby Citizen’s Crime Watch for 2010 to assist with the cost of services and support.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KANG:

“THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee of Council be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#10/77 Burnaby Fellowship Centre Society

The Executive Committee of Council recommended:

1. THAT a grant in the amount of \$540 be awarded to Burnaby Fellowship Centre Society for 2010 to assist with providing a Christmas Lunch to members who are attending a 12-Step Recovery Program.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KANG:

“THAT the recommendation of the Executive Committee of Council be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H) Finance and Civic Development Committee

Re: Griffiths Pedestrian Overpass

Special Lighting Improvement

The Finance and Civic Development Committee submitted a report seeking Council approval to proceed with the Griffiths pedestrian overpass special lighting project. The Griffiths pedestrian overpass is one of the three award winning bridges constructed by the City in the

past 5 years. The proposed improvements provide an exciting opportunity to enhance the aesthetics of the structure and would highlight the bridge as a special landmark welcoming visitors to the City.

The Finance and Civic Development Committee recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the special bridge lighting project and budget \$350,000 from Gaming Fund for the project, as outlined in this report.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

“THAT the recommendation of the Finance and Civic Development Committee be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I) Finance and Civic Development Committee
Re: Laurel Street Works Yard
Re-Development Master Plan

The Finance and Civic Development Committee submitted a report seeking Council endorsement of the Re-Development Master Plan concept for the existing Laurel Street Works Yard as a basis for advancement of the preliminary design of the facility. The existing City Works Yard at Laurel Street is undersized for its intended functions. The need to provide an appropriately sized Operations Centre for the City has been recognized and the proposed re-development Concept Plan has been prepared to meet the current and projected needs.

The Finance and Civic Development Committee recommended:

1. THAT Council endorse the Re-Development Master Plan concept prepared by Omicron Consulting Group for the Laurel Street Works Yard site as a basis for advancement of the preliminary design of the facility, as outlined in this report.
2. THAT Council authorize staff to prepare Terms of Reference and issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) to undertake the preliminary design for the re-development of the Laurel Street Works Yard.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

“THAT the recommendations of the Finance and Civic Development Committee be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

J) Social Issues Committee
Re: Burnaby Access Advisory Committee
2011 Workplan

The Social Issues Committee submitted a report providing Council with a summary of the Burnaby Access Advisory Committee's activities in 2010 and an outline of its proposed workplan for 2011.

The Social Issues Committee recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the proposed Burnaby Access Advisory Committee 2011 Workplan as outlined in Section 3.0 of this report.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KANG:

“THAT the recommendation of the Social Issues Committee be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- K)** The City Manager presented a report dated 2010 December 06 on the matters listed following as Items 01 to 02 either providing the information shown or recommending the courses of action indicated for the reasons given:

1. 2011 Local Government Election

The City Manager submitted a report from the City Clerk providing Council with information concerning the 2011 Local Government Election and to recommend appointment of the Chief Election Officer and Deputy Chief Election Officer.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT Anne Skipsey be appointed Chief Election Officer for the 2011 Local Government Election.
2. THAT Lynne Axford be appointed Deputy Chief Election Officer for the 2011 Local Government Election.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

“THAT the recommendations of the City Manager be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2. Award of Contract –
Edmonds Pool and Community Centre Project**

The City Manager submitted a report from the Major Civic Building Project Coordination Committee seeking Council authorization to award a contract for the construction of the Edmonds Pool and Community Centre project. The proposed pool and community centre will provide a much needed public resource and amenity space for the community.

The City Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the award of a construction contract to Smith Bros. & Wilson (BC) Ltd, in the amount of \$32,062,690 (inclusive of 12% HST) for the construction of the Edmonds Pool and Community Centre project.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Commission for information purposes.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

“THAT the recommendations of the City Manager be adopted.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

“THAT the Committee now rise and report.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council reconvened.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JORDAN:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR McDONELL:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. BYLAWS

FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

“THAT

Burnaby Recreation Fees and Admissions Bylaw 2010, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12892
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be now introduced and read three times.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND READING:

#12869	Text Amendment	
#12871	Text Amendment	
#12872	6451, 6475 & 6479 Telford Avenue and Ptn. of Lane Allowance	REZ #08-05
#12873	3175 (known as 3185) Willingdon Green	REZ #10-07
#12874	4193 North Road	REZ #10-08

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:

“THAT

Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 36, 2010	#12869
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 37, 2010	#12871
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 38, 2010	#12872
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 39, 2010	#12873
Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No. 40, 2010	#12874

be now read a second time.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECONSIDERATION AND FINAL ADOPTION:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KANG:

“THAT

Burnaby Solid Waste and Recycling Bylaw 2010	#12875
Burnaby Temporary Financing Bylaw 2011	#12876
Burnaby Waterworks Regulation Bylaw 1953, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12881
Burnaby Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw 1994, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12882
Burnaby Sewer Charge Bylaw 1961, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12883
Burnaby Subdivision Control Bylaw 1971, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12884
Burnaby Liquor Licence Application Fee Bylaw 2001, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12885
Burnaby Plumbing Bylaw 2000, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12886
Burnaby Gas Bylaw 1978, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12887
Burnaby Building Bylaw 2004, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12888
Burnaby Electrical Bylaw 1974, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12889
Burnaby Tree Bylaw 1996, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12890
Burnaby Sewer Connection Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw 2010	#12891

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

Councillor Volkow

Councillor Volkow noted the passing of Hazel LeStrange, former Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission member, at the age of 93.

Councillor Johnston

Councillor Johnston noted the CBC made reference to a Burnaby Now article regarding Chevron operations in Burnaby, specifically the seeping of oil from Chevron's north Burnaby refinery into Burrard Inlet.

Arising from consideration of the matter, Councillor Johnston was granted leave by Council to introduce the following motion:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

“THAT the matter be **REFERRED** to staff for a memorandum on the implications for the City of Burnaby.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Calendino

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO:

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:

“THAT the meeting of the Community Policing Committee to be held on 2010 December 09 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers be **CANCELLED**.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Derek R. Corrigan

His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan advised he met with Murray Coell, Minister of the Environment, along with Councillors Calendino, McDonell, Dhaliwal, and Jordan and noted the Minister was impressed by the dredging project in Burnaby Lake and environmental consciousness demonstrated by the City in the care with which the project has been conducted. The Director Engineering provided turtle telemetry results to the Minister. Mayor Corrigan advised he is looking forward to working with the new Minister.

Mayor Corrigan noted Ms. Carole James, leader of the NDP resigned today. He also noted she had done a very credible job, bringing the party from 2 seats to 35 in a very short period of time.

Arising from consideration of the discussion, Councillor Dhaliwal was granted leave by Council to introduce the following motion:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

“THAT His Worship, Mayor Derek R. Corrigan write a letter to Ms. Carole James expressing appreciation for her years of dedicated public service and THAT a letter be written to Premier Gordon Campbell to thank him for his efforts in leading the Province and congratulate him upon his retirement.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries brought before Council at this time.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOLKOW:
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOHNSTON:

“THAT this ‘Open’ Council Meeting do now adjourn.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The ‘Open’ Council Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Confirmed:

Certified Correct:


MAYOR


DEPUTY CITY CLERK