



Item
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COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2012 February 08
FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING **FILE:** 73000 02
SUBJECT: 2011 POPULATION AND DWELLING COUNTS FOR BURNABY
PURPOSE: To inform Council of the new population and dwelling counts for Burnaby as reported by Statistics Canada in the first release of information from the 2011 Census.

RECOMMENDATION:

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


REPORT

On 2011 February 08, Statistics Canada issued its first release of population information gathered in the 2011 Census. Burnaby's population increased by 20,419 people (10.1% over 5 years) from a 2006 total population of 202,799 to a 2011 population of 223,218. The number of residential units increased by 8,433 units (10.1% over 5 years) from 82,950 units in 2006 to 91,383 units in 2011. These figures also indicate that there has been no change in average household size from 2.5 in 2006 to 2.5 in 2011. On average, the census indicates that the City has grown at a rate of about 2% per year in the past 5 years, slightly below a long-term annual growth rate of about 2.7% since 1961.

The GVRD's population increased by 9.3% from a 2006 population of 2,116,581 to a 2011 population of 2,313,328. Burnaby's population density per square kilometre is 2,463.5 persons, in comparison with 5,249.1 for Vancouver, 1,479.9 for Surrey and 802.5 persons per square kilometre for the region overall.

Statistics Canada will publish data collected in the 2011 Census in a further three additional data releases in 2012 which will include: May 29th – Age and Sex; September 19th – Families, Households, Marital Status, Dwelling Type and Collectives; and October 24th – Language. The City will be obtaining this information by standard census geographies (e.g. census tracts), as well as by its own planning study areas. This information is important to the City, School District 41, the RCMP Burnaby detachment and other community and business groups. Access to this information is available from Statistics Canada and will be updated on the City's website under "Population and Quick Stats". Future reports will be prepared for Council as the information becomes available.

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