

Brentwood High Rise Plan Approved

Six Towers, 12 to 20 Storeys High, May Proceed

Preliminary approval of rezoning required for construction of a \$12 million high-rise apartment complex at Delta Avenue and the Lougheed Highway was given Town Planner Tony Parr this week.

Approving tentative density standards for the Brentwood area, Burnaby's first "core" commercial and apartment area to be accepted by municipal planning department officials, Council gave the go-ahead sign for Parr to execute final plan detailing. This is the final step required before permission to build is granted, Burnaby architect Bing Marr and his group to start construction of 800 suites in six tower buildings.

The towers, ranging from 12 to 20 storeys in height, would be erected in stages, as the complex attracted more and more tenants.

When completed, the complex is likely to be the largest single residential unit in western Canada.

Council tentatively approved high-rise construction along a four-block section of Lougheed, from Beta to Springer, in a zone extending to the crest of the northerly slope.

The sharp hill running down

Delta from Ridgeland to the Lougheed provides an ideal location for high-rise apartments, project principals feel. The drop in elevation permits all the suites to be "view suites", yet will not block the view of future residents of the very crest of the hill where it meets the existing Brentwood residential section.

Surrounding the high-rise zone will be three-floor walkups, and apartments of a new category, (RMA), expected to run to six floors in height. Around the periphery of the high-density zone will be a number of garden-type apartments, if private developers round out the area as it is now planned.

Approval of the multi-million dollar project had been delayed while engineers of the Greater Vancouver Sewer District assessed the capacity of sewers in the area to handle the added volume created by high-rise zoning. Their report, just received by Burnaby officials showed the services would prove sufficient.

Other Burnaby high-rise apartment plans yet to be approved include applications for the Hastings Street area, Willingdon Heights, Westridge, Kingsway, Willingdon, Kingsway - Gilley, Middlegate and Edmonds areas.

Only high-rise project previously accepted is a single building at Patterson and Kingsway, overlooking Centre Park.

BUS STUDY UNDERWAY

A complete review of Burnaby's piecemeal transit service will soon be tackled by Burnaby Council, at the instigation of the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce.

Main lack is adequate cross-municipal service, to afford easy access between northern, central, southern and eastern areas of the municipality.

Store-owners feel shoppers are restricted to weekends when the family car is available to the housewife. During the week, no convenient means of transport exists for shoppers in one-car families or for old age pensioners.

Council's policy committee expects to give a hard look at Burnaby's routing system within the next month, although council members are certain they don't want to provoke the BC Hydro into turning over the transit system to municipal hands, as threatened earlier.

Federal Poll Clerks Say -

Burnaby Voting Cards 'Sabotaged' Election

Burnaby civil servants unwittingly sabotaged voting in the Monday federal election, Municipal Council was told this week.

The charge, repeated by Councillor Joe Corsbie, was voiced by countless harassed poll clerks, and many irate citizens.

"Some people really got violent about it," Corsbie explained, when they learned that Corsbie, touring the polls on behalf of the Burnaby New Democrats, was a member of Burnaby Council.

The cards that caused the commotion are mailed every year during October, and advise municipal electors that their names

are on the voting list, and where they are to vote.

Monday, however, hundreds of voters in Burnaby reportedly turned up at the wrong polls, or at places never used for federal voting, only to be turned away. Not reading the postcards too carefully, the voters apparently failed to realize they referred to the December 11 municipal vote, rather than this Monday's federal election.

"We should have postponed the mailing of the cards this year," Corsbie told Council.

"I'm not criticizing anyone here. The staff acted along the lines directed by Council policy."

"But if they took some of the abuse I did yesterday, they'd know that something was wrong," he told Council members.

The cards in question were mailed October 15, Municipal Clerk Jack Shaw advised Council, following a long-standing custom. They serve to advise voters of the Nov. 1 hearings of the Court of Revision, but also provide address or name corrections by return mail, pre-

cluding the necessity of attending the annual one-day court, Shaw went on.

Approximately 600 name changes are processed each year through the mail, Shaw pointed out.

"Why couldn't we have the same polling stations for all elections?" asked Councillor Emmet Cafferky.

"I'd like to see one voters' list. This would save a lot of headaches," Shaw replied. Disparities in voting requirements, and registration methods, presently prevent the idea of a single list from coming into practice.

"I hope that in future elections Council will do something to clear up the confusion," Councillor James Dailly requested.

"People should read their cards," replied Acting Reeve Andy Blair. "They have only themselves to blame."

"At least Councillor Corsbie was only harassed," observed Burnaby-Richmond Liberal candidate Emmet Cafferky.

"I was mauled."

North Rd. Centre Start Delayed

Start of clearing at the Lougheed Highway and North Road site of a shopping development expected ultimately to cost \$17 million, has been rescheduled to a winter start, according to development agents.

Originally slated for a midsummer start, the land clearing program was to suspend operation over the winter months. Initial conceptual plans have already been approved by Burnaby's Planning Department, and work is now proceeding on more detailed drawings, while centre agents set about signing up prospective tenants.

The centre, designed to serve a large metropolitan population in all directions, was first planned for a 1967 opening.

Burnaby Painter To Be Featured

Burnaby painter Ruby Hodgins, a local painter very popular with picture loan patrons of the Burnaby Art Gallery, will be

YMCA's World-Wide Work To Be Shown on Canvas

With the help of a number of outstanding Burnaby artists, the Burnaby YMCA will take over Moscrop School's Auditorium December 4 for an evening showing to support the Y's worldwide missionary work.

Howard J. Filmer, Y Board member, and chairman of the local world service committee, is in charge of arrangements for the Saturday evening showing.

"Through this Y program, people throughout the world have been helped to help themselves."

as details are completed -- will be available at the Y office, at 299-6411.

Early Poll Set In Burnaby Vote

Advanced polling dates have been set for December 6 through 10, for Burnaby municipal electors unable to attend the polls on voting day, Saturday, December 11.

Final step before the formal



Irma and Tommy Douglas



Grace and Bob Prittie

The Victors

Kindergarten Cost Tallied; Forum Called

Municipal electors will pass judgement on a \$1,781,181 capital expenditure bylaw this December, when they're asked to decide on the question of kindergartens for Burnaby's five-year-olds.

"That's the price of adding to Burnaby's school installations to provide new classes for the tykes over the next few years.

Not taken into account is the added cost of teaching staff, but tax payers will be given to understand that the general school rates will have to rise to compensate for the added payroll.

The contentious question of public kindergartens, operated by the Burnaby School Board, will be probed at a public forum, sponsored by the Burnaby NPA, on November 23.

Two eminent panelists will discuss the pros and cons, and then the meeting will be thrown open to questions.

Speakers will be Dr. T. Westermarck, from the UBC Faculty of Education, and Dr. A. McTaggart, an experienced local child psychiatrist.

The NPA has refused to take a stand for or against passage of the \$1.8 million money bylaw that would give the school trust-

commendation of B.C.A.-sponsored Reeve-candidate Alan Emmott.

The public meeting will start at 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Burnaby South Senior Secondary.

Bby. Firemen Arm Against Dystrophy

Off-duty Burnaby firemen this weekend will join the nation-wide fight against muscular dystrophy, one of the few remaining serious child-crippling diseases.

Uniformed men will exchange tags for contributions to the continuous research that will eventually solve the mystery of the malady.

The Burnaby Fire Department Band and an antique Fire Truck will draw the public's attention to the need for financial support in the fight, and for funds for rehabilitation of stricken youngsters.

The band and truck will tour Hastings Street, Brentwood, Old

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all property (except ed for public open ed by public means private deve be encouraged to possa for the rede the area.

The scheme calls for the widening of Hastings Street, landscaping, the closing of Ingelton Avenue, major road improvements and underground wiring.

The 58-page report, tabled at a special meeting Wednesday morning is based on the premise that the government will acquire the land and buildings and arrange for demolition and site clearing.

Once the land is cleared and

The possibility of a \$2.84 million hospital construction money bylaw referendum in December next year is seen last by directors of the Burnaby Hospital Society.

The price covers construction of a 125-bed chronic care centre at the West Burnaby site, in addition of the 215-bed acute addition, already approved by the provincial department of health.

The \$2.84 million figure was hazarded by hospital board chairman Harold Atchison, pointing out that no firm estimate is possible at the present early stages of consideration.

Based on present hospital construction costs, the new hospital facility could cost as much as \$8,500,000, with the municipality, the provincial government, and the federal treasury each expected to pay one-third.

The cost to Burnaby taxpayers, based on current estimates, and current taxation revenue sources, would be approximately \$6.00 per home, municipal tax experts have estimated.

Commissioners will re-design the building functions in mind. Facilities for business men, all course late-night snacks, a ment of the present concession booth area as well as upgrading banquet facilities for by the commission

An initial \$1,000 authorized for a tent

structural investigation to enlarge the building, without changing the vertical style or

Commissioners will select one, and see ideas they can buy

Westburn, Willingdon Heights and Charles Rummell, the first three community facilities built in Burnaby under provisions of a capital works bylaw for park improvement, each cost more than \$40,000, considerably in excess of bylaw fund provisions.

In each case, some funds to build or furnish the identical structures were contributed by established community associations.

"It would be very hard to build small field houses after putting up large recreation centres," Barrington admitted.

Funds for the larger buildings, not planned in the initial \$1.5 million outlay, would have to come either from parking allocations to other projects, or by additional grants from Municipal Council.

Principals of the Supper Club, press contractors, together

Reading Expert At Loehdale PTA

