

CITY OF BURNABY COUNCIL IN BRIEF

January 14, 2025

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» **[5.1 Burnaby Horsemen's Association - Re: Paving of the Freeway Trail in Burnaby Lake Regional Park](#)**

City Council received a presentation from the Burnaby Horsemen's Association, who raised concerns about plans to pave the Freeway Trail within Burnaby Lake Regional Park. Council voted to refer the presentation to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department to report back to Council with options, and recommended that the Burnaby Horsemen's Association also share their presentation with Metro Vancouver.

» **[6.3 Designated Field Hockey Turf Update](#)**

City Council directed staff to replace Field #2 at the Burnaby Lake Sports Complex West with a hybrid soccer/field hockey turf field. The new, upgraded hybrid turf field will feature field hockey lines, making it suitable for community and school-level field hockey competitions.

[Attachment 1 - Burnaby Lake Sports Complex West Context Map](#)

[Attachment 2 - Cariboo Community Field Context Map](#)

» **[12.1 Councillor Wang - Proposed Motion: Landmark City of Burnaby Sign](#)**

City Council directed staff to investigate to location and associated costs for installing a City of Burnaby landmark sign. Large landmark signs featuring the names of cities have been popular in other municipalities across Canada, including Vancouver, Hamilton and Toronto.

» **[12.2 Councillors Dhaliwal, Gu, Santiago, Tetrault, Wang - Proposed Motion: Increasing Preparedness and Resiliency in the OCP](#)**

City Council directed staff to identify areas of the city that are at high risk of flooding and wildfire over the next 25 years, and to use this information to designate appropriate land uses in the Official Community Plan to prevent the risk to people and property. Council also directed staff to embed risk mitigation strategies in areas where people already live in high-risk areas, and to report back to Council with additional strategies to improve the City's resilience and preparedness for emergency situations.

» **[13.1 Release from Closed Council – Michael J. Fox Theatre](#)**

City Council released of a motion from a previous Closed Council session, which directed staff to investigate the feasibility and financial impacts of taking over the management and operations of the Michael J. Fox Theatre from School District 41.

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