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Burnaby City Council

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SECTION 2 COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE
City Manager
Deputy City Managers (2)
Environment Committee

Re: Smoking, Butts, Garbage Can.

Dear Mayor and Council,

Once a month my office holds Coffee with Richard, which gives the constituency residents an opportunity to come and share their concerns about any issues.

At our September 26th coffee session a constituent raised the issue of the Forest Fires that gripped British Columbia this past summer, and the number that had been started with a cigarette butt tossed out a car window.

The constituent then went on to say how he has observed many cigarette butts in the city just tossed on the ground, around bus stops and shopping malls, parking lots and wondered if an education drive about putting it into a container might be in order.

He felt that if people were used to using a container (metal trash cans), then perhaps when traveling they might think twice about just tossing the butt out onto the ground.

He wondered if your environment committee had tackled this problem?

I trust that you will give this some thought and all members of council are welcome to join myself and other constituents for a coffee the last Saturday of each month at Caffè Artigiano 4359 Hastings St in "The Heights".

Richard T. Lee

Member of the Legislative Assembly for Burnaby North
Deputy Speaker
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