

COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER

**DATE:** 2016 January 26

- FROM: CHIEF LIBRARIAN BURNABY PUBLIC LIBRARY
- SUBJECT: CAPITAL BYLAW FUNDING REQUEST FOR BOB PRITTIE METROTOWN BRANCH – 2ND FLOOR RENOVATION PROJECT
- **PURPOSE:** To request Council to bring down a Capital Reserves Bylaw in the amount of \$418,700 to finance the Bob Prittie Metrotown Branch 2nd Floor Renovation Project.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

1. THAT Council authorize staff to bring down a Capital Reserves Bylaw in the amount of \$418,700 (inclusive of GST of \$18,700) to finance the Bob Prittie Metrotown Branch – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Renovation Project.

## REPORT

At its 'Open' Meeting of 2016 January 21, the Burnaby Public Library Board received the <u>attached</u> report and adopted the recommendation contained therein.

M. Hiltone-Royale

Edel Toner-Rogala CHIEF LIBRARIAN BURNABY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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<u>Attachment</u> Capital Bylaw Funding Request For Bob Prittie Metrotown Branch – 2nd Floor Renovation Project

cc: Director Finance City Solicitor



**Burnaby Public Library** 

CHIEF LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

TO: CHAIR AND TRUSTEES, BURNABY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

FROM: EDEL TONER-ROGALA – CHIEF LIBRARIAN BURNABY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## REPORT

In July of 2015, the Federal Government announced the Library as a recipient of \$200,000 in Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program funds for renovations to the second floor of the Bob Prittie Metrotown Branch.

The Bob Prittie Metrotown Branch is the largest and busiest of the City's four library branches. The second floor of the Metrotown Branch is home to a busy reference desk, twenty-one public internet workstations, a small group study space, and the library's non-fiction collection, including newcomer, ESL and employment resources. The renovation will allow for the removal of heavy, fixed millwork that is no longer appropriate for current uses. In its place, patrons will find a more accessible reference desk, improved display for new materials, and more flexible and collaborative spaces for library instruction and small group study.

City and Federal Government funds for this project will assist the Library in its ongoing commitment to renew and refresh library spaces to help ensure they meet the current and future needs of the community. The total cost of this project is budgeted at \$400,000, and these expenditures are included in the 2016 – 2020 Financial Plan. Sufficient Capital Reserves are available to fund the project.

It is recommended that Council authorize staff to bring down a Capital Reserves Bylaw in the amount of \$418,700 (inclusive of \$18,700 in GST) to finance this project. Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program funding, when received, will be transferred to Capital Reserves to repay the \$200,000 advanced Capital Reserves bylaw funds.

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