

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL DATE: 2016 October 27

FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING FILE: 33200 02

SUBJECT: BANNING SMOKING AND VAPOUR SMOKING IN PUBLIC SPACES

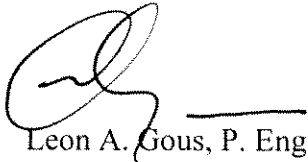
At the Executive Committee meeting on 2016 September 21, the Committee received a correspondence from the Canadian Cancer Society requesting Council support to ban smoking including electronic smoking devices in restaurants and bar patios, outdoor public spaces, parks, beaches, trails and playgrounds. Arising from the discussion, the Committee requested staff to provide a memo on the City's current no-smoking policy in comparison to other municipalities in the Lower Mainland and provide comments on whether the initiative identified in the noted correspondence is supportable.

Staff has completed a review of the no-smoking policy in other municipalities in the Lower Mainland and note that the restrictions with respect to smoking in public places continue to vary amongst communities (see *Attachment #1*). With regards to vapour smoking, five communities in the Lower Mainland (City of Vancouver, City of Coquitlam, City of North Vancouver, Corporation of Delta and City of Maple Ridge) have included vapour smoking into their smoking bylaw.

It is to be noted that the City did have a Smoking Regulation Bylaw which was enforced by the Fraser Health Authority on behalf of the City. However, given that banning of smoking in public spaces arises as a Provincial function and that the Provincial Tobacco and Vapour Control Product Act includes restrictive measures for both cigarettes and more recently vapour smoking in public spaces, the City repealed its smoking bylaw in 2013. Fraser Health staff now continues to enforce the provisions of the Provincial Tobacco and Vapour Control Act in Burnaby. With respect to the vapour smoking restrictions in Burnaby, staff spoke to the Fraser Health official and was informed that their staff are presently educating the retail operators regarding the requirements related to vapour smoking. This will be followed up with progressive enforcement both at the retail level and where complaints are received regarding vapour smoking in public spaces.

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Attachment

Copied to: City Manager