

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: 2018 April 30

FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

FILE: 35000 40
Project #3000

SUBJECT: 2018 WILLINGDON LINEAR PARK COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUNDING
REQUEST (EMC.3000)

PURPOSE: To request the use of Community Benefit Reserves to finance the capital infrastructure project outlined in this report and to provide details on the subject project for the information of the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the Financial Management Committee recommend Council authorize the use of Community Benefit Reserves in the amount of \$515,000 to finance the Willingdon Linear Park project as outlined in this report.

REPORT**INTRODUCTION:**

The Willingdon Linear Park was identified by Council as a high priority project to link the Brentwood Town Centre with the Hastings neighborhood and community amenities (i.e. Eileen Daily Pool & Fitness Centre, Confederation Community Centre, Confederation Park, etc.). The project includes a linear park along the east side of Willingdon Avenue between Albert Street and the lane just south of Brentlawn Drive. The figure below shows the typical road section of the Willingdon Linear Park corridor.

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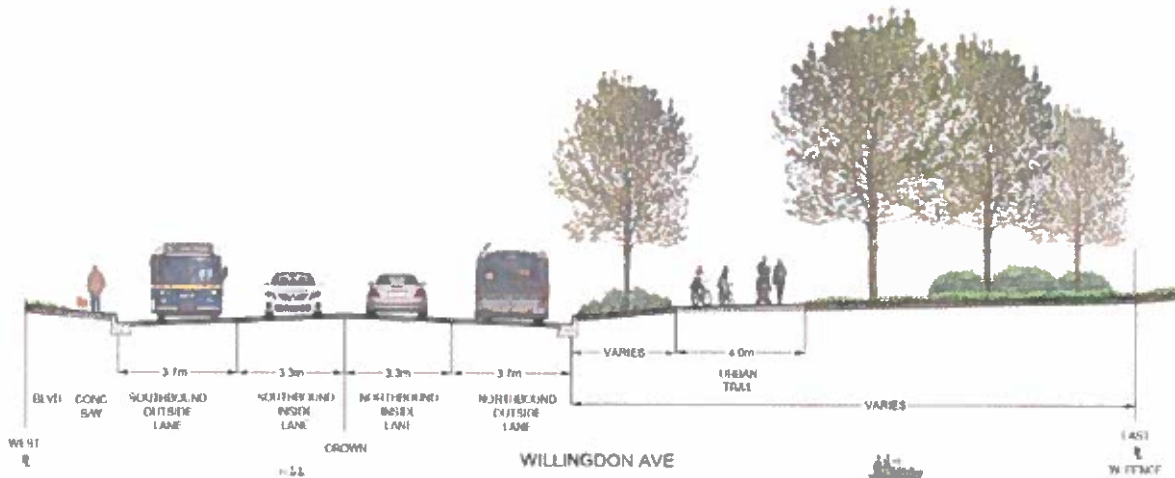


Fig. 1: Typical Section

POLICY SECTION:

The subject project is aligned with the City of Burnaby's Corporate Strategic Plan, typically by supporting the following goals and sub-goals of the Plan.

- A Connected Community – This project provides a geographic connection to ensure that people can move easily through Burnaby, using any form of transportation.
- A Dynamic Community – Build and maintain infrastructure that meets the needs of our growing community.
- A Thriving Organization – Protect the integrity and security of City information, Services, and Assets.

WILLINGDON LINEAR PARK (EMC.3000):

As seen in the photos below, road construction, watermain renewal, urban trail and other civil works were substantially completed on schedule at the end of 2017. The bulk of the remaining work in 2018 includes park construction, landscaping and installation of public art.

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There were some unforeseen site conditions encountered during construction including invasive plant species that required proper disposal, relocation of an existing gas main and renewal of the sidewalk that was found to be in poorer condition than originally inspected.

\$585,800 (EMC.3000) of Community Benefit Funding was previously approved by Council and \$23,700 (AEC.3000) was previously approved by Council in a Capital Reserve Fund Bylaw. An additional \$515,000 (EMC.3000) is requested in this report to finance the expected project activity of \$1,100,800 (EMC.3000) in 2018.

Capital Plan of \$1,124,500 had been included as part of the 2018 Annual Capital Plan to address the unforeseen conditions mentioned above. Breakdown of the funding is as per the table below:

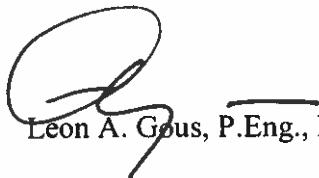
Project Mask	2018	Funding Source
EMC.3000 - Roads LRN	1,100,800	Community Benefit Reserve
AEC.3000 – Civic Communications Conduit	23,700	CAWFF
Total	1,124,500	

Staff are now planning a grand opening event for the park which is expected to occur in the summer. Details of the event will be communicated to Council as they become available.

These expenditures will be included in the 2018 – 2022 Annual Financial Plan and sufficient Community Benefit Reserves are available to finance the capital project outlined in this report.

CONCLUSION:

It is recommended the Financial Management Committee recommend Council authorize the use of Community Benefit Reserves in the amount of \$515,000 to finance the Willingdon Linear Park project as outlined in this report. A report will be forwarded to Council to approve the amendment to the construction contract that corresponds to this increase in funding.


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