

**PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMISSION**

*HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR  
AND COUNCILLORS*

**SUBJECT: BURNABY AND REGION ALLOTMENT GARDENS ASSOCIATION LICENCE AGREEMENT**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. THAT Council approve a new licence agreement with the Burnaby Region Allotment Gardens Association for the operation and maintenance of 372 garden plots located on 14 acres of City owned, urban agricultural land in area east of Meadow Avenue and north of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Big Bend area of Burnaby. The property addresses are 7528 Meadow Avenue, 5945 Fourteenth Avenue, and 6069 Fourteenth Avenue. The new licence Agreement would be effective February 1, 2022 to January 31, 2027, under the terms and conditions outlined in this report.
2. THAT Council authorize the City Solicitor to prepare and finalize for execution a new licence agreement with the Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association for the operation and maintenance of 372 garden plots located on 14 acres of City owned, urban agricultural land in area east of Meadow Avenue and north of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Big Bend area of Burnaby, as outlined in this report.
3. THAT a copy of the report be sent to the Burnaby and Region Allotment Garden Association.

**REPORT**

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission, at its Open meeting held on 2021 November 09, received and adopted the attached report seeking Council approval for a new licence agreement with the Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Dhaliwal  
Chair

Commissioner B. Larkin  
Deputy Chair

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**TO:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS  
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE  
COMMISSION

**DATE:** 2021 NOV 03

**FROM:** DIRECTOR - PARKS, RECREATION &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

**FILE:** 09100-25

**SUBJECT: BURNABY AND REGION ALLOTMENT GARDENS ASSOCIATION  
LICENCE AGREEMENT**

**PURPOSE:** To obtain approval for a new licence agreement with the Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. **THAT** approval be granted for a new licence agreement with the Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association for the operation and maintenance of 372 garden plots located on 14 acres of City owned, urban agricultural land in area east of Meadow Avenue and north of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Big Bend area of Burnaby. The property addresses are 7528 Meadow Avenue, 5945 Fourteenth Avenue, and 6069 Fourteenth Avenue. The new Licence Agreement would be effective February 1, 2022 to January 31, 2027, under the terms and conditions outlined in this report.
2. **THAT** Council be requested to approve a new licence agreement with the Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association for the operation and maintenance of 372 garden plots located on 14 acres of City owned, urban agricultural land in area east of Meadow Avenue and north of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Big Bend area of Burnaby, as outlined in this report.
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4. **THAT** a copy of this report be sent to the Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association.

To: Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission  
From: Director - Parks, Recreation & Cultural Svcs  
Re: Licence Agreement – Burnaby and Region  
Allotment Gardens Association

## REPORT

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association (BARAGA) is a non-profit volunteer association that manages 372 garden plots located on 14 acres of City owned, urban agricultural land in an area east of Meadow Avenue and north of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in the Big Bend area of Burnaby as shown on the attached map ([Attachment #1](#)). The property addresses are 7528 Meadow Avenue, 5945 Fourteenth Avenue, and 6069 Fourteenth Avenue. The current Licence Agreement is due to expire on January 31, 2022.

The BARAGA garden plots are well utilized by Burnaby residents. Eighty-two percent of the membership is made up of Burnaby residents.

BARAGA was started in 1982 and is a valued community partner, providing a variety of educational programs and gardening opportunities for the community. By partnering with other local community groups such as Burnaby Neighbourhood House, they extend their gardening expertise and practices to others in the community. Burnaby Neighbourhood House has been active this past year with workshops and training at the garden.

The fresh fruit and vegetables grown are a source of nutrition to the allotment holders, their families, members of the community, and food bank clients. BARAGA has been working with Ryan's Rainbow Food Bank in North Burnaby, which services about 150 families. The two groups have an excellent relationship, and BARAGA always has large donations for the food bank clients.

Despite restrictions due to COVID-19 safety guidelines, BARAGA members have maintained their ability to gather outdoors and do what they love doing – growing food. They have held monthly Board Meetings via Zoom and organized safe work parties. They have been successful in maintaining the site very well in this manner. Members have expressed gratitude for the privilege of and therapeutic value in coming to their garden during these hard times.

### 2.0 POLICY SECTION

#### Goal

- A Connected Community
  - Social connection –  
Enhance social connections throughout Burnaby
- An Inclusive Community
  - Create a sense of community –  
Provide opportunities that encourage and welcome all community members and create a sense of belonging

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- A Healthy Community
  - Healthy life –  
Encourages opportunities for healthy living and well-being

### **3.0 PROPOSED LICENCE AGREEMENT TERMS**

The following is a summary of the key terms of the proposed licence agreement, which reflect the terms in the current agreement:

1. The new term for the licence will be for five years, commencing 2022 February 01 and ending on 2027 January 31.
2. The licence area is located on 14 acres of City owned, urban agricultural land in an area east of Meadow Avenue and north of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in the Big Bend area of Burnaby, as shown in the plan included as Attachment #1 to this report.
3. The annual licence fee payable by BARAGA will be \$2.00 annually beginning on 2022 February 01.
4. All maintenance of BARAGA's compound and building will remain their responsibility.
5. BARAGA to submit annual membership and program information to the City.
6. Insurance and indemnity requirements will comply with updated City standards.

### **4.0 RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that approval be given for a new licence agreement with the Burnaby and Region Allotment Gardens Association for the operation and maintenance of 372 garden plots located on 14 acres of City owned, urban agricultural land in an area east of Meadow Avenue and north of 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in the Big Bend area of Burnaby, under the terms and conditions outlined in this report.

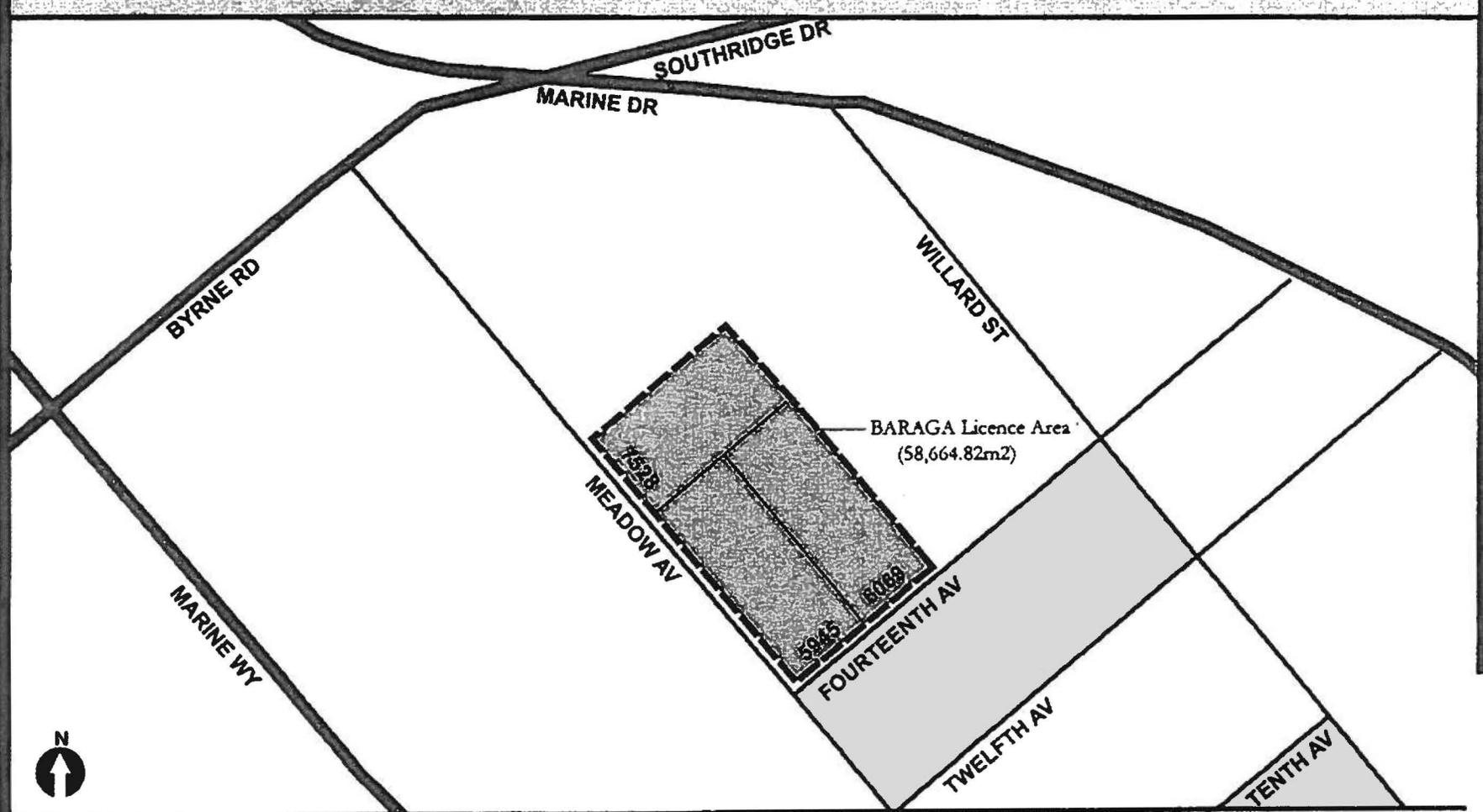


Dave Ellenwood  
DIRECTOR - PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

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Attachment (1)

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Director of Corporate Services  
City Solicitor  
Risk Manager

# Burnaby & Region Allotment Gardens Association (BARAGA) Licence Area



## LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS:

7528 Meadow Ave  
 PIN: 003-362-485  
 Lot 78, District Lot 155A  
 Group 1, NWP 67510  
 Area: 18,017.35m<sup>2</sup>

5945 Fourteenth Ave  
 PIN: 012-050-326  
 Lot 6, District Lot 155A  
 Group 1, NWP 1249  
 Area: 20,389.31m<sup>2</sup>

6069 Fourteenth Ave  
 PIN: 003-362-451  
 Lot 81, District Lot 155A  
 Group 1, NWP 67510  
 Area: 20,258.16m<sup>2</sup>