

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL**

**TO:** *MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS*

**SUBJECT: FIRE STATION 8 OFFICIAL OPENING PLAQUE**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** the language for the plaque to be installed at Fire Station 8, as outlined in section 3.0 of the report titled “Fire Station 8 Official Opening Plaque”, dated April 7, 2025, of the Executive Committee of Council meeting, be approved.

**REPORT**

The Executive Committee of Council, at its meeting held on April 7, 2025, received and adopted the attached report seeking Council approval for the wording and content for the Fire Station 8 building plaque to be installed after the grand opening event.

On behalf of the Executive Committee of  
Council,

Councillor S. Dhaliwal  
Chair

Councillor P. Calendino  
Vice Chair

**TO:** EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL (ECC)  
**FROM:** GENERAL MANAGER LANDS AND FACILITIES  
**SUBJECT:** **FIRE STATION 8 OFFICIAL OPENING PLAQUE**  
**PURPOSE:** To obtain approval for the wording and content for the Fire Station 8 building plaque to be installed after the grand opening event.

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## **1.0 POLICY SECTION**

Official Opening plaques are installed in facilities to commemorate the official opening of a facility. The City recognizes Council's leadership in enhancing citizens' quality of life through major infrastructure developments and acknowledge funding partnerships and contributions from various partners, including other levels of government.

## **2.0 BACKGROUND**

Section 2.4 of the Terms of Reference for the Executive Committee of Council requires the Committee to review and recommend to Council the wording and content for commemorative plaques that are to be installed in parks, civic buildings and facilities.

## **3.0 GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Burnaby Fire Department Needs Assessment Study (2020) provided an analysis of the current state and needs of the department. The construction of a new Fire Station #8 at Simon Fraser University (SFU) was identified as a priority project to improve response coverage to Burnaby Mountain and reduce the risk posed by the varied land uses on Burnaby Mountain, including institutional, industrial, multi-family residential and wildland interface.

Fire Station 8 was handed over to Burnaby Fire Department in March 2025. Crews have moved-in, the project team is addressing deficiencies and will close out the project. The grand opening ceremony has been confirmed and will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at the Burnaby Mountain location where the temporary plaque will be displayed.

### **3.1 Official Opening Plaque**

CITY OF BURNABY

FIRE STATION 8

Officially opened April 26, 2025

Dedicated to the Burnaby Mountain community.

Mayor

Mike Hurley

Councillors

Pietro Calendino

Sav Dhaliwal

Alison Gu

Joe Keithley

Richard T. Lee

Maita Santiago

Daniel Tetrault

James Wang

Chief Administrative Officer

Leon A. Gous

Architect

Johnston Davidson Architecture

Contractor

Kinetic Construction Ltd.

### **4.0 COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Upon Council approval, City staff will work on designing the commemorative plaques for Fire Station 8. The temporary plaque will be displayed at the grand opening ceremony on Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 11:00am to 1:00pm at 9900 University Drive East, Burnaby.

## **5.0 FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Funding for these capital projects were approved by Council in the 2022 – 2026 Financial Plan under WBS elements ABX.0019 (\$24,000,000.00) and ABX.0020 (\$24,000,000.00).

Respectfully submitted,

James Lota, General Manager of Lands and Facilities

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Fire Station 8 Plaque

## **REPORT CONTRIBUTORS**

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