

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

SUBJECT: SU: 2025 BURNABY MOUNTAIN SAFETY RESERVE

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the report titled “SU: 2025 Burnaby Mountain Safety Reserve” dated February 17, 2026, of the Financial Management Committee meeting, be received for information.

REPORT

The Financial Management Committee, at its meeting held on February 17, 2026, received and adopted the attached report providing Council with a status update (SU) on the Burnaby Mountain Safety Reserve Program for 2025.

On behalf of the Financial Management
Committee,

Councillor S. Dhaliwal
Chair

Councillor A. Gu
Vice Chair

TO: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (FMC)
FROM: DEPUTY CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
SUBJECT: **SU: 2025 BURNABY MOUNTAIN SAFETY RESERVE**
PURPOSE: To provide a status update (SU) on the Burnaby Mountain Safety Reserve Program for 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

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1.0 POLICY SECTION

Not Applicable.

2.0 BACKGROUND

In recognition of the completion of the Trans Mountain Expansion Project and an increased need for cooperation on planning and safety, in 2024, the City of Burnaby entered into a Community Contribution Agreement (Agreement) with Trans Mountain Corporation (TMC). Through this agreement, the City will receive \$20.1 million over a 21 year period from Trans Mountain. The use of these monies to date is detailed in this report.

3.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

3.1 Program Funding

Between 2024 and 2043, the City will receive twenty installment payments through the Agreement with TMC. The payments are to be used to support emergency planning and additional safety, infrastructure, and park projects or programs.

Installment #	Payment	Anticipated Payment Schedule
1	\$ 5,000,000	September 2024 (Agreement Effective Date)
2	\$ 5,000,000	December 2025
3	\$ 5,000,000	December 2026
4-20	\$ 300,000/year	December 2027 to 2043
Total	\$20,100,000	

3.2 Eligible Costs

The payments from Trans Mountain are to be used to support emergency planning and the additional safety, infrastructure, and park projects or programs.

The following table outlines how the funds will be used over the period of the agreement as agreed to with Council during the July 22, 2025 Council meeting and as approved in through the annual budget process. When applicable, expenditures are included in the City's Financial Plan accordingly:

Proposed Use of Funds	Additional Details	Allocation of Funds
Fire Station 8 Operating Costs (portion not already funded by other external grant)	Fire Station 8 (Burnaby Mountain) will improve response time and coverage during fire emergencies, ensuring the well-being and safety of the community.	\$10.7M
Hazardous Materials Response Unit	This vehicle expands the City's ability to monitor the outfall of toxic airborne substances from hydrocarbon facilities and is a critical component in the city's response to the changing risk on Burnaby Mountain.	\$3.2M
SFU Alternate Access Route	Provides a route on Burnaby Mountain which is designed to allow downhill movement for users and ambulances, with pull-out areas.	\$2.2M
Burnaby Mountain Emergency Exercises	Support for collaboration with Trans Mountain and other parties to prepare for potential emergency situations.	\$2.0M
Turn Out Gear - Perfluoroalkyl & Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Free (PFAS)	Transitioning to PFAS free gear will increase firefighter safety by reducing exposure to potential cancer-causing chemicals.	\$1.7M
Mountain and Forest Fire Detection Service	Implementation of a scalable, reliable, and secure early fire detection solution that enhances warning capabilities for wildfire and forest fire activity in the City's mountainous and forested areas.	\$0.29M
Total		\$20.1M

3.3 Annual Reporting

As a requirement of the agreement, on or before February 28th of every year, the City must provide a report which outlines the previous year's use of funds. The initial payments received and a letter (Attachment 1) are what will be sent to Trans Mountain prior to the February 28th deadline.

4.0 COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Not Applicable.

5.0 FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The funding received through the Agreement will provide reliable revenues for the City over the long-term, supporting various capital projects along with the City's Fire Station 8 operating costs. Applicable projects eligible for funding are identified by staff and approved by Council through the annual budget process.

Respectfully submitted,

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For

Noreen Kassam, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - 2025 Community Contribution Agreement Report

REPORT CONTRIBUTORS

This report was prepared by Geoff Mooney, Finance Functional Lead, and reviewed by Ratan Grewal, Deputy General Manager Finance and Wilson Kwan, Director Budgets & Reporting.