



Corporate *NO: R174*

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REGULAR COUNCIL			
TO:	Mayor & Council	DATE:	June 11, 2001
FROM:	General Manager, Engineering	FILE:	1218-009
		XC:	2007-001
SUBJECT:	Water and Sewer Service for 16762 Beach Road - Semiahmoo First Nation		

RECOMMENDATION

That the City approve in principle the provision of sewer and water services to the property 16762 Beach Road, and that staff be authorized to prepare an agreement for the provision of these services on the basis of the attached Term Sheet.

INTENT

To seek Council's authority to provide sewer and water services for 16762 Beach Road.

BACKGROUND

The ownership of 16762 Beach Road was recently transferred from the Federal Government to the Semiahmoo First Nation. This property was the site for a duty-free store at the Peace Arch Border Crossing. Following the transfer of ownership, the existing duty-free store has been demolished and the Semiahmoo First Nation has informed the City that they intend to initially provide temporary facilities and then construct a new duty-free store. They have also requested that the City continue to provide water and sewer services to this property.

Currently the City of Surrey provides no water and sewer services to the Semiahmoo First Nation lands south of 8 Avenue and west of Highway 99. It is proposed that the City provide sewer and water services to 16762 Beach Road on substantially the same basis as for any other sewer and water utility customer. In view of the unique nature of providing sewer and water service to this property within Semiahmoo First Nation lands, it is proposed that an agreement be prepared between the two parties outlining the terms and conditions of the service and limiting the service to this specific parcel of land. This agreement would be along the same lines

as the agreement the City has had since 1991 with the Katzie Indian Band for the supply of water to their lands on Barnston Island.

Discussions between staff and the Semiahmoo First Nation have resulted in the attached Term Sheet. This Term Sheet outlines the terms that would be included in a more formal agreement to be prepared in the future.

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