



Corporate NO: R181

Report COUNCIL DATE: September 9, 2002

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council **DATE: September 5, 2002**

FROM: General Manager, Planning & Development **FILE: 0480-01**

SUBJECT: City of New Westminster Official Community Plan Designation Amendment By-law No. 6747 (Woodlands)

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning and Development Department recommends that Council:

1. Receive this report as information; and
2. Authorize the City Clerk to forward a letter to the City of New Westminster, advising that the City of Surrey has no objection to Official Community Plan Designation Amendment By-law No. 6747, 2002, currently being considered by the City of New Westminster.

BACKGROUND

In a letter dated July 29, 2002, the City of New Westminster formally requested comments from the City of Surrey on Official Community Plan Designation Amendment By-law No. 6747, 2002. New Westminster City Council gave By-law No. 6747, 2002 first and second readings on July 15, 2002. A Public Hearing for the By-law is scheduled for September 16, 2002. A copy of the subject By-law is attached to this report as Appendix "I".

DISCUSSION

The subject By-law, if adopted, would amend the New Westminster Official Community Plan by changing the designation of the Woodlands property from a comprehensive to a mixed use development permit area, provide land use designations for the Woodlands property, provide for a component of affordable housing on site as a priority for the development permit area, add commercial as a land use designation, add a consideration for temporary commercial land use permits in the area and add non-market and institutional care housing as a use in the area. The location of the Woodlands property is illustrated on the map attached as Schedule B to By-law No. 6747, 2002.

The Woodlands area, in the City of New Westminster, is located a considerable distance from Surrey and, as such, the proposed land uses for the

Woodlands site would have no impact on the City of Surrey. On this basis, it is recommended that the City of New Westminster be advised that the City of Surrey has no objection to the City of New Westminster's Official Community Plan Designation Amendment By-law No. 6747, 2002.

CONCLUSION

The City of New Westminster has notified the City of Surrey of a proposed OCP by-law amendment regarding land use plans for the Woodlands area of New Westminster. The proposed land uses on the Woodlands site, which is located a significant distance from Surrey, would have no significant impact on the City of Surrey. Therefore, it is recommended that Council authorize the City Clerk to forward a letter to the City of New Westminster that advises that the City of Surrey has no objection to the New Westminster Official Community Plan Designation Amendment By-law No. 6747, 2002.

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Attachment:

Appendix "I" – Corporation of the City of New Westminster By-law No. 6747, 2002

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