

District Municipalities to resume any part of lands granted by the Crown for making roads or other works of public utility or convenience so nevertheless that value accruing of the lands resumed or to be resumed shall be paid to the owners thereof.

Burnaby's Documentary Heritage

ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF RECORD KEEPING AND REFLECTION

City of Burnaby Archives



The new Burnaby Public Library - McGill Branch and City of Burnaby Archives building is a fine example of modern design that takes advantage of the spectacular views from Confederation Park.



The environmentally controlled storage area was designed to provide secure, long-term storage for City records.



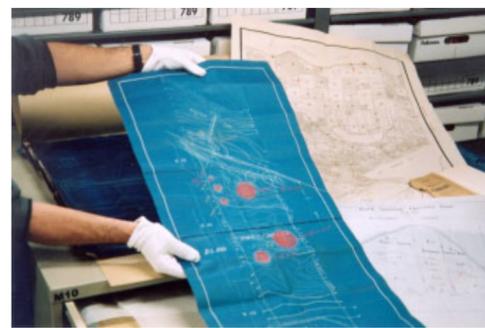
The Archives includes records documenting over 100 years of Burnaby history, including these original minute books of Council and its Committees.

In 1999, Council decided to create a permanent repository for the City's archival material, accelerating the development of the archives program. The construction of the new Burnaby Public Library - McGill Branch, provided Council with the opportunity to create and establish a municipal archives.

The purpose of the City of Burnaby Archives is to identify, acquire, and preserve material of archival and/or informational value to the City of Burnaby which has been created in the regular conduct of municipal business, and to make such records available to City officials and the public.

Archives preserve and make accessible material of enduring administrative, legal, fiscal, historical, evidential and/or informational value to their creating bodies. The archival material of the City of Burnaby is preserved as evidence of the city's functions, policies, decisions, procedures and operations.

Archives are not simply storage facilities for old records. While they are repositories of culture, history, civic and community experiences, they also have a growing role as managers of government and public information. Good archival management is essential for the long-term accountability of governments to the public, for freedom of information, and for the protection of privacy.



One of the unique types of records stored by the Archives are maps and plans which document in detail past activities of land use.



One of the roles of the Archives is to preserve original records through environmental controls and acid-free storage.



In addition to preserving records, the Archives reflects the pride and hope of Burnaby's citizens through their documentary heritage.