

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF DURNABY

November 3, 1967

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AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Gentlemen:

REPORT OF THE JUSTICE BUILDING COMMITTEE

LANDSCAPING

As the construction of the main structure of the Justice Building and other exterior concrete work is nearing completion, the important aspect of landscaping the site has received the attention of your Committee.

From discussion, and on advice of the Project architects, McCarter, Nairne and Partners, your Committee is of the opinion that the Justice Building site and that of the Municipal Hall should be viewed as one and that a comprehensive landscaping plan be prepared for the whole. The integration of the two sites for this purpose and the preparation of an overall master landscaping plan will allow for the harmonious blending of the two properties from both the practical and aesthetic points of view.

The problems created by the changes in vehicular and pedestrian access and flow to the Municipal Hall, brought about by the construction of the Justice Building, must be considered in the light of the volume of traffic that will undoubtedly generate from the use of the Justice Building itself. A prime example, your Committee feels, is the main entrance to the Municipal Hall, which does not now have the convenience it enjoyed previously and certain changes will need to be considered, possibly a change in the road pattern and the relocating of the stairway to the entrance doors.

It is recommended, therefore, that there first be prepared a comprehensive landscaping master plan of the total area embraced by both the site of the Justice Building and that of the Municipal Hall, and that consideration be given in its preparation to the aspects of convenient and practical vehicle and pedestrian access and movement, and to the parking requirements of both buildings.

In this connection, your Committee would recommend that the firm of John Lantzus and Associates, Landscape Architects, be retained to prepare such a master plan at a fee not to exceed \$750.00.

JUSTICE BUILDING FURNITURE

Also considered by your Committee has been the provision of suitable furnishings for use in the Justice Building and it is advised that the specifications and requirements for the first and second floors are being prepared by the Purchasing Agent and Chief Building Inspector.

Due, however, to the nature of the functions located on the third floor, courtrooms, offices and public waiting areas, etc. and to the time factor involved, it is felt that there should be engaged the services of an outside consultant to prepare, for consideration, details and specifications of furnishings required to fittingly equip this floor.

It is recommended, therefore, that Co-ordinated Business Interiors be engaged to prepare the specifications for furnishing the third floor

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of the Justice Building, subject to the standards and budgetary limits imposed by your Committee, through the Purchasing Agent, Chief Building Inspector and the project architects. It is understood that the fee for this service would be 5% of the cost of the furniture utilized, based on the tender accepted. If, however, Co-ordinated Business Interiors are approved to bid on the furniture and are successful low bidders, then the fee would be reduced to 1%.

PROGRESS

The Architect advises that the inside work is progressing well but that delay is being experienced to outside construction, grading and yard work, a consequence of the heavy rains of the past few weeks. It is estimated that as of October 31st, 68% of the total contract is to be complete, and whilst the end of February, 1968, is being looked on as a completion date, further meetings are shortly to be held with the contractor to further evaluate the situation and possibly firm up the date.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Hard,
Chairman,
JUSTICE BUILDING COMMITTEE

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