

15. Re: Letter - Mrs. W. McHardy, 3710 Frances Street

Appearing on the agenda for the May 1, 1972 Council meeting is an undated letter from Mrs. W. McHardy regarding the lack of sidewalks and curbs and the maintenance of open ditches.

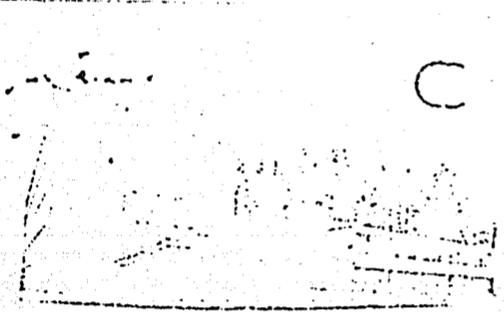
The Municipal Engineer has investigated Mrs. McHardy's complaint and reports that:

- (1) Sidewalks and curbs are constructed by local improvement and although we have undertaken a large program of local improvement, financial limitations prevent us from initiating local improvements on all streets requested at this time. We will, however, take this as an indication of a desire to have an initiation on this street and will introduce it into a future program as finances permit.
- (2) The open ditches on the street are minimal as the area is serviced with a combined sewer and an inspection on the 25th April has shown that the ditches are in normal condition with no particular problem.
- (3) In connection with the statement that all the lanes in the area have been paved while Frances Street remains naked of any semblance of paving, we would advise that Frances Street has a 20 foot interim strip pavement on it, which is in normal patched condition for a pavement of its age.
- (4) The question of the lane at the rear of the property was the subject of a lengthy report to the Municipal Council on 31st March, 1969, and a copy of the Municipal Clerk's reply to Mrs. McHardy at that time is attached. The request to construct the lane was denied because of the substandard width of the lane (10 feet in width) and it could not be cancelled because of the existence of utility poles in the narrow lane allowance.
- (5) The reference to the distance involved in setting out garbage at the rear is not unusual to any area in which garbage is collected from the rear. In this case the property owner is only required to do what everybody else does, and that is to set his garbage at the rear property line and the garbage collection employees pick up the garbage at the rear gate, which involves a walk of approximately 20 feet from the garbage truck, which again presents no problem to the garbage pickup.
- (6) The McHardys are maintaining a grassed area in the undeveloped 10 foot lane allowance and their reference to the "No Dumping" sign being removed will be rectified by the replacing of a sign.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mrs. McHardy.

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Mrs. M. McHardy,
3710 Franco Street,
Burnaby 2, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: (a) Outdoor Burning
(b) Lane

I have for acknowledgment your letter of March 12th in which you:

- (a) offer your views on the question of air pollution caused by unrestricted outdoor burning;
- (b) request that the lane at the rear of your property be constructed.

Your letter was received by Council on March 31st when that part of it dealing with the question of outdoor burning was tabled until Council deals with the subject.

In that regard it is expected that the matter will be deliberated at the April 14, 1960 meeting.

As regards your request concerning the lane, the Council received a report on April 8th indicating the following in respect of the matter:

- (i) There are a number of physical problems which would need to be overcome before the lane could be built. These are:
 - (1) the cost of acquiring land to widen the lane adjacent to 40 lane. In that regard, this cost would be considerable because of the close proximity of garages and houses to the existing property line, which means it would probably be necessary to relocate these buildings;

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(1) the cost of relocating the utility poles which are situated on the land that would need to be acquired for lane purposes;

(2) It is not the policy to open lane allowances which are only 10 feet wide when there are difficulties in constructing and maintaining them.

(3) It is considered undesirable to create another lane opening onto Boundary Road because of that street's traffic function.

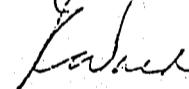
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(4) An alleyway is already constructed and serves all but your property, which has access from Frances Street.

The report also indicated that the registered letter to which you refer was received by the Engineering Department on August 23, 1965, and after that, Mr. J. J. Keller of that Department interviewed on September 22, 1965. It was added that the decision was made then to take no action on the question of constructing the lane allowance.

The Council accepted the information submitted and received to endorse the position taken by the Engineer to not construct the lane you desire.

Very truly,



E. Ward,
DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK.

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MUNICIPAL ENGINEER
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
MUNICIPAL MANAGER