7. Re: Letter - Mrs. D. Bedford, 6051 Aubrey.

Appearing on the Agenda for the January 10, 1972, Council meeting is a communication dated December 6, 1971, from Mrs. D. Bedford.

The Engineer advises that Aubrey Street is paved to an interim standard, that is a 20' cap with ditches on both sides. The 6000 Block runs west from Fell and ends at Stratford (school). Stratford runs from Curtis to Charles.

As this section is only one block long and runs into a street, Stratford, which itself is very short, the Engineer states that there is not likely any traffic volume. Fell Avenue is not considered a through street so there are no stop signs.

At Mrs. Bedford's home, there is a very definite wet spot with water seeping onto the footwalk across the boulevard. It appeared as though there might be a leak in the water service. The Engineer had it checked but there is no leak so it may be a spring on private property.

The Engineering Department could not do anything to stop the seepage but the Department did build up the footwalk from the asphalt to the end of the cement footwalk which ends at the property line. This stopped seepage water making the footwalk wet and muddy. At the same time, the Department lengthened the culvert which carries the footwalk across the ditch.

There are slugs in this ditch at times. The chief source is the water which drains from Mrs. Bedford's lot. The remainder of the ditch is normally dry during the summer.

There is no sidewalk and none of the boulevards are really finished so people do walk on the road. Aubrey Street from Stratford to Sperling, which includes the block in question, is being proposed by the Engineer for local improvement in Phase III of the 1972 Local Improvement Program. This work (28 foot pavement with 5 foot curb sidewalks both sides) has yet to be considered by Council or financing arranged for or advertised, so there is no guarantee that it will be constructed until the intervening approvals are given. Further, all the work in the 1972 Program, even if it is approved, may not be completed in 1972.

He also advises that there are street lights at both ends of the block, approximately 300 feet. This is well below the criteria we use for street light spacing on B.C. Hydro poles.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report item be sent to Mrs. Bedford for her information.