

17. Re: Lozells Avenue Between Government and Winston Streets

Appearing on the Agenda for the December 11, 1972, meeting of Council was a letter dated December 4, 1972, from Mr. D. Clark and 27 petitioners regarding the following requests for improvements on Lozells Avenue between Government and Winston Streets:

- " - curbing should be on both sides of the road
- the road should be no wider than 28 feet
- the road should provide for two lanes of traffic only
- catch basins should be provided
- there should be no sidewalks on either side of the road."

The Engineer investigated the requests for improvements and advises as follows:

"In Item 13 Manager's Report No. 72, 6 Nov./72, the Council approved of the Manager's recommendations that Stage 3 of the 1972-1973 Local Improvements Programme be initiated to the abutting property owners. Lozells Avenue from Winston Street to Government Road is Project No. 72-124 on that particular Local Improvements Programme.

The standard of construction called for in the project is that of 28' pavement with 5' curb sidewalks on both sides. This standard was chosen to be recommended for initiation owing to our opinion that if there was ever a street which justified receiving curb sidewalks it would be Lozells Avenue. This conclusion was reached because there is a fairly large subdivision lying to the east of Lozells Avenue which is its only outlet to Lozells and there is likewise being constructed, at the present time, a fairly large subdivision to the west of Lozells Avenue which also will be its only outlet to Lozells Avenue. There is no question in our minds but that the sidewalks would receive active use by a considerable number of school children from the two tributary subdivision areas and it is furthermore considered advisable to provide walking facilities up to Government Road for the bus patrons to reach the only bus route in that entire area. There is one further point worthy of mention and that is that we have been instructed to bring the Lozells Avenue sidewalk out to Winston Street on one side in order to provide continuity for any people wishing to reach Winston Street from Government Road or vice versa.

It may, or may not be pertinent, but it is observed from the petition that the 5 specific requests contained in the covering letter with the petition were not actually listed as part of the petition itself.

The first 4 requests listed in Mr. Clark's covering letter are, in fact, being provided in the standard of road being initiated and the only point of difference is that pertaining to sidewalks which we feel are justified for the reasons set out in the foregoing paragraphs.

It is recommended that Lozells Avenue from Winston Street to Government Road be initiated to the standard already shown on the Programme as approved for initiation by the Council at its meeting on 6 November, 1972."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT Council reaffirm the initiation of improvements on Lozells Avenue between Government and Winston Streets in accordance with the standard as shown in the Local Improvement Programme which Council approved on November 6, 1972; and

THAT copies of this report be sent to Mr. Clark and the petitioners.