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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 62

COUNCIL MEETING Oct. 2/72

2. Re: Letter - Mr. T. Farrington, 5384 Chesham Avenue
Pedestrian Traffic Problems in the Kingsway -
Barker - Grange Area
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Council on May 8, 1972, received a letter from Mr. T. Farrington concerning construction of a high rise complex at the subject location, and the effects that this construction could have on pedestrian traffic. The matter was subsequently referred to the Traffic Safety Committee for study and comment.

The Traffic Safety Committee and the Planning Department reviewed the inquiry and advise that the pedestrian plaza concept will establish the necessary future pedestrian separation and freedom from the automobile and is envisioned to eventually link both sides of Kingsway on this separate level. The Department believes this initial project could extend into a high density town center development which will meet Mr. Farrington's expectations that "...Kingsway will be one of the greatest business sections of the lower mainland...".

The Planning Department believes that the apprehensions expressed by Mr. Farrington in his communication will be allayed and he should be so advised.

Should Mr. Farrington require more details of landscaping materials or any other aspect of the site development, he is invited to view the complete set of plans which are on file in the Building Department.

A schematic sketch which shows the general site layout of buildings, the pedestrian plaza level relative to the street, curb locations and landscape plans is too large to be attached to this report, but will be made available to Mr. T. Farrington upon direction from Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report and a schematic sketch of the area be sent to Mr. T. Farrington.