

21. Re: Letter dated May 29, 1973 from the Environment and Land Use Committee and Letter dated June 1, 1973 from the Greater Vancouver Regional District Agricultural Land Reserves

Appearing on the Agenda for the June 11, 1973 meeting of Council are the subject letters concerning agricultural land reserves. Following is a report from the Director of Planning regarding this matter.

This is for the information of Council.

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT
June 6, 1973

MR. M. J. SHELLEY,
MUNICIPAL MANAGER.

Dear Sir:

RE: AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVES

A. BACKGROUND

At its meeting of March 19, 1973, Council received a list of those properties situated within the Municipality that were affected by the proposed Provincial Land Commission Act. Under the provisions of Orders-in-Council 4483/72 and 157/73, the subdivision of these lands or the issuance of building permits for non-farm uses thereon was prohibited until the designation of agricultural reserves takes place under the new legislation.

B. FARMLAND DESIGNATION PROCESS

The Corporation has received a letter dated May 29, 1973 from the Environment and Land Use Committee outlining a three phase process basically designed to structure an appeal procedure and facilitate the designation of long term agricultural boundaries on a regional basis.

The three phases as outlined in the subject correspondence will necessitate varying degrees of involvement by the Municipality which should approximate the following:

1. Phase 1

As indicated, this involves the consideration of individual appeals by the Environment and Land Use Committee. This is not expected to be the basis of Municipal submissions for either area exemptions or possible expanded designations. Presumably, persons with individual grievances concerning lands designated within this Municipality could be involved with this procedure.

2. Phase 2

This phase involves the Municipality, in cooperation with the Regional District, preparing for consideration a blanket appeal for any areas that should clearly be exempted from the agricultural designation under Orders-in-Council 4483/72 and 157/73. Possible areas within boundary that would be the basis of such an exemption are potentially few in that exemption from the agricultural designation has already been granted to the established and developing urban areas specified in the Official Regional Plan for the

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Lower Mainland (Urban 1 and Urban 2 areas). The amended list of properties within Burnaby still retaining a farmland designation is attached for the information of Council.

It is anticipated that attention will be primarily focused on the designated properties situated within the Big Bend area and their relationship to the Development Plan that has been adopted for the area. Any appeals for exemption in this or other areas of the Municipality will be forwarded to Council for prior authorization for submission.

3. Phase 3

It is the purpose of this phase to undertake a more detailed review and articulation of long term agricultural boundaries within the various Regional jurisdictions. As such, this Municipality is not expected to be a major contributor to this portion of the program. However, attention will be drawn to the agricultural components of the Big Bend Development Plan and their conformity to the RRL (Rural Area) designation given in Schedule B (Long Range Plan Map) of the Official Regional Plan.

As indicated in the letter from the Environment and Land Use Committee a meeting is to be arranged with the Regional District and its member Municipalities to discuss this segment of the program further. It is the intent of this department to have a representative in attendance at this meeting tentatively scheduled for the week of June 18, 1973.

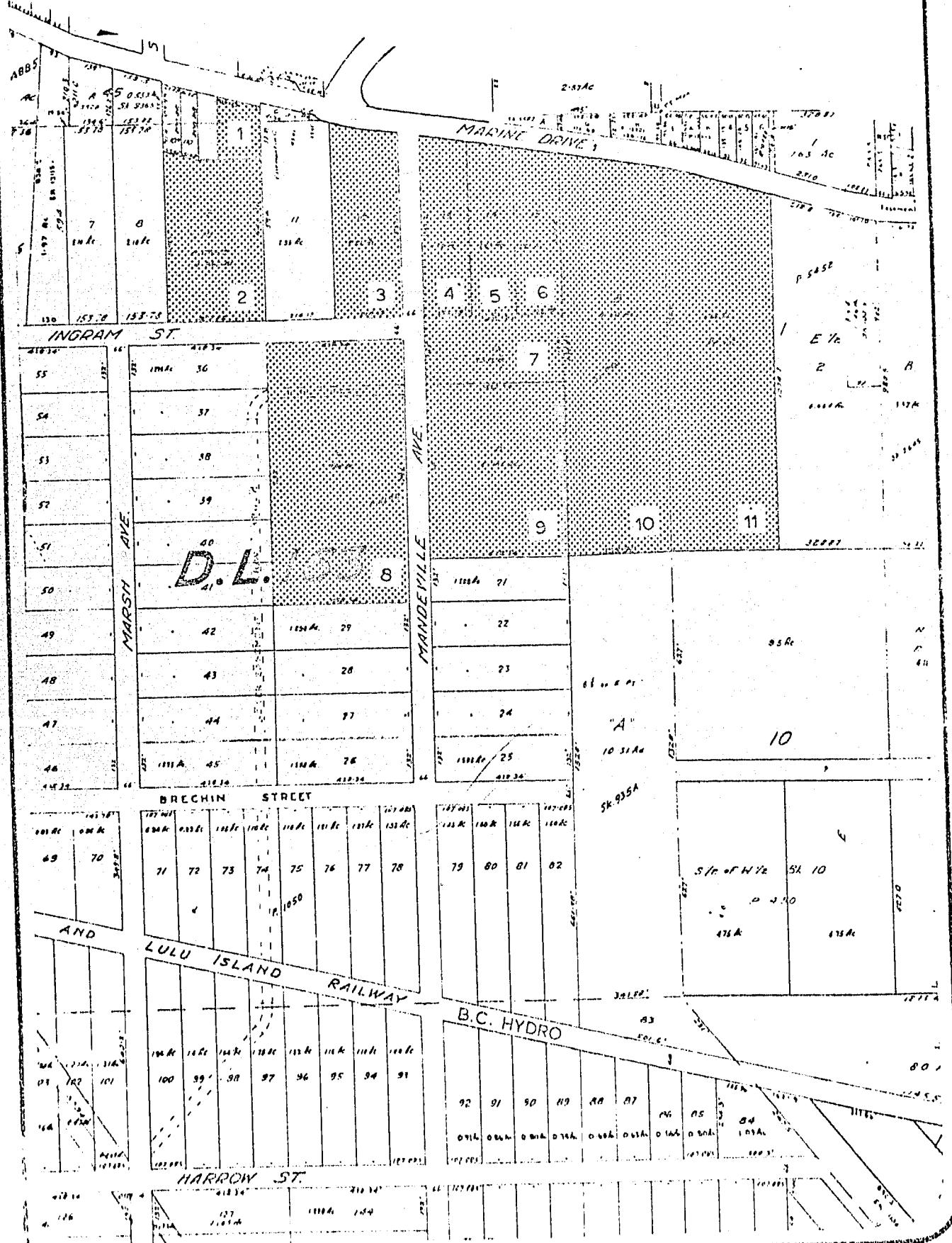
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Respectfully submitted,


A. L. Parr
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

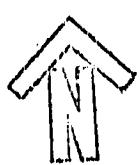
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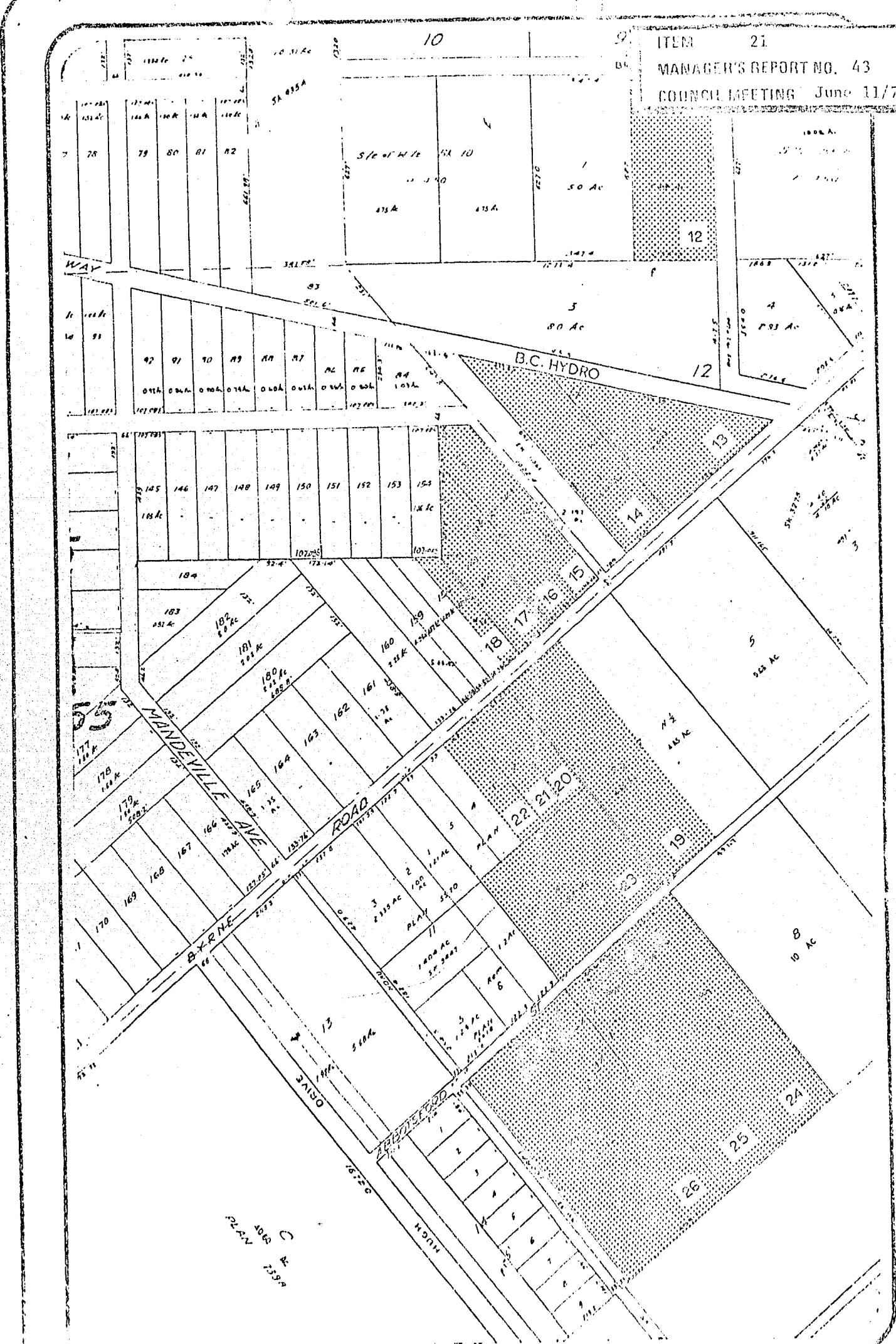


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(Sec. 332 Municipal Act.)



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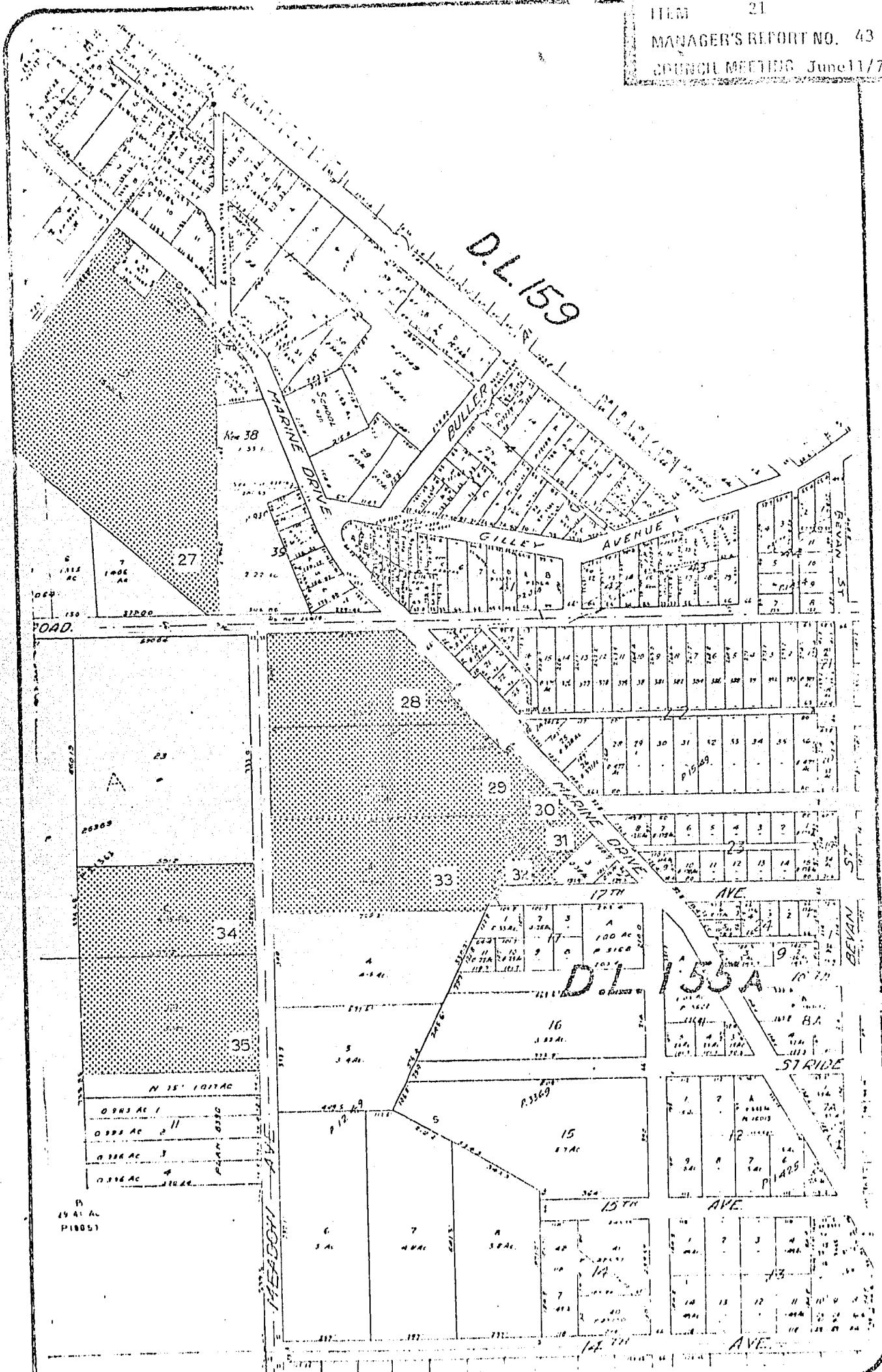
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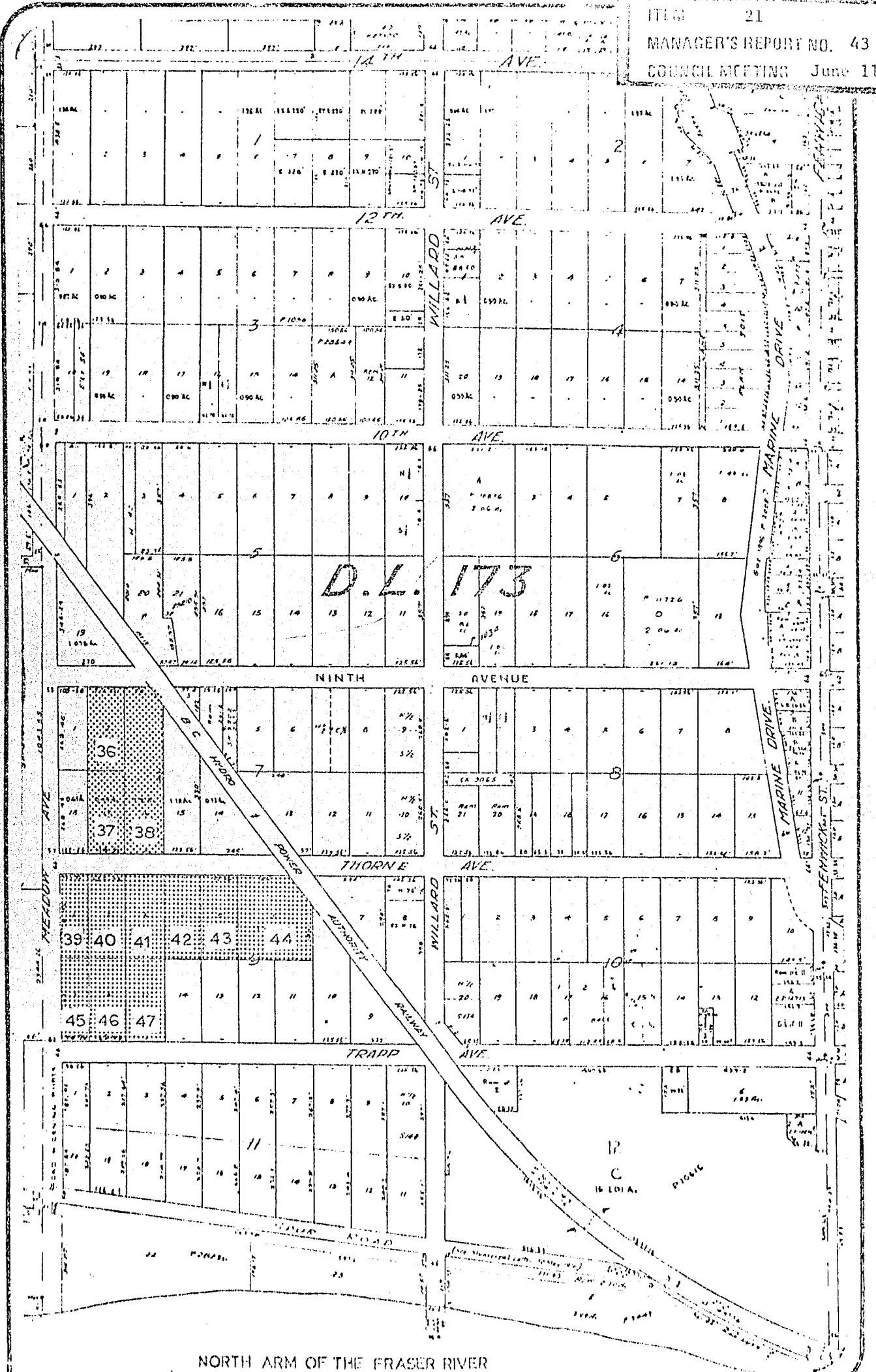
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