

7. Re: Community Branch Library at the Crest Shopping Centre

Council on September 25, 1972, received a brief and heard a delegation from the Library Board requesting approval for a proposed community branch library in a storefront location at the Crest Shopping Centre. Council approved the request subject to the following conditions:

1. the service in question will be regarded as an experimental and informal project;
2. the lease rental for the premises will be negotiated as soon as possible for a period of not less than one year and not more than two years, with an option to renew.

Council requested that the Burnaby Public Library Board submit a report on the results of the negotiations after leasing arrangements were concluded. Mr. B. L. Bacon, Chief Librarian, advises that negotiations are proceeding in accordance with Council's instructions, and that a formal report on this matter will be submitted in the near future.

Mr. Bacon in a letter to the Manager dated December 15, 1972, advised that the library's 1973 Provisional Budget includes the following amounts for the salaries of staff that will be required at the Crest Library:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Salary</u>
1	Clerk III	\$6,862
1	Clerk I	\$5,011

The Library Board on December 14, passed a motion to request Council approval for the immediate establishment of these two classifications so that library services can be offered to citizens in East Burnaby in mid-January, 1973. Normally, staff additions are not approved prior to the approval of the Annual Budget unless specific authority is granted.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT authorization be given for the establishment of one Clerk III and one Clerk I classifications, in accordance with the salary amounts as provided in the 1973 Provisional Budget, for staff required at the proposed branch library in the Crest Shopping Centre.