ITEM 20 MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 71 COUNCIL MEETING Sept. 24/73

20. Re: Letter dated September 6, 1973 from S.N. Cowieson 4527 William Street, Burnaby Local Improvement Project on William Street

Appearing on the Agenda for the September 24, 1973 meeting of Council is a letter from S.N. Cowieson regarding a Local Improvement Project in the 4500 block of William Street. Following is a report from the Engineer on this matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT the subject street be reinitiated sometime in 1974 to the same standard called for in the original initiation, namely, that of 28 foot pavement with 5 foot curb sidewalks on both sides; and

THAT a copy of this report be sent to S.N. Cowieson.

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Engineering Department September 21, 1973

Mr. M. J. Shelley MUNICIPAL MANAGER

Dear Sir:

Re: Letter received from Mr. S. N. Cowieson representing owners in 4500 block William Street dated 10 September, 1973

Mr. Cowieson is bringing to the attention of the Council a request for improvements to the subject portion of William Street. Local Improvement project No. 72112 calling for 28 ft. pavement with 5 ft. curb sidewalks on both sides of William Street from Willingdon Avenue to Alpha Drive was initiated to the abutting property owners in January 1973. Petition against work was submitted to the Municipal Clerk's office (copy attached) bearing signatures of eleven of the thirteen property owners affected; consequently the Clerk was obligated to certify that the project was defeated and the Municipal Council was estopped from proceeding with this particular project. There does not appear to be any doubt that the Clerk's action in so doing was correct both in accordance with the terms of the Municipal Act and the wording of the petition. Reference was made in the petition to a request for wider street but it is our recollection that phone calls directed both to the Engineering Department and the Municipal Clerks Department provided the abutting owners with the information that the classification of William Street calls for a residential standard of 28 ft. of pavement.

With regard to the matter of restoration of the shoulder of the road and the boulevard our Senior Works Inspector has stated that in his opinion the street has been returned to at least as good condition as that which existed prior to the storm sewer works. The Municipal Engineer has personally viewed the street as well and agrees with the assessment of the Senior Works Inspector. Our records indicate that the contractor was called back on at least three occasions after this department received requests from the property owners to make certain further improvements in restoration.

As the situation now stands in keeping with the appropriate road widths for William Street and in accordance with the desires of the property owners as expressed in the last paragraph of Mr. Cowieson's letter, the originally called for work could be re-initiated but not before elapse of at least one year; this is necessary to be in compliance with the terms of the Municipal Act.

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

THAT Council give consideration directing that the subject street be re-initiated sometime in 1974 to the same standard called for in the original initiation namely that of 28 ft. pavement with 5 ft. curb sidewalks on both sides.

Respectfully submitted,

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E. E. Olson MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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cc: () Municipal Clerk () Municipal Treasurer · () Design Engineer

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January 23,1973

CC: Mayor & Council

Mr. John H. Shaw, Municipal Clerk, Municipal Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby 2, B.C.

Re: 72112

28' Pavement with 5' curb sidewalks both sides of William Street from Willingdon Avenue to Alpha Drive.

Dear Sir:

We, the undersigned, hereby wish to submit a petition against the 28' width of pavement on the above mentioned street. We would appreciate a meeting or some other means of communication to discuss the possibility of keeping our existing street the width it now is and still have sidewalks and curbs.

Yours very truly,

Mr. Simon Cowieson

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