

11. Re: Letter dated November 12, 1973 from Mr. E. J. Parsons,
6969 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby, B.C.
Sidewalk Construction - Willingdon Avenue South from Imperial Street

Appearing on the Agenda for the November 26, 1973 meeting of Council is a letter from Mr. E. J. Parsons written in complaint with respect to the above-noted, recently-constructed sidewalk.

Council will note from the Municipal Engineer's report of November 12, 1973 which follows that required corrective action has been initiated by the Engineer. As is standard practice under these circumstances, on-site inspection will follow to ensure completion of corrective action. Hopefully Mr. Parsons will contact the Engineer if the corrective action is not adequate.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report be provided to Mr. E. J. Parsons.

November 22, 1973.

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER
RE: WILLINGDON AVE. SOUTH FROM IMPERIAL ST.
COMPLAINT: E.J. PARSONS, 6969 WILLINGDON AVE.

With reference to Mr. Parson's complaint, we comment as follows on the points in his letter:

1. Two water valve boxes were inadvertently covered by concrete. The Contractor had to return and remove concrete, raise the valve boxes and replace the concrete. The concrete patch being fresh is a different colour than the remainder of the sidewalk but should blend in. It is possible some minor colour difference will remain.
2. Two curb returns have had some asphalt emulsion spilled on them. The worst of these is at the southwest corner of Willingdon Ave. and Kenny Court. These have already been noted as deficiencies and the Contractor will have to clean the areas involved or remove and replace the sidewalk panels involved if cleaning is unsuccessful.
3. Three expansion joint fillers vary from a straight line by one-half inch to one inch which is sufficient to be noticeable. No corrective action will be taken here to replace the fillers. We have to constantly remind contractors to place these fillers in a straight line.
4. Several expansion joint fillers which are high with respect to the concrete by as much as one-half inch will be cut off to conform to the sidewalk level.
5. The Contractor has been requested to sweep off the sidewalks. With regard to stains, there may have been a heavier than normal application of curing compound used. The resulting discoloration will eventually disappear although it may take a few weeks longer than normal in this instance.
6. The original paving of the driveway between the municipal walk and the property line to reconnect an existing asphalt strip resulted in a depression which allowed standing water to collect. This "bird bath" was subsequently patched. Mr. Parsons has indicated to the Senior Works Inspector that he is not concerned with the appearance of a patch as he will be sealing the driveway in any event with a compound which prevents damage to the asphalt from gas and oil compounds.


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