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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 64
COUNCIL MEETING Aug. 27/73

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Re: Letter dated August 13, 1973 from Mr. William Fryer
104 S. Grosvenor Avenue, Burnaby
Neighbourhood Pubs

Appearing on the Agenda for the August 27, 1973 meeting of Council is an inquiry from Mr. William Fryer regarding neighbourhood pubs. Following is a report from the Director of Planning regarding this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of the Director of Planning's report be sent to Mr. William Fryer.

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Planning Department, August 22, 1973 Our File #00.510

RE: NEIGHBOURHOOD PUBS.

A. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

A proposal to establish a neighbourhood pub in Burnaby has been received from Mr. William Fryer. A report on the subject of neighbourhood pubs has been requested from the Planning Department.

B. <u>THE EXISTING SITUATION</u>

There is presently no provision in the Burnaby Zoning By-law for neighbourhood pubs. Because liquor outlets of this type would be governed by the Provincial Liquor Act, such uses would not be permitted until the necessary amendments are made to the Act.

Although consideration is being given to this matter by Provincial authorities, research is still being undertaken into the desirability and feasibility of amending the Liquor Act to permit neighbourhood pubs. The determination of public reaction is, of course, one of the main concerns. As an example of this, a referendum is to be held in the Kitsilano area of Vancouver on August 30th to determine the views of the residents to neighbourhood pubs.

Liquor Control Board officials who were recently contacted by this department could give no indication as to when the required additions would be made to the Liquor Act or even if the proposed legislation would, in fact, be passed.

If the necessary amendments are made to the Act, then each municipality could decide whether or not to make provision for this type of use within its area of jurisdiction. In this event, the Planning Department would prepare Re: Neighbourhood Pubs page 2.

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a further report on the subject for the consideration of the Council. Our present opinion is that if, and when, such a use is permitted it should be confined to commercially zoned districts, including the C1 (Neighbourhood Commercial) category. Neighbourhood pubs should not, we feel, be'located in residentially zoned areas.

In the interim, however, and until such time as this matter has been finally resolved, all proposals for the development of neighbourhood pubs must be regarded as premature.

C. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

It is recommended:

THAT Mr. Fryer be informed that his proposal for the establishment of a neighbourhood pub in this Municipality is premature and must await the addition of the necessary enabling legislation to the Provincial Liquor Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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