ITEM 16

MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 7

COUNCIL MEETING Jan. 29/73

16. Re: Letter from Mr. Morley E. Cofman, 717 West Pender Street, Vancouver 1 Lot 395, D.L. 126, Plan 36524 1305 Howard Avenue

Appearing on the Agenda for January 29, 1973 meeting of Council is a letter dated January 19, 1973 from Mr. Morley E. Cofman requesting permission to appear before Council on January 29, 1973 for the purpose of speaking on Municipal inspection of a dwelling on the subject property.

The Chief Building Inspector, who has been involved with the matter for a considerable period of time, advises as follows:

"The Cofman dwelling at 1305 Howard Avenue has been the subject of prolonged attention by this Department aimed at having the builder, Mr. H. Hannig, make good some items of workmanship in the construction of the dwelling.

Mammoth difficulty has been encountered by this Department over the extent of repair to be undertaken due to irreconcilable differences between the owners and the builder.

An Agreement for repairs was almost reached on August 7, 1972, but an impasse developed over the method of repair of a drive-way sump. Some time later during August 1972, the builder did undertake repair of a reduced number of items from that number originally sought by the owners.

On September 7, 1972, at the request of Mrs. Cofman, I made an inspection of the repaired items and found a low standard of workmanship had been employed. There had been no resolution of the differences between the owners and the builder by the end of 1972, and on January 16, 1973, a registered Notice to Correct Faulty Workmanship was served on Mr. H. Hannig at 1275 Holdom Avenue, Burnaby 2, B.C. The Notice is due to be carried out on or before January 31, 1973.

Failure to comply with the Notice will constitute violation of Burnaby Building Bylaw and will be followed by prosecution proceedings being commenced against Mr. Hannig on or about February 1, 1973."

This is for the information of Council.

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