ITEM 17
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 81
COUNCIL MEETING Oct. 29/73

17. Re: Letter Dated October 18, 1973 from Mr. W.C. Downs,
3738 Victory Street
Proposed Sidewalks - Victory Street Between Boundary Road and
Joffre Avenue

Appearing on the Agenda for the October 29, 1973 meeting of Council is a letter from Mr. W. C. Downs expressing concern with respect to the proposed construction of sidewalks on the above-noted portion of Victory Street.

The Engineer advises that the consulting engineer has commenced the design for the proposed 1974 Local Improvement Program, and Victory Street, together with several other streets in the area, is on the 1974 Program which was recently approved by Municipal Council.

In response to several separate discussions on the subject by Council, the Engineering Department has prepared the 1974 Local Improvement Program in such a way that property owners would have the option of voting for the basic street improvement, and then by means of separate indication, would decide whether they want sidewalks on one side of the street or the other or both or no sidewalks. The option concerning sidewalks would be confined to the straight residential 28 foot streets. If such an option feature in the Program were to be found workable and approved by Council, it would provide the answer to the questions raised by Mr. Downs.

The entire question of providing the Program with a sidewalk option will be the subject of a separate report to Council. That report, which will have input from the affected departments including Engineering, Treasury, Assessment, Legal and Planning will be referred to Council for consideration in approximately three weeks.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Downs, and that he be advised that further information will be sent to him following Council's consideration of a special report on providing property owners with options as noted in the third paragraph above.