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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 43

COUNCIL MEETING June 10/74

Re: Letter dated May 29, 1974 from  
Mrs. V. Silvanovicz, 7887 Willard Street  
Requesting Construction of the Lane between  
Union and Venable Streets from Springer Avenue East  
Adjacent to Her Property

Appearing on the Agenda for the June 10, 1974 Council meeting is a letter dated May 29, 1974 from Mrs. V. Silvanovicz, 7887 Willard Street, requesting construction of the lane adjacent to her property.

The following is the report of the Municipal Engineer in this connection dated June 7, 1974.

The Municipal Manager concurs in the recommendations of the Engineer.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT Council take no action to construct the subject lane at this time; and

THAT the interpretation of Council policy as outlined in the Engineer's letter of May 27, 1974 to Mrs. Silvanovicz be confirmed; and

THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Mrs. Silvanovicz.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

JUNE 7, 1974

FROM: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

RE: CONSTRUCTION OF UNION - VENABLES LANE FROM SPRINGER AVENUE EAST.  
LETTERS OF MRS. VERA KERCHUK SILVANOVICZ DATED MAY 17TH AND MAY 27TH.

The Clerk has received letters from Mrs. Silvanovicz dated May 17, 1974 and May 27, 1974, demanding the construction of the Union - Venables lane shown on the attached sketch. The letter of May 17th was addressed to the Corporation of the District of Burnaby and was forwarded by the Municipal Clerk to the Engineering Department for reply, with a copy to the Manager. Such letters addressed to the Corporation are not normally put before Council for consideration when existing Council policy determines the nature of the reply.

In digest, Mrs. Silvanovicz' letter of the 17th stated that she owns and has paid the following taxes in 1974 on five properties shown on the attached sketch known as:

1. 5251 Venables Street	-	\$ 514.38
2. 5259 Venables Street	-	1,169.78
3. 5240 Union Street	-	559.43
4. 5220 Union Street	-	900.11
5. 5206 Union Street	-	<u>1,037.15</u>

Totalling \$4,480.85

She submits that the construction of the lane is justified. A copy of our reply of 24 May, 1974, predicated on existing Council policy governing lane construction, is attached, together with a copy of Mrs. Silvanovicz's letter of May 17.

In response to Mrs. Silvanovicz' letter of May 27, 1974, we submit the following information for Council consideration:

An additional 10 feet of lane allowance widening is required from 5206 Union to provide proper access to the 20' section already dedicated through past subdivision activity. The cost for constructing the 132' length of lane is estimated, at current prices, to be \$3,500.00. Inasmuch as the parcel is subdivisible, such costs according to the Subdivision Control Bylaw, must be borne by the subdivider, who, in this case, is Mrs. Silvanovicz. The cost of constructing the existing 20' section approximately 264' long is estimated at current prices to be \$4,400.00, of which we have only \$570.00 in trust from a previous subdivision dating back to 1958. The balance of funds must come from Contingency or a Local Improvement Construction Bylaw inasmuch as lane construction funds

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have been all but eliminated from the Annual Budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

WHEREAS, in order to avoid apparent "subsidy" of subdividing private property, Council policy has been to defer action on any lanes subject to construction through subdivision procedure and, whereas access to the 20' section of the lane capable of construction is dependent on the subdivision of 5206 Union owned by Mrs. Silvanovicz, we recommend:

THAT Council take no action to construct the subject lane at this time, and,

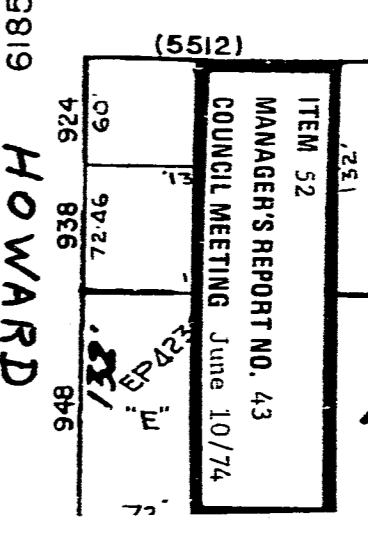
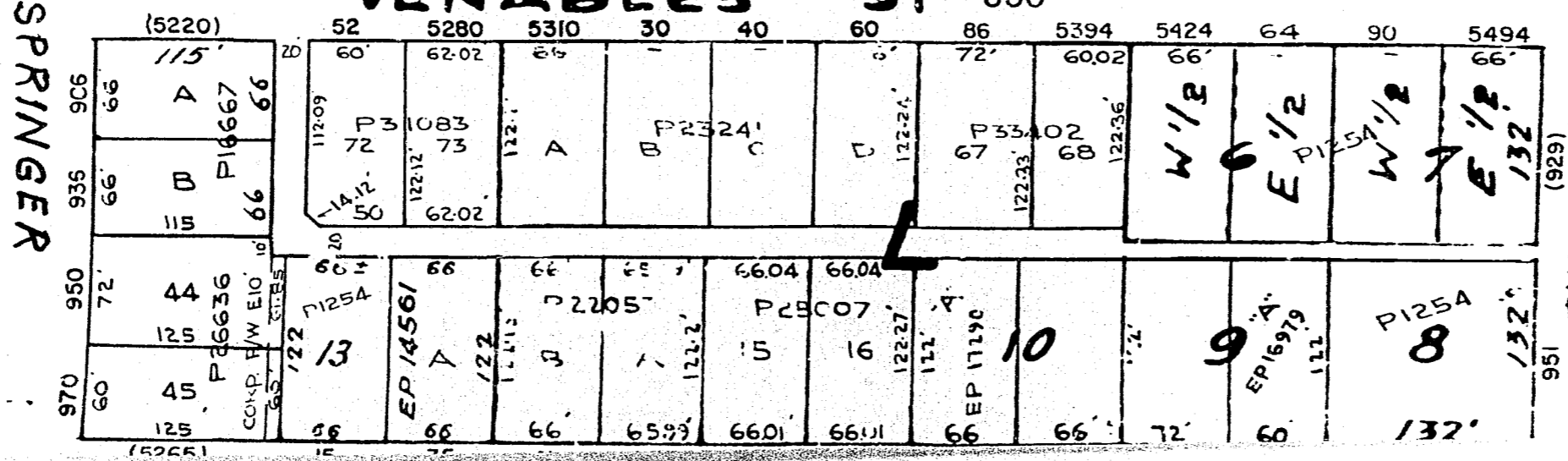
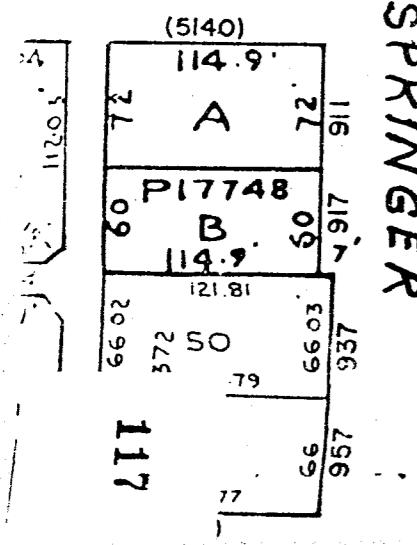
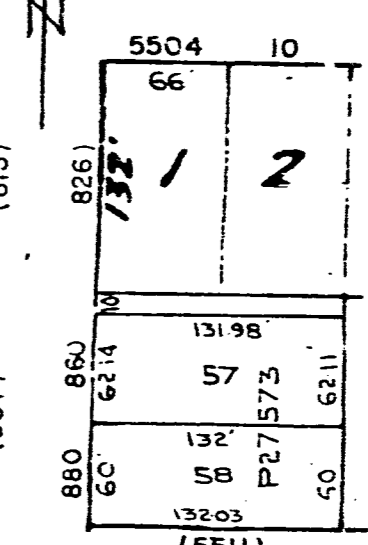
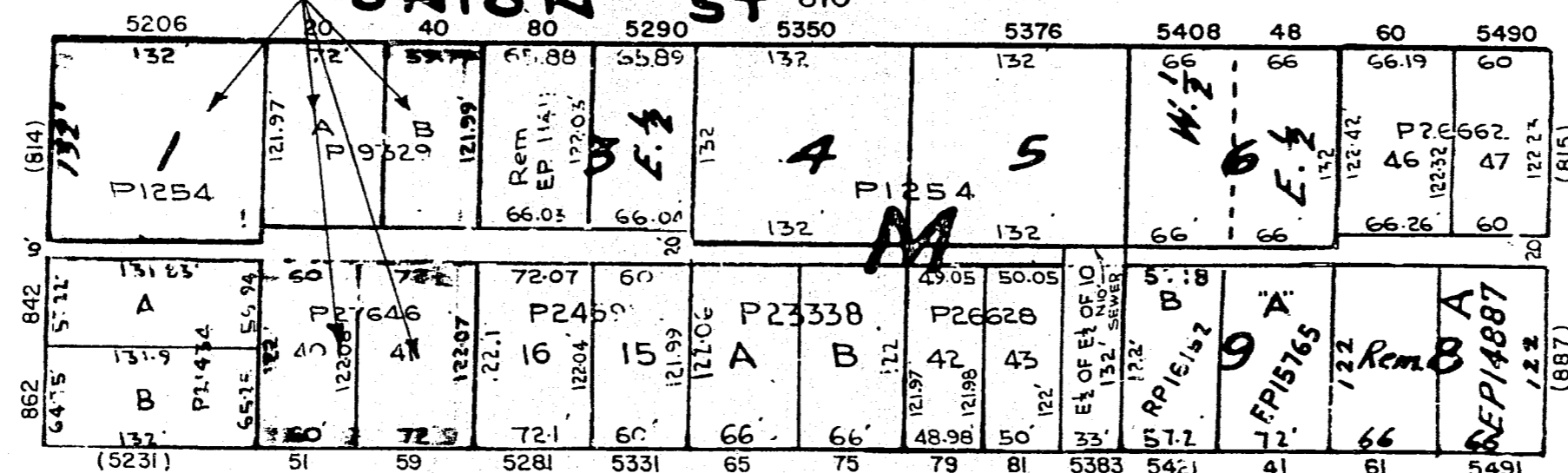
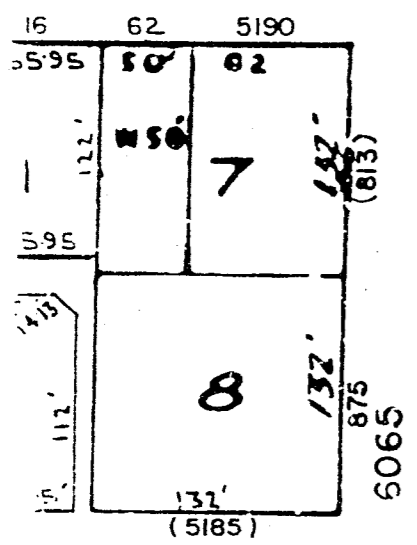
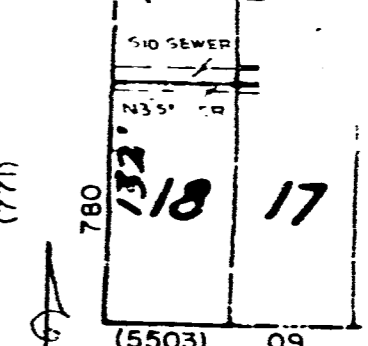
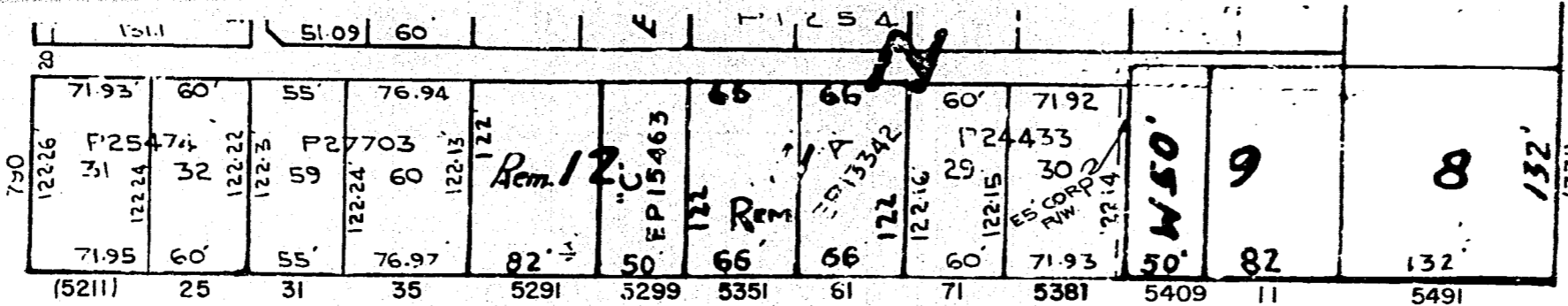
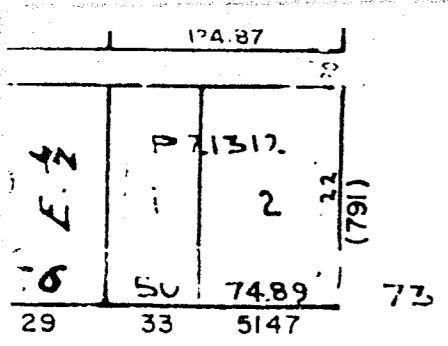
THAT the interpretation of Council policy as outlined in the Engineer's letter of May 24th to Mrs. Silvanovicz be confirmed, and,

THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Mrs. Silvanovicz.

  
MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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Attchs.

cc: ( ) Municipal Clerk



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7887 Willard St.  
Burnaby 3, B.C.  
V3N 2W6  
May 17th 1974

The Corporation of the District of Burnaby  
Municipal Hall  
4949 Canada Way  
Burnaby 2, B.C. V5G 1M2

Dear Sirs:

My complain to you is that I want to know why you do not come to take a look at my property problem which I have right now and it has been like this for many years already.

It's about time something should be done right away. Few weeks ago I have phoned to you and I told you all about my property troubles and you only gave me a promise and that's about all and not a thing has been done so far.

My money is in your trust since 1968 and one year before that <sup>time</sup> and you always gave me a promise from one year to another that you will do something to solve my problem and I am still waiting and not a thing has been done till today.

The address of my properties are as follows: 7/24/74

- Property ① 5251 Venables St Burnaby 2, B.C. \$11,38  
Property ② 5259 Venables St Burnaby 2, B.C. \$1,169.78  
Property ③ 5240 Union St. Burnaby 2, B.C. \$559.43  
Property ④ 5206 Union St Burnaby 2, B.C. \$900.11  
Property ⑤ 5220 Union St Burnaby 2, B.C. \$1,037.15

Last year I paid taxes the sum of \$6,124.69 and I think that there is enough money to do the work to install <sup>turnover</sup>

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the back lanes of my properties.

You know very well how much of my tax dollars I have paid in already and I don't have anything in return.

It's about time you people would look into it right away and please do not delay it any longer for I have waited and waited for so many long years, and I cannot wait any longer and any more.

I am not a third class people for I pay my taxes every year, just like other people do but other people do get better service which I do not get it.

All Burnaby people have back lanes and I am the only one in this district who didn't have one and still don't have <sup>one</sup> yet.

The money is paid for it and I want you to do the work right away without no more delays.

This is the best time to do this work right now without no excuses or any more promises.

Please give me all the reports to all my questions soon, in writing.

Yours Truly,  
Mrs Vera Kerchuk  
Silsanovich

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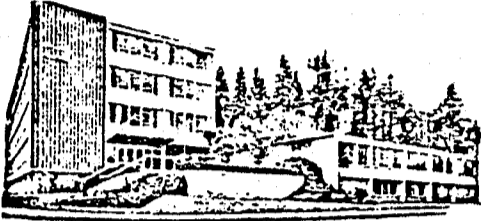
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THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

MUNICIPAL HALL  
4949 CANADA WAY,  
BURNABY 2, B. C.

May 24, 1974

TELEPHONE 299-7211

The Office of the Engineer

Mrs. Vera Silvanovicz  
7887 Willard Avenue  
Burnaby 1, B. C.  
W3N 2W6

Dear Mrs. Silvanovicz:

Re: Construction of Lane between Venables Street  
and Union Street - East of Springer Avenue

In reply to your letter of May 17, 1974, please be advised that the Corporation investigated the feasibility of constructing the subject lane in January of this year. The findings at that time disclosed that the construction of the lane was dependant upon obtaining an additional ten feet of allowance from Lot 1, Bk. M, D. L. 127, known as 5206 Union Street which is owned by yourself. It was also noted that you had applied for and received tentative subdivision approval for that parcel on September 12, 1973. Conditions of approval included the dedication, construction and paving of the abutting lane at your expense as the developer.

Therefore, under current policy regarding construction of lanes servicing subdivisible parcels at Municipal expense, we are unable to proceed with construction of the easterly portion of the subject lane until the conditions of servicing your subdivisible property are completed.

The general taxes that you note you have paid on the several properties you own in Burnaby are disbursed by the Municipal Treasurer to pay for various operating costs of the Municipality as explained each year in a brochure attached to your tax notice and accordingly such tax payments are not available for the construction of lanes.

Yours truly,

E. E. Olson, P. Eng.  
MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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cc: (✓) Municipal Clerk

( ) Municipal Manager (File 18-14-73)

by:   
V. Kennedy, P. Eng.  
DEPUTY MUNICIPAL ENGINEER