Re: Letter from Mr. H. Mazur which appeared on the November 4, 1974 Council Agenda Inquiries concerning Pollution and Recreational Facilities

Appearing on the Agenda for the November 4, 1974 meeting of Council was a letter dated October 23, 1974 from Mr. Harry Mazur concerning the proposed blockage of Burnaby Streets at North Road and, also, inquiries concerning the presence of fly ash in the Noel Drive area and the Municipality's plans, if any, for the development of additional recreational centres in the community. Following are comments on the two inquiries that were raised by Mr. Mazur:

A. Fly Ash in the Noel Drive Area

Mr. Mazur's complaint regarding the incidence of fly ash in the area is the responsibility of the Regional authorities. The Municipal Health Department forwarded the complaint to the Air Quality Division of the Greater Vancouver Regional District, and in an acknowledgement dated November 4, 1974 from Mr. F.R. Bunnell, Director, the Department was advised that the G.V.R.D. will be contacting Mr. Mazur.

B. Community Recreation Centres

In his correspondence Mr. Mazur asked if there are any plans in the near future for a recreation centre similar to the C.G. Brown Memorial Centre which is the Municipal Swimming Pool on Kensington Avenue. In this regard, the Parks and Recreation Administrator advises that "the Municipality is aware of the lack of opportunity for aquatic and other recreational activity in the area and is presently exploring ways and means of meeting this need. The Parks and Recreation staff are presently preparing a report which will detail the present facilities and programs available in the Lyndhurst-Cameron area and will relate the recreational needs of the area to the available opportunities. Several meetings have been held recently involving school officials, recreation program staff, youth workers, social workers and interested citizens from the area to discuss and develop recommendations for increased recreational opportunities for the residents concerned. At the present time, a program is offered at Cameron Road School which includes children's dance, gymnastics, art, teen sports program and adult sports program and badminton. Planning for a major money by-law proposal for the period from 1976 to 1981 has been initiated which will consider the need for additional recreation facilities to be developed throughout the Municipality during this period. No funds are currently available for any major facility development. The feasibility of transporting residents from the Lyndhurst-Cameron area to existing facilities in the Burnaby Lake Sports Complex is being considered at this time. This matter and others will be considered in some detail in the previously referred to report, to be prepared within the next three weeks.

Funds in the amount of \$123,000 are presently available and will permit clearing and development of the Stoney Creek Parks site including a turf sports field, a baseball diamond and three tennis courts.

We will advise Mr. Mazur directly of future considerations regarding this entire matter as they are made. "

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. H. Mazur.