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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 70

COUNCIL MEETING Oct. 28/74

Re: Community Branch Library at the Crest Shopping Centre (Item 13, Report No. 63, September 30, 1974)

On September 30, 1974, Council ratified the execution of a lease concerning the Community Branch Library at the Crest Shopping Centre in East Burnaby. The following report from the Chief Librarian contains the additional information that Council requested at that time.

By way of comparison of costs, the per capita cost of the Kingsway Branch is \$1.77, excluding books, magazines, etc., and rent (if it were charged). On the same basis, the McGill Branch is \$.89 per capita.

This is for the information of Council.

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

24 October 1974

FROM: CHIEF LIBRARIAN

LEASE FOR THE COMMUNITY BRANCH LIBRARY
SITUATED AT THE CREST SHOPPING CENTRE

This report is for the information of Council in response to Council's request for a report on the number of Burnaby citizens using this facility and an estimate of the per capita costs of the operation.

Operating Costs:

The total estimated cost of operating Crest Neighbourhood Library for the year 1974 is \$13,717. This is equivalent to a per capita cost of 10.8 cents.

Usage:

The number of persons using Crest Neighbourhood Library has not been recorded since the library commenced service. However, the number of books borrowed has been recorded and totalled 53,894 during 1973 and 34,764 until 30 September 1974. Of these books 84.4% were borrowed by Burnaby residents. The number of New Westminster residents using this facility during the period has been recorded and totals 4,321. These non-residents borrowed 14,407 books.

It should be pointed out that during the period under review significant use was made of Burnaby Public Library (largely the Kingsway Branch) by New Westminster residents. However, the statistics reproduced on the following page indicate little imbalance in this exercise in cooperation and public service of benefit to the citizens of both municipalities.

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RE: RECIPROCAL BORROWING

NEW WESTMINSTER AND BURNABY RESIDENTS

Statistics for the period March 1973 - September 1974

Burnaby residents use of New Westminster Public Library

Cards 11,532 Books 35,870 Records 4,506

New Westminster residents use of Burnaby Public Library

Cards 7,946
Books 34,121
Records 219

New Westminster residents use of Crest Neighbourhood Library (included in the above figure) Cards 4,231

Cards 4,231

Books 14,407

Records 111