ITEM 33
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 53
COUNCIL MEETING Aug. 6/74

Re: Letter dated July 22, 1974 and Received on July 24, 1974
From Mr. Norman Howard, Western Swap-Meet Ltd.
319 - 475 Howe Street, Vancouver
Request to Permit a Farmers Market on Site of Lougheed Drive-In Theatre

Appearing on the Agenda for the August 6, 1974 Council meeting is a letter dated July 22, 1974 from Mr. Norman Howard, Western Swap-Meet Ltd., 319-475 Howe Street, Vancouver, requesting the authority to establish a Farmers Market on the site of the Lougheed Drive-In Theatre.

Following is a report dated August 1, 1974 from the Director of Planning in this respect.

## RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report item be forwarded to Mr. N. Howard.

August 1, 1974

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

RE: FARMER'S MARKET PROPOSAL, LOUGHEED DRIVE-IN THEATRE.

Appearing on the agenda is a letter from Mr. N. Howard of Western Swap Meet Ltd. proposing the siting of a Farmer's Market at the Lougheed Drive-In Theatre.

Staff on several different occasions have discussed the Farmer's Market concept with Mr. Howard and advised that the most suitable location for this use is the designated A1 (Agricultural) areas within the Big Bend Area. The A1 (Agricultural) zoning category makes specific provision for the development of Farmer's markets for the retail sale of agricultural produce.

With respect to the Lougheed Drive-In Theatre site, Planning Department staff are currently reviewing a preliminary submission which proposes the redevelopment of the drive-in site for an office park complex. Preliminary indications are that the development characteristics associated with this project are in keeping with those high standards which form the basis of adjacent new development. The redevelopment of this property will, of course, necessitate a rezoning.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of staff that applicants interested in developing a Farmer's Market within the Municipality should be directed to possible sites in the A1 (Agricultural) zoned areas of the Big Bend Area. The siting of such a facility at the Lougheed Drive-In Theatre, as has been proposed, would not be in keeping with the development terms of reference for the immediate area.

This is for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Mr. N. Howard.

A. L. Parr, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING.

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