ITEM MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 65 COUNCIL MEETING Oct. 14/75

Re: ADVANCED POLL FOR 1975 ANNUAL ELECTION, ELECTION TO FILL UNEXPIRED PORTION OF ALDERMAN J. L. MERCIER'S TERM OF OFFICE AND VOTING ON BY-LAWS NOS. 6709 AND 6710.

Following is a report from the Municipal Clerk regarding the above.

## RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the four recommendations contained in the Municipal Clerk's report be adopted.

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

DATE:

October 7, 1975

FROM: MUNICIPAL CLERK FILE:

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SUBJECT:

Advanced Poll For 1975 Annual Election, Election To Fill Unexpired Portion Of Alderman J. L. Mercier's Term of Office

And Voting On By-Laws Nos. 6709 and 6710.

During the past six Annual Elections an Advanced Poll for same has been held during the three days immediately prior to Polling-Day.

The number of electors making use of the Advanced Poll during the past four Annual Elections has been as follows:

> 1974 1973 118 55 96 1972 1971

In 1974 the advanced poll hours were extended from a five o'clock in the afternoon closing time until eight o'clock. The elector turnout for this 1974 advanced poll was as follows:

Times	Electors
9 - 10 a.m.	10
10 - 11	14
11 - 12	6
12 - 1 p.m.	7
1 - 2	5
2 - 3	9
3 - 4	3
4 - 5	5
5 - 6	5
6 - 7	8
7 - 8	9
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Section 54 of the "Municipal Act" provides in part:

- "54. (1) The Council may by by-law provide for the holding of an advanced poll at all elections, including submissions to the electors.
  - (2) The advanced poll shall be opened by the Returning Officer at the place or places specified in the by-law and kept open during such hours on each of the days that are appointed in the by-law.
  - (3) The persons who are permitted to vote at an advanced poll are only those who, being duly qualified electors, sign a statement that
    - (a) they expect to be absent from the municipality on polling-day; or
    - (b) they are, for reasons of conscience, prevented from voting on polling-day;
    - (c) through circumstances beyond their control they will not be able to attend the poll on polling-day."

## RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the Municipal Council give consideration to the adoption of the following motions:

- (a) THAT a by-law to provide for the holding of an advanced poll for the:
  - 1. 1975 Annual Election;
  - 2. Election to fill the unexpired portion of Alderman J. L. Mercier's term of office;
  - 3. Voting on By-Law No. 6709 cited as "Burnaby Loan Authorization Referendum By-Law No. 1, 1975";
  - 4. Voting on By-Law No. 6710 cited as "Burnaby Loan Authorization Referendum By-Law No. 2, 1975";

be brought forward;

- (b) THAT the advanced poll by-law provide therein that the advanced poll be held at the Burnaby Municipal Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C.
- (c) THAT the advanced poll by-law provide therein that the advanced poll be kept open from nine o'clock in the forenoon until eight o'clock in the afternoon;
- (d) THAT the advanced poll by-law provide therein that the advanced poll be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth days of November, 1975.

MONICIPAL CLERK.