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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 81

COUNCIL MEETING Dec. 15/75

Re: MAJOR RECREATIONAL FACILITY - SWIMMING POOL BURNABY 200 AND EAST-CENTRAL SECTOR (LOUGHEED TOWN CENTRE)

Following is a report from the Director of Planning regarding the proposed construction of a swimming pool facility arising from the eventual development of Burnaby 200.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Parks & Recreation Commission.

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 11, 1975

TO:

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM:

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

SUBJECT:

MAJOR RECREATIONAL FACILITY

BURNABY 200 AND EAST-CENTRAL SECTOR

(LOUGHEED TOWN CENTRE)

X. Ref. R.Z. #45/75

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of a possible alternative proposal to the provision of a single major covered swimming pool facility within the Burnaby 200 Community Plan area.

1.0 Rezoning #45/75 - Burnaby 200 - Phase I

This rezoning proposal is being submitted to a Public Hearing on December 16, 1975. As part of the suitable plan of development, a neighbourhood indoor pool facility (30' x 60' minimum pool) will be provided by the developer as part of the community area centre (daycare, meeting room, convenience commercial, residential) outlined in the adopted Community Plan.

This larger pool facility is the preferred solution as opposed to two smaller covered pool facilities contemplated at one time for the Burnaby 200 area. The proposed pool facility will be constructed, owned, and maintained by the developer/applicant. However, it is expected that the neighbourhood pool facility will be constructed to a quality standard suitable to serve the ultimate approximate population of 5,000 residents within the Burnaby 200 Community Plan Area. The Parks and Recreation Department will be requested to provide professional advice on the appropriate quality standards for the pool facility. For information, the developer's preliminary estimate of the cost of this facility is \$240,000. The option is also left open for the Parks and Recreation Department to provide specific enrichment programmes from time to time utilizing the burnaby 200 Swimming Pool/Recreational Facility.

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2.0 Lougheed Community Recreational Facility

An alternative suggestion has been discussed from a preliminary point of view at a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission on December 2, 1975. The point was raised that a larger community size publically operated pool/recreational facility designed to serve the ultimate 25,000 residents of this eastern sector of the Municipality (Burnaby 200, Lake City East, Lyndhurst, Areas "G" and "H") and located in a central, easily accessible location, may be of benefit to a larger population and more efficient in its use by residents than a smaller neighbourhood covered pool designed to serve the residents of Burnaby 200 alone.

The developer of Burnaby 200 is agreeable to the suggestion that the \$240,000 ear-marked for the construction of the covered pool facility in the Burnaby 200 Community Plan, be put towards the cost of a larger community scale recreational facility (covered swimming pool, ice rink, etc. - depending upon the determined community needs) within the larger 25,000 ultimate population east of the Lougheed community area. The Planning Department is in receipt of this commitment by the developer in writing.

It is expected that the cost of any community scale recreational facility will be substantially more than the \$240,000 to be deposited by the developer of Burnaby 200. It was indicated that substantial recreational grants may be available from a provincial source.

However, further discussions and analysis is required before it can be ascertained whether this alternative approach is ultimately feasible. Matters to be resolved include the determination of an appropriate central site, the possible need to acquire a site, the determination of the first priority recreational needs of this community area, and the availability of sufficient funds to construct a community-scale recreational facility and to acquire the designated site.

If further discussion and analysis results in a feasible solution to the establishment of a community scale recreational facility, a detailed report will be submitted to Council for its consideration and approval. If necessary, the determined prerequisite for Rezoning #45/75 for the establishment of a neighbourhood scale covered pool in Burnaby 200 could be modified by Council at that time in accordance with due rezoning procedures.

This is for the information of Council.

A. L. Parr, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING.

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c.c. Parks and Recreation Administrator Municipal Manager Municipal Treasurer