

ITEM 16
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 54
COUNCIL MEETING Sept. 2/75

Re: PETITION DATED JULY 25, 1975 FROM PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE
100 BLOCK FELL AVENUE - REQUEST FOR LANE IMPROVEMENT
(Item 30, Report No. 51, August 5, 1975)
(Original Correspondence Item 4(i), August 5, 1975)

Council, at its meeting of August 5, 1975 received the above-noted petition for improvement of a lane at the rear of the 100 block of Fell Avenue (see attached sketch) and was advised that a staff report on the matter would be made available for Council consideration at its meeting of either August 18 or September 2, 1975.

Following is the report of the Municipal Engineer in this regard.

Item 17 which follows, being a report from the Planning Director dated August 15, 1975, gives an indication of the status of the park strip alternative to Scenic Drive that Planning is presently reviewing. The matter of the opening of the lane should be considered again after the question of the park strip development in the Scenic Drive alignment has been resolved.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the subject lane not be improved at this time; and
2. THAT the matter be reconsidered when the question of the park strip alternative to Scenic Drive has been finally resolved; and
3. THAT a copy of this item, and also item #17, be sent to the petitioners.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

AUGUST 26, 1975

FROM: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

RE: PETITION FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE LANE
AT THE REAR OF 100 BLOCK FELL AVENUE

A petition was received by Council relative to the subject at the August 5, 1975 Council meeting. At that time the Engineering Department reported for the information of Council that they wished to review this request in connection with other Municipal Departments and report later.

The Engineering Department was reluctant to open this lane because it did not fall easily into the existing policy, i.e., that the Corporation will construct lanes if the abutting properties present a valid petition for "capping" of the lane. This lane also requires that sections of both Pandora Street and Dundas Street be opened to provide entrance and egress to the lane.

In reviewing this request with other Municipal Departments we became aware of the fact that the Planning Department has, up to this time, resisted attempts to open this lane. The resistance is based on the knowledge that this lane allowance may be required as part of the road for the future Scenic Drive or park strip alternatives. It is the Planning Department's feeling that if the lane was opened it would be difficult to limit access onto this reserve.

Whereas the improving of this lane would require the construction and opening of sections of Dundas Street and Pandora Street and,

Whereas the Planning Department feels the improvement of the lane could be detrimental to future Scenic Drive and park strip development it is recommended that:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the lane not be improved at this time, and;
2. THAT the petitioners be sent a copy of this report.

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[Signature]
MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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