MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 48
COUNCIL MEETING July 19/76

Re: LETTER FROM MRS. T. EAVES, SECRETARY, STRATFORD GARDENS SENIOR CITIZENS GROUP, DATED JUNE 29, 1976 THAT APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE JULY 5, 1976 MEETING OF COUNCIL (ITEM 4e)
REQUEST FOR BUS SERVICE

Appearing on the July 5, 1976 agenda was a letter dated June 29, 1976 from Mrs. T. Eaves, Secretary, Stratford Gardens Senior Citizens Group requesting that bus service be made available nearer to the complex.

Following is the Municipal Engineer's report. Attached is a copy of a report to the Traffic Safety Committee dated January 17, 1974 outlining why the request is not feasible. The Engineering Department contacted B.C. Hydro at that time and were advised that any deviation from the present route was impractical. No action was taken by the Traffic Safety Committee.

Council at its meeting of July 5, 1976, when this correspondence was considered, referred it to the Transit Committee. If Council still wishes to refer this to the Transit Committee, then this report should be rorwarded to that Committee for its consideration.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT no further action on the subject request be taken at this time; and
- 2. THAT Mrs. Eaves be advised accordingly.

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6 July, 1976

TO:

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM:

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

SUBJECT:

STRATFORD GARDENS SENIOR CITIZENS

REQUEST FOR BUS SERVICE

Reference the letter from Mrs. T. Eaves, Secretary, Stratford

Gardens Senior Citizens Group, dated 29 June, 1976.

Our files indicate that this subject has been dealt with on a number of occasions since Stratford Gardens have been opened.

The Transit Division of the B.C. Hydro and Power Authority on all occasions have not been prepared to alter any existing services in the Stratford Gardens area. The main reasons are outlined in the attached copy of a report to the Traffic Safety Committee regarding this subject dated 17 January, 1974.

In May of 1974 the residents of Stratford Garden requested a pedestrian signal and crosswalk at Hastings Street and Stratford Avenue. In the attached copy of their letter of request for this signal it is pointed out that one of the main reasons for the signal is to provide traffic control for their residents who use Hastings Street buses.

This pedestrian signal was installed by the Department of Highways on a cost-sharing basis with the Corporation in April of this year. The near two year delay was due to the fact that the request was originally turned down, but subsequently approved by the Highways Department in April 1975.

In our most recent discussions with Hydro we have been advised that they still are not in favour of rerouting existing bus services in the Stratford Gardens area; however, they will make special note of this request for future consideration when upgrading existing services.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

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- 2. THAT Mrs. Eaves be advised accordingly.

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c.c. ()Traffic Supervisor
 ()Chairman and Members of
 Transit Committee of Municipal
 Council, c/o Clerk's Office

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THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

SECRETARY,

DEPARTMENT:

Jan. 17, 1974

FROM:

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

DEPARTMENT:

OUR FILE #

SUBJECT:

BUS STOP - STRATFORD GARDEN SENIOR CITIZENS SITE - 6005 PANDOKA STREET

YOUR FILE

Reference your memo of 2nd January, 1973.

In July of 1972 a similar request was received from the residents of the Stratford Garden Senior Citizens to have the Hastings Street bus service make a loop off Hastings Street and provide a pick-up and drop-off point on Pandora Street in front of their site.

At that time the B. C. Hydro advised that such a deviation from the present route was impractical for anumber of reasons.

- 1. It would affect the bus timetable.
- 2. It was not economical.
- 3. The present walking distance although it could be difficult for the older senior citizen was not considered excessive, under 800 feet, and was relatively level.
- 4. It would require two left turn movements on a multi-lane facility, Hastings Street,

In the submission from Mrs. Bernard we note that one of the prime concerns was the wait in rain and cold. In this regard we would advise that consideration is being given to installing a limited number of bus stop shelters in Burnaby each year. One of the considerations for priority will be at those stops that service a heavy patronage of our senior citizens.

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c.c. Mayor Constable c.c. Traffic Supervisor

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Xay 10, 1974

Mayor Tom Constable, City of Burnaby, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C.

Dear Mr. Constable:

Re: Crosswalk - Hastings Street

The tenants of Stratford Garden Senior Citizens Housing Complex at 6005 Pandora Street, Burnaby, respectfully request your consideration and assistance in the matter of installing a crosswalk with a pedestrian light on Hastings Street at Stratford Avenue intersection.

Residents returning home to Stratford Garden by buses travelling east on Hastings Street experience much delay and frustration in attempting to cross Hastings Street in the face of heavy traffic. It has been noted that there is some hazard to elderly people in stepping off the curb when motorists completely ignore their predicament and fail to show the courtesy of stopping.

There is also a need for a crosswalk to accommodate the many residents who cross Hastings Street at this point to visit at Fellburn Hospital on the south side of Hastings Street.

We will be pleased to discuss this problem with you at your convenience and would welcome your attendance at a meeting of Stratford Garden tenants.

Yours sincerely,

Jack Jobb, President, Stratford Garden Senior

Citizens Group, Ste. 208 - 6059 Pandora Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5B 1M4

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