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

Re: LETTER DATED JULY 8, 1976 FROM MR. AND MRS. WESTLAKE, 4696 WESTLAWN DRIVE  
APPEALING A DECISION OF THE MUNICIPAL ENGINEER WITH RESPECT TO THE WIDTH  
OF THE VEHICLE CROSSING AT 4696 WESTLAWN DRIVE

Appearing on the agenda for the July 19, 1976 Council meeting is a copy of the letter dated July 8, 1976 from Mr. and Mrs. Westlake, 4696 Westlawn Drive, asking for an 18 - 25 foot wide crossing which is wider than the 14 foot crossing that the Engineer is prepared to approve.

Following is the report of the Municipal Engineer dated July 13, 1976 in this connection.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council concur with the intention of the Municipal Engineer to limit the width of the vehicle access to 14 feet under the present circumstances; and
2. THAT Mr. and Mrs. Westlake be sent a copy of this report item.

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13 July, 1976

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER  
FROM: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER  
SUBJECT: VEHICLE CROSSING AT 4696 WESTLAWN DRIVE

Reference the submission of Mr. and Mrs. Westlake, dated 8 July, 1976.

By way of form letter 3554 we informed Mr. Westlake, of the above address, that he would be receiving a 14 foot sidewalk crossing, the maximum allowable, to serve his existing single carport.

In Mr. Westlake's letter to Council of 8 July, 1976, he makes reference to having a parking area of 35 feet with concrete and gravel. Fifteen feet of this is the concrete driveway that leads to the legal parking carport in the rear of his house. The remaining 20 feet is a gravelled area located entirely on the boulevard, which is Municipal property. As it is a violation of the Motor Vehicle Act to park vehicles on the boulevard, this area is not a legal parking area and, therefore, we have refused to grant a crossing to serve it.

The boulevard area is located adjacent to the sideyard and could not be extended or altered in any way to make it into a legal parking area. Mr. Westlake's statement that he intends to enlarge his carport would require the approval of this Department, upon application for a building permit.

Mr. Westlake's "repeated phone calls" consisted of two. The first call to the member of staff in charge of L.I.P. driveway crossings, after his receipt of the form letter, was not completed as the staff member was not available. The staff member returned the call and talked to Mrs. Westlake, at which time she made the first reference to their desire for a larger crossing. She was then informed that a larger crossing would not be granted for the reasons mentioned above. Mr. Westlake then phoned for a second time and talked to the same staff member, but this conversation consisted almost entirely of Mr. Westlake's outright refusal to accept the reasons provided for not granting the wider driveway and persistence on his part to take the matter to Council.

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Attached for the information of Council is a sketch showing the existing development and the driveway crossing that we are prepared to install. As the existing carport is excavated some two to three feet into the ground, and as the ground rises to the lane, any extension in width of the present carport will involve a rather extensive excavation with an increase in the grade of any driveway. As no plans have been submitted to the Building Department showing the feasibility of his proposal, we would not be prepared to provide a wider crossing to the south.

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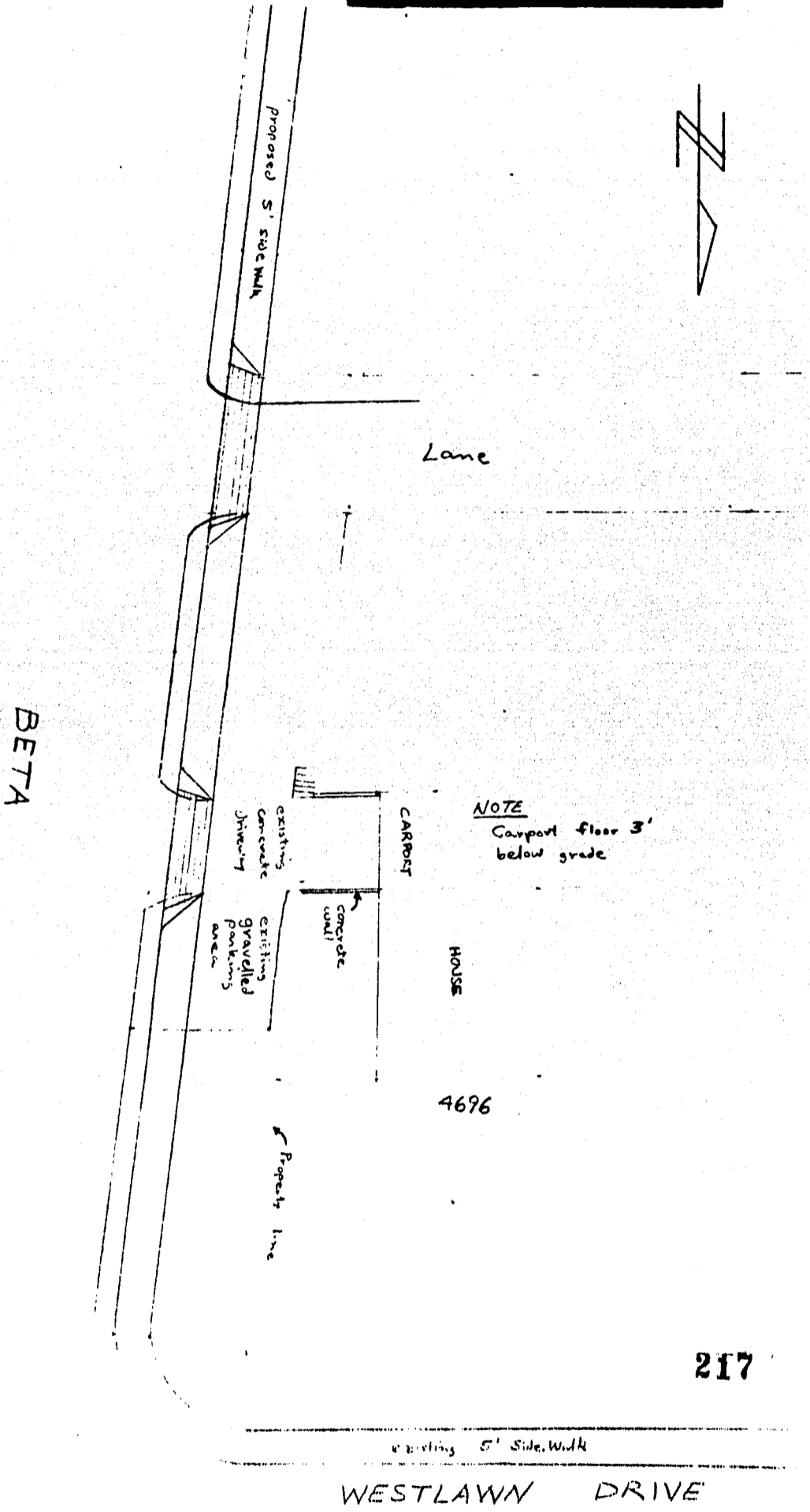
1. THAT Council concur with our intention to limit the width of the vehicle access to 14 feet, and
2. THAT Mr. and Mrs. Westlake be sent a copy of this report.



MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

HB:cmg  
Attch.  
c.c. ( ) Traffic Supervisor

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