

ITEM 17
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 6
COUNCIL MEETING Feb. 2/76

Re: LETTER FROM THE NORTH SLOPE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION THAT
APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE JANUARY 26, 1976
MEETING OF COUNCIL (Item 4h)
MONTROSE PARK

Appearing on last week's Agenda was a letter from Mr. T. Blake, President of the North Slope Ratepayers Association, regarding Montrose Park. Following is a report from the Director of Planning on this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report and of Item 7, Manager's Report No. 5, January 26, 1976 be forwarded to the North Slope Ratepayers Association.

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT
30 JANUARY, 1976

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING
SUBJECT: LETTER FROM NORTH SLOPE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION
RE: DUMPING IN MONTROSE PARK

Appearing on the Council agenda was a letter from the captioned Association inquiring into the situation surrounding reported spoil dumping within Montrose Park. This correspondence was directed to the Municipal Engineer for reply, but there is one matter on which the Planning Department is able to provide information for Council.

The Engineer provided Council with a report on the spoil dumping situation in response to a letter from Mr. J.H. Bradbury under Item 7, Manager's Report #5, January 26, 1976, and the contents apply to the inquiry by the North Slope Ratepayers Association. It would be appropriate to furnish the Association with a copy of that report in reply.

With reference to the question in the fourth paragraph of the Association's letter, referring to inclusion of Blocks 39 and 40 into Montrose Park, Council will recall that this subject was treated in the Planning Department's response to the Association's February 28, 1975 Brief, in a departmental report submitted to the April 8 Special Meeting of Council. The report stated, in part:

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"It has been suggested that.... the Municipal lands south of Montrose Street between Gilmore and Boundary be incorporated within Montrose Park and similarly designated. The Planning Department would comment as follows:

- 1) The Municipality has a policy of using the Reserved Park category for designating lands for park use. At this time, the procedure that is followed requires that the Planning Department report annually, recommending that Reserved Park status be given when all land assembly for a given park site is complete, and when all other criteria are met...."
- 2) In connection with Montrose Park and the properties lying to the south, it is confirmed that it is intended that the Municipal properties in question are considered to be a part of the ultimate park site, and that the property should eventually be thus designated. However, as has been noted by the respondent, one property is currently in private ownership. This lot is not included in the current Parks Acquisition Program but the question of acquisition will be looked into when the Program is reviewed. When site assembly is complete, it will be appropriate to consider recommending Reserved Park Designation."

This department affirms that the position stated continues to apply, and that while the Municipal lands in Block 39 and Block 40 are considered part of the ultimate park site, there is no necessity for now advancing to Reserved Park designation, nor would such a step be consistent with present policy.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended THAT a copy of this report and of Item 7, Manager's Report No.5, January 26, 1976 be forwarded to the North Slope Ratepayers Association.

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