

Re: BOUNDARY ROAD
(ITEM 20, REPORT NO. 20, MARCH 29, 1976)

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Following is a further report from the Director of Planning regarding Boundary Road.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Basil D. Whitehead who appeared as a spokesman for Boundary Road residents at the March 15, 1976 meeting of Council.

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Planning Department,
Our File #08.640-B
April 14, 1976

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING
RE: BOUNDARY ROAD.

On April 8, 1976 a Public Information meeting was held by Vancouver's Standing Committee for Planning and Development in the Killarney High School auditorium at 49th Avenue and Killarney St., Vancouver, B. C.

The Planning and Development Committee is comprised of the following members of Vancouver Council.

Alderman F. Bowers (Chairman)
Alderman W. Kennedy
Alderman H. Bird
Alderman A. Cowie
Alderman M. Harcourt

Vancouver staff from the Planning and Engineering Departments were also in attendance.

A member of the Burnaby Planning Department attended the meeting as an observer. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss two topics:

1. The current proposals for further development in Champlain Heights Areas "E" and "F", and to receive the resident's views and comments on the subject.
2. The development of the Boundary Road alignment and the use of the street by truck traffic.

The majority of the approximately 500 persons in attendance were primarily concerned with the latter and made this point vocally at the outset of the meeting. Subsequent to the Vancouver Planning Department representative outlining the background to the Champlain Heights development the Committee heard a brief report from the Vancouver Engineering Dept. representative.

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The Engineer stated that it was not the City's intention to ban truck traffic from Oak St., Cambie St., and Knight St. and divert all trucks to Boundary Road. Rather, the City would intend to divert the trucks which are destined for Burnaby or the north shore via the Second Narrows Bridge from the route currently used, i. e. Knight St., 41st Ave., Joyce Road and Boundary Road and the freeway to reach their destination to a new routing eastbound along S. E. Marine Drive and then northbound along Boundary Road thence to points in Burnaby or along Boundary to the freeway and on to the Second Narrows Bridge.

He cited the following comparison of truck traffic on certain key routes as currently use these streets and estimated after the proposed improvement of the Boundary Road diversion at the Marine Drive intersection:

<u>TRUCK ROUTE STREETS</u>	<u>CURRENT TRUCK VOLUME *</u>	<u>ESTIMATED TRUCK VOLUME "AFTER"*</u>
KNIGHT	550	275
VICTORIA	200	130
BOUNDARY	275	620

*Over an 8 hr. period

Following the presentation from the Engineering Dept. representative the Committee heard (14) speakers from the audience, representing various citizen's groups and individuals who spoke against the proposed diversion of truck traffic.

Conclusion

1. The Committee voted unanimously to agree with Burnaby Council's request to:
 - "(a) not proceed with the proposed intersection redesign and construction at Boundary Road and S. E. Marine Drive.
 - "(b) provide the Municipality of Burnaby with an estimate of additional truck traffic that is proposed for diversion to this route, together with a report on the likely environmental impact of this additional truck traffic on adjacent residential areas.....
with the understanding that discussions will be initiated with the City of Vancouver upon receipt of the requested information."
2. In a composite motion the Committee voted unanimously to have the Vancouver officials (Planners and Engineers) meet with representatives of the local groups to have further discussions about all the various alternatives with a report back to the Committee and that delegations be received.

Further, Alderman Harcourt, as one of the directors of the G. V. R. D., advised that he would request the G. V. R. D. to undertake a study of truck movement on a regional scale.

The meeting concluded at approximately 10:00 P. M.

This report is for the information of Council.


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DIRECTOR OF PLANNING.

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