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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	29
COUNCIL MEETING	May 3/76

Re: LETTER FROM THE OUTDOOR RECREATION COUNCIL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
THAT APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE APRIL 12, 1976 MEETING OF
COUNCIL (ITEM 61) / TRAILS

Appearing on the agenda for the meeting of Council on April 12th was a letter from Mr. Alan Carter, Co-Ordinator for the Outdoor Recreation Council of British Columbia, regarding the Association's brief entitled "A Trails and Access Programme for British Columbia". The letter and the first twelve pages of the brief are attached only to Council's reports (the appendices, which contain considerable detail which is not essential for an understanding of the Outdoor Recreation Council's objectives, are not attached; these can, however, be obtained from the Parks and Recreation Department).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council endorse the principles as stated in the Administrator's Report; and
2. THAT notification of Council's endorsement be sent to Mrs. Grace McCarthy, Minister of Recreation and Travel Industry, with a copy to the Outdoor Recreation Council.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: ADMINISTRATOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
RE: OUTDOOR RECREATION COUNCIL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
BRIEF - "A TRAILS AND ACCESS PROGRAM FOR
BRITISH COLUMBIA"

The Parks and Recreation Commission received a copy of the subject brief at its meeting of April 27, 1976. At the same meeting a copy of the letter from the Outdoor Recreation Council to Mayor Constable dated March 26, 1976 was also received.

The Commission endorsed the following principles of the Outdoor Recreation Council:

1. The need for co-ordinated urban trails systems in a regional context.
2. The need for a Provincial fund to be available for Municipalities, regional districts and public groups to apply for financial assistance for trail planning, construction and maintenance.
3. The need for designated responsibilities for a Provincial Government agency (for example, the Outdoor Recreation Branch), a Government Technical Co-ordinating Committee (representing Provincial, Regional and Municipal Government jurisdictions), and a Trails Advisory Committee (representing public groups, industry, private and native landowners and municipalities).

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT Council endorse the above principles.
2. THAT notification of Council's endorsement be sent to Mrs. Grace McCarthy, Minister of Recreation and Travel Industry, with a copy to the Outdoor Recreation Council.

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Dennis Gaunt,
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