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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	55
COUNCIL MEETING	Sept. 7/76

Re: LETTER FROM THE VANCOUVER POULTRY AND FANCY PIGEON ASSOCIATION THAT
APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE AUGUST 30, 1976 MEETING OF COUNCIL
(ITEM 4d) KEEPING OF PIGEONS

Appearing on last week's agenda was a letter from E. Silveri, Vice-President of the Vancouver Poultry and Fancy Pigeon Association, regarding that section of the Zoning By-Law that regulates the breeding and keeping of pigeons in Burnaby. Following is a report from the Director of Planning and the Chief Public Health Inspector on this matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT no change be made to the existing regulations within By-Law No. 4742 regulating the keeping of pigeons within the Municipality of Burnaby.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Mr. E. Silveri of the Vancouver Poultry and Fancy Pigeon Association.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

RE: CORRESPONDENCE - VANCOUVER POULTRY AND FANCY PIGEON ASSOCIATION

Planning Department
September 1, 1976

Appearing on the Council Agenda is a letter dated August 18, 1976 from the Vancouver Poultry and Fancy Pigeon Association requesting a review of the Burnaby Zoning By-law with respect to the regulations governing the keeping of pigeons within the Municipality.

By-law No. 4742 stipulates that the keeping of pigeons shall be restricted to those areas having an A1 (Agricultural District) and A2 (Small Holdings District) designation where lot sizes are characteristically large and residential densities kept to a minimum. It is considered that the keeping of pigeons is an incompatible activity within established or developing residential areas and hence that no amendment should be made that might provide for this potentiality.

The Chief Public Health Inspector in reviewing this matter shares the opinion that the keeping of pigeons should be restricted to those areas possessing an A1 or A2 zoning designation. Common complaints associated with the keeping of pigeons in residential areas relate to unsightliness, insect and vermin infestation, noise and fouling of immediately adjacent properties. The problem of insect and vermin infestation is considered particularly acute unless a very high level of maintenance is exercised on the enclosures at all times. The Department of Environmental Health for these reasons strongly recommends that no change be made to the existing regulations concerning the keeping of pigeons within the Municipality.

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