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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 84
COUNCIL MEETING Dec. 12/77

Re: ISSUANCE OF TICKETS IN THE MUNICIPAL HALL PARKING LOT

On November 14, 1977, Council received a report concerning alleged incidents of vandalism in the Capitol Hill area (the report dealt with comments contained in an open letter to the Mayor which appeared in The Columbian on October 24, 1977). Arising from Council's discussion of this matter was a request for the number of tickets that had been issued for illegal parking in the lots adjacent to the Municipal Hall from February 17, 1975 to the present time. The following report from the Officer-in-Charge, Burnaby Detachment, R.C.M.P., contains the approximate number of tickets that have been issued in this area.

"Parking tickets are not filed by area; therefore, to obtain accurate statistics, it would entail a physical check of each ticket. Because of the manhours involved, I am confident Council does not wish us to go into that depth of research.

We did speak to the Municipal Patrolmen and they estimate that the tickets probably would average one per day since that period. Therefore, in round figures, we would be speaking in the vicinity of 500 tickets being issued for infractions on the Municipal parking lots."

The lots in question are the main lot, the lot to the west of the Justice Building and the parking area under and abutting the West Building.

About 90% of the total tickets issued in the main lot are for violations involving visitors who park in stalls that are reserved for senior members of staff. As this is clearly an unacceptable situation, a relocation of the assigned stalls is now under review. This and other minor improvements that are being considered (such as signing) should enable visitors to clearly perceive where they are required to park immediately upon entry to the lot. We do not recommend the rescinding of the bylaw.

This is for the information of Council.

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