

ITEM 6
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 11
COUNCIL MEETING Feb. 14/77

Re: LETTER FROM L. BLANCHARD WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR
THE JANUARY 24, 1977 MEETING OF COUNCIL (Item 4d)
TRANSPORTATION IN BURNABY
(Item 1, Manager's Report No. 7, January 31, 1977)

On January 31, 1977, Council received a report from the Director of Planning on a letter from L. Blanchard which contained a number of suggestions on how the transit system can be improved. The purpose of this further report from the Municipal Engineer is to provide information on the correspondent's suggestion that sidewalk access be provided "to bus stops, e.g. there are places along the Lougheed Highway such as outside the industrial park and opposite Brentwood where the bus stop is reached over what looks like a goat track".

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT L. Blanchard be sent a copy of this report.

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4 February, 1977

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION IN BURNABY
ITEM #1, MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 7, 1977

Further to the captioned report item, we were requested to comment on item #6 of L. Blanchard's submission regarding the lack of walking facilities to the existing bus stops on the Lougheed Highway.

The bus stops along the Lougheed Highway were located by the B.C. Hydro and Transit Authority and installed by the Department of Highways in October of 1973. Final improvements to the landing areas involving curbs and asphalt platforms were completed in the spring of 1975.

The majority of the bus stop landing areas can at this time be reached by walking along the paved emergency parking shoulders of the highway.

The construction of sidewalks along the Lougheed Highway at this time would not only be a tremendously costly project for the Municipality (sidewalk construction on Provincial Highways is a Municipal responsibility) but we would need to know the ultimate width of the travelled road surface in order to place any sidewalks in their permanent location. However, because of the uncertainty of the future traffic role of the Lougheed Highway we are, at this time, unable to determine its future geometrics. When any considerations are given to its upgrading, we will most certainly include the provisions of pedestrian walking facilities.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT L. Blanchard be sent a copy of this report.


MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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