

Re: BURRARD INLET FORESHORE PARK - PUBLIC USE OF EXISTING
KAPOOR RAILWAY CROSSING (ITEM 20, REPORT NO. 78, DECEMBER 6, 1976)

On December 6, 1976, Council adopted the following recommendations in connection with the Burrard Inlet Foreshore Park:

"THAT Council authorize the Planning Department to make formal application to the C.P.R. and the Canadian Transport Commission for interim temporary public access to the Kapoor property as outlined in the Director of Planning's memo of December 1, 1976; and

THAT Council direct the Parks and Recreation Department to prepare a detailed program and related budget associated with the provision of safe primary public access to the Kapoor site."

Following is a further report from the Director of Planning on this matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT authorization be granted to Municipal staff to implement those requisite measures to gain public access over the Kapoor crossing to the Marine Park by May 1, 1977; and
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

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Planning Department
January 13, 1977

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

RE: BURRARD INLET FORESHORE PARK - PUBLIC USE OF EXISTING
KAPOOR RAILWAY CROSSING

The Municipal Council, on December 6, 1976 authorized the Planning Department to make application for interim temporary public access over the existing Kapoor railway crossing (mile 119.56 Cascade Subdivision).

Approval has now been granted by the C.P.R. for the public use of the crossing on the understanding that a properly trained and equipped flagman would be present at all times the crossing is to be open for public use and further that at all other times, the crossing gates would be closed and locked. It is envisaged that the public use of the crossing will be restricted to weekend use for 8-10 hours per day and that the flagman arrangement would only be utilized during the summer months until the automatic signalization equipment is installed.

With respect to the matter of the flagman, Mr. G. A. Swanson, Superintendent, C.P.R. has stated that it is imperative that the Municipality employ a flagman fully conversant with flagging operations and has recommended several Railway pensioners who have indicated an interest in filling this position. The normal rate paid to these people for similar work is \$5 to \$6 per hour.

Mr. Swanson has further indicated that several small trees are required to be cut to improve sight lines at the crossing, particularly in the northeast angle. The removal of these same trees is one of the conditions of the C.T.C.'s forthcoming approval for the signalization and public designation of the Kapoor crossing. This requirement therefore does not conflict with Municipal objectives for the park development.

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Mr. Eisler, of the Canadian Transport Commission, has indicated that the C.T.C. has no objections to the use of the crossing as outlined.


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The Parks and Recreation Administrator has advised that his department is preparing a park development program that will facilitate public use of the former Kapoor site by May 1, 1977.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended:

1. THAT authorization be granted to Municipal staff to implement those requisite measures to gain public access over the Kapoor crossing to the Marine Park by May 1, 1977.
2. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Commission.


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cc Parks and Recreation Administrator
Municipal Engineer
Municipal Solicitor
Land Agent