

ITEM 17
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 13
COUNCIL MEETING Feb. 21/77

Re: PARKING PROVISIONS AT THE B.C. TELEPHONE COMPANY
HEADQUARTERS BUILDING - BOUNDARY/KINGSWAY
REZONING REFERENCE #32/74
(Item 6, Manager's Report No. 1, January 10, 1977)
(Item 6, Manager's Report No. 9, February 7, 1977)

Following is a report from the Acting Parks and Recreation Administrator regarding parking provisions for employees at the B.C. Telephone Company Headquarters, and also, a proposal to prohibit parking by these employees in the Central Park area.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council authorize the Municipal Solicitor to prepare a by-law controlling parking in the Central Park lots in accordance with the regulations outlined in this report; and
2. THAT the by-law be submitted for approval to:
 - (a) The Burnaby/Vancouver Parks and Recreation Committee and, through this Committee, to the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation and the City of Vancouver.
 - (b) The Province of British Columbia; and
3. THAT the B.C. Telephone Company be notified when the by-law is adopted.

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FEBRUARY 17, 1977

FROM: PARKS AND RECREATION ADMINISTRATOR

RE: PARKING PROVISIONS - B.C. TELEPHONE CO.
HEADQUARTERS BUILDING - BOUNDARY/KINGSWAY
REZONING REFERENCE #32/74
(ITEM 6, MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 1, JANUARY 10/77)

The following report was received by the Parks and Recreation Commission at its meeting of February 16, 1977, on the above subject matter:

"CURRENT SITUATION:

B.C. TELEPHONE COMPANY PRIVATE PARKING

Current parking plans at the B.C. Telephone Company headquarters building will provide space for 410 vehicles in an underground facility, which will be managed by Imperial Parking.

Parking at the rate of \$20.00 per month will be guaranteed to those Telephone Company employees who use a "pool" car. A "pool" car is defined by the Telephone Company as one which carries three or more employees. Those employees not using a "pool" car will be able to park in the facility as space allows at the rate of \$1.00 per day.

In addition to the underground facility, Imperial Parking has obtained the use of 55 spaces in the parking lot at St. John the Divine Church, 3895 Kingsway. These spaces will be available to the B.C. Telephone employees on a 24-hour reserved basis, at the rate of \$14.00 per month. Once again, space will be allocated to "pool" cars first.

The Vice-President of Imperial Parking has indicated that he is currently negotiating for the use of two or three other private lots in the area. As of this date, the negotiations have not been concluded.

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Customers and visitors to the B.C. Telephone Company headquarters building will be able to park in the underground lot by paying an hourly rate of 25¢ which will be refunded when their ticket is validated by B.C. Telephone staff. Parking for visitors and customers will be limited to one-half hour.

For the first three months of the parking lot's operation, no specific stalls will be allotted to visitors. Such an allocation will be made by the Telephone Company at the end of this period based on user demand.

The total number of employees occupying the building will be between 2200-2300. Full occupancy is expected by the end of May. Most of these employees will be working Monday through Friday within an 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. time period. There will be a very small number of employees who work on Saturday and Sunday.

STREET PARKING ADJACENT TO THE BUILDING

The Traffic Section of the Engineering Department has provided the attached sketch (Attachment #1) which illustrates the regulations regarding street parking in the immediate area of the headquarters building.

CENTRAL PARK LOTS

Some concern has been expressed that the following two factors will result in B.C. Telephone employees using the parking lots in Central Park:

1. Provision by the Company of parking for approximately 20% of their staff.
2. The imposition of a fee for this parking.

Because the Central Park lots are an integral part of the park and were constructed to provide a service for park patrons, staff would not recommend that the lots be used for any other purpose.

REQUIRED ACTION:

At the present time, there is no by-law governing parking in the Central Park lots and thus no way of ensuring that parking is limited to park users. A by-law regulating parking in the Central Park lots should include the following:

- (a) The fact that parking is for park users only.
- (b) A time limit on parking.
- (c) The penalty for noncompliance with the regulations.

After consultation with the R.C.M.P., the Engineering Department, and the Municipal Solicitor, staff would suggest that the by-law should contain the following specifics:

- i. Parking is for patrons of the park only, while within the confines of the park.
- ii. Maximum parking time is three (3) hours.
- iii. Regulations are in effect Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- iv. Penalties for infractions to include ticketing and/or towing away.

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ENFORCEMENT:

The lot will be checked by the regular R.C.M.P. parking patrolman who will issue tickets to those violating the 3-hour time limit. Should it become evident that there is an on-going problem which the R.C.M.P. is not able to deal with, it would be possible for the Parks and Recreation Department to hire a parking lot attendant for short periods as the need arises. Such an attendant would be responsible for identifying those vehicles which were being left in the lot by non-park users, and warning the driver that the by-law was being contravened. Should the driver continue to park in the lot, the attendant could have the offending vehicle towed away.

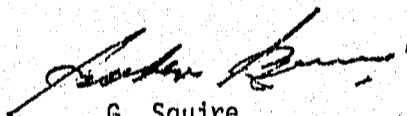
It is the feeling of staff that the establishment at this time of a Central Park parking lot by-law is the best method of dealing with any problems that may arise now or in the future as the result of non-patron use of these lots.

The Municipal Solicitor's office had advised that "provided the parking lots are within the demised premises as described on page 2 of the Central Park lease, the City of Vancouver and the Province should be advised that the Corporation intends to pass such a by-law and request their approval of the Corporation's passing of same."

The Commission concurred with the staff suggestions and wishes to request Council to authorize the preparation of the necessary By-law.

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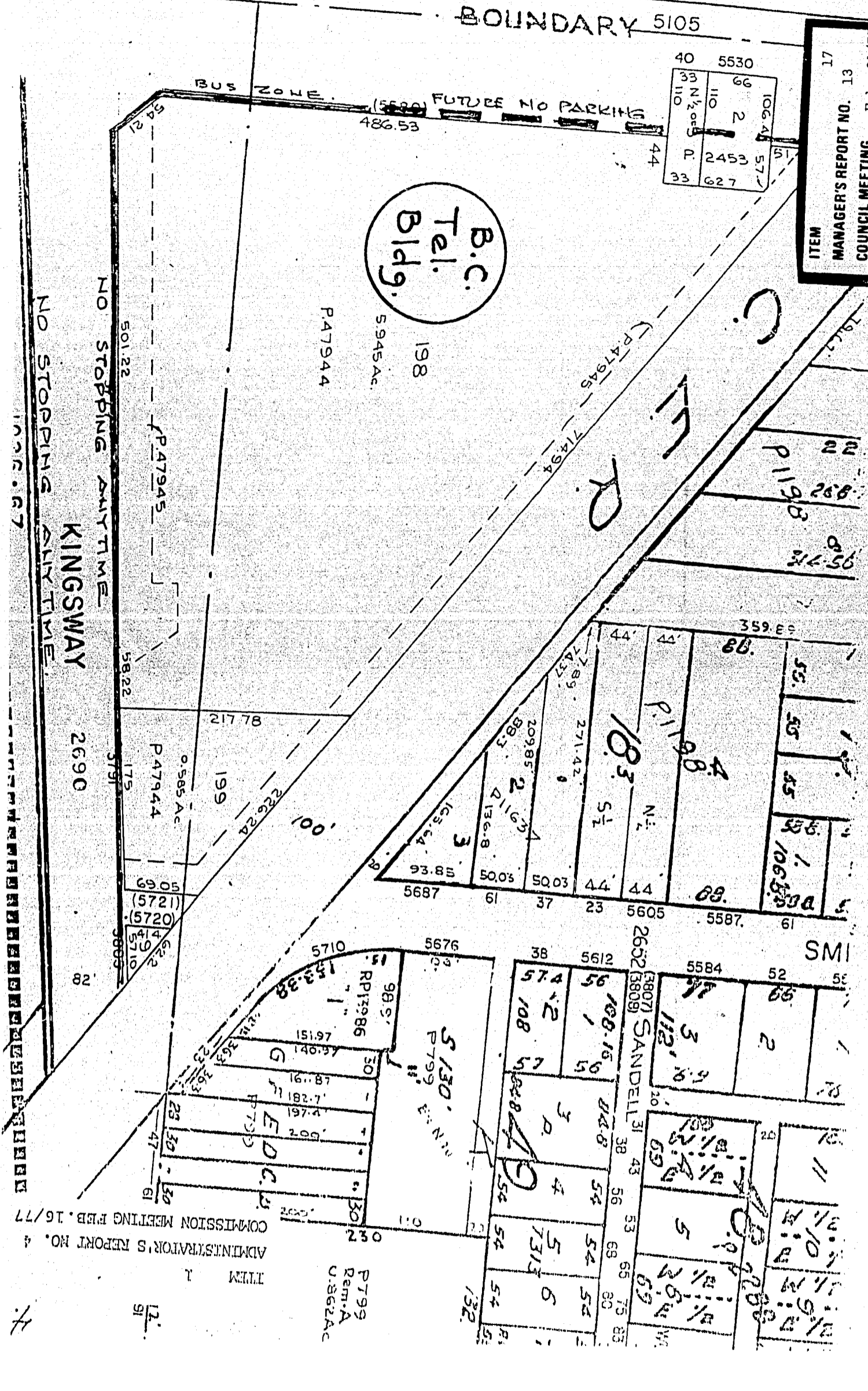
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