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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	46
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Re: LETTER FROM BUMPER'S DISCOTHEQUE WHICH APPEARED ON THE  
AGENDA FOR THE 1978 JUNE 12 MEETING OF COUNCIL (ITEM 2e)  
REQUEST TO EXTEND THE HOURS OF OPERATION  
(ITEM 23, REPORT NO. 80, 1977 November 21)

Appearing on last week's agenda was a request from Mr. David Leroux, President of Bumper's Discotheque, for an extension of hours for the operation of the discotheque during the summer only. Following is a report from the Chief Licence Inspector on this matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the Burnaby Discotheque By-Law 1966, No. 5047 not be amended to extend the hours of operation; and
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. David Leroux.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

1978 June 14

FROM: CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR

SUBJECT: DISCOTHEQUES

At the meeting of 1978 June 12 Council received a letter from Mr. D. LeRoux, President, Bumpers Discotheque Limited, 7595 Kingsway, requesting that the Burnaby Discotheque By-law 1966 No. 5047 be amended to permit the operation of teenage discotheques between 18:00 h and 24:00 h from Monday to Saturday during school vacation periods.

Currently the By-law provides that hours that discotheques may be open for business are:

- (i) From 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon to 10:00 o'clock in the afternoon on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- (ii) From 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon to 12:00 o'clock in the afternoon on Fridays.
- (iii) From 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon to 12:00 o'clock in the afternoon on Saturdays.
- (iv) From 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon to 12:00 o'clock in the afternoon on any statutory holiday when the next day is not a day when public schools are in session.
- (v) From 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon to 12:00 o'clock in the afternoon on any day preceding a statutory holiday.

Additionally, the By-law provides that discotheques shall not be open for business on Sundays or permit dancing or other forms of entertainment therein on that day.

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This is the second submission from the operators of Bumpers Discotheque for an extension of the operating hours of discotheques during school vacation periods. On 1977 November 21 Council received Item 23, Manager's Report No. 80, and resolved not to amend By-law No. 5047 to permit the operation of discotheques up to midnight on Monday to Thursday during school vacation periods.

Bumpers is the only teenage discotheque operating in the Municipality and, although the principals of the company have changed since it opened in early 1977, they continue to maintain a satisfactory level of control on their premises. However, there have been parking, traffic and associated noise and nuisance problems in the adjacent residential area which are attributed to patrons of the discotheque and persons attracted to the area by this business. Currently the Health Department is investigating a noise complaint emanating from the operation of the discotheque.

The proposed extension of operating hours would mean that discotheques could be opened up to midnight for six days each week during summer, Christmas, and spring school holidays. In the case of Bumpers Discotheque the residents of the adjacent neighbourhood would then be subject to the associated noise and nuisances up to 00:30 h during the regular work week. Therefore, the proposed amendment is not recommended.

The R.C.M.P. concur with the recommendation of this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Burnaby Discotheque By-law 1966 numbered 5047 not be amended to extend the hours of operation and that Mr. D. LeRoux, Bumpers Discotheque Limited, receive a copy of this report.

  
P. Kenzie  
CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR

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cc: Municipal Treasurer

O.I.C., R.C.M.P. Burnaby Detachment