ITEM 19 MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 32 COUNCIL MEETING 1978 04 24

Re: PETITION FROM A. AND N. GRACIE ET AL WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 1978 APRIL 17 MEETING OF COUNCIL (ITEM 4 1)

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 77/040

Appearing on last week's agenda was a petition from A. and N. Gracie and others regarding a local improvement on MacDonald Avenue from Kincaid to Fir Streets. Following is a report from the Municipal Engineer on this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the petitioners.

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM:

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

SUBJECT: LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 77-040 MacDONALD, KINCAID TO FIR

On the Council Agenda for 78 04 17 there was a letter on this matter to the Mayor and Aldermen; the writer of the letter was A.L. Gracie.

The letter mentions a misunderstanding in a conversation with the Traffic Section of the Engineering Department; the Traffic Section has no recollection of discussing the Local Improvement work with the letter writer but they do recall discussing on different occasions the problem of parking on MacDonald. The part of the petition relating to the parking problem was considered by the Traffic Safety Committee at its meeting of 78 04 18 and is to be the subject of further staff research and study.

The Local Improvement Project on MacDonald, from Kincaid to Fir, was placed in the 1978 Local Improvement Program on a recommendation from the Planning Department. The total number of properties abutting the project is twenty-four (24). The number of objections required to defeat the project is thirteen (13). The number of objections recorded by the Municipal Clerk to the project was seven (7); these objections are the same ones referred to in the A.L. Gracie letter.

Under the Local Improvement Procedure and in accordance with provisions of the Municipal Act it is not possible to provide for an extension of time for receipt of objections to the proposed work. The Municipal Clerk's Certificate of Sufficiency contained a recommendation for Council to authorize the preparation of Local Improvement Construction By-laws for each of the surviving projects; this was approved by Council on 78 04 10.

The Local Improvement Project in question was initiated as a 4-block entity because we were concerned about the preservation of continuity of the street within the neighbourhood.

In the final paragraph of the A.L. Gracie letter there is an implication that the petition was denied because it contained the restricted limits of Kincaid to Forest. This is not so; the Municipal Clerk has duly recorded the objections submitted to the project as initiated and has therefore accepted the objections as put forth.

The work called for in this Local Improvement Project as accepted by the abutting owners and approved by Municipal Council should proceed.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT a copy of this report be sent to the petitioners.

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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CC - MUNICIPAL CLERK

- DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

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