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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 58

COUNCIL MEETING 1978 08 28

RE: LETTER FROM DEER LAKE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE 5776 BUCKINGHAM AVENUE, BURNABY CLOSURES OF SPERLING, CHISELHAMPTON, RUGBY AND HASZARD AT CANADA WAY

Appearing on the agenda for the 1978 August 28 meeting of Council is a letter from Mr. William Lindsay regarding "modifications now being considered to the blockades proposed and approved for Canada Way at Sperling, Chiselhampton, Rugby and Haszard Streets respectively. It will be recalled that the same matter was the subject of a delegation from Mrs. Dianne Steele on August 14th at which time Council passed the following motions:

- "1. THAT the matter of closing Rugby Avenue, Chiselhampton Street and Sperling Avenue be referred back to the Municipal Engineer for further consideration in light of the proposals presented to Council by the delegation representing the residents of the 5300 and 5400 Blocks Canada Way.
- 2. THAT all anticipated actions scheduled to be taken by the Municipal Engineer regarding this matter be deferred until such time as this report is brought before Council.
- 3. THAT this matter also be referred to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a report on the effect the proposed street closure will have regarding access to Deer Lake Park."

The Parks and Recreation Commission will not meet until 1978 September 06. It would be appropriate for the Commission to consider the recommendations as contained in the <u>attached</u> report from the Municipal Engineer at that time.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT the Municipal Engineer's recommendation to amend the total closure of Sperling, Chiselhampton, Rugby and Haszard Avenues at Canada Way to provide right-turn only egress at Sperling and Rugby Avenues be referred to the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and comment; and
- 2. THAT Mrs. Steele, Mr. Friesen and Mr. Lindsay be sent copies of this report; and
- THAT the concerns of the Gas Stations and of Mrs. Graham be resolved before the installation of these barricades is proceeded with; and
- THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Traffic Safety Committee for information.

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TO:

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM:

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

SUBJECT:

CLOSURES OF SPERLING, CHISELHAMPTON, RUGBY AND

HASZARD AT CANADA WAY.

The Engineering Department has reassessed the installation of barricades at the captioned locations, in view of the petition from the residents of the 5300 and 5400 blocks Canada Way. Under Section 147 of the Motor Vehicle Act a driver may cross a double solid line if he is entering or leaving a highway at a place other than an intersection "...if he has ascertained that he might do so with safety, and if he does so without in any way affecting the travel of any other vehicle...": These limitations on a west-bound vehicle entering a driveway on the south side of Canada Way would make it impossible to do so legally during most of the day, due to the traffic volumes on Canada Way.

A solution to this problem of access to these driveways would be to leave one, or more, of the barricades partially open so as to permit egress only. This coupled with a right turn only restriction would alleviate the problems anticipated by the signators of the petition presented by Mrs. Steele, while still maintaining the original intent of the barricades - i.e. restricting access to the neighbourhood.

An egress only at Rugby would serve the petitioners but could present other problems. As noted on the attached map there are several driveways, both to residential and commercial properties, west of this location which would still be inaccessible. Also it would seem likely that the traffic volumes on Gordon, Clayton and Rugby would increase due to neighbourhood traffic using this egress when eastbound.

We feel a better solution would be the installation of egress only barricades at both Rugby Street and at Sperling Avenue. The advantages of an egress only at Sperling are threefold:

- i. The neighbourhood would have direct vehicular access to the local commercial center fronting Canada Way;
- ii. Local traffic eastbound would have an alternative exit from the neighbourhood;
- iii. Traffic originating from Deer Lake Park heading eastbound could use this egress thereby reducing volumes on Buckingham Avenue.

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The total closures of Chiselhampton and Haszard should be maintained as the benefits from a partial closure at these locations would be minimal compared to the overall traffic safety benefits of a total closure.

The Engineering Department contacted Mr. John Friesen, a spokesman for the Buckingham area, to solicit his opinion on the above proposed modifications. Mr. Friesen agreed that these modifications to the original barricade proposal would not detract from their intent and would be of benefit to the local residents.

While investigating the concerns of the petitioners on the south side of Canada Way, we also contacted three other concerned parties who will be greatly affected by the proposed barricades. Chris Scott of the Deer Lake Shell Service Station has agreed to close the south access from Chiselhampton if we place the barricade between the two existing driveways on Chiselhampton, per attached sketch. The placement of the barricade in this location will not affect the intent of closure and will alleviate some of the problems that a barricade right at Canada Way would present to this service station.

Marie Graham, spokeperson for the property owner of 5219 Canada Way, has been contacted regarding the affect of barricades on this property and we will be meeting with her in the near future to resolve her concerns. The Manager of the Gas Station at Canada Way and Sperling has been contacted and we will be in consultation with the owner of this property regarding the location of the barricade on Sperling Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council's previous approval of the total closure of Sperling, Chiselhampton, Rugby and Haszard Avenues at Canada Way be amended to provide right-turn only egress at Sperling and Rugby Avenues.

2. THAT Mrs. Steele and Mr. Friesen be sent copies of this report.

3. THAT the concerns of the Gas Stations and of Mrs. Graham be resolved before the installation of these barricades proceeds.

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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Traffic Supervisor
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