

ITEM	14
MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	50
COUNCIL MEETING	1978 07 04

Re: LETTER FROM THE BRITISH COLUMBIA POLICE COMMISSION WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 1978 JUNE 26 MEETING OF COUNCIL (Item 4c)  
POLICE LOCK-UP STANDARDS

Appearing on last week's agenda was a letter from the British Columbia Police Commission regarding police lock-up standards. Following is a report from the Officer-in-Charge, Burnaby Detachment, R.C.M.P. in this connection.

Supt. Thomas has advised that he is arranging to check the Burnaby lock-up facilities to see how they fit with the standards that the B. C. Police Commission is talking about, and a further report will be submitted if necessary.

We agree with the recommendations in the report by the B. C. Police Commission, except we do not think that the plumbing should be changed to stainless at this time. We would change it when it becomes necessary in the future.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the B. C. Police Commission.  
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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER  
FROM: O. I/C BURNABY DET. R.C.M.P. 78 06 26  
RE: POLICE LOCK-UP STANDARDS

1. The letter dated 78 June 12 from the B.C. Police Commission refers.
2. Paragraph 3, which sets out certain findings, is a general summary and not directed at Burnaby as no on-site inspection was conducted here during the initial survey.
3. Establishing updated standards which are to apply to all lock-ups is not expected to cause serious concern where it refers to Burnaby. We do not have the stainless steel fixtures referred to, however, the existing porcelain type appear in good condition and would not be replaced unless other renovations were undertaken or cell facilities expanded. Our guards are located right in the cell area where they can reach each individual cell within a matter of steps, therefore, that part of our procedure cannot be challenged.
4. We do not have any reason to speak against forming the proposed committees, nor would I have any objection to an inspection.
5. Should it transpire that some expense must be incurred to correct deficiencies, we assume from the way the correspondence reads, sufficient lead time will be allowed. In your reply we should stress this phase so it is understood budgeting must be allowed for.

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O. i/c Burnaby Detachment