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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	10
COUNCIL MEETING	1978 02 06

Re: LETTER FROM SETON VILLA WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA  
FOR THE 1978 JANUARY 30 MEETING OF COUNCIL (Item 4h)  
PICK-UP AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE

Appearing on last week's agenda was a request from Mrs. Yvonne Cunningham, Administrator for Seton Villa, for information relative to the pick-up of refuse at this facility. Following is a report from the Municipal Engineer on this matter.

With reference to Mrs. Cunningham's comment on the assumed eventual extension of services to highrises, the previous Council decided to provide refuse service to strata title properties as a general budget charge; some strata title properties exist in the form of highrises but these are the only highrises that are now being served. Except for the rental of containers and billing for extra pickups, there are no other charges for this particular service.

Under the existing policy, it is not possible for the Municipality to provide Seton Villa with a container or pickup service as was requested in the correspondence.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mrs. Yvonne Cunningham.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER  
FROM: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER  
SUBJECT: LETTER FROM THE SETON VILLA ADMINISTRATOR  
REGARDING REFUSE PICK-UP.

Further to receiving the above letter, Mrs. Cunningham was contacted by telephone and the subject matter of the letter was discussed. The Company which is providing the service was also contacted and from these enquiries the following observations are made:

1. Seton Place has a refuse shredder which reduces the total volume of refuse but increases the weight. This usually results in a higher charge per container due to the increased cost of transportation and dumping charges.
2. The two 2½ cubic yard containers are rented, one of which is used for shredded refuse and the other for normal refuse. Furthermore, cardboard boxes are stored at a higher level near the kitchen area and are loaded directly into the top of the truck.
3. According to the Company providing the service, a minimum of 3 pick-ups per week are made and, most of the time, daily pick-up is necessary.
4. A Company spokesman stated that his charge for a normal pick-up is \$7.50 (Burnaby's cost per pick-up for 1977 was \$7.52) and the charge per pick-up for shredded refuse is \$16.00.

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To arrive at a monthly cost for Seton Place the following calculation was made, based on 3 pick-ups per week:

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3 x 52 pick-ups (shredded)	@ 16.00 =	2,496.00
3 x 52 pick-ups (normal)	@ 7.50 =	1,170.00
3 x 52 pick-ups (loose boxes)	@ 7.50 =	1,170.00
ANNUAL COST		\$4,846.00
MONTHLY COST		\$ 403.00

The Company spokesman stated that the monthly bill to Seton Place was \$224.00 and Mrs. Cunningham corroborated this statement. The contractor further stated that a reduced bill was being sent to Seton Place because its operation provided a community service for the benefit of senior citizens.

If Council were to provide "free" refuse service for Seton Place, we must assume that other establishments which cater to senior citizens would have to be considered; for the information of Council, we have prepared a summary of projected costs for providing this service. The Planning Department has prepared a list of senior citizen housing units and the total from Appendix "A", which is attached, is 3,162.

At present, Corporation forces pick-up approximately 3,346 strata title units at an annual average cost of \$35.00 per unit.

ESTIMATED COST FOR PICK-UP OF 3,162 SENIOR CITIZEN UNITS

Annual Operation Cost

1978 Figures 3,162 x 35.00 = \$110,670.00

Capital Cost

2 Front End Loading Refuse Trucks (1978 replacement costs)	\$136,000.00
1 Refuse Shuttle Vehicle (Jitney)	\$ 10,000.00
150 Containers @ 400.00	<u>\$ 60,000.00</u>
TOTAL CAPITAL COST	<u>\$206,000.00</u>

We should point out that we are fully cognisant of the fact that Mrs. Cunningham did not request "free" service; however, since present policy precludes us from providing commercial container service and since no Budget provision has been made for expansion of our refuse service to provide service such as that being requested, we felt that the above cost figures should be provided so that Council could consider all aspects of the written request.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Mrs. Cunningham be given a copy of this report.

  
MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

WMR:cc

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APPENDIX "A"

LIST OF SENIOR CITIZENS' BUILDINGS

PREPARED BY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

<u>SENIOR CITIZENS HIGH RISE</u>	<u>BUILDINGS</u>	<u>78 01 25 UNITS</u>
1. Seton Villa	1	252
2. Brentwood	1	264
3. Four-Square	1	117
4. Hall Tower 1	1	214
5. Hall Tower 2	1	110
6. New Vista	2	310
7. Salish Court	1	188
		<u>1,455</u>
 <u>LOW RISE</u>		
1. Stratford		96
2. Dania		89 Addition Only
3. Cedar Park 1		156
4. Cedar Park 2		209
5. Boundary/Burke		87
6. New Vista		295
7. Canada Way		224
8. Montecito		171
9. Dogwood Lodge		
10. Laurel/Linwood		71
11. Kalyk/Canada Way		42
12. Sussex/Rumble		93
13. 11th/Newcombe		68
14. 13th/4th Street		90
15. 15th/4th Street		16
		<u>1,707</u>
		<u>1,455</u>
	TOTAL UNITS	3,162