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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	36
COUNCIL MEETING	1978 05 08

Re: PROPOSED REVISION FOR THE SUB AREA
BETWEEN CAMERON AND SULLIVAN STREETS
COMMUNITY PLAN AREA "G"
(ITEM 8, MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S REPORT 4, 1978)

The attached report from the Parks and Recreation Administrator on proposed revisions for the sub-area of Area "G" between Cameron and Sullivan Streets contains recommendations that were adopted by the Parks and Recreation Commission on 1978 May 03.

As background, Council on 1978 January 16 referred the recommendations of the Planning Department report dated 1977 December 30 on the proposed revisions to the Area "G" sub-area to the Advisory Planning Commission for study and comments. Council at that time also directed that a copy of this sub-area report be forwarded to the Burnaby Public Library Board and the Parks and Recreation Commission. Council members have received a communication from the Chief Librarian that the Burnaby Public Library Board received the report at its meeting held on 1978 February 09. The Advisory Planning Commission has not yet replied but it is expected that a submission will be made to Council soon after the Advisory Planning Commission meeting scheduled for 1978 May 18.

The Planning Department should be requested to comment on the recommendations submitted by the Parks and Recreation Commission and on any submission of the Advisory Planning Commission in the light of the initial report of 1978 January 16 to Council. The recommended course of action for Council to take is to further consider the proposed sub-area revisions on the basis of a complete package of materials.

Copies of sketches 6, 7 and 8 are attached.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the report of the Parks and Recreation Administrator be tabled at this time on the understanding that the report would be lifted from the table once the submission of the Advisory Planning Commission is received and on the further understanding that Council would then have the opportunity of evaluating the proposed sub-area revisions on a comprehensive basis at that time; and
2. THAT the Parks and Recreation Commission be advised accordingly.
3. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Burnaby Public Library Board.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1978 MAY 04

FROM: PARKS AND RECREATION ADMINISTRATOR

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(Item 8, Municipal Manager's Report 4, 1978)

At its meeting of 1978 February 01, the Parks and Recreation Commission received a copy of the above report referred by Council, and requested staff comments. The Commission again dealt with this matter at its meeting of April 19 and agreed to recommend Alternative #1 (Sketch 6) for use as a guideline for the completion of Community Plan Area "G" for the sub area between Cameron and Sullivan Streets.

In making this decision, the Commission almost exclusively addressed itself to the question of the amount of traffic to be generated on Cameron Street in front of the proposed recreation centre and at the corner of Cameron and Reese extended; both of which are seen as critical areas for the many pedestrians whom it is assumed will be using the centre. Points such as the following were considered by the Commission:

1. Sketch 6 would put the main traffic flow on Beaverbrook Drive extension, which is at the rear of the centre and could be well-buffered from the centre site. This is a desirable situation.
2. Sketch 6 would allow all mall traffic exiting to the North Road to proceed across Cameron Street on a direct flow through Reese, with all the turning movements to take place at the Reese-Beaverbrook intersection at the rear of the centre site. This will eliminate hundreds of turning movements at the critical Cameron-Reese corner. This is desirable.
3. Sketch 8 would have all traffic, whether it be local, through or mall, flow through and be involved in turning movements at the critical Cameron-Reese corner. This is not desirable.
4. Sketch 8 would probably channel traffic equally onto Beaverbrook and Cameron, thus providing heavy traffic flow on three sides of the centre site. This is undesirable.
5. In Sketch 8, by dividing the traffic equally along Beaverbrook and Cameron, it is anticipated that there would eventually be a further escalation of traffic on Cameron where because of the existing 800 homes congestion already exists with speeding problems, etc., which are difficult to control. The Commission believes that changes to the road pattern in this area should be designed in such a way as to lower the level of traffic and attendant problems on Cameron Street; because once the Library/Recreation Centre is constructed we expect a heavy pedestrian traffic flow including many children to be using the area immediately fronting the centre on Cameron.

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Between Cameron and Sullivan Streets - Cont'd.

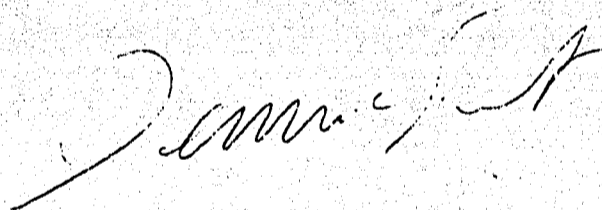
6. As pointed out in the Planning Department's portion of the captioned Manager's report, the Beaverbrook extension to North Road would reduce traffic on Cameron Street west of the mall and also on Noel Drive south of Beaverbrook Drive. This is desirable.
7. As shown in Sketch 7, the widening of Cameron Street to fourteen metres (46') would make the street less desirable for pedestrians.
8. The suggested alignment of Beaverbrook in Sketch 7 would result in the area to the west of the Library/Recreation Centre being divided. Since the possible use of this area for the provision of additional park facilities is currently under discussion between Parks and Planning staff, Alternative 7 is not recommended.

The Commission would therefore recommend the rejection of Alternatives 2 (Sketch 7) and 3 (Sketch 8); and the adoption of Alternative 1 (Sketch 6).

The Commission also discussed the desirability of retaining the Reese Street connector between Beaverbrook and Sullivan, as shown on Sketch 6, as a pedestrian and bicycle path, rather than a developed road for automobile use. The Commission would also recommend this point for Council's consideration.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

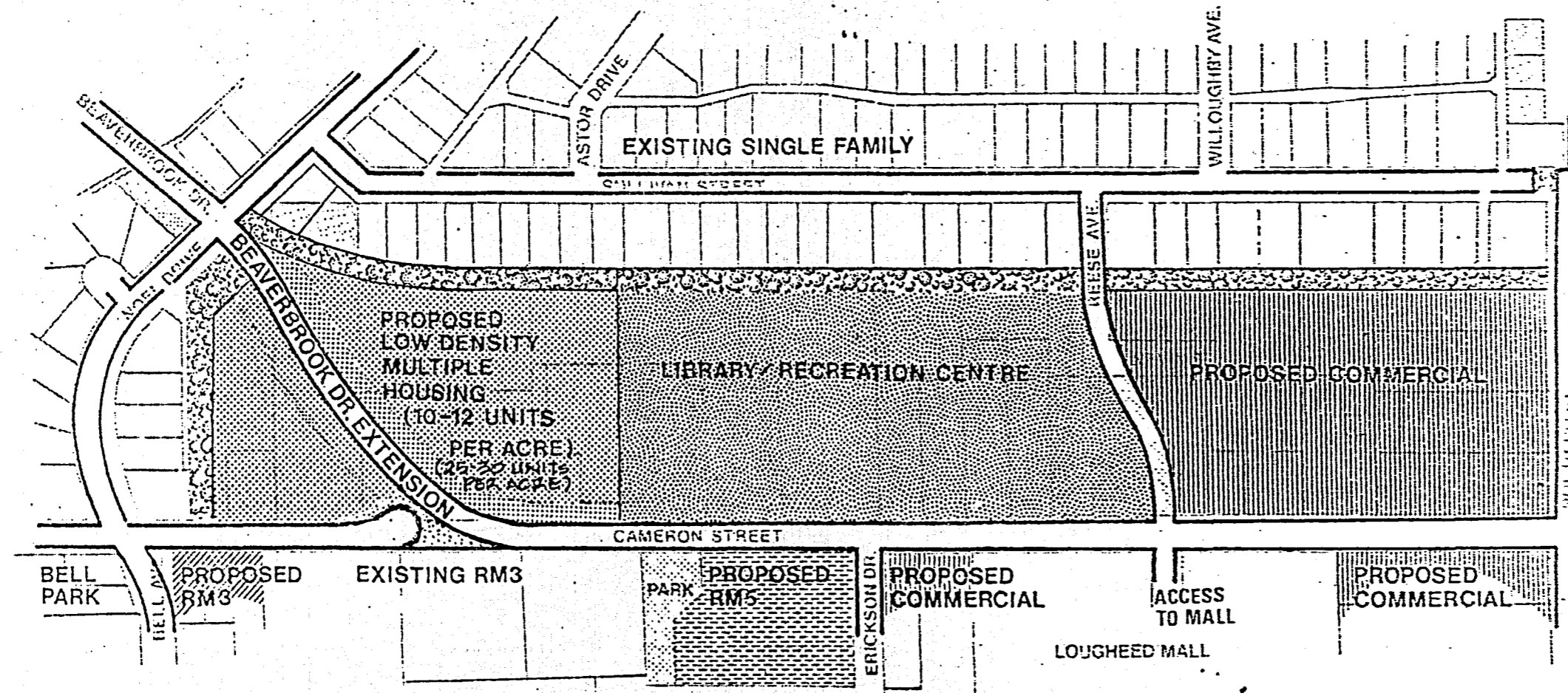
1. THAT Council approve Alternative #1 (Sketch 6) for use as a guideline for the completion of Community Plan Area "G" for the sub area between Sullivan and Cameron Streets.
2. THAT Reese Street be closed to vehicular traffic from Beaverbrook to Sullivan Street.



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Revised Community Plan - Alternative 2

CAMERON/SULLIVAN/NORTH/NOEL (PART OF AREA "G")



MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP
 SCALE: 1" = 150'

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SKETCH 7