

1979 MARCH 12

A regular meeting of the Municipal Council was held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Monday, 1979 March 12 at 19:00 h.

PRESENT: Mayor T.W. Constable, In the Chair
Alderman G.D. Ast
Alderman D.P. Drummond
Alderman A.H. Emmott
Alderman B.M. Gunn
Alderman D.A. Lawson
Alderman D.M. Mercier
Alderman F.G. Randall

ABSENT: Alderman W.A. Lewarne

STAFF: Mr. M.J. Shelley, Municipal Manager
Mr. E.E. Olson, Municipal Engineer
Mr. A.L. Parr, Director of Planning
Mr. J.G. Plesha, Administrative Assistant to Manager
Mr. James Hudson, Municipal Clerk
Mr. B.D. Leche, Deputy Municipal Clerk

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT Alderman W.A. Lewarne be granted leave of absence from the Council Meeting this evening."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

W E L C O M E

His Worship, Mayor Constable, welcomed members of the First Burnaby Boy Scout Troop and their Leader to the Council Meeting this evening. His Worship expressed the wish that the Boy Scouts would find the Council Meeting interesting and informative.

M I N U T E S

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 1979 March 05 came forward for adoption.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:

"THAT the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 1979 March 05 be now adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D E L E G A T I O N

The following wrote requesting an audience with Council:

Concerned Parker-Curtis Residents Committee
W.J. Bell,
Re: Rapid Increase Of Traffic -
Deteriorating Conditions Of Parker
And Curtis Streets - Submission Of
Petition
Spokesman - Mr. W.J. Bell

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the Delegation be heard."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. William J. Bell, speaking on behalf of the concerned Parker-Curtis Residents Committee, then addressed Council on the subject of the deteriorating conditions of Parker and Curtis Streets. The following is the text of Mr. Bell's address:

"The Committee would like to present to Council the anxiety felt by the Parker and Curtis Street residents. During the past few years the residents have been faced with an ever increasing traffic problem. From conversations the Committee has had with residents and also from input of a public meeting there is indication that occasional approaches to the Municipal Hall and the R.C.M.P. concerning specific situations achieved very little success.

First, we would like to acquaint Council with the background of our being here tonight. The first input came when the Neighbourhood Improvement Program was introduced in the Willingdon Heights area. A questionnaire was circulated throughout the area to find out what the concerns of the residents were, the results indicated that one of the major items was traffic and its associated problems.

During the latter part of 1978, residents from outside the boundaries the Neighbourhood Improvement Program area residing on Parker and Curtis heard that the NIP Committee was involved with Parker Street problems. Later the NIP Committee and these other residents formed the new Committee. The group through discussions decided on a public meeting which was held in December of 1978. This was attended by approximately 150 residents as well as members of the Transportation Committee. It should be pointed out that this was done on three days notice just prior to the Christmas Holidays.

In late January and February the Committee circulated a petition amongst the residents of Parker and Curtis. The petition is in our opinion, very simple and straight forward. It states as follows, 'We, the undersigned residents of Parker/Curtis Street and adjacent areas, hereby petition Council to initiate a study of the deteriorating traffic condition on Parker/Curtis Street. Further, until such time as these are completed and a solution to the increasing traffic volume determined, no proposed physical changes take place that would increase the volume of traffic, nor should there be any installation of traffic signals or stop signs, either mechanical or otherwise.'

The petition represents over 300 homes on Parker, Curtis and adjacent streets which works out to 72 percent of all residences. It should be stated that at approximately 7 percent of the homes there was no answer and the remainder disagreed with the petition. The primary concern expressed was that traffic control signals should be installed at Duthie and Curtis.

It was the Committee's intent to present a substantial amount of statistics concerning Parker and Curtis but we feel that the Municipality has sufficient data to provide an accurate picture of the situation. It would be correct for the Committee to state that between the years 1971 and 1977, a small space of six years, the traffic has doubled. Using these two periods, there was a better than 30 percent increase in traffic accidents even though there were significant changes in the traffic control measures such as the installation of traffic signals at Parker and Willingdon in mid 1971 and Curtis and Sperling around 1974 - 75. Further, four-way stops were installed at Parker and Holdom in September 1973, and Gilmore and Parker in 1976.

The Committee took the 1977 average weekday traffic volumes as produced by the Municipality in January 1978, which shows 12,100 vehicles between Willingdon and Holdom. We have been further advised the traffic flow east and west bound on Gagliardi Way, just west of the University intersection, carried 11,000 vehicles per day. This is composed of 7,200 vehicles going to and coming from the University and 3,800 commuters.

Taking the 12,100 vehicles per day and subtracting 5,000 that used Parker during the morning and evening rush hour, each based on a two hour period and taking 400 vehicles using the street between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m., this left a figure of 6,700 vehicles using the street for fifteen hours. This amounts to an average of one vehicle every 8 seconds. During the rush hour, the traffic rate rises to one vehicle every 2.14 seconds. The figures for the early morning hours averages 1 vehicle per every 45 seconds.

The residents have justifiable grievances ranging from pollution to safety. Normally, homeowners enjoy the pleasure of being able to open the windows and doors of their home in the summer time but due to the constant noise and dirt generated by the heavy traffic volume, some residents feel that this is no longer possible. Even with doors and windows closed, residents complain of outside dust and noise infiltrating their environment. Double glazed windows prove ineffective against the noise pollution. Other

pleasures that come with better weather such as gardening, backyard bar-b-que, or just over the fence conversation have to compete with the constant roar of traffic.

Try planting a bed of flowers in the median of the Trans Canada Highway and you will see what it is like working in the front yard of your home on Parker or Curtis. Or, consider yourself an elderly person, living adjacent to a four-way stop where two collectors intersect, working in your garden until the fumes get so heavy you have to go inside. Normal life functions such as greeting or bidding farewell to company, calling children or simply acknowledging a distant neighbour's greeting are sometimes impossible.

Every resident of Burnaby should be able to have free and easy access and egress to their property or side street but the residents of Parker and Curtis that have their driveway entering onto the street have considerable difficulty to get off their property during peak periods. Residents that live on Blaine Place, Yorston Court, and find it difficult to leave their street to go to work or to shop during the heavy traffic periods. Try to get across two lanes of back-up traffic when there is only one legal traffic lane. We have received comments concerning lanes being used as a by-pass of traffic congestion from the residents in the 4400 and 4500 blocks. Surely the residents should not have to be surrounded by heavy traffic volume.

Residents who have lived on the street for an exceptionally long time are appalled at having to pay twice to have their street improved and then face an unbearable traffic situation. Put yourself in the plight these long term residents of Burnaby face just to cross their street. Also consider the other side of the scale, the children that have to cross this arterial route to go to school every day. It is not uncommon to see mothers escorting their children to school. It has been stated that children are not given the right of way when attempting to cross Parker on their way to school and in fact the motorist use their horn to emphasize their right to the road. In the area of the Junior High Schools there are no designated crossings so students cross anywhere they wish sometimes testing the drivers' patience.

Council has just approved the expenditure of \$185,000 to improve Willingdon Heights Park yet has Council given consideration to the children that will be crossing this busy street to go to the only playground in the Willingdon Heights area?

The Committee's views of this arterial corridor are as follows:

1. Parker and Curtis provide reduced travelling time in comparison with Hastings Street and the Lougheed Highway. Until this is changed traffic will continue to avoid the use of these other arterial routes.
2. The barricading of other residential neighbourhoods such as Brentwood, Springdale and Sullivan Heights has thrown additional traffic onto Parker and Curtis.
3. The heavy traffic conditions on Parker are starting to affect the immediate parallel streets, thus the arterial core could intrude further into the neighbourhood.
4. Parker and Curtis has limited development in that besides homes there is only recreational facilities, schools and churches. The four commercial establishments are on north/south collectors abutting Parker and Curtis.
5. The taxpayers' money is being wasted by not having the north/south collectors and arterials perform their full function of carrying traffic to the main arterial routes.
6. Development of the north eastern section of Burnaby and the municipalities to the east will add additional traffic onto this route. Other considerations to be taken into account would be the proposed multiplex and further increases in student enrolment at Simon Fraser University.

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A solution of the problems faced by the residents we represent would be for the Municipality to approach the Provincial Government regarding a cost sharing arrangement for the construction of the Hastings-Gaglardi Way connector. Further, consideration should be given to other known methods of traffic movement as an interim measure to take effect as soon as possible.

In closing, we would request, rather than referring this matter to the Transportation Committee, that is now overburdened with many major transportation problems, that Council consider issuing a directive to Municipal Staff to initiate the study immediately."

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the Engineering and Planning Departments bring forward a preliminary report on the subject of the traffic conditions on Curtis/Parker Streets as outlined in Mr. Bell's submission."

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:

"THAT this matter be referred to the Transportation Committee for consideration."

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Aldermen Ast and
Randall

B Y - L A W S

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT

'Burnaby Waterworks Regulation By-law 1953, Amendment By-law 1979' -#7330
be now introduced and that Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider and report on the By-law."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the Committee now rise and report the By-law complete."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council reconvened.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the report of the Committee be now adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT

'Burnaby Waterworks Regulation By-law 1953, Amendment By-law 1979' -#7330
be now read Three Times."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT

- 'Burnaby Zoning By-law 1965, Amendment By-law No. 5, 1979' -#7317
'Burnaby Lease Authorization By-law No. 3, 1979' -#7329

be now Reconsidered and Finally Adopted, signed by the Mayor and Clerk and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT all of the following listed items of correspondence be received and those items of the Municipal Manager's Report No. 20, 1979 which pertain thereto be brought forward for consideration at this time."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- a) Dale Lawrence and Margaret C. Lawrence
Re: Protest Heavy-Handed Action Of Council In
Putting Forward A Proposal For Improvements
To Rumble Street

A letter dated 1979 March 01 was received protesting the action of Council in initiating a local improvement project on Rumble Street from Boundary Road to McKay Avenue without prior notification to the property owners concerned.

The writers were of the opinion that the only people who will benefit from these scheduled improvements will be the commuters who live in Vancouver, Burnaby and New Westminster and who are using Rumble Street as a high speed express way to get to and from work or shopping.

Item 16, and Item 19, Municipal Manager's Report No. 20, 1979 March 12, pertaining to this subject, were brought forward for consideration at this time.

The following are the recommendations contained in each of these reports:

Item 16

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Dale and Margaret C. Lawrence, 4005 Rumble Street, Burnaby, B.C., V5J 1Z7.
2. THAT a copy of this report and the letter from Dale and Margaret C. Lawrence be sent to the Traffic Safety Committee for information.

Item 19

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Dale and Margaret C. Lawrence, 4005 Rumble Street, Burnaby, B.C., V5J 1Z7.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Traffic Safety Committee for information.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:

"THAT a copy of Item 16 and Item 19, Municipal Manager's Report No. 20, 1979 March 12 be forwarded to the Transportation Committee for action."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A vote was then taken on the original Motion as MOVED by Alderman Randall and SECONDED by Alderman Mercier "THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted", as amended, and same was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b) Eileen Dailly, M.L.A., Burnaby North
Re: Urban Transit Authority Act

A letter dated 1979 February 27 was received acknowledging receipt of the Burnaby Council's Motion re endorsement of the Greater Vancouver Regional District's Motion on the supplementary letters patent pursuant to the Urban Transit Authority Act.

Mrs. Dailly thanked Council for sending her a copy of their Motion and advised that she completely endorsed the Motion passed by the Burnaby Council on the Urban Transit Authority Act.

- c) School District No. 41 - Burnaby
Secretary-Treasurer
Re: Proclaim Applicable Sections Of Bill 82,
Colleges And Provincial Institutes Act, So
As To Remove The Financing Of Regional Colleges
And Provincial Institutes Through Taxation Of
Land And Improvements In The Province.

A letter dated 1979 March 02 was received advising that the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 41 - Burnaby, at their regular meeting on 1979 February 27, had adopted the following Motion:

"THAT the Government of the Province of B.C. request the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to proclaim the applicable sections of Bill 82, Colleges and Provincial Institutes Act, so as to remove the financing of Regional Colleges and Provincial Institutes through taxation of land and improvements in the province;

AND that the Honourable W.R. Bennett, Premier of the Province of British Columbia; the Honourable W. Vander Zalm, Minister of Municipal Affairs; and the Honourable P.L. McGeer, Minister of Education, Science and Technology, be advised of this Board's action;

AND further, that a copy of this resolution with a request for endorsement be forwarded to the Mayor and Council of the Corporation of the District of Burnaby."

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN AST:

"THAT this Council endorse the aforementioned Motion of the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 41 - Burnaby, and that the Minister of Education, Science and Technology, the Provincial Premier, the three Burnaby M.L.A.'s, the Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition, the Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of British Columbia, the Leader of the Liberal Party of British Columbia, and the executive members of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, be so advised."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- d) Greater Vancouver Weavers And Spinners Guild,
Burnaby Study Group, Leader
Re: Definitely In Agreement With The Retention
Of Loftus House

A letter dated 1979 February 27 was received advising that the Burnaby Study Group of the Greater Vancouver Weavers and Spinners Guild was definitely in agreement with the retention of Loftus House and strongly supported efforts made to save this and other similar houses for use of groups such as the Greater Vancouver Weaver and Spinners Guild.

Item 14, Municipal Manager's Report No. 20, 1979 March 12, pertaining to this subject, was brought forward for consideration at this time.

The following are the recommendations contained in that report:

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1. THAT the letter from Doris M. Crookall be referred to the Planning Department for consideration together with the other submissions that have been made on the proposed uses for the "Loftus" house.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Doris M. Crookall, 3746 Eton Street, Burnaby, B.C., V5C 1J2.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- e) Jessie Walsh
Re: Do Something About The Lane Just
East Of Boundary Road And North
Of Albert Street

A letter dated 1979 March 01 was received requesting that something be done about the lane just east of Boundary Road and north of Albert Street. It is about 30 feet of deep ruts and mud. There are three houses that use the lane and it is inaccessible to delivery men and visitors. When there are games on at the Forum, no one can get near us.

Council was advised that a staff report on this subject would be available on 1979 March 19 and further consideration of the matter was deferred until that time.

- f) DMR Applied Management, Executive Search Consultant
Re: Our Executive Search Division Is Both Active
And Capable In Professional Recruitment

A letter dated 1979 February 27 was received advising that the Executive Search Division of DMR Applied Management is both active and capable in professional recruitment and possesses an intimate knowledge of the municipal sphere.

If the Municipal Personnel Department is typical, it is capable of dealing with regular requirements but is hard pressed to find the time required for a senior level search. Only rarely is it called on to find a Department Head or Senior Administrator. In contrast, DMR Applied Management is continuously working at this level.

DMR Associates would be pleased to discuss their methods and fees in greater detail at Council's request.

- g) Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Executive Director
Re: FCM Membership Fees 1979 - 1980

A letter dated 1979 March 01 was received enclosing an invoice for the Municipality of Burnaby's fees for membership in the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for the 1979 - 1980 fiscal year which begins on 1979 April 01.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN AST:

"THAT Council grant the necessary authority to pay the Municipality's fees for membership in the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for the 1979 - 1980 fiscal year."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- h) Burnaby Residents' Joint Council, Chairman
Re: Concern Of The Traffic congestion And Traffic
Problems If The Proposed Multiplex Stadium Is
Constructed On The Pacific National Exhibition
Site

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A letter dated 1979 March 04 was received bringing Council's attention to the concern of the Burnaby Residents' Joint Council relative to traffic congestion and traffic problems likely to be facing Burnaby if the proposed Multiplex Stadium is constructed on the Pacific National Exhibition site.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN GUNN:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:

"THAT the Greater Vancouver Regional District be requested to carry out a location and marketing study in regards to the proposed Multiplex and/or Stadium complex."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN EMMOTT:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the City of Vancouver be requested to advise as to those measures that they intend to adopt to improve the traffic situation in the vicinity of the Pacific National Exhibition and what plans they would have to carry out further improvements in the event that the Multiplex were erected."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- i) Burnaby Residents' Joint Council, Chairman
Re: Resist Rezoning Applications That Would
Further Reduce The Acreage Remaining As
Agricultural Land

A letter dated 1979 March 04 was received advising that the topic of agricultural land in Burnaby had been discussed at the February meeting of the Burnaby Residents' Joint Council.

It was noted that the last available agricultural land in our municipality lies within the area known as the Big Bend and that this area was ideally suited for that purpose. It was further noted that the zoning in the area was gradually reducing the size of the area zoned for agricultural purposes.

The production of food for future generations will be of the utmost importance, therefore, the Burnaby Residents' Joint Council urged the Municipal Council to resist rezoning applications that would further reduce the acreage remaining as agricultural land.

It was unanimously agreed that staff would provide the Burnaby Residents' Joint Council with full information concerning the planned future of agricultural lands in the Big Bend area.

- j) Capitol Hill Community Hall Association, Secretary
Re: Convey A Complaint And A Suggestion Regarding
The 22 percent Stipend Increase Of Council

A letter dated 1979 February 27 was received advising that the membership of the Capitol Hill Community Hall Association had debated the question of Council Indemnities and had unanimously agreed that an arbitration board should be assigned the job of finalizing the stipend settlement of Council members. A similar board should be used to moderate senior levels of governments, who can be equally incompetent about the subject matter of their own remuneration.

The suggested structure for this board would be a Council advocate, a Judge, and a taxpayer's advocate, elected at large for just this job. Remuneration of board members would be a responsibility of the Province.

It seems wrong in principle for public representatives to be in the unique position of having the final say in the amounts of their own stipends. The self-evaluation of public service is rarely without flattering exaggeration. An arbitration mechanism would give the taxpayers some assurance that objective caution has been exercised.

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MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN GUNN:

"THAT a letter be sent to the Capitol Hill Community Hall Association advisint them that Council supports in principle, their concerns that a different method be found to determine the stipend of elected officials."

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Aldermen Drummond
and Emmott

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT a copy of the correspondence from the Capitol Hill Community Hall Association and the aforementioned Motion be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- k) East Burnaby Minor Baseball Association, Secretary
Re: Permission To Hold Annual Tag Day On
Saturday, 1979 May 05.

A letter dated 1979 February 28 was received requesting permission for the East Burnaby Minor Baseball Association to hold their Annual Tag Day on Saturday, 1979 May 05 to help raise funds for minor baseball in the East Burnaby area.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN AST:

"THAT permission be granted to the East Burnaby Minor Baseball Association to carry out their fund raising campaign as requested."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- l) Willingdon Heights Neighbourhood Improvement Program
Resident Committee, Chairperson
Re: The Adverse Traffic Conditions That Exist In The
Neighbourhood - Some Streets Noted As Particular
Problems Were Parker, Gilmore, Douglas, Union and
Pender

A letter dated 1979 March 05 was received drawing Council's attention to the adverse traffic conditions that exist in the neighbourhood.

The results of a questionnaire that was circulated in early 1978 indicated that traffic problems in the neighbourhood are of major concern. Public meetings conducted by the Neighbourhood Improvement Program Committee and questionnaires circulated in the Neighbourhood Improvement Program area confirm many residents are deeply concerned with the impact of traffic on the area. The major comments on traffic issues were concerned with parking problems, traffic noise and problems with through traffic volume. Some streets noted as particular problems were Parker, Gilmore, Douglas, Union and Pender. The Neighbourhood Improvement Program Resident Committee formed a sub-Committee and called a meeting of the residents of Parker/Curtis Street, from Boundary Road to Burnaby Mountain. From this meeting, it was clearly shown that the residents of Parker/Curtis shared the problems and deep concerns resulting from the increased heavy volumes of traffic.

The Neighbourhood Improvement Program Residents Committee and the Concerned Parker/Curtis Residents Committee are united in pursuing these problems. In the case of the Neighbourhood Improvement Program Resident Committee, we are also looking at traffic problems on other streets in our area.

It was requested that Council advise the Willingdon Heights Neighbourhood Improvement Program Resident Committee as to what action Council will take to improve the traffic problems in the area.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN AST:

"THAT this item of correspondence be referred to the Traffic Safety Committee and to the Transportation Committee for consideration."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- m) Burnaby Ladies Pipe Band, Director
Re: Tag Days on Friday and Saturday,
1979 April 06 and 07
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A letter dated 1979 March 04 was received requesting permission for the Burnaby Ladies Pipe Band to hold Tag Days on Friday and Saturday, 1979 April 06 and 07.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT permission be granted to the Burnaby Ladies Pipe Band to hold their Fundraising campaign as requested."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- n) Mr. and Mrs. B. Kerr, 5511 Rugby Avenue
Mr. and Mrs. J. Kielmann, 5416 Rugby Avenue
Mr. and Mrs. B. Bentley, 5406 Rugby Avenue, 1979 March 04
Re: Express Our Thanks For Blocking Off
Rugby Avenue At Canada Way
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- o) Maureen Edwards, 1979 March 04
Re: Thank Council For The Action Taken In
Blocking Off Sperling Avenue And
Buckingham Avenue To General Traffic
-
- p) T. Hermansen, 1979 March 04
Re: Newly Erected Gate At Canada Way And
Sperling Avenue Makes The Street Much
Quieter
-
- q) Stephanie Friesen, 1979 March 06
Re: Express Sincere Thanks As A Mother And
Resident For The Erection Of The
Barricades On Sperling Avenue
-
- r) Mrs. C.N. Tredger, 1979 March 06
Re: Dramatic Decrease In The Amount Of
Automobile Traffic Passing Along Our
Street
-
- s) Mr. and Mrs. N.R. Wood, 1979 March 07
Re: Appreciate The Closure Of Sperling
Avenue To Outside Traffic
-
- t) Mrs. A. Chiminello, 1979 March 07
Re: In Favour Of Blockade On Sperling
Avenue And Canada Way
-
- u) Beatrice G. Hunter, 1979 March 06
Re: Closure Of Sperling Avenue At Canada
Way Has Resulted In A Much Appreciated
Peace And Quiet
-
- v) Elaine M. Stubson, 1979 March 05
Re: Express Approval Of The Sperling
Road Closure
-
- w) Tanya And Cal Rosen, 1979 March 07
Re: Thank You For Setting Up The Blockade
At Sperling Avenue And Canada Way
-
- x) D.S. Hunter, 1979 March 06
Re: Closure Of The Intersection Of Sperling
Avenue And Canada Way - The Resultant Peace
And Quiet Is Unbelievable
-

- y) Pat Rideout, 1979 March 06
Re: Appreciate The Changed Traffic Pattern
On Buckingham Avenue
- z) M. Moser, 1979 March 05
Re: Thank You For Passing Approval To Erect
The Final Barricades At Canada Way And
Sperling Avenue
- aa) Gary Moser, 1979 March 07
Re: Express Gratitude For Approving The
Installation Of Barricades Along Canada Way
- bb) Mrs. M.N. Lindsay, 1979 March 06
Re: Positive Attitude Towards Solving Traffic
Problems Faced By Deer Lake Area Residents
Much Appreciated
- cc) Norma Byron And E.J. Byron, 1979 March 06
Re: Appreciation For Your Action And Good
Judgement In Erecting The Barricade At
Sperling Avenue And Canada Way
- dd) Mrs. Gaynor M. Fox, 1979 March 07
Re: Support And Endorse The Blockades Recently
Placed In The Deer Lake Area
- ee) Blythe Eagles, 1979 March 06
Re: Decision To Block Sperling Avenue Has
Served To Lessen Markedly The Hazard Of
Accidents At Sperling And Buckingham Avenues
- ff) Marjorie E. McKay, 1979 March 06
Re: Thank You For Support Of A Solution To
The Commuter Traffic Problem Of The Sperling
Avenue - Buckingham Avenue Area
- gg) Lynn Osborne, 1979 March 06
Re: Deer Lake Area Barricades - Congratulate
Council Fully For Their Decisive Action
In Resolving The Horrendous Commuter
Problem
- hh) T. Mills And D.A. Mills, 1979 March 06
Re: Full Endorsement Of The Barricade Program
- ii) Mrs. R.W. Healey-Ogden, 1979 March 06
Re: Pleased And Grateful That Traffic Is Taking
The Canada Way Route To Burris Instead Of
Buckingham Via Sperling
- jj) June D. Tancowny, 1979 March 06
Re: Appreciation For Decision Which Will Help
Traffic Situation In Our Neighbourhood
- kk) Mrs. Patricia Watson, 1979 March 06
Re: Congratulate On Recent Action Regarding Sperling
Avenue At Canada Way Barricade
- ll) Peter Watson, 1979 March 06
Re: Commend Firm Action Regarding Sperling
Avenue And Canada Way Blockade
- mm) Amelia Alarie, 1979 March 06
Re: Express Sincere Appreciation For Blockade
On Sperling Avenue And Canada Way
- nn) Fritz And Margarete Holl, 1979 March 07
Re: Express Thanks For Action Taken To Barricade
Sperling Avenue At Canada Way
- oo) Iris Schwenneker, 1979 March 05
Re: Complaint Regarding Barricades In The
Buckingham, Deer Lake Area

- pp) Mrs. C.R. Shank, 1979 March 03
Re: Protest The Proposed Barricade Of
Sperling Avenue And Canada Way
- qq) James Sorenson, 1979 March 04
Re: Express Strong Disapproval Over The
Closing Of Sperling Avenue At Canada Way
- rr) Mrs. Milinda Los, 1979 March 06
Re: Why Was Sperling Avenue Closed Before We,
Who Are Against This Closure, Were Given
The Opportunity To Appear?
- ss) Mrs. B. Foxhall, 1979 March 07
Re: Opposed To Closing Sperling Avenue At
Canada Way

Correspondence items n) to ss) inclusive, dated as shown, were received in connection with the recently installed barricades in the Sperling Avenue/Buckingham Avenue area.

T A B L E D M A T T E R

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:

"THAT the following Motion as MOVED by Alderman Drummond and SECONDED by Alderman Gunn, concerning a different system of financing education costs, tabled on 1979 January 02, be now lifted from the table:

'THAT the Provincial Government of British Columbia be requested to develop a different system of financing education costs which will provide for a reduction in the proportion of school costs borne by local taxpayers.

THAT annual reductions beginning in 1979 be phased in over as short a period as possible until the Provincial Government assumes seventy-five per centum of the costs of the public school system.

THAT this resolution, if endorsed, be forwarded to the:

Minister of Education, Science and Technology, The Honourable P.L. McGeer;
Provincial Premier, The Honourable W.R. Bennett;
Mrs. E.E. Dailly, M.L.A., Burnaby North;
Mr. Raymond Loewen, M.L.A., Burnaby-Edmonds;
Mr. E.N. Veitch, M.L.A., Burnaby-Willingdon;
The Leader Of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition, The Honourable David Barrett;
The Leader Of The Progressive Conservative Party of British Columbia;
The Leader Of The Liberal Party Of British Columbia;
The Executive Members Of The Union Of B.C. Municipalities;

AND the correspondence of 1979 January 08 and attachment from the Deputy Minister of Education, Science and Technology, in reference to an analysis of the 1979 Provisional Budget filed by School District No. 41 (Burnaby)!"

A vote was then taken on the aforementioned Motion and it was CARRIED with Alderman Mercier OPPOSED.

E N Q U I R I E S

Alderman Randall

Alderman Randall, relative to illegal fourplexes, enquired if the fact that four furnaces were installed in a new duplex structure was not a clear indication that it was planned to convert that duplex structure into an illegal fourplex.

His Worship, Mayor Constable, replied that the requirements of zoned heating often necessitated the installation of more than one furnace even in a single family dwelling.

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Alderman Lawson

Alderman Lawson drew Council's attention to a letter dated 1979 March 07 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities concerning recent decisions of the Supreme Court of British Columbia and the British Columbia Court of Appeal in the Royal Anne Hotel and Saito-vs-Village of Ashcroft and suggested that the Municipal Solicitor supply Council with his comments on this subject.

It was agreed that the Municipal Solicitor be requested to furnish Council with his comments in this regard.

Alderman Lawson also noted that in a release in a local newspaper on 1979 February 28, the new President of the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce had made derogatory remarks concerning the Burnaby Council and enquired if the President of the Chamber of Commerce had contacted His Worship, The Mayor, re specific concerns.

His Worship, Mayor Constable, advised that he would be meeting with the President of the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce within the next week or two at which this matter would be discussed.

Alderman Gunn

Alderman Gunn requested information on the present status of the Burrard Inlet Marine Park relative to the railway crossing and the filling operations west of Texaco.

It was agreed that the Director of Planning would provide Council with an updated status report on this project.

Alderman Emmott

Alderman Emmott enquired as to when Beresford Street east of Royal Oak Avenue would be widened.

The Municipal Engineer advised that the construction of Beresford Street just east of Royal Oak Avenue could be proceeded with almost immediately.

R E P O R T S

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT Council do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Municipal Manager presented Report No. 20, 1979 on the matters listed following as Items 1 to 19, either providing the information shown or recommending the courses of action indicated for the reasons given:

1. Chevron Canada Limited
Refinery Expansion Program
Updated Status Report

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Director of Planning regarding the modernization and expansion program at the Chevron Canada Refinery in North Burnaby.

The modernization and expansion project which was approved in principle by Burnaby Municipal Council on 1974 January 14, has proceeded basically according to the originally stated plan and the majority of the elements of that plan have been completed and are operating satisfactorily. Significant improvements have been made in the control of emissions and effluent from the refinery and the construction facilities needed to accomplish these environmental goals is largely complete. The Oil Company has not yet expanded to the maximum throughput capacity that was contemplated in the expansion program due to a lack of sufficient market demand to justify construction of a new crude unit together with the attendant additional support facilities. The major objective related

to site boundary definition and landscaping improvements have been accomplished and the Company has proceeded with acquisitions and transfer of properties related to the approved greenbelt/buffer concept.

Monitoring results, according to the Greater Vancouver Regional District and the Provincial Ministry of Environment - Pollution Control Branch, demonstrate that the pollution control objectives that were established as a condition of Council's approval are being achieved and surpassed in actual operation, and monitoring/inspection will be continued in order to assure that these improved operating standards are maintained.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT the report of the Director of Planning be received for information purposes.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Vacant Service Station Site
Southwest Corner of Lougheed Highway
and Sperling Avenue

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Chief Public Health Inspector concerning a complaint that a large pile of used tires are visible on the site of a closed down service station at Lougheed Highway and Sperling Avenue.

The Chief Public Health Inspector reported that as a result of action taken by his department, an inspection of the premises on 1979 February 28 revealed that the tires had been removed and the timbers preventing entry to the property had been anchored.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT the report of the Chief Public Health Inspector be received for information purposes.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Canadian Diabetic Association Bike-A-Thon
on 1979 May 06

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Municipal Engineer concerning a request from the Canadian Diabetic Association for approval to conduct a bike-a-thon in Burnaby on Sunday, 1979 May 06.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the modification in the route of the Canadian Diabetic Association Bike-A-Thon subject to the conditions contained in the original approval.
2. THAT the applicant and the City of Vancouver Engineering Department be sent copies of this report.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:

"THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Engineer's Special Estimate

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Municipal Engineer concerning a special estimate of work for his department in the total amount of \$7,500.00.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT the estimate as submitted by the Municipal Engineer be adopted.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Letter from the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce
Which Appeared on the Agenda for the 1979 March 05
Meeting of Council
Restaurant Facilities in Industrial Areas

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Director of Planning concerning the establishment of restaurants in industrial zones in the Municipality.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Burnaby Chamber of Commerce.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Letter from Mrs. L. deGraaf Which Appeared on the
Agenda for the 1979 March 05 Meeting of Council
Tree Preservation and Unsightliness of Premises
and A Park Ravine

The Municipal Manager provided reports from the Parks and Recreation Administrator and the Chief Public Health Inspector concerning the above subject.

The Parks and Recreation Administrator reported as follows:

"Mrs. deGraaf's property abuts Gray Creek Ravine Park. The present policy for the maintenance of the south slope Ravine Parks is as follows:

1. Regular checks on main water course for removal of obstructions.
2. Removal of any trees considered dangerous which abut private property, trails, etc.

Otherwise, ravines are left in their natural condition and present policy and budget do not allow for removal of trees and ground covers for any other reasons."

The Chief Public Health Inspector reported that an inspection of the area reveals that Mrs. deGraaf's statement is quite correct in that we did locate an unused, collapsed chicken shelter that certainly constitutes a contravention of the Unsightly Premises By-law 1969, By-law #5533.

We are proceeding with the elimination of this unsightly condition and unless difficulty is encountered in finalizing the matter, we will not be submitting a further report.

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The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mrs. L. deGraaf, 7990 Gray Avenue, Burnaby, B.C., V5J 4A1, and that an accompanying letter advise that she will be forwarded a copy of the report on tree preservation following its consideration by Council in the future.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Subdivision Reference #52/78
Cost Sharing for Municipal Lots

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Director of Planning regarding a proposal for a sharing of costs involving the provision of services to Subdivision Reference No. 52/78 and Municipal lots.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council authorize the expenditure of \$164,815.76 from the Land Development Fund as the Corporation's share of costs in the above noted development.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Subdivision Reference #52/78
Restrictive Covenant
Rear Yard Setback

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Director of Planning regarding a restrictive covenant for Subdivision Reference No. 52/78.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council authorize the execution of a restrictive covenant pursuant to Section 24A of the Land Registry Act, as more particularly described in the Director of Planning's report.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Burrard Inlet Odour - 1979 January 01
Council Enquiry

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Chief Public Health Inspector regarding an odour adjacent to Burrard Inlet which occurred on 1979 January 01.

The Chief Public Health Inspector reported on the delay which had been encountered in dealing with this request and outlined steps that had been taken to expedite the handling of air pollution complaints in the future.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

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1. THAT the report of the Chief Public Health Inspector be received for information purposes.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Sale and Removal of a Municipal House
4028 Norland Avenue, Burnaby
Lot 2, D.L. 79, Group 1, Plan 23459, N.W.D.

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Municipal Solicitor regarding the sale and removal of a Municipal house on the subject property.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT the bid received from Mr. Hans Kienitz in the sum of \$7,500.00 be accepted and that Council ratify our action in notifying Mr. Kienitz to proceed with removal of the residence at this time.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Letter from Mr. Monty Thomas Which Appeared on the Agenda for the 1979 February 26 Meeting of Council
Letter from Mr. M. Kaburda Which Appeared on the Agenda for the 1979 March 05 Meeting of Council
Request for Information on Criminal Activity in Areas Immediately Adjacent to Various Drinking Establishments in Burnaby

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Officer in Charge, Burnaby Detachment, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, on the subject requests for information on crime activity.

The Officer in Charge reported as follows:

"We have stated previously that we cannot extract from our records the type of statistics asked for. The two letters now again ask for the same basic information, therefore, we will attempt once more to clarify what we formerly related. The areas for which statistics are asked include 'statistics in crime before and after establishment of the Public Houses, etc.' and 'to compare the half mile radius of crime activity around the Hotels as well as the Neighbourhood Pubs and compare it to any other half mile radius area which does not have drinking establishments'. We had stated earlier that even if it was possible to eventually gather statistics of that type, the many variables could distort analysis for comparison."

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Monty Thomas, 250 Duthie Avenue, Burnaby, B.C., V5A 2P2.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. M. Kaburda, 7278 Ridge Drive, Burnaby, B.C., V5A 1B5.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN DRUMMOND:

"THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. Deer Lake Boat Rental Concession

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Parks and Recreation Administrator regarding an agreement to provide for the continuation of a boat rental service at Deer Lake Park.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT Section 1 of the Agreement between the Corporation of the District of Burnaby and Shirley Fisher be amended to read: "The Corporation, in consideration of the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars per year...etc."
2. THAT Council authorize the renewal of the Agreement, as amended, for a further period of 3 years terminating on 1982 May 31.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. Letter from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crosgrove Which Appeared on the Agenda for the 1979 February 26 Meeting of Council Request for a Curfew

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Officer in Charge, Burnaby Detachment, Royal Canadian Mounted Police concerning a suggestion that a curfew be adopted by the Municipality in response to increasing vandalism.

The R.C.M.P. have advised that a Member of the Detachment will visit with Mr. and Mrs. Crosgrove to discuss their suggestion with them in greater detail and to answer any questions that they may have. If Mr. and Mrs. Crosgrove are receptive to this proposal, arrangements for a visit will be made following Council's consideration of this report.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crosgrove, 8042 - 18th Avenue, Burnaby, B.C., V3N 1J8.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. Letter from Doris M. Crookall
3746 Eton Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5C 1J2
The "Loftus" House

This Item was dealt with previously in the meeting as Item 4d) under Correspondence and Petitions.

15. Letter from Mr. Kenneth K. Au Which Appeared on the Agenda for the 1979 March 05 Meeting of Council Request for Reimbursement of a Towing and Storage Charge

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Officer in Charge, Burnaby Detachment, Royal Canadian Mounted Police on a request from Mr. Kenneth K. Au for reimbursement of a towing charge resulting from the impoundment of his vehicle.

By way of clarification, the R.C.M.P. have assumed the responsibility for the payment of the \$15.00 storage charge. Mr. Au, in fact, has already been notified that he will be reimbursed for this amount. The \$10.00 towing charge, however, is not subject to reimbursement by the R.C.M.P. It is suggested that Mr. Au contact I.C.B.C. to determine if

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this particular amount is recoverable under the Insurance coverage that he carries with that agency.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. Kenneth K. Au, 4646 Union Street, Burnaby, B.C., V5C 2Y3.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN LAWSON:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. Letter from Mr. Dale Lawrence
4005 Rumble Street, Burnaby, B.C., V5J 1Z7
Improvements to Rumble Street

This Item was dealt with previously in the meeting as Item 4a) under Correspondence and Petitions.

17. Youth Services Division

The Municipal Manager reported that he was in receipt of a letter from the Administrative Assistant to the Deputy Attorney-General dated 1979 March 02 advising that the question of funding for the Youth Services Division is now being actively considered by the Provincial Government. Because the letter is very positive in nature, there will be considerable merit in waiting for a while longer before any further action is taken on this matter by the Municipality.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN MERCIER:

"THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

18. Willingdon Heights Neighbourhood Improvement Programme
Residential Street Tree Planting Project (Part 1)

The Municipal Manager provided a report from the Director of Planning concerning the Residential Street Tree Planting Project (Part 1) in the Willingdon Heights Neighbourhood Improvement Programme.

The Municipal Manager recommended:

1. THAT Council approve the proposed Tree Planting Programme in the Willingdon Heights Neighbourhood Improvement Programme Area.
2. THAT Council authorize an expenditure of the Municipal share of the project, \$9,009.00 under the terms of the Willingdon Heights Neighbourhood Improvement Programme.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:

SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Manager be adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

19. Improvements to Rumble Street
Boundary Road to McKay Avenue

This Item was dealt with previously in the meeting as Item 4a) under Correspondence and Petitions.

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MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the Committee now rise and report."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council reconvened.

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN RANDALL:

"THAT the report of the Committee be now adopted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY ALDERMAN AST:
SECONDED BY ALDERMAN EMMOTT:

"THAT the Council now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole 'In Camera'."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY