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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	20
COUNCIL MEETING	79 03 12

Re: YOUTH SERVICES DIVISION

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

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REPORT

A. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to give Council a current status on the proposed re-establishment of a Youth Services Division in Burnaby.

This matter has been considered by Council on a number of occasions. It has not been satisfactorily concluded, however, because a commitment has never been made by the Provincial Government with respect to funding.

B. BACKGROUND

On 1977 October 17, Council adopted the following recommendations in connection with its deliberations on the Youth Services Division:

- "1. THAT approval in principle be given to the re-establishment of the Youth Services Division under the jurisdiction of the Burnaby Police Services Department, subject to 50% funding being received under the Canada Assistance Plan; and
2. THAT an application be made to the Chief Technical Negotiator, Federal-Provincial Cost Sharing, Ministry of Human Resources for approval of this program to be funded under the Canada Assistance Plan, with an operating grant of 50% of salaries, benefits and travelling costs."

On 1978 January 30, Council was advised that the Ministry of the Attorney General has expressed an interest in providing funds for the Youth Services Division subject to the condition that funding would be made over a three year period if the Municipality thereafter carries "the programs forward". Mr. Richard H. Vogel, Deputy Attorney-General, at that time suggested by telephone that the municipality's application for funding under the Canada Assistance Plan should be allowed to proceed, and if funding is eventually received under this plan, an adjustment can easily be made to the formula under which funding would be provided by the Provincial Government. Council on January 30 accordingly adopted the following recommendation:

"THAT an application be made to the Ministry of the Attorney General for funding of the Youth Services Division, subject to the understanding that it is the Municipality's intention to exercise all reasonable efforts to continue the program following any future cessation of funding from the Provincial Government, and subject to the further understanding that appreciation must be given to the fact that future municipal councils may take a different position on the Division."

On 1978 April 20, we were advised by the Director General of the Canada Assistance Plan that:

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"We have completed our review of the information describing the services to be offered by this Agency and I am pleased to advise that it is eligible for listing under Schedule "B" to the Canada Assistance Plan Agreement for the provision of a counselling service to eligible clientele. I note however that this service is not as yet operational and staff have not been hired. We will be pleased to proceed with listing of this Agency when the service as described has been put into effect."

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C. CURRENT STATUS

As noted in the attached letter to the Municipal Manager from the Administrative Assistant to the Deputy Attorney-General dated 1979 March 02, the question of funding is now being actively considered by the Provincial Government. Because the letter is very positive in nature, there would be considerable merit in waiting for a while longer before any further action is taken on this matter by the Municipality.

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Dear Mr. Shelley:

Re: Youth Division Project

After your telephone call to me on February 27 I discussed the funding of this project with both Mr. Vogel and Mr. Krasnick.

As I indicated to you we are as anxious as you to have this program funded. An application for funding is presently with the Minister of Education. Mr. Vogel has written to Dr. McGeer stressing that he is anxious for the matter to proceed and would like to discuss it. He has also asked the Attorney-General to assist by urging the Minister of Education to approve the funding application.

As soon as we have any encouraging news we will let you know.

Yours truly,

Joanne Palmer (Mrs)  
Administrative Assistant

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cc. R. D. Seath