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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	53
COUNCIL MEETING	1979 08 13

RE: LETTER FROM MR. JAMES G. LORIMER, M.L.A.  
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, VICTORIA, B.C.  
TRIANGULAR AREA BOUNDED BY BOUNDARY AVENUE, GRANDVIEW HIGHWAY  
AND TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY NO. 1  
(ITEM 7, REPORT NO. 44, 1976 JUNE 28)  
(ITEM 7, REPORT NO. 62, 1976 OCTOBER 04)  
(ITEM 13, REPORT NO. 1, 1977 JANUARY 10)  
(ITEM 3, IN-CAMERA REPORT NO. 65, 1978 SEPTEMBER 18)

Appearing on the agenda for the 1979 August 13 meeting of Council is a letter from Mr. James G. Lorimer, M.L.A. for Burnaby-Willingdon, regarding the impact of major traffic arterials surrounding the subject residential enclave.

It would be appropriate for a copy of this report to be sent to Mrs. Thelma Bishop, the owner and resident of a property at 3729 Grandview Highway, who on a number of occasions has contacted members of Council, staff and representatives of the Provincial Government in regard to this matter. In fact, Council received a letter from her on 1978 July 17. This was followed by an In-Camera Report which Council received on 1978 September 18 (Item 3, In-Camera Report No. 65). Following are the two recommendations that were adopted by Council on that occasion:

- "1. THAT the Municipality defer any consideration of land acquisition for land assembly and redevelopment purposes in the area bounded by the Trans Canada Highway 1, the Grandview Highway and Boundary Road until it receives assurance from the Ministry of Highways that provincially-owned lands in the enclave would be made available for land assembly without cost to the Municipality.
2. THAT Council authorize representations to be made to the Ministry of Highways and Public Works requesting the agreement mentioned in Recommendation #1."

The last report that Council received on the area in question has been loosely inserted in each Alderman's envelope for convenient reference.

A current status on the matter is contained in the attached report from the Director of Planning.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. James G. Lorimer, M.L.A., Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., and to Mrs. Thelma Bishop, 3729 Grandview Highway, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1A4.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER  
FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING  
SUBJECT: CORRESPONDENCE FROM MR. JAMES G. LORIMER  
MLA FOR BURNABY-WILLINGDON  
TRIANGULAR AREA BOUNDED BY BOUNDARY AVENUE,  
GRANDVIEW HIGHWAY AND TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY NO. 1

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

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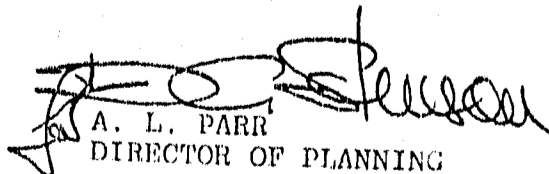
Appearing on the agenda for the 1979 August 13 meeting of Council is an item of correspondence from Mr. Lorimer, conveying a letter received by him from The Honourable A.V. Fraser, Minister of Transportation, Communication and Highways, concerning the Ministry's position on acquisition of properties in the referenced area.

Council will recall that the Municipality has entertained proposals to engage in a land acquisition program involving this sub area, in light of the traffic conditions which isolate this area from the larger residential neighbourhood of which it was once a part.

In the past, we have received little assistance from the various agencies or levels of senior governments with respect to improvements or redevelopment of this area. The B.C. Development Corporation some years ago declined to assist the Municipality in any tangible way to acquire lands and implement proposals to redevelop the area for light industrial purposes, but indications were given that the Development Corporation might be prepared to assist in expediting the transfer of any Highways' land to the Municipality.

Council has authorized staff to pursue contacts with the Ministry of Highways in this regard, and with the evident support of Mr. Lorimer in this regard, staff will now renew efforts through the Ministry of Highways and the B.C. Development Corporation to secure their cooperation in pursuing a land assembly and property transfer initiative in this area which would be presented to Council for consideration as an ultimate resolution to the problems in this area.

Renewed contact with these authorities will be pursued immediately.

  
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DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

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cc: Municipal Engineer