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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 38
COUNCIL MEETING 1979 05 14

RE: LETTER FROM IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED
475 WEST GEORGIA STREET, VANCOUVER, B.C. V6B 4M8
CLOSED DOWN SERVICE STATION SITES

Appearing on the agenda for the 1979 May 14 meeting of Council is a letter from Mr. S. A. Ruocco, Sr. Accounts Executive for the Imperial Oil Limited, regarding service station sites. <u>Attached</u> is a report from the Director of Planning on this matter

Attached is a copy of a letter which the Deputy Municipal Clerk sent to Imperial Oil Limited and three other firms on 1979 March 22. This is the first reply that has been received.

It will be noted that the reply from Mr. Ruocco advises that his firm is aware of the impact of closed down service stations in Burnaby, but does not make reference to whether or not his firm will periodically inspect such stations to ensure that they remain in a presentable state of cleanliness and repair, as was requested by Council.

Members of staff are aware of their responsibility to cooperate with firms who seek alternative uses for properties on which closed down service stations are situated, and will continue to work with applicants in this regard whenever development plans are submitted.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT Imperial Oil Limited, Gulf Oil Canada Limited, Texaco Canada Limited and Chevron Canada Limited be requested to reply in writing as to their intentions regarding Council's desire for periodic inspections of closed down service station sites in Burnaby to ensure that they are maintained in a state of cleanliness and repair that is not detrimental to the neighbourhoods in which they are located; and
- 2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. S. A. Ruocco, Sr. Accounts Executive, Imperial Oil Limited, 475 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 4M8

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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 38

COUNCIL MEETING 1979 05 14

PLANNING DEPARTMENT 1979 May 08

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TO:

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM:

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

SUBJECT:

CORRESPONDENCE FROM IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED CLOSED DOWN SERVICE STATION SITES

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

REPORT

Appearing on the Council Agenda for 1979 05 14 is a letter from Mr. S.A. Ruocco, Sr. Accounts Executive, Imperial Oil Limited, in reply to Council's request for cooperation from the oil companies in maintaining closed down service station sites in a state of cleanliness and repair that would not be detrimental to the neighbourhood in which they are located.

Mr. Ruocco's letter seems to deal with the subject of disposal and redevelopment of oil company properties, but does not address itself to the matters of site cleanliness and repair or appearance, which were the subject of Council's concern.

For information, certain of the sites listed by Mr. Ruocco have experienced redevelopment, while others are in the process of redevelopment, and still others remain in a vacant condition without evident redevelopment activity. The sites identified under items i) and j) (Lougheed and Holdom, Lougheed and Sperling respectively), have been the subjects of recent Council consideration: in the former case, staff have worked with the applicant to achieve a basically acceptable plan of development which is presently awaiting comment from the Ministry of Transportation, Communications and Highways before being advanced to Council; in the latter, no application for rezoning has been received and the site may be involved in a future overpass of the Burlington Northern Railroad, dependent upon the design alignment which is selected.

Mr. Ruocco's letter does not appear to make any statement with respect to Council's request for cooperation from the oil company in ensuring a satisfactory standard of on-going maintenance and upkeep on the various closed down Imperial Oil sites which remain vacant.

This is for the information of Council.

A. L. Parr
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

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cc: Municipal Clerk

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1979 March 22

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Imperial Oil Limited 475 West Georgia Street Vancouver, B.C. V6B 4M9

Gulf Oil Canada Limited 1075 West Georgia Street Vancouver, B.C.

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Dear Sir:

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Texanc Canada Limited 1177 West Hastings Street Vancouver, B.C. V6E 2K3

Chevron Canada Limited 1050 West Pender Street Vancouver, B.C. **VBE 357**

Re: Closed Down Service Station Sites

During the meeting of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the District of Burnaby on 1979 March 19 concern was expressed at the appearance of some of the closed down service station sites in the Municipality that are owned by various oil companies.

I was directed by Council to request the co-operation of the oil companies concerned in making periodic inspections of the sites in question to ensure that they are maintained in a state of cleanliness and repair that is not detrimental to the neighbourhook in which they are located.

Yours truly,

B.D. Leche DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

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