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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	30
COUNCIL MEETING	1979 04 17

RE: 1979 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Following is a report from the Municipal Engineer on five projects that are proposed for inclusion in the 1979 Local Improvement Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Municipal Engineer be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 79 04 10
FROM: MUNICIPAL ENGINEER
SUBJECT: 1979 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the five projects forming the subject of this report be approved for construction and that the appropriate Construction Bylaws be brought forward.

REPORT

At the Council Meeting of 79 04 09, the Municipal Clerk presented a Certificate of Sufficiency for this Program. In this Certificate were five projects which were lacking in one of the two criteria required for project defeat by abutting property owners. They were:

- Project #78-023 - Grimmer Street from Royal Oak Avenue to eastern property line of east half of Lot 16.
- Project #78-024 - Parker Street from Boundary Road to Douglas Road.
- Project #78-037 - Lane Street from Royal Oak to Kingsway.
- Project #78-042 - MacPherson Avenue from Rumble Street to south property line of Lot 42.
- Project #78-043 - Gilley Avenue from Kingsway to Rumble Street.

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Council directed that these projects be referred to the Municipal Engineer for comments on the relative desirability of proceeding with them in spite of having only one of the two criteria satisfied. 189

As a general comment applying to all five projects, they are in commercial or industrial areas; road and drainage maintenance and/or parking problems team up to present a generally messy appearance and a steady drain on the maintenance budget.

Specific comments on each project are:

Grimmer Street - Project #78-023

This street has moderately deep unsightly ditches and is in a built-up commercial area. Parking is presently occurring in the ditches but this would be properly controlled if curbs were installed. Finishing the street would also clean up the boulevard area. The remainder of Grimmer is already built to a finished standard.

Lane Street - Project #78-037

The section of this street between MacPherson and Kingsway is particularly unsightly with messy ditches and illegal occupation of the boulevard areas with junk. The whole street has untidy ditches resulting in poor drainage; they have to be cleaned constantly because of the flat grades. Throughout the project there is indiscriminate parking on the boulevard area; the Traffic Section has received many complaints concerning the illegal boulevard parking, most especially at the Royal Oak end of the street.

MacPherson - Project #78-042

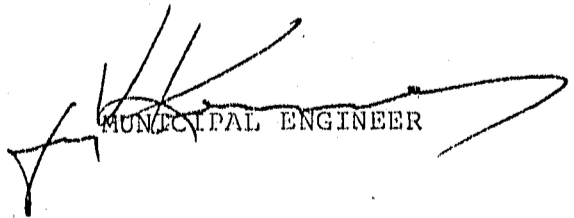
MacPherson is a collector street and is presently built to finished standard from Beresford to the north end of this particular project. This would be the only portion that would not be finished to the appropriate collector standard between Rumble and Beresford.

Gilley - Project #78-043

This street is primarily a commercial street between Kingsway and Rumble. It has very heavy traffic use and it would be highly advisable to finish it to allow proper and safer use of the street. Proposed channelization at Kingsway would allow for a two-lane approach at Kingsway which in turn would relieve some of the congestion on left turns during rush hours.

Parker - Project #78-024

This street is in an industrial area badly in need of upgrading to a finished standard. Illegal double parking and occupation of the boulevard for the purpose of carrying on business are continual problems which are almost impossible to control effectively without the finished standard of street.


MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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