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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	34
COUNCIL MEETING	1979 04 30

RE: LETTER FROM MR. F. A. ARMSTRONG, 7893 STANLEY STREET, BURNABY, V5E 1V7,
WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 1979 APRIL 17 MEETING OF COUNCIL (ITEM 4k)
BARRICADES - SPERLING AVENUE AND CANADA WAY

Appearing on the agenda for the 1979 April 17 meeting of Council was a letter from Mr. F. A. Armstrong regarding barricades at Sperling Avenue and Canada Way. Following is a report from the Director-Fire Services on this matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the report of the Director-Fire Services be received for information purposes.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. F. A. Armstrong, 7893 Stanley Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5E 1V7.
3. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Traffic Safety Committee.

1979 April 24

Fire Department

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: DIRECTOR-FIRE SERVICES

SUBJECT: LETTER FROM MR. F.A. ARMSTRONG, 7893 STANLEY STREET, BURNABY, B.C.
BARRICADES - SPERLING AVENUE AND CANADA WAY AREA

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REPORT

BACKGROUND

Under correspondence and petitions, regular Council Meeting, 1979 April 17, a letter was received from Mr. F.A. Armstrong in which he expressed concern at the delay encountered by a fire truck proceeding to a fire or related incident in the Edmonds area, it being the opinion of Mr. F.A. Armstrong a prime factor in the delay could be traced to the recent street closures on Sperling Avenue and Canada Way.

A subsequent search of our incident reports, coupled with Mr. F.A. Armstrong's inability to recall the date of the incident has failed to unearth or pinpoint any further information. However, in view of Mr. F.A. Armstrong's expressed concern coupled with our experience to date since the road closures were implemented the following observations are submitted for Council's information:

The gate located at Sperling Avenue and Canada Way does not present an insurmountable problem in our response to Deer Lake and the adjacent area.

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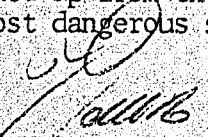
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It should also be noted from the Victoria Day to Labour Day, a trained lifeguard is on duty.

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The Operational Division of Burnaby Fire Department have encountered a decided increase in traffic density travelling eastward on Canada Way, especially during the evening rush. As a consequence to which, an area giving cause for concern is the Rayside and Canada Way section where the road curves to the right with its attendant limited vision. This, when related to the need for emergency vehicles to travel the westbound lanes to circumvent the sometimes stationary traffic backed up from the traffic control lights at Burris Street and Canada Way, creates a most dangerous situation.


T.G. Nairn
DIRECTOR-FIRE SERVICES

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