ITEM 16 MANAGER'S REPORT NO. COUNCIL MEETING 1979 09 04

RE: SITE OF REZONING REFERENCE #38/77A BOSA BROS. CONSTRUCTION LTD. FIRE DAMAGED HOUSE AT 3776 ALBERT STREET

Following is a report from the Director of Planning regarding the demolition of a house that is situated on property that is being proposed for development relative to Rezoning Reference #38/77A.

The fire has been clearly established as the work of an arsonist. It was reported to the Fire Department at 32 minutes after midnight on Saturday, August 25. There were no injuries.

The fire was preceded by a party which resulted in a number of complaints to the R.C.M.P. The attending officer was told by a person who identified himself as the tenant that the owner had given him permission to have a "demolition party". This was subsequently denied by Mr. Carlos Bosa, one of the owners.

As Council will recall, it is policy in dealing with rezoning applications to not permit demolition prior to Third Reading. However, in light of the extenuating circumstances that exist in this case, it was necessary for the Chief Building Inspector to deviate from the policy and issue a demolition permit in accordance with the order that the Fire Department gave to the owners for this to be done. It is accordingly seen as being appropriate for Council to now ratify the action that was taken by the Chief Building Inspector in this regard.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council ratify the action of the Chief Building Inspector regarding the issuance of a permit to demolish the remains of a fire damaged dwelling at 3776 Albert Street prior to Third Reading being given to Rezoning Reference #38/77A

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

TO:

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

1979 August 29

FROM:

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

Our File: 02.264

SUBJECT:

SITE OF REZONING REFERENCE #38/77A

BOSA BROS. CONSTRUCTION LTD.

FIRE DAMAGED HOUSE AT 3776 ALBERT STREET

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT this report be received for information purposes.

REPORT

At the 1979 August 27 meeting of Council, the Planning Department reported (Item 17, Manager's Report No. 57) that demolition permits for sites in the rezoning process are not normally issued until after Third Reading of a rezoning bylaw.

This report was written in response to a letter from J. Walsh requesting that demolition of the five remaining dwellings not be permitted until Council has dealt with the rezoning.

During the last week one of the dwellings has been damaged by fire and the Chief Fire Prevention Officer has served a secure or demolish order to the owner and has recommended that the owners be required to demolish and remove the building as it is impractical to secure it against trespass.

The Chief Building Inspector has issued a demolition permit for the fire damaged dwelling at 3776 Albert Street.

Director of Planning

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cc: Chief Fire Prevention Officer Chiaf Rudlding Inchartan

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