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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 75
COUNCIL MEETING 1979 11 05

Re: LETTER FROM BRENTWOOD RACQUETBALL CLUB WHICH APPEARED ON THE
AGENDA FOR THE 1979 OCTOBER 22 MEETING OF COUNCIL (Item 6g)
CLASS "A" LIQUOR LICENCE (L.L.A. #7/79)
BRENTWOOD RACQUETBALL CLUB
5502 LOUGHEED HIGHWAY

On the agenda for the 1979 October 22 meeting of Council was a request from Mr. Baz Nagle, Secretary of the Brentwood Racquetball Club, for a liquor licence. Following is a report from the Director of Planning on this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendations of the Director of Planning be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER PLANNING DEPARTMENT
FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING 1979 November 01
SUBJECT: CLASS "A" LIQUOR LICENCE (L.L.A.#7/79)
BRENTWOOD RACQUETBALL CLUB
5502 LOUGHEED HIGHWAY

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council resolve to approve the Class "A" liquor licence request for the Brentwood Racquetball Club; and
2. THAT Council's resolution be forwarded to the General Manager of the Liquor Control & Licensing Branch in Victoria, B.C., subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) Prohibition of signage visible from the Lougheed Highway that advertises the liquor lounge area.
 - (ii) That the lounge area be restricted to members and guests of the Brentwood Racquetball Club and not available to the general public.

REPORT

1.0 INTRODUCTION:

The applicant has requested Municipal Approval of a Class "A" liquor licence for the 100-seat lounge area situated within the recently constructed racquetball facility.

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In consideration of two recent items of correspondence requesting Council Approval of Class "A" licences for the above-referenced facility and the restaurant lounge in the adjacent bowling alley, Council on 1979 October 22 adopted the following recommendations:

"THAT a further report on each of the two requests for Class "A" liquor licences be submitted when comments from the relevant departments are obtained.

THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to Mr. Baz Nagle, Secretary, Brentwood Lanes Ltd., 5502 Lougheed Highway, Burnaby, B.C., V5B 2Z8."

3.0 GENERAL COMMENTS:

- 3.1 The subject racquetball facility was recently constructed pursuant to Rezoning Reference #7/78 which coincided with the expansion and renovation of Brentwood Lanes. The Club has approximately 2,000 members, all of whom are permitted to bring guests to the facility. The complex consists of 10 racquetball courts, 2 whirlpools, 2 saunas and the lounge area. The lounge area will be located on the second level of the building overlooking the racquetball courts, include 100 seats and it is proposed to dispense alcoholic beverages on weekdays from 11:00 h to 01:00 h, Friday/Saturday from 11:30 h to 01:30 h and Sunday from 12:00 h to 22:00 h.

Use of the lounge area will be restricted to club members and bonafide guests who must access through the private club entrance on the ground floor.

- 3.2 Pursuant to Council's recommendation as outlined above, the Planning Department has contacted all relevant Municipal Departments, the Burnaby Detachment of the R.C.M.P., and the Ministry of Transportation, Communications and Highways. No objections to the proposal were raised by any of the Municipal Departments or the R.C.M.P. The Ministry of Transportation, Communications and Highways has no objection provided that exterior signage visible from the Lougheed Highway that may advertise the lounge be prohibited.

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3.3 Council will recall that approval was recently granted to the Class "A" licence request for the 75-seat lounge located within the Burnaby Racquets Club at 2654 Eastbrook Parkway. However, Council's resolution was subject to the condition that the lounge would be open only to members of the Burnaby Racquets Club and their guests, and not to the general public. This condition was required in view of problems that were encountered with the Class "A" facility within the Columbian 4-Rinks regarding control of patronage and Sunday drinking. In this regard, the 4-Rinks facility was open to the general public without membership and allegedly functioned as a public drinking establishment similar to a neighbourhood pub without any direct association with the recreational activities.

Relative to this concern, the Planning Department does not anticipate that this problem will arise in the proposed lounge area since the Brentwood Racquetball Club is private and requires membership as outlined in the applicant's letter of 1979 October 15 which is attached. However, consistent with the approval of the Burnaby Racquets Club and the intent of the liquor legislation, Council's resolution should be subject to the condition that the lounge will be open to members of the Club and their guests, and not to the general public.

4.0 CONCLUSION:

In view of the foregoing information, this Department considers that the proposed liquor facility is a bonafide ancillary activity of the Brentwood Racquetball Club. No objections have been raised by the various Municipal Departments, the R.C.M.P. or the Ministry of Transportation, Communications and Highways. Furthermore, the racquetball facility has been developed in accordance with the applicant's recent rezoning request wherein the land use aspect has been appropriately assessed and parking, access and circulation has been suitably provided.


A. L. PARR
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

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Attachment

cc: Ministry of Transportation,
Communications & Highways
O.i/c., R.C.M.P., Burnaby Detachment
Fire Prevention Officer
Chief Public Health Inspector
Chief Building Inspector
Municipal Engineer

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Mayor Thomas W. Constable and
Members of the Council,
Burnaby Municipal Hall,
4949 Canada Way,
Burnaby, B.C.
V5G 1M2

Dear Sirs and Madam:

Re: Brentwood Lanes Ltd., Brentwood Racquetball Club

The purpose of this letter is to seek the approval of the Municipality of Burnaby for the operation of a Class "A" Recreational Licence in that portion of the recreational complex operated by Brentwood Lanes Ltd. known as the Brentwood Racquetball Club.

Approval in principal has been received from the Liquor Control and Licencing Branch for the operation of a 100 seat lounge located in recently constructed facilities adjacent to the bowling alley facilities and the Branch will approve the licence requested upon the approval of the Municipality of Burnaby. Also, the Fire Marshall and the Health Inspector have already approved the proposed lounge area.

At the present time, the Club has 2,000 members, all of whom may bring guests to the racquetball complex. It consists of 10 racquetball courts, 2 whirlpools and 2 saunas. The bowling and racquetball facilities used by approximately 7,000 persons per week makes this one of the largest recreational centres in the Province of British Columbia.

The proposed hours of sale in the lounge area are, weekdays 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., Friday and Saturdays 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. and Sundays 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m. There is a full dining room and snack bar in the Brentwood Lanes recreational complex.

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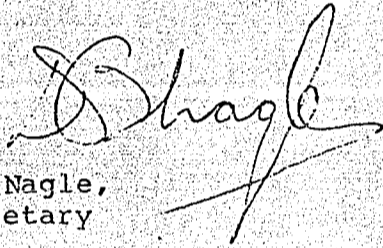
The lounge area to be known as the "Centre Court Lounge" is for the relaxation of those persons who are using the racquetball facilities available.

We therefore seek your approval in this request which will provide greater convenience and comfort for many of those persons who use our racquetball facilities.

Yours very truly,

BRENTWOOD RACQUETBALL CLUB

Per:



Baz Nagle,
Secretary