RE: LETTER FROM MR. W. J. BELL WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 1979 APRIL O2 MEETING OF COUNCIL ITEM 3(d) HASTINGS STREET EXTENSION TO GAGLARDI WAY

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ETING

Appearing on last week's agenda was a letter from Mr. W. J. Bell regarding a request for information on the Hastings Street Extension to Gaglardi Way. Following is a report from the Municipal Engineer on this matter.

Some design work was done on this project by the municipality several years ago in order to have the alignment defined. It was included in the Capital Improvement Program at that time with an understanding on the part of staff that should construction proceed, costs would be borne by the Provincial Government. This item was subsequently deleted from the Capital Improvement Program because it did not carry a sufficiently high priority in relation to other projects that had to be considered.

The Transportation Committee will be considering this extension in connection with its development of a conceptual road plan for Burnaby. Whether or not the Provincial Government is approached on the matter of costs will depend on the results of the committee's deliberations and ramifications of the road plan that will ultimately be adopted by Council.

Staff will keep Mr. Bell informed on further developments in regard to this matter.

## RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. W. J. Bell, 4220 Parker Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5C 3C3; and
- 2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Transportation Committee.

TO:

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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FROM:

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

SUBJECT: HASTINGS STREET EXTENSION TO GAGLARDI WAY

## RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

## REPORT

Reference the submission from Mr. W.J. Bell regarding the status of the captioned project.

For some years now there has been a proposal to extend Hastings Street southeasterly from Duthie Avenue to connect to Gaglardi Way in the vicinity of Curtis Street and Centennial Way. In 1972, a consultant was retained to establish a feasible right-of-way for this proposal; the alignment established at that time commenced on Hastings Street about 100 metres east of Duthie Avenue and from that point curved in a southeasterly direction, connecting to Gaglardi Way at the Curtis/Centennial Way intersection. While the Municipality owns the majority of the property along the proposed right-of-way, there are approximately seven parcels of privately-owned land that must be acquired to fulfill the right-of-way requirements; five of these properties are presently occupied by existing dwellings.

In replying to the question as to who is responsible for building this extension, it is our opinion that, inasmuch as the extension is a route connecting two existing Provincial Arterial Highways (Gaglardi Way and Hastings Street) then it, too, should be classified as arterial and would therefore be a Provincial responsibility. It is felt that this would be a very strong argument in favour of declaring the route a Provincial arterial highway.

The above report is for the information of Council.

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

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