

RE: VANDERVELDEN OFFICE BUILDING  
7443 EDMONDS STREET  
(ITEM 6, REPORT NO. 42, 1980 JUNE 16)

ITEM	5
MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	70
COUNCIL MEETING	1980 11 17

Following is a report from the Parks and Recreation Administrator regarding the above subject.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the report of the Parks and Recreation Administrator be received for information purposes.

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1980 November 12

TO : MUNICIPAL MANAGER  
FROM: ADMINISTRATOR, PARKS AND RECREATION  
RE : VANDERVELDEN OFFICE BUILDING .  
7443 EDMONDS STREET

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council receive this report for information purposes.

SUMMARY

At its meeting of 1980 November 05, the Parks & Recreation Commission approved the use of the subject building jointly by the Burnaby Big Brothers and the Parks & Recreation Department.

REPORT

At the Council meeting of 1980 June 16 the matter of appropriate use of subject building was placed in the hands of the Municipal Manager for consideration and recommendation, following the decision that it should not be demolished at this time.

The Parks & Recreation staff have reviewed potential uses of the building and assessed current demands for space of this type. The present floor plan and zoning lends itself to use as office space and/or minor related storage. There is currently no recreation demand for this type of space as the rooms are small, and it is not advisable to spend thousands of dollars to renovate the building when the future objective is demolition.

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Burnaby Big Brothers have expressed interest in using the building as an administration centre on an interim basis. They are currently looking for a permanent facility they can purchase.

The Recreation Division also has a need for office space in this neighbourhood to house the Area Assistant Supervisor - Centres & Playgrounds and the Recreation Leader. Both these persons have offices in the Municipal Hall, but it is the Department's objective to have the program supervisory staff located within their respective geographic areas. This has been accomplished in the Cameron - Loughheed area and has proven to be very effective.

The Commission has approved the use of this building as outlined above and the Legal and Lands Department are being requested to negotiate a rental agreement with the Burnaby Big Brothers.



DENNIS GAUNT  
ADMINISTRATOR

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