MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 41
COUNCIL MEETING 1980 06 02

RE: PETITION FROM RESIDENTS ON MARLBOROUGH AND DUNBLANE AVENUES WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 1980 MAY 26 MEETING OF COUNCIL (ITEM 5c) STREET LIGHT AND A MUNICIPALLY-OWNED LOT

Appearing on last week's agenda was a petition regarding a request for an additional street light and a proposal that a municipally-owned lot be sold in an effort to eliminate problems involving vandalism, theft and other antisocial problems. Following is a report from the Municipal Engineer on this matter.

A sketch of the area in question is attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendations of the Municipal Engineer be adopted.

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TO:

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM:

MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

SUBJECT:

PETITION REGARDING VACANT LOT - 6900 BLOCK

DUNBLANE

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT the existing interim lease light in front of 6930 Dunblane Avenue be relocated to the pole at the northwest corner of the vacant lot at 6910 Dunblane Avenue, subject to B.C. Hydro approval, and that this light be oriented towards this vacant lot.
- 2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the petitioners.

REPORT

The lot referred to in the captioned petition is currently owned by the Municipality and it is the intention to retain this property for either future right-of-way or possible L.R.T. station. The latter item is currently proposed for the immediate vicinity of the subject lot.

The matter of the requested street light was investigated by the Engineering Department. There currently exists a street light in front of the residence at 6930 Dunblane, immediately next to the vacant lot. This light, an interim standard lease light, is intended to illuminate the street and does not, by design, direct light onto the adjacent properties. While we believe it would be possible to relocate the interim street light onto the pole at the northwest corner of the vacant lot the standard orientation would direct light onto the street and the B.C. Hydro tracks, not the vacant lot.

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Turning the light through 90 degrees toward the south would direct light onto the vacant lot and the street but may also cause light to be directed towards the properties on the west side of Dunblane opposite the vacant lot. We have requested B.C. Hydro, from whom we lease the interim street lights, to investigate the possibility of installing a street light and shielding it, to both illuminate the street and the vacant lot, while at the same time not adversely affecting adjacent occupied properties. It should be noted at this time that the lot in question is fairly well wooded with large evergreens and it may be necessary to either limb some of the trees or remove them altogether. However no action will be taken in this regard until we have had an opportunity to evaluate the results of the suggested light.

The above mentioned street light relocation would be contrary to existing Engineering Department policy in that we attempt to avoid the possibility of light being directed onto property other than a right-of-way. None-theless we feel that since the vacant lot is Municipal property and is currently being used extensively by local residents as a through pathway from Dunblane to Royal Oak that we are prepared to recommend the relocation of the existing interim street light to the pole on the northwest corner of the vacant lot. This recommendation will be subject to B.C. Hydro concurrence with the request.

We contacted the Burnaby R.C.M.P. in regards to the complaints contained within the letter accompanying the petition. They reported that the matter is currently under investigation and that initial results of this investigation indicate that the problems being experienced in the vicinity of the subject location are "no more evident than any other area of Burnaby". The R.C.M.P. will be conducting further enquiries by canvassing the neighbourhood but have suggested that the best solution would be to report incidents directly as they happen.



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