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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 64

COUNCIL MEETING 1980 10 20

RE: REZONING REFERENCE #25/80

PORTION OF GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE

(ITEM 4, REPORT NO. 58, 1980 SEPTEMBER 15)

The following report from the Director of Planning is in connection with the following motion that was adopted by Council on 1980 September 15:

"THAT the Planning Department be directed to look into the possibility of selling the redundant portion of Government Road to the developer of Lots 87 and 88, D.L. 2, Plan 57544 so that the landscaping and the maintenance thereof will be the responsibility of the developer."

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER

1980 OCTOBER 15

FROM:

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

SUBJECT:

REZONING REFERENCE #25/80

PORTION OF GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the portion of Government Street to be closed in conjunction with Rezoning Reference #25/80 be consolidated with the lot immediately north, landscaped by the developer of the subject rezoning and utilized for parks purposes as outlined in previous reports related to this rezoning.

## **REPORT**

Council, on 1980 September 15 when considering the subject rezoning (sketch  $\underline{\text{attached}}$ ) directed staff to report on whether or not the portion of Government Street to be closed should be sold to the developer for inclusion in the building site. Reasons for selling the road were considered to be that

the  $\operatorname{Municipality}$  will be paid for the land and will not be responsible for its maintenance.

In previous reports to Council related to this rezoning proposal it was indicated that this redundant section of road allowance should be used for park (open space and buffer) purposes in conjunction with the triangular lot to the north owned by the Municipality which will be landscaped by the developer of Rezoning Reference #37/74 as approved. It was proposed that the section of road to be closed be landscaped by the developer of the subject rezoning in a compatible manner with low maintenance planting.

We continue to be of the opinion that this proposed land use is the best. This use will protect any future intersection or road improvement options. The open space will provide an appropriate landscaped separation of residential development from the busy intersection of Lougheed, Government Street and Austin Road. The landscaped area will provide a desirable visual relief from the intensity of commercial development existing and proposed at this location. To sell the land for inclusion in the development site will only lead to increased residential density closer to the major intersection.

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