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 MANAGER'S REPORT NO.
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Re: LETTER FROM COLUMBIA HOUSING ADVISORY ASSOCIATION WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE 1980 JUNE 16 MEETING OF COUNCIL (Item 4a) REGARDING CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING PROJECTS - ADDITIONAL FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Columbia Housing Advisory Association, 1439 Kingsway, Vancouver, B. C., V5N 2R6.

REPORT

When the above communication was considered by Municipal Council, the following motion was adopted.

"1. THAT this matter be referred to the Municipal Manager in order that further background information may be obtained."

In this connection <u>attached</u> is a copy of a letter dated 1980 June 18 from Mr. J.E.O. Nicholls, Branch Manager, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Vancouver Office, in which he advises that the Honourable Paul Cosgrove, Minister in charge, announced on June 17 the further allocation of 5,000 units for Canada and that the B. C. Office expects momentarily an additional allocation from that number.

Burnaby has always demonstrated an interest in providing for social housing and there are already areas available in Burnaby that can accommodate this housing. The Planning Department has been asked to contact C.M.H.C. so as to review the areas that are presently available.

Because of the Honourable Paul Cosgrove's announcement, it does not now appear necessary to endorse the resolution being proposed by the Columbia Housing Advisory Association.

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S OFFICE

Mr. Melvin J. Shelley Municipal Manager Municipality of Burnaby Municipal Hall 4949 Canada Way Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1M2

Dear Sir:

In response to the Co-Operative Housing Foundation of Canada's statement "Co-op Housing at the Crossroads" it should be pointed out that the subsidized housing demand is met by a combination of both co-operative and non profit rental units. In the Vancouver Office for 1980 we were initially provided with 1350 such units. Our Minister, the Hon. Paul Cosgrove, announced yesterday a further allocation of 5,000 units for Canada, and thus we expect momentarily an additional allocation from that number. In effect, therefore, in 1980 we shall be able to have a major impact on the effective demand from the sector of clients from which Columbia Housing Advisory Association draws its support. By effective demand we are referring to those persons in need who have identified themselves as such and where it is physically possible to satisfy their requirements considering the problems of obtaining land, municipal approvals, design, firm prices and other requirements of the development process within the time constraints of our budget year, which is the calendar year 1980. In other words, we are in the position of having resources to commit and we, in turn, would seek assistance from the municipalities in this endeavour. By this we mean not merely support in principle but specific guidance both for ourselves and sponsor groups as to the particular areas within the municipality which would be acceptable for co-operative and non profit housing. It will probably require some flexibility in the designation of such areas recognizing that social housing groups must compete with the private sector in obtaining land options, unless municipal land itself is provided. Otherwise areas may well be designated in theory but in practical terms be precluded for anything but market housing.

Your cooperation, both with the non profit community and ourselves, is sought an CMHC will be happy to participate upon request in any planning process.

Yours very truly

J.E.O. Nicholls Branch Manager.