

ITEM 4
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 57
COUNCIL MEETING 1982 10 18

RE: BUS ROUTES IN VICINITY OF BURNABY GENERAL HOSPITAL

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendations of the Director Engineering be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

SUBJECT: BUS ROUTES IN VICINITY OF BURNABY GENERAL HOSPITAL

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT Council request the Greater Vancouver Regional District, Transit Planning, to return the 28 Smith bus service to its route existing prior to 1977 August.
2. THAT the request include that the changeover to coincide with the implementation, 1982 December 17, of the King Edward service.

SUMMARY:

Due to the pending implementation, 1982 December 17, of the King Edward "Crosstown" bus service along the currently under construction Kincaid extension, we are recommending the return of the 28 Smith bus service to its original routing.

REPORT:

In 1977 August the 28 Smith Avenue bus service was relocated from Kincaid Street, Smith to Ingleton Avenues, to Forest Street, Smith to MacDonald Avenues; MacDonald Avenue, Forest to Kincaid Streets; and Kincaid Street, MacDonald to Ingleton Avenues. This relocation was intended to be an interim measure to provide bus service to the main entrance of the then recently opened new wing of the Burnaby General Hospital. The conditions for discontinuing this rerouting were the completion of the Kincaid extension and a change in the Smith bus service to use this extension.

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The Kincaid extension is currently under construction and there is a new bus service, the King Edward "Crosstown" bus, scheduled for implementation on 1982 December 17 which will use the Kincaid extension. While this latter bus service is not that which was set as a condition for the removal of the bus route from Forest Street and MacDonald Avenue we feel that the intent is the same, i.e. a bus service to the main Hospital entrance. As such we are proposing that the 28 Smith bus service be returned to its previous route, see attached sketch.

The Metro Transit Operating Company (M.T.O.C.) endorse this rerouting as it reduces the distance travelled and the number of turns required in the bus's deviation from Smith Avenue. Also there was a commitment made to the residents of Forest Street to remove the bus service from Forest Street, a 6 metre interim standard residential street, and return it to Kincaid Street, an 11 metre finished standard local collector residential street when the Kincaid extension was completed.

The main objection to this proposed relocation is that those persons using the main Hospital entrance and destined for Joyce Loop, Kootenay Loop or points along the Smith route would either have to walk up 300 metres to the nearest Smith service stop or use the King Edward bus and transfer to a bus destined to one of the Loops. While this may seem excessive to persons used to travelling a shorter distance, 120 metres, it is within the 400 metres considered desirable as the distance to the nearest bus route.

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Att.

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Planning & Building Inspection Dept.


DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

