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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 55
COUNCIL MEETING 1983 09 12

RE: LETTER FROM J. STEWART ALSBURY WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR
THE MEETING OF COUNCIL ON 1983 AUGUST 08 (Item 3c)
COMPLAINTS OF FULTON AVENUE APARTMENT MANAGERS
RESIDENTS VS RICHMOND PARK
(ITEM 16, REPORT NO. 52, 1983 AUGUST 22)

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Director Recreation & Cultural Services be adopted.

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1983 SEPTEMBER 07

TO : MUNICIPAL MANAGER
FROM: DIRECTOR RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES
RE : COMPLAINTS OF FULTON AVENUE APARTMENT MANAGERS
(RESIDENTS VS. RICHMOND PARK)

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mr. J. Stewart Alsbury.

REPORT

At its meeting of 1983 August 08 Council received a delegation on the above subject. A number of issues raised required comment from the Recreation and Cultural Services Department.

These issues were reported on to the Parks & Recreation Commission at its meeting of 1983 September 07. The issues raised by Mr. Alsbury and the responses to them are given below. The map provided by Mr. Alsbury is attached (Attachment #1) for reference.

- Issue: Fencing "A1"

"A1 4½ foot chain fence at the foot of lane behind apartments 1 and 2."

Reply: Fence A1 was not constructed by the Corporation, however, is located on Corporation property. The fence will be cleaned up.

- Issue: Fence Area "A" and "B"

"A 4½ foot chain link fence."

"B 2½ foot chain link fence. Baseballs, soccer balls, etc. continuously come over the 4½ foot fence, and the participants just jump over the 2½ foot fence to retrieve the balls and harass the tenants."

Reply: These sections of fence are the property and responsibility of the apartment owners.

The problem of balls going onto the apartment property as a result of the close proximity of a baseball diamond and soccer pitch has been reviewed. Solutions to reducing the impact of the ball playing will be considered and, if viable, incorporated as part of a proposed redevelopment and up-grading of Richmond Park.

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- Issue: Fence Area "C"

"C Broken down wooden fence. The P/Rec. claim that this is the responsibility of the apartments. We wouldn't need the fence if there wasn't a park. The young people climb both the 4½ foot chain link fence, and scramble over the wooden fence to retrieve their balls. They have entered the balconies of the private apartments, broken down plants, and just recently entered one apartment and stole money."

Reply: This section of property line was fenced by the owner of the former 7419 Holly Street residence. The house was purchased for park purposes and has been removed. The wooden fence, therefore, became the property of the Corporation. The condition of the fence was noted to be in a state of disrepair and not worth repairing. As a result the remains of the wooden fence have been removed and the property line cleaned up.

- Issue: Fence Area "D"

"D The lane is a "dead-end" and vehicles drive down and park. The drivers usually enter the park over the broken fence; have a beer party in their vehicles and toss the empties onto the apartment lawns. On occasion they have driven their cars over the lawn to turn around."

Reply: This problem is related to the lane that dead-ends at Fence "A1" and has been referred to the Engineering Department.

- Issue: Fence Area "E"

"E Two posts were driven into the eastern end of the walkway by the Pks. & Rec. at our request. Cars were coming down Fulton, onto the walkway, and into the Park. The posts have stopped the cars but NOT the motorcycles."

Reply: The posts were placed to stop vehicles from entering the park. The space between must be wide enough to allow access for wheelchairs and baby buggies. Unfortunately, this necessary allowance will also accommodate motorcycles.

- Issue: Fence Area "F"

"F The apex of the lane behind Apt. 4, with its meeting with Holly Ave., is continuously being used as a garbage collector."

Reply: This issue was covered by the Director Engineering Report.

- Additional issues raised by Mr. Alsbury:

" That consideration be given to posting a No Golfing sign in Richmond Park as individuals have been observed golfing in the park."

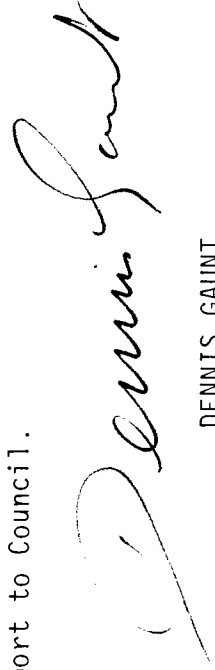
Reply: Signs have been posted to advise people of the "No Golfing" policy.

It should be noted that the apartment owners are responsible for the fencing of their property. The Parks and Recreation Commission has not constructed the fences in question and have a clear policy to not fence parks for the purpose of separating parks and private property.

As noted in this report, steps will be taken to reduce the impact of the park activities on the apartment properties.

The Commission approved the following recommendations of the report:

1. THAT the Commission receive this report as information.
2. THAT the Commission forward this report to Council.



DENNIS GAUNT
Director Recreation &
Cultural Services

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Attach.

cc: Director Engineering



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Attachment #1

RICHMOND PARK

