

ITEM 8
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 44
COUNCIL MEETING 1983 06 20

RE: LETTER FROM MR. AND MRS. E. FELDSETH WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA
FOR THE 1983 JUNE 06 MEETING OF COUNCIL (ITEM 4c)
CRIME IN MIDDLEGATE AREA

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Officer-in-Charge, Burnaby Detachment, RCMP be adopted.

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Our File: 25346/83 BBY

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: OIC BURNABY DET. R.C.M.P.

RE: LETTER FROM MR. & MRS. E. FELDSETH
- CRIME IN MIDDLEGATE AREA

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT a copy be sent to Mr. & Mrs. E. FELDSETH, 6821 Burford St., Burnaby, B.C., V5E 1R9.

SUMMARY

Letter dated 83 MAY 26 was written to Burnaby Council which related views toward crime in the area of Middlegate, near where the authors of the letter live.

Our investigator met with Mrs. FELDSETH to review in detail the concerns expressed. Some specific information was requested by Mrs. FELDSETH, which was provided.

A further letter has since been received from Mrs. FELDSETH, sent direct to this detachment, in which she states in part, "My perspective has been restored now that I know specifics and facts and figures. I can cope with what I know for certain." "It has been reassuring to meet you and find out what the policing is in this area."

REPORT

Several serious incidents have taken place in the Middlegate area, such as a robbery of a commercial establishment, robbery of a taxi driver, and report of screams of a woman late at night which Mrs. FELDSETH understood to have been an attempted rape. These had been the subject of discussion in the neighbourhood.

The FELDSETH family are longtime residents of the area and saw their formerly quiet neighbourhood become infiltrated by criminal events. This was naturally alarming to the family, resulting in enquiries being made through council as to the extent of the police protection in the area.

The structure and manpower allocation in her area was explained and crime statistics reviewed. Information on certain crimes identified and of prime concern, which Mrs. FELDSETH spoke of, was personally relayed back to her. Mrs. FELDSETH indicated her satisfaction with the attention her enquiry received by writing a letter expressing her thoughts, direct to the investigator.

We are satisfied the concern is genuine and are certainly appreciative of what is being experienced in that particular neighbourhood, as it is in other areas throughout Burnaby as well. We attempt to provide policing coverage on a priority basis as manpower allows. Mrs. FELDSETH is invited to make further direct contact with us, should a situation of specific concern again surface.

M. L. Fuchs

(N.L. Fuchs) Supt.

Officer in Charge Burnaby Detachment