

NOTICE OF MOTION - Alderman Lawson  
Regular Council Meeting  
1983 February 21

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

His Worship The Mayor,  
And Members Of The Municipal Council:

FILE: 1890

Re: Lighting In And Around Senior Citizens'  
Housing Complexes in Burnaby

WHEREAS the number of senior citizens (age 65 and over) in Burnaby has increased from 9,965 in 1971 to 16,550 in 1981, and is projected to be 21,560 by the year 2001; and

WHEREAS these totals represent an increase in their proportion of senior citizens in Burnaby from 7.9% in 1971, to 12.1% in 1981 and to 14.0% by 2001; and

WHEREAS a significant proportion of these seniors live in seniors' housing complexes; and

WHEREAS a number of seniors are experiencing personal assaults, harrassments or thefts (such as purse snatching) in and around their housing complexes; and

WHEREAS a lack of proper and adequate lighting of pathways and entrances and routes to bus stops, stores and recreation centres, appears to be contributing to this victimization of senior citizens; and

WHEREAS there is considerable knowledge and skills possessed by housing complex operators, members of the Simon Fraser University Criminology Department and members of municipal staff including the Crime Prevention Unit of the R.C.M.P., Planning and Building Inspection, Engineering and Health Departments;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- (1) A review be conducted of the lighting conditions within and in the immediate neighbourhood of seniors' housing complexes, with a report back to Council; and
- (2) The Crime Prevention Committee, on behalf of Council, hold a meeting with:
  - Housing Complex Operators,
  - Members of the Simon Fraser University Criminology Department, and
  - Members of Municipal Staff, including the Crime Prevention Unit of the R.C.M.P., Planning and Building Inspection, Engineering and Health Departments,

to initiate the study and set out a course of action.

- AGENDA 1983 FEBRUARY 21  
- COPY - MANAGER  
- R.C.M.P. DIRECTOR PLANNING & BLDG. INSPECTION  
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- MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICER

Respectfully submitted,

*Doreen Lawson*

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Chairman, Crime Prevention Committee.