

ITEM 11  
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 1  
COUNCIL MEETING 85/01/02

RE: REQUEST FROM 1984 DECEMBER 11 PUBLIC HEARING FOR INFORMATION  
REGARDING SLOVENIAN SOCIETY AND PROPOSED LIFE LINE SOCIETY SITE

ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. *THAT the recommendation of the Director Planning & Building  
Inspection be adopted.*

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1984 December 27

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION Our File: RZ#83/84

SUBJECT: REQUEST FROM 1984 DECEMBER 11 PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR INFORMATION REGARDING SLOVENIAN SOCIETY AND  
PROPOSED LIFE LINE SOCIETY SITE

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be provided to the Slovenian Cultural Society, 5762 Sprott Street, Burnaby, B.C., V5G 1T7.

REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND

At the Public Hearing on 1984 December 11, several members of the Slovenian Cultural Society, which owns the three lots on Sprott Street north (behind) of the site of the proposed residential shelter for the Life Line Society (RZ#83/84) on Sunset Street, spoke at the Public Hearing regarding their interest in expanding their facility. Council requested a report on this situation.

2.0 HISTORY

In 1979 April, the Slovenian Cultural Society wrote a letter expressing an interest in acquiring the three Municipally-owned lots on Sunset Street which lie to the south of the three lots. They indicated that they wished to replace the existing hall with a new facility for up to 500 people. The Planning & Building Inspection Department wrote a letter indicating that a development of an institutional facility would be supported, and that sale of the lands could be recommended upon receipt of a suitable development scheme for the site and an application to rezone the site.

No specific mention of a senior citizens' residential facility is recorded.

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Since 1979 there has not been any further discussion about any possible expansion of the Slovenian facilities between staff and representatives of the Society, although in the summer of 1984 an informal meeting between Planning staff and Slovenian Society members was held to discuss paving the gravel parking lot for the existing hall.

### 3.0 EXISTING SITUATION

Council instructed staff to find an appropriate site for the Life Line Society shelter and this was done following a review of a number of alternative locations. The site selected is strongly supported by that group and was used as the basis for their funding application. The site was posted for lease to satisfy legal requirements associated with the disposal of Municipal lands.

On the day following the Public Hearing, 1984 December 12, staff met with four members of the Slovenian Society to discuss the current situation. The Slovenians expressed strong concern about the lease of two of the lots to the Life Line Society and indicated that they now have an interest in developing a seniors' housing development as an expansion of their existing hall. Their preferred site would be the three lots south of their existing property.

Staff explained the situation with regard to the Life Line Society site lease and the absence of any discussion from the Slovenians on the subject of expansion in over five years. Staff proposed a possible alternative solution which would require that the Society purchase two private lots, which would then enable them to use one of their existing lots plus a Municipal lot east of the Life Line site, to provide a site with four lots east of their existing hall (refer to attached sketch) in the event they are in a position to expand their facilities.

While the solution proposed by staff requires further land acquisition by the Society, it represents a potentially-viable solution to their future development objectives. At the meeting on 1984 December 12, the Society members indicated that this solution was not easily achieved as private owners are involved, however, they would look into the matter. Staff requested that they maintain contact with the Municipality and advise of any decision they make.

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Attachment

  
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DIRECTOR PLANNING &  
BUILDING INSPECTION



