

ITEM 10  
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 51  
COUNCIL MEETING 87/08/24

RE: LETTER FROM MRS. W.C. PLAYER WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE  
AUGUST 10TH MEETING OF COUNCIL (4 B)  
CONFEDERATION PARK FILLING

ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation as contained in the report from the  
Director Recreation & Cultural Services be adopted.

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1987 AUGUST 18

TO : MUNICIPAL MANAGER  
FROM: DIRECTOR RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES  
RE : CONFEDERATION PARK FILLING - LETTER FROM MRS. W.C. PLAYER

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

REPORT

Appearing on the Council Agenda for 1987 August 10 as Item (b) under Correspondence and Petitions (Page 14) was a carbon copy of a letter addressed to the Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Commission from Mrs. W.C. Player regarding the filling and grading program presently being undertaken on Confederation Park.

The Parks & Recreation Commission dealt with the original of the letter at its meeting of 1987 August 19. The Commission received the attached report on this subject and approved the recommendation contained therein, that a copy of the report be sent to Mrs. Player.

The Commission reaffirmed its Master Plan for Confederation Park and instructed that the filling program continue in order to prepare additional space for family picnicking which is perhaps the most popular use of Confederation Park in the summer months. The Commission also directed that a copy of this report and its disposition thereof be forwarded to Municipal Council for Council's information.



DENNIS GAUNT  
DIRECTOR RECREATION &  
CULTURAL SERVICES

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RE: CONFEDERATION PARK FILLING

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Mrs. W. C. Player receive a copy of this report.

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REPORT

Appearing on the Agenda under Correspondence is a letter from Mrs. W. C. Player, 36 South Gamma Avenue, Burnaby, expressing concerns over the land filling taking place on the northeast corner of Confederation Park.

The area in question, as shown on Attachment #1, is proposed for future development in the Commission's Parks Master Plan. The Master Plan was approved by the Commission at its meeting of 1979 January 24. A copy will be posted at the meeting of August 19th.

Prior to 1983 this area was maintained on a regular basis as an informal site. Due to the rough swampy condition and high maintenance costs staff included this area in the 1983 Budget cutbacks, reducing the maintenance to one mowing per year. The reduced maintenance has allowed the vegetation to become overgrown which could be viewed now as a natural setting.

The Commission has set aside an area north of Penzance to be retained as a nature area, as shown on Attachment #1.

It has been normal practice to accept good fill material at minimal or no cost to the Corporation on sites determined by staff that would make the sites useable or substantially reduce future development costs. These filling operations are carried out over several years as fill becomes available and in accordance with the Commission's long range plans.

The existing picnic area at Confederation Park has been restricted to groups of no more than 400 due to inadequate space. Over the years, numerous requests have been received for larger groups. The infilling of the area north of the picnic site will allow for the larger group picnics.

It has been the experience of staff that during the infilling to date positive comments have been received from local residents and park users. Some comments made reference to the overgrown condition of the site, making it very attractive for objectionable activities, and are in favour of the infilling.

The site is being filled and levelled at no cost to the Corporation.

Staff visit the site daily to ensure the material being used is suitable and that the contractor continues to level the material as pre-determined. Every precaution is taken to retain as much of the natural vegetation as possible.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of staff that the infilling will be beneficial to all users because the area will be useable on an interim basis for picnics and informal use, and will substantially reduce future development costs. It will require approximately an additional six months to complete the infilling.

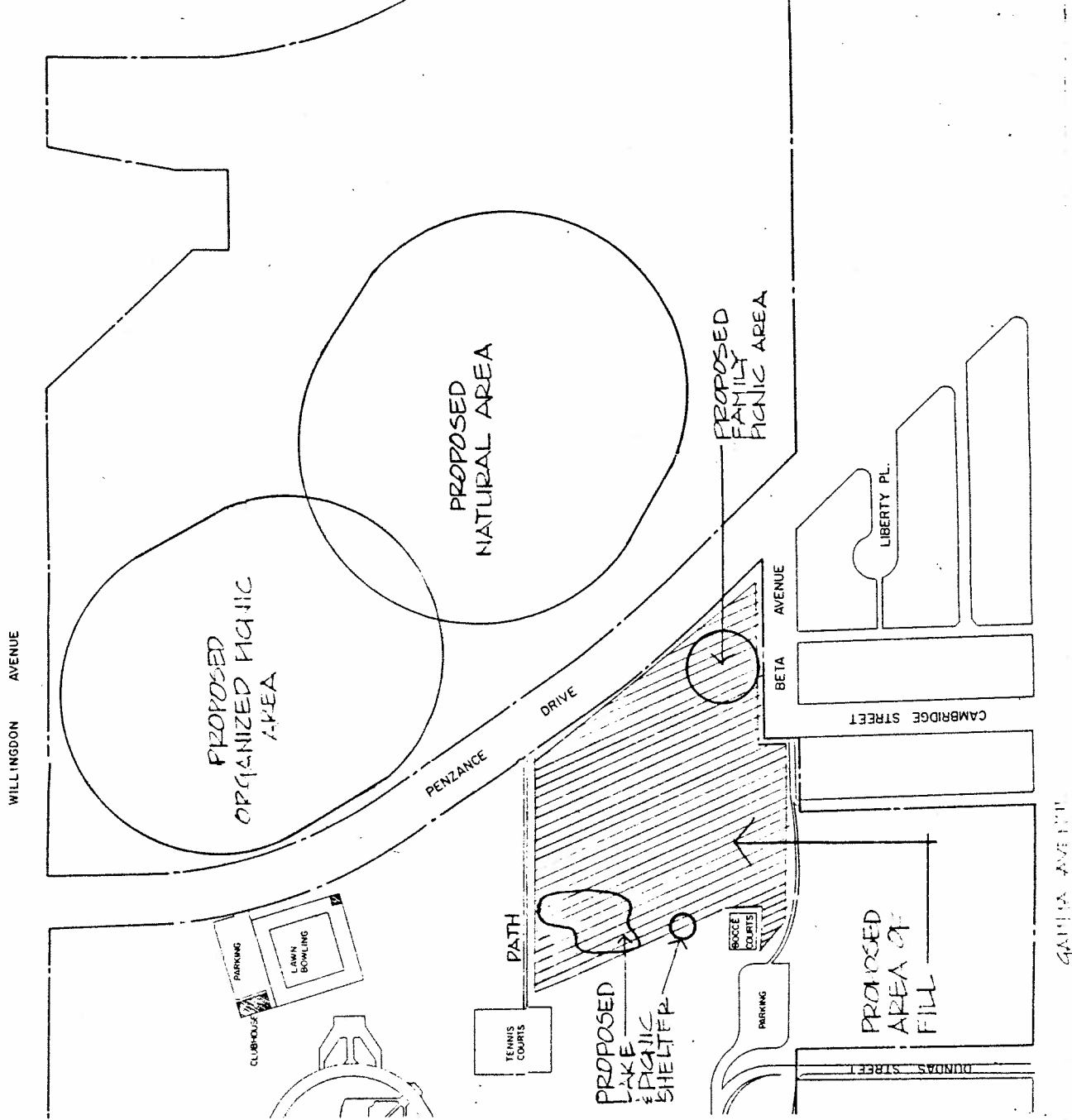
Unless instructed otherwise staff will continue the filling program in compliance with the Master Plan.

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Attach. (1)



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PROJECT  
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PLAN - AREA OF FILL

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