

REPORT
Regular Council Meeting
1987 May 04

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR
AND ALDERMEN

Madam/Gentlemen:

REPORT OF THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee was held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Tuesday, 1987 April 28 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Alderman A.H. Emmott, In the Chair
Mr. William Anderson, Senior Citizens Representative
School Trustee A.M.J. Bailey
Mr. K.R. Beedie, Burnaby Chamber of Commerce
Mrs. Larraine Brown, District Parent Committee
Mrs. Joan E. Stephens, ICBC Traffic Safety Education
Department

ABSENT:

Alderman L.A. Rankin
Alderman S.G. Veitch
Mr. W.B. Bennett, B.C. Transit
Mr. D. Spencer McDonald, B.C. Safety Council
Mr. Rob Weston, B.C. Motor Transport Association
Mr. John Woods, Citizens Representative

NOTE:

Your Committee wishes to advise that a quorum was not present at this meeting. All of the following items under consideration were CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY by Committee members present. These decisions will be put before the next meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee for ratification.

A. SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL INCENTIVE GRANT

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a grant in the amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) be forwarded to School District No. 41 - Burnaby for the School Safety Patrol Incentive Program.

R E P O R T

A letter dated 1987 April 07 was received from Mr. P.S. Boyle, Secretary-Treasurer, School District No. 41 - Burnaby advising that during the school year 1986/1987, thirty (30) elementary schools in the District operated school patrols which involved a total of 1,231 students. In support of this program, The Corporation of the District of Burnaby has, for several years, forwarded a grant in the amount of \$2,000.00 which has been distributed to the schools on the basis of the number of pupils participating.

NOTE:

Funds are available in the Traffic Safety Committee budget for the current year to cover this grant.

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B. CORNER OF EDMONDS AND KINGSWAY

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Mrs. Una Carlson, 6719 Fulton Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. V5E 3G9 be sent a copy of this report.

R E P O R T

A letter dated 1987 March 23 was received from Mrs. Una Carlson, 6719 Fulton Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. requesting the installation of traffic signs on Kingsway prohibiting a right hand turn onto Edmonds and indicating a permissive turn onto Britton and Walker Avenues only.

This matter was referred to the Director Engineering who reported as follows:

"Westbound Kingsway traffic turning right onto Edmonds Street is prohibited from doing so by an overhead sign that directs all westbound Kingsway traffic, except buses, to go straight through. This sign could be supplemented by pavement markings and/or a curb mounted sign prohibiting right turns.

There was a sign to the east of Britton Street that directed westbound Kingsway traffic destined for Edmonds Street to turn right into Britton Street. Upon checking we found that this sign was missing.

As the above noted signing is the responsibility of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways we contacted them regarding the above. They have advised that they will be looking into Mrs. Una Carlson's concerns as she had written them also.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. THAT Mrs. Una Carlson be sent a copy of this report."

C. REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC SIGN - NO PARKING MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 6700 BLOCK ROYAL OAK AVENUE

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the "NO STOPPING 7 - 9 AM AND 4 - 6 PM" be posted to read "EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS."

R E P O R T

A letter dated 1987 April 02 was received from His Worship, Mayor Lewarne, attaching a copy of a letter he had received from Mrs. Jessie McLean, 6709 Royal Oak Avenue, Burnaby, B.C., V5H 3P5. Mrs. McLeans's concern was not being able to park in front of her home on Saturdays and Sundays when Royal Oak Avenue is comparatively quiet. The current restrictions which have been in place a few years, are "NO PARKING 7 AM - 9 AM AND 4 PM - 6 PM". Mrs. McLean therefore requested the signage to be more specific by adding "MONDAY TO FRIDAY" to the current signs.

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This matter was referred to the Director Engineering who reported as follows:

"Restricted parking was instituted on Royal Oak Avenue between Kingsway and Imperial Street in 1979. The restrictions on the west side of Royal Oak Avenue vary from NO STOPPING ANYTIME at the Kingsway and Imperial ends of the zoning to NO STOPPING 7-9 AM and 4-6 PM in the centre portion.

The signing as posted implies that the restrictions are in effect seven days a week.

Recent traffic counts taken on Royal Oak Avenue give weekday AM peak hour volumes southbound of approximately 400 vehicles per hour (V.P.H.). The PM volumes are in the range of 600 V.P.H.

On Saturday the AM peak hour is approximately 200 vehicles while the PM peak hour is nearing 500 V.P.H. On Saturday as well as with weekdays the volumes from about 11 AM until 4 PM are running about 500 V.P.H.

On Sunday the AM peak hour is only 50 vehicles while the PM volumes are approaching 400 V.P.H.

In reviewing the existing volumes and bearing in mind the potential growth in traffic as a result of the ongoing development of Metrotown, the existing regulations should remain in effect from Monday to Saturday. The volumes being experienced during the period from 11 AM - 4 PM, may soon require consideration of parking restrictions from 7 AM - 6 PM. Traffic volumes now being experienced on Sunday can for the most part be handled in a single lane. Delays can occur however if a left turn is delayed alongside a parked vehicle. The existing 'NO STOPPING ANYTIME' zones are however required for every day of the week.

In summary we find that the existing NO STOPPING 7-9 AM and 4-6 PM can for the time being be waived for Sundays and holidays.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

1. THAT the 'NO STOPPING 7-9 AM and 4-6 PM' be posted to read except Sundays and holidays."

Respectfully submitted,

Alderman A.H. Emmott,
Chairman

