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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 27  
COUNCIL MEETING 89/04/10

RE: LETTER FROM MS. ANDREA PENFOLD, #71 - 7455 WOODBROOK PLACE, BURNABY, B.C., V5A 4G4  
YOUTH SITUATION IN GREYSTONE PLACE

ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

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

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1989 APRIL 06

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION OUR FILE: 17.813

SUBJECT: LETTER FROM MRS. ANDREA PENFOLD  
RE: YOUTH IN GREYSTONE

PURPOSE: The purpose of this report is to respond to the letter from Mrs. Andrea Penfold, appearing elsewhere on this Council agenda, regarding the youth situation in Greystone.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Mrs. Andrea Penfold, #71 - 7455 Woodbrook Place, Burnaby, B.C., V5A 4G4.

R E P O R T

This report responds to a letter from Mrs. Andrea Penfold, appearing elsewhere on this Agenda, concerning the youth situation in Burnaby's Greystone area.

Council will recall that last year, the Municipality and the Lochdale Community Association jointly sponsored a number of community consultation meetings in Greystone (see Figure 1 attached) to determine youth issues and strategy options for the area. In 1988 July, staff presented a report to Council entitled, "Youth in Greystone: Short Term Strategies," which identified a series of short and long term strategies for addressing Greystone's youth concerns. At the same time, we also presented the report, "Burnaby Youth Services Review," which sought Council authorization to conduct a comprehensive study of Burnaby's service delivery system requirements.

A number of youth-related initiatives have taken place since last July. In summary, the key initiatives are as follows:

- Hiring a youth worker for the Greystone area through a Ministry of Social Services and Housing grant.
- Facilitating establishment of a Greystone Community Advisory Group to assist staff in 1) monitoring the youth situation in Greystone and 2) implementing the short term strategies identified in the 1988 July report to Council re: Greystone youth. The group consists of area residents, merchants, and service providers. Since its inception, the group has met three times with staff from the Planning & Building Inspection and Parks & Recreation Departments, the RCMP, and RCMP Youth Services.

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- Hiring consultants to undertake the Burnaby Youth Services Review. The project is being overseen by Municipal staff and the Youth Outreach Task Force of Burnaby Inter Agency Council. It is targeted for completion on 1989 April 30.

The RCMP and local residents contacted by staff report that the Greystone youth situation has died down considerably since this time last year. The youths who had previously "hung out" at Greystone Plaza have presumably moved to other areas or found other ways of spending their time.

The Parks and Recreation Department has introduced open gym drop in programmes for area teens at Montecito and Forest Grove Schools. The street worker for the area continues to monitor the situation at Greystone Plaza; however, because of the relative quietness in Greystone, the street worker has shifted his primary focus to other more problematic areas of Burnaby - i.e. the Hastings/Willingdon and Kingsway/Edmonds areas. If youth problems re-emerge in Greystone, the youth worker would return to spend additional time in the area.

Staff believe that considerable headway has been made in addressing Greystone and Municipal youth concerns in the past year. With the completion of the Burnaby Youth Services Review at the end of the month, the framework should be in place for additional advances in the future. Specifically, the Review will contain recommendations for development of a comprehensive model for youth services delivery. The recommended model will be designed to meet the needs of youths in all areas of Burnaby, including Greystone.

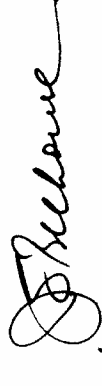
While these advances are being made, staff acknowledge the importance of continuing to hear the concerns and suggestions of Greystone area residents. We will thus be scheduling a meeting with the Greystone Community Advisory Group in early May, after the Burnaby Youth Services Review has been completed. We will schedule the meeting in the evening, to ensure that community members who work in the day have an opportunity to attend. We will hold additional meetings with the Advisory Group, if and as required.

Staff have discussed the contents of this report with Mrs. Penfold and she is satisfied with the proposed course of action.

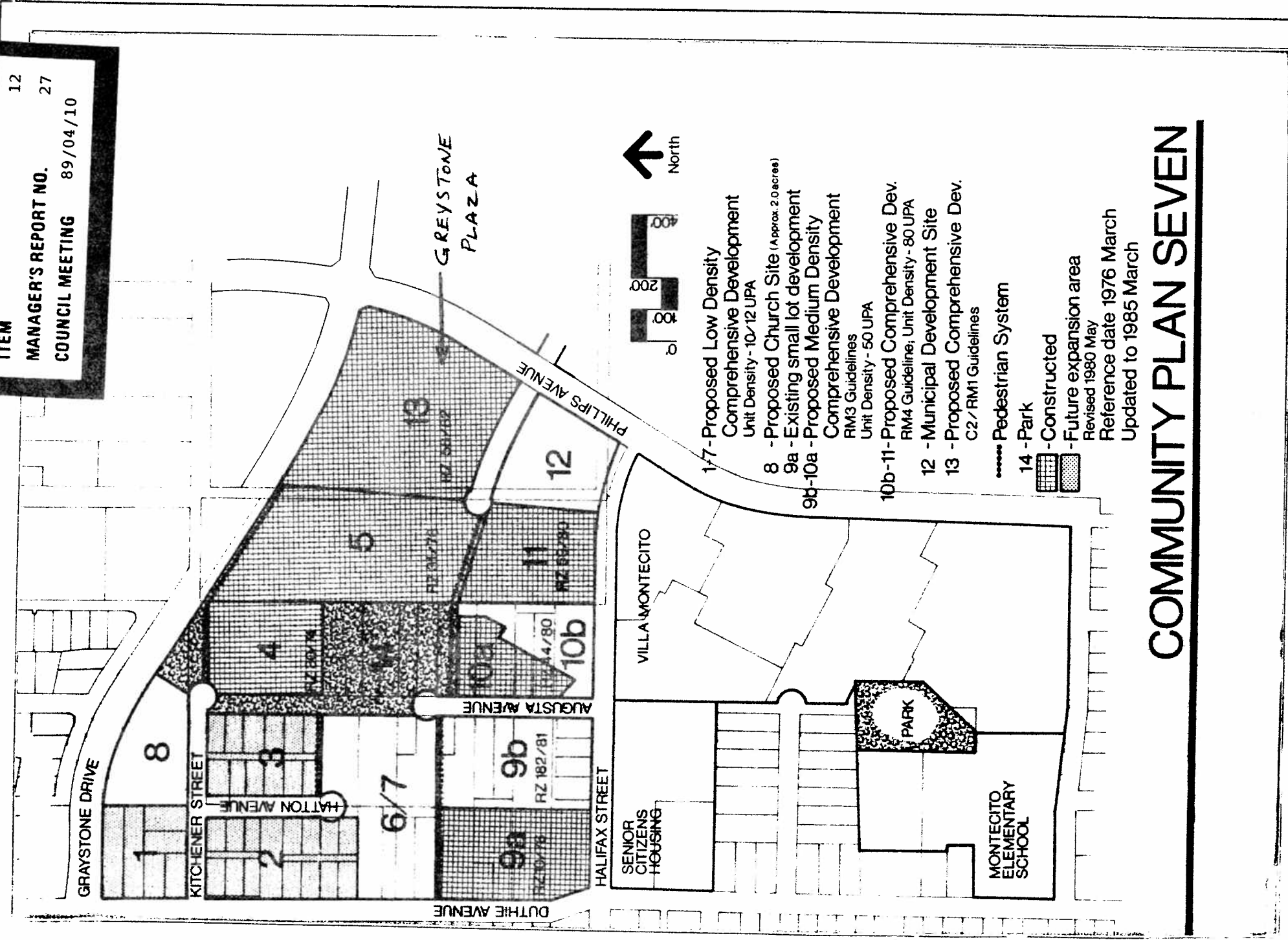
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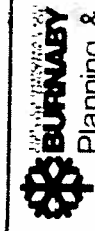
cc: Director Administrative & Community Services  
Director Recreation & Cultural Services  
Officer-In-Charge, RCMP

  
A.L. Parr,  
DIRECTOR PLANNING &  
BUILDING INSPECTION

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