

Re: BUS STOPS - GAGLARDI WAY

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

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

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1989 November 14

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION Our File: 08.211

SUBJECT: BUS STOPS - GAGLARDI WAY

PURPOSE: To respond to correspondence from Mr. Barry Jones, MLA (Burnaby North), with regard to proposed bus stops on Gagliardi Way.

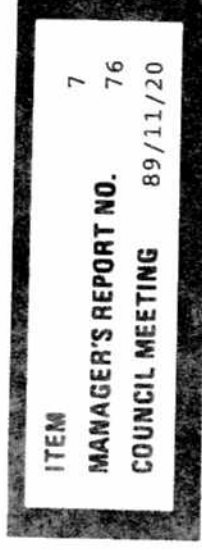
RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT staff be directed to contact the Ministry of Transportation and Highways to ascertain their position with regard to a bus stop location near the pedestrian overpass on Gagliardi Way south of Broadway Avenue.
2. THAT Mr. Barry Jones, MLA (Burnaby North), be sent a copy of this report.

R E P O R T

At its regular meeting of 1989 October 30, Council considered correspondence (Attachment A) from Mr. Barry Jones, MLA for Burnaby North, regarding the provision of bus stops on Gagliardi Way north of the Lougheed Highway. In his letter, Mr. Jones suggests that the Municipality consider the option of locating new bus stops near the pedestrian overpass south of the intersection of Gagliardi Way and Broadway Avenue (Figure 1 attached).

Council has previously considered the matter of a bus stop location in this area to serve the Forest Grove and Simon Fraser Hills residential areas. On 1989 January 11, Council considered the attached report (Attachment B) from the Director Engineering in response to correspondence from Ms. Anne Courtney. The report concluded that the proposal for locating bus stops at the controlled intersection of Gagliardi Way and Broadway could not be supported. This conclusion was based on the lack of access (i.e. pathways, sidewalks, etc.) to connect a proposed bus stop at this location with the nearby residential areas.



A bus stop location near the pedestrian overpass would be better connected to existing pathways and would therefore not require the extensive and costly improvements to lighting and pathways as would be required at the previously proposed Gagliardi Way/Broadway Avenue location. However, bus stopping areas would need to be constructed on Gagliardi Way approximately 40 m (130 ft.) south of the pedestrian overpass and pathways would be required to connect the pedestrian overpass and the bus stopping areas. A more important consideration, however, is that Gagliardi Way is a Provincial arterial highway and implementation of a bus stop near the pedestrian overpass would require the approval of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways (MOTH). One of the concerns of the MOTH is that transit users have available to them a controlled crossing of the highway. While the pedestrian overpass does not constitute a controlled crossing, it does provide a fully grade separated crossing which, if utilized by all transit users, could be safer than an at-grade signalized crossing.

In summary, it appears that the proposal for bus stops located at the pedestrian overpass is feasible and should be assessed in more detail but that further consideration of this proposal would be academic without a favourable response from the Ministry of Transportation and Highways. It is therefore proposed that the Ministry of Transportation and Highways be requested to comment on the option of locating bus stops near the pedestrian overpass on Gagliardi Way south of Broadway Avenue. If MOTH is prepared to entertain this proposal staff will evaluate its costs and benefits and bring forward a report for Council consideration.



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DIRECTOR PLANNING &
BUILDING INSPECTION

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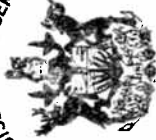
Attachments

cc: Director Engineering

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

October 16th, 1989

Mayor and Council
Burnaby Municipal Hall
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Dear Mayor and Council:

I have been contacted by residents in the Forest Grove area regarding the establishment of bus stops on Gaglardi Way at Broadway so that they might access the #145 bus. I have read the report to Council of January 11, 1989 where this matter was assessed by the Director of Engineering. I appreciate the points raised in the report, namely that there be:

- a controlled crossing
- adequate sidewalks or improved pathways
- adequate lighting, and
- a reasonable cost/benefit ratio

While I appreciate the need for a controlled crossing to ensure pedestrian safety for transit users, I suggest that the existing public walkway across the pedestrian overpass would provide a safer crossing for pedestrians than a controlled crossing at Gaglardi and Broadway.

Bus stops immediately south of the overpass could be constructed to connect with the existing paved sidewalks which connect the Forest Grove community with the Stoney Creek community. Clearly, there would be expense involved in improved lighting and pathways.

I believe it would be worthwhile to look into this option to determine the specific cost and potential ridership in order to determine if council believes there is a sufficient cost/benefit ratio to warrant proceeding with such a project.

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I know that Council is desirous of improving access to, and encouraging ridership on, our public transit system and this proposal could assist in meeting the needs of two large communities in our Municipality.

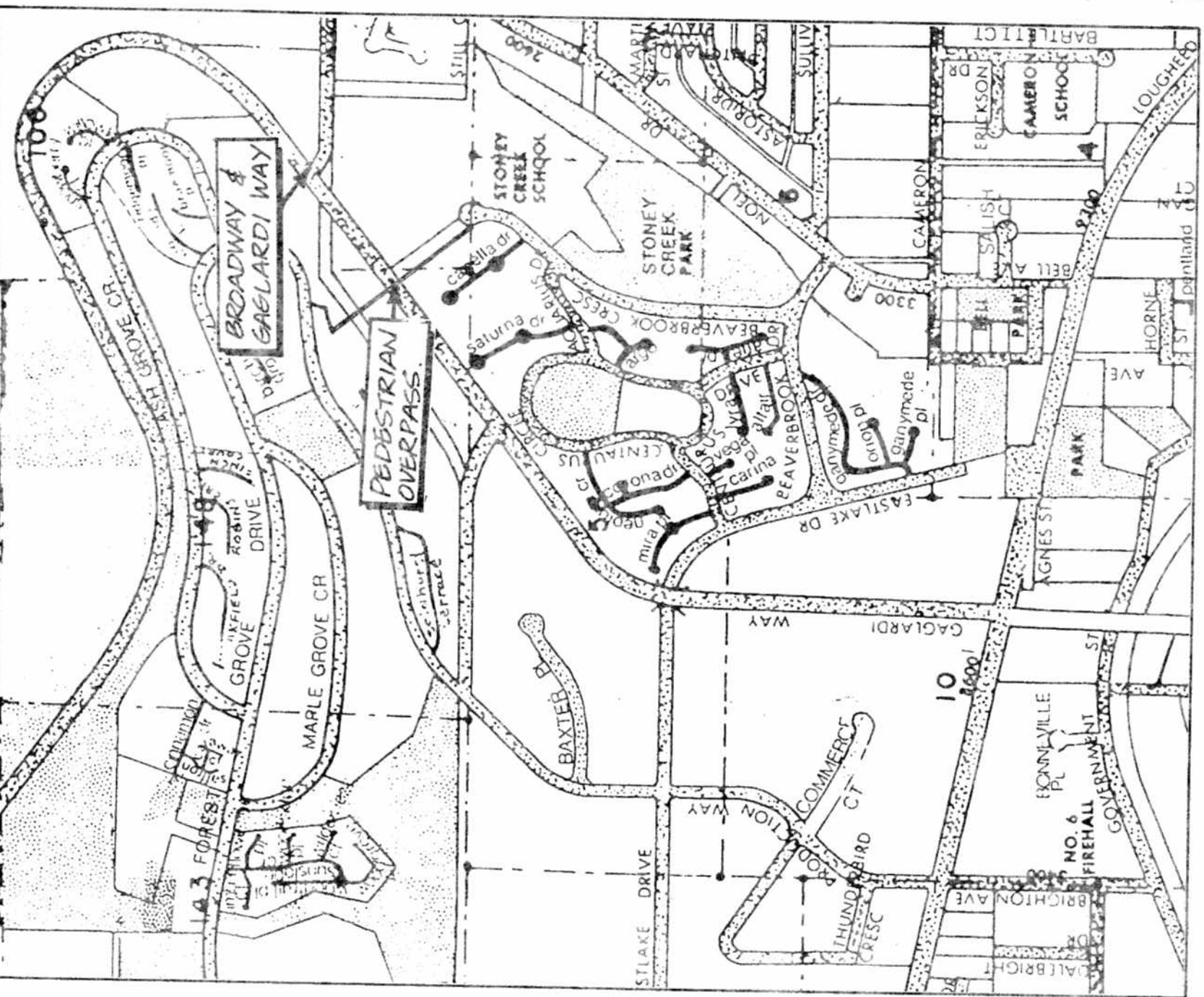
I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Yours truly



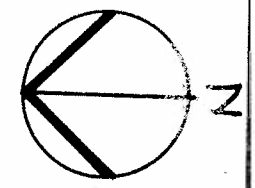
Barry Jones
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Burnsby North

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RE: LETTER FROM MS. ANNE COURTNEY WHICH APPEARED ON THE AGENDA FOR THE
DECEMBER 12TH MEETING OF COUNCIL (ITEM 4 0)
BUS STOPS - GAGLARDI WAY AT BROADWAY

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Director Engineering be adopted.

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1989 JANUARY 11

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

SUBJECT: BUS STOPS - GAGLARDI WAY AT BROADWAY

**PURPOSE: TO RESPOND TO THE COUNCIL MOTION ARISING
OUT OF THE CORRESPONDENCE FROM MS. ANNE
COURTNEY AT THE 1988 DECEMBER 12 MEETING**

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Ms. Anne Courtney of 68 - 9201 Forest Grove Drive be sent a copy of this report.

REPORT

Appearing on the Council Agenda of 1988 December 12 was a copy of correspondence from Ms. Courtney to the B.C. Transit Commission in which she expressed several concerns about the quality of transit service. Arising out of Council's consideration of this correspondence was a motion that staff review this correspondence relative to the provision of bus stops on Gagliardi Way north of the Loughheed Highway.

Gagliardi Way is a Provincial arterial highway and, as such, the provision of bus stops and required passenger loading pads along this route is subject to their approval. One of the concerns of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways is that the transit users have available to them a controlled crossing of the highway. Therefore, the only location on Gagliardi Way north of the Loughheed Highway acceptable to the Ministry for a bus stop would be the signalized intersection of Gagliardi Way and Broadway.

We contacted Ms. Courtney to ascertain the location she referred to in her letter and confirmed that it was this intersection. During our discussion with Ms. Courtney, we outlined our concern that there are no sidewalks on Gagliardi Way which pedestrians could utilize to access a bus stop at this location. Nor are there any sidewalks or improved pathways to connect Gagliardi Way and Broadway with either the Forest Grove or Simon Fraser Hills area.

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On the west side of Gaglardi Way, towards Forest Grove Drive, the nearest sidewalk to which we could construct a pathway is approximately 100 metres away, see attached sketch. This sidewalk is within private property and an easement would have to be negotiated to provide public access. Also, due to the steepness of the embankment between Gaglardi Way and this sidewalk a large staircase would be required, as well as walkway lighting.

The situation on the east side requires approximately 350 metres of pathway, either to connect with existing sidewalks on Norcrest Court or the public pedestrian overpass of Gaglardi Way. The cost of providing these facilities, combined with their isolation and the distances from existing residential areas would, in our opinion, provide a limited cost/benefit ratio and consequently we are unable to support construction of these facilities.

Staff will discuss the contents of this report with Ms. Courtney.

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Attach.

cc: Traffic Supervisor

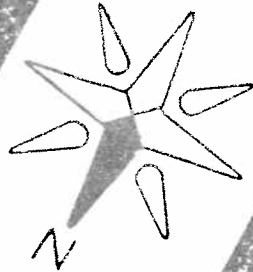


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GAGLARDI WAY

FOREST GROVE DR

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PUBLIC WALKWAY
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