

ITEM 12
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 50
COUNCIL MEETING 90/08/13

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1990 August 08

FROM: DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

SUBJECT: LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PAVING PROJECT 89-017,
ON TRIUMPH STREET FROM BOUNDARY ROAD TO INGLETON AVE.

PURPOSE: To provide additional information requested by Council on the request to reconsider a local improvement project in the 3800 block Triumph Street.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Rev. Jeanette Stigger, 3863 Cambridge Street, Burnaby, BC V5C 1G2.
2. THAT a copy of this report together with a copy of Item 17 Manager's Report No. 48 be sent to Mrs. M. Durigon, 3859 Triumph Street, Burnaby, BC.

REPORT

Council, at its meeting of 1990 July 23, heard a delegation from the Parish of St. Nicolas, 3883 Triumph Street, requesting Council reconsider a local improvement paving (LIP) project for the 3800 block Triumph. Earlier in the year an LIP project had been initiated and defeated for the 3700 and 3800 blocks Triumph Street (Boundary Road to Ingleton Avenue). Arising from Council's discussion with the delegation was a motion that staff report on a review of the criteria used to construct curbs in the 4000 block Triumph Street relative to constructing curbs in the 3800 block Triumph Street. It had been suggested by the delegation that the 4000 block Triumph had been initiated to resolve a traffic related problem, in particular pedestrian safety in the vicinity of Gilmore School. The delegation further suggested that perhaps similar rationale could be applied to reinitiating an LIP project in the 3800 block Triumph Street.

The LIP project on the 4000 block Triumph did not originate as a request from the property owners but was a Corporation-initiative. The inclusion of 4000 block Triumph honoured on earlier commitment to offer a solution to a recurring flooding problem. On 1988 June 17, staff wrote to a property owner in the 4000 block Triumph and stated in part:

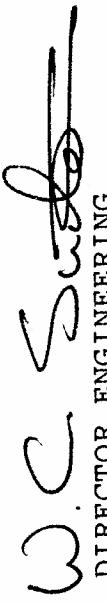
"We refer to your enquiries regarding the condition of the sidewalk and attendant drainage problems in the vicinity of 4024 Triumph Street. Review of the history on this matter would indicate that little has been achieved by way of a solution to this problem over the past year.

We are of the opinion that a solution to this problem lies only in significant upgrading and construction. There does not appear to be any short term 'band aid' type treatments which would be cost effective to solve the problem. We would therefore recommend that the street be put forward for improvement under the Local Improvement Paving Program. Under this program, streets are improved with curb and gutter, pavement, sidewalks (new or replacement as necessary) as well as proper storm drainage.

... It should be pointed out that LIP projects are subject to initial approval by Council, support of the abutting owners who bear a portion of the cost and following such support, and final approval by Council. At this time, the only commitment which we can make is to include the 4000 block Triumph in the next LIP program advanced to Council."

As can be seen from the foregoing, the initiative in the 4000 block was not traffic related. With regard to pedestrian safety, it should be noted that concrete sidewalks do exist on both sides of Triumph Street. Consequently, staff have no reason to recommend that the 3800 block be reinitiated to accommodate pedestrian activity.

Appearing elsewhere on the agenda is a subsequent letter and petition submitted by Mrs. M. Durigon, 3859 Triumph Street expressing opposition to any proposal for curbs in the 3800 block Triumph Street. It would be appropriate if Mrs. M. Durigon were provided with a copy of this report together with a copy of the previous report which appeared as Item No. 17, Manager's Report No. 48, Council Meeting 1990 July 23.


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