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MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 17
COUNCIL MEETING 90/03/05

RE: POSSIBLE LOCATION FOR P.N.E. CAROUSEL AT BURNABY VILLAGE MUSEUM

ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

 THAT the recommendations of the Director Recreation & Cultural Services be adopted.

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER

FROM

DIRECTOR RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

RE

POSSIBLE LOCATION FOR P.N.E. CAROUSEL AT BURNABY VILLAGE MUSEUM

PURPOSE:

To advise Council of the proposed location at Burnaby Village

Museum for the P.N.E. Carousel.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

REPORT

At its meeting of 1990 February 21, the Parks & Recreation Commission received the <u>attached</u> staff report on the above subject and adopted the two recommendations contained therein.

The Commission has also been advised by the Carousel Association that the P.N.E. and the owners of the Carousel, York-Hannover, have agreed that the carousel is for sale, that the Association has the right of first refusal and that the Association has until October 1990 to raise the necessary funds.

On this basis, the Association is proceeding with its fund raising and the first sample horse has been delivered to a carousel expert in the United States for renovation. It will be used over the summer of 1990 at the P.N.E. as a fund raiser.

The Association is committed to raising all the funds required to acquire, renovate and house the carousel at Burnaby Village Museum. The carousel and housing would then become the property of the Corporation which would be responsible for its maintenance and operation in perpetuity. It is anticipated that the revenue generated by the carousel will be sufficient to cover the cost of ongoing maintenance.

DENNIS GAUNT Director Recreation & Cultural Services

DG:hh Attach.

c.c. Director Planning & Building Inspection

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

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- 1. THAT the carousel location be approved in the area behind (north of) the Railway Station at Burnaby Village Museum.
- 2. THAT Council be so advised.

REPORT

The Carousel at the P.N.E. is a 1917 Parker machine, which is approximately 36' in diameter at its base and approximately 42' in overall diameter with the canopy overhang.

Museum staff have investigated the type of housing into which such a carousel would be located and it is estimated that the overall footprint for such a structure (which would include a surrounding gallery out of the weather for the public) would be approximately 80 feet square. The overall height of such a structure at its pinacle would be approximately 2 stories (25 feet).

As a result of these criteria, two locations have been identified. Both of these locations were looked at because they are on the edges of the Village (which is the kind of area that a carousel/fairground activity occupied during the 1910-1925 period). The preferred location is an area to the north of the present railway station within what is now the B.C.S.M.E. precinct. This area is relatively flat, is protected by the berm and hedge along Canada Way, and is lower than buildings in other areas of the Museum (e.g. Elworth House). The second possible location is at the west end of the main street of the Village where the log cabin is presently located. However, the Master Plan shows other possible uses for this site.

Discussions have taken place with staff of the Planning Department whereby a brief review of the pros and cons of each location was undertaken. Based on this review the location to the north of the train station is the preferred location by the Planning Department.

It was agreed in discussions with Planning staff that critical to this decision would be the selection of an architect sensitive to the "Heritage Building" requirements in the design of the carousel housing. It is therefore proposed that the above approval be given to the Carousel Association contingent upon the Corporation participating in the selection of the architect.

Summary:

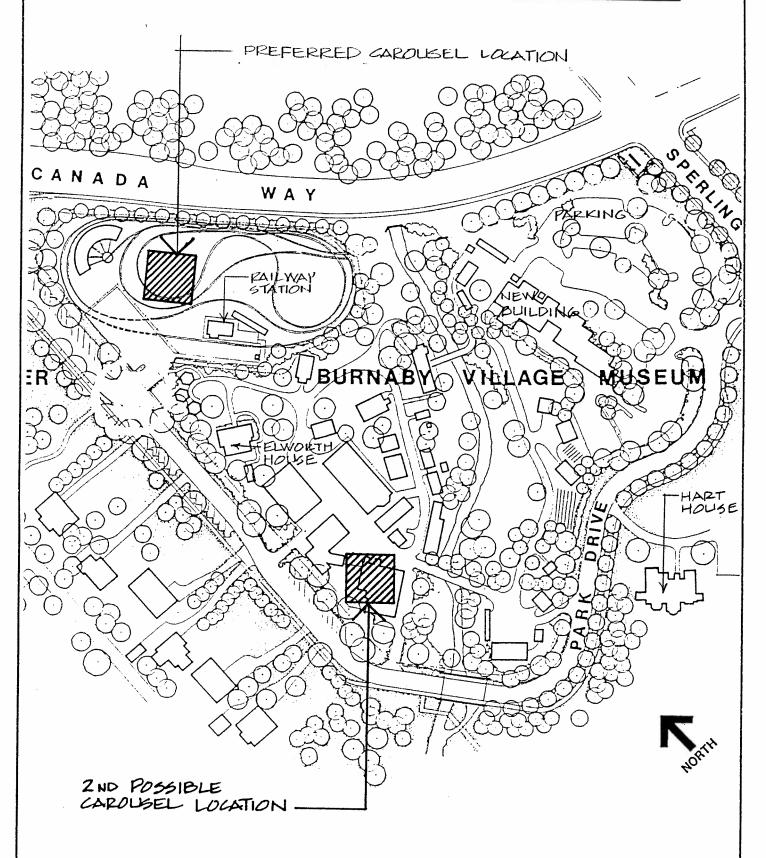
It is the judgement of Museum staff that by locating the carousel on the vacated B.C.S.M.E. property as a special animated activity for families; it will enhance the types of other programs and operational activities envisioned in the expanded Museum. One of the major concepts being given further investigation is the development of an operational street car line to complement the static display of a historic tram at the Museum's entrance. In this regard the location of the carousel fits very well with the planning of the line to curve around the location with a street car stop provided at the existing railway station. Such matters as the cost of operation and maintenance, and the focus of the operation of a carousel activity at the Museum need to be the subjects of a later report.

A plan illustrating the proposed location is attached.

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