

ITEM 1
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 74
COUNCIL MEETING 92/11/30

TO : CITY MANAGER
FROM : DIRECTOR RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES
RE : BURNABY PUBLIC LIBRARY - LETTER FROM FALSE CREEK MANAGEMENT CORP.
PURPOSE: To reply to the False Creek Management Corp. letter regarding the lighting and noise affecting neighbors adjacent to the Civic Square.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the False Creek Management Corp.

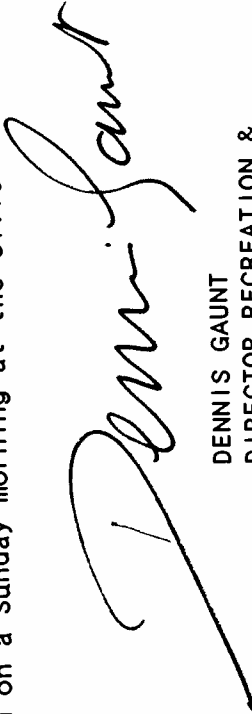
REPORT

Appearing on the Council Agenda of 1992 November 23 was a letter from Ms. J. Seifert on the above subject.

The Civic Square outdoor lighting includes landscape lighting at the entrances and along the walkways, tree lighting, fountain lighting and special event lighting. The special event lighting is only used when the square is formally booked for an evening event. These lights are extremely bright and are not suitable for security purposes. The fountain lights are under water and are only on when the fountains are operating and, therefore, are not part of the Civic Square lighting during the winter months. The lighting at the entrances, along the walkways and in the trees will be turned on at dusk and left on until daybreak to provide security lighting for the site.

The noise from the roof fans has been addressed with additional acoustical treatment. The noise level has been reduced from 67 dBA to 52 dBA, which in the opinion of the consultant, should eliminate future complaints.

The final concern relates to the musical noise associated with public events held at the Civic Square on Sunday mornings. Annually the library hosts a pancake breakfast and this year there was an additional Centennial event involving the Kushiro delegation and entertainment. The specific concern is that the noisy music is disruptive to the local residents wishing to enjoy a quiet Sunday morning. In future, the amplified music component of any event will not be permitted until after 10:00 a.m. This will still allow events like the annual library breakfast to be held on a Sunday morning at the Civic Square.


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