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1995 APRIL 26

**TO:** CITY MANAGER

**FROM:** DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

**SUBJECT:** REZONING REFERENCE #7/95  
6515 BONSOR AVENUE (METROTOWN)  
ISSUES ARISING FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING

**PURPOSE:** To inform Council of responses to issues arising from the  
1995 April 25 Public Hearing for Rezoning Reference #7/95

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. **THAT** this report be received for information purposes.

**R E P O R T**

At the 1995 April 25 Public Hearing for Rezoning Reference #7/95 to permit the seasonal relocation of 30 seats from the interior of the Firefighters Club to a new abutting patio, neighbours expressed some concerns about noise and rowdiness from patrons leaving the establishment. Council therefore requested a report on the past experience of the City regarding existing patio areas.

At present there are approximately 45 licensed outdoor patios in Burnaby ranging in size from 8 to 120 seats. The Liquor Control and License Board is responsible for monitoring correct observance of a facility's hours of operation and seating capacity. The Environmental Health Department responds to complaints about excess noise and the RCMP to complaints about unruly behaviour.

A review of complaints about noise emanating from facilities in Burnaby with outdoor patio seating by the Environmental Health Department shows that none have been received in 1995 and only one in 1994, although occasionally people call to inquire about the complaint process. The RCMP note no complaints about the Firefighters Club and consider it one of the quieter licensed establishments. It is the general opinion that having patios close earlier than interior areas minimizes noise and that, indeed, as the evening progresses and grows cooler, patrons move indoors.

Given that existing licensed patio areas have a good record of not generating community disturbances and that suitable avenues of complaint exist, staff consider that the seasonal location

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of 30 seats from the interior of the Firefighters Club to a new patio for restricted hours of operation as proposed, is not unreasonable in the circumstances.

This is for the information of Council.



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RCMP NCO In Charge CP/VS