

TO: CITY MANAGER

1997 FEBRUARY 18

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

SUBJECT: **REQUEST FOR DEMOLITION PERMIT
METRO-CENTRE HOTEL AND ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES
REZONING REFERENCE #21/96 AND #22/96
SUBDIVISION REFERENCE #37/96**

PURPOSE: To inform Council of an application to demolish the Metro-Centre Hotel building and associated structures.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the Chief Building Inspector be authorized to release a demolition permit for the Metro-Centre Hotel and associated structures upon all usual requirements being met.

REPORT

Rezoning Reference #21/96 for a mixed-used high-rise commercial proposal including hotel, conference centre, office and retail components was given Second Reading on 1996 September 09, while the adjacent Rezoning Reference #22/96 for a high-rise apartment was given Second Reading on 1996 August 22 (see attached Sketch #1). The developers of both of these rezoning proposals are pursuing the rezoning prerequisites and subdivision requirements with a view to completing the rezonings on an expeditious timeline. The completion of subdivision which is related to both rezonings necessitates the demolition of the existing buildings on the site which, if remaining, would straddle proposed property lines. The demolition process itself is estimated to take two months. A demolition application has been made for the existing Metro-Centre Hotel building at 4561 Kingsway as well as an adjacent separate retail building at 4553 Kingsway.

The standard procedure is that demolition of existing buildings not be undertaken prior to Consideration and Third Reading of the Bylaw. However, from time-to-time, Council has been requested to consider the release of demolition permits prior to Third Reading in light of the particular circumstances of specific rezoning applications. The Planning and Building Department supports the application to demolish the existing building to further the expeditious redevelopment of those two important Metrotown sites.



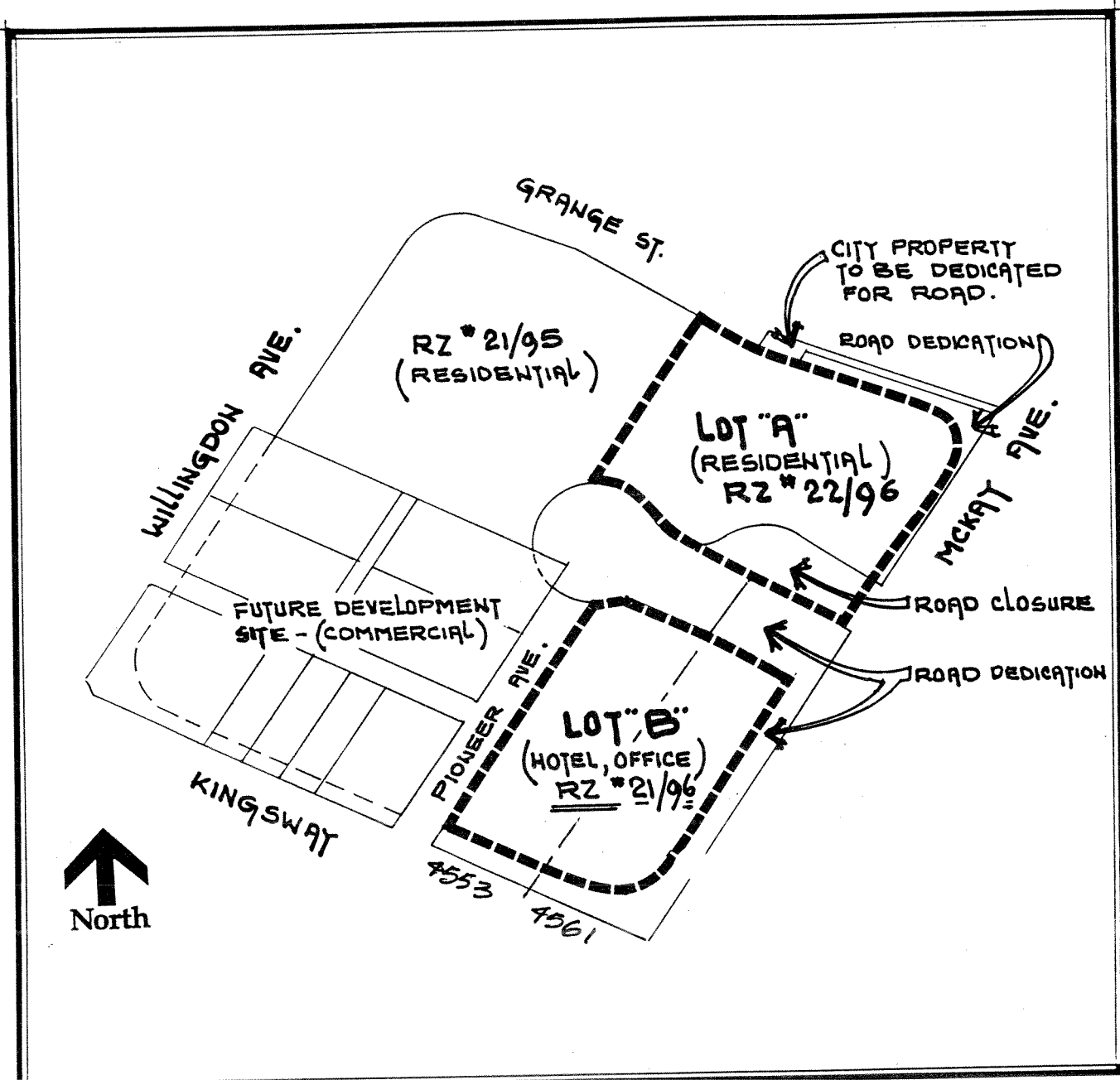
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cc: Chief Building Inspector

Chief Environmental Health Officer



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REZONING REFERENCE *21/96 1#22/96
PROPOSED SUBDIVISION
SKETCH #1