

A G E N D A

For Regular Meeting of City of Red Deer Council to be held in the Council Chambers, Parsons Clinic Building, Ross Street, Red Deer, on Monday, August 28th, 1961, at 4.15 p.m.

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>BLK.</u>	<u>PLAN</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>FUR.</u> <u>PRICE</u>	<u>FLOOR</u> <u>SPACE</u>
ENG. HOMES	30	16	902MC	4442-33A Street	2940.20	1350
" "	26	42	7063KS	5914-West Park Cresc.	2088.00	800
" "	9	16	3227KS	3908-Exeter Cresc.	3456.32	1000
" "	18	20	902MC	4456-33 Street	2471.00	1000
" "	12	20	902MC	4432-33 Street	2705.60	1000
TEMPLETON CONST.	29	16	902MC	4438-33A Street	2705.60	1700
MACKINNON CONST.	22	17	902MC	3317-44A Avenue	2555.45	1000
ALTON BROS.	14	16	902MC	4436-34 Street	2705.60	1000
E.G.&.A.E.KEMSHEAD	17	16	902MC	4448-34 Street	2940.20	1000
W. LUNIW	E. 86' 6	8	8148ET	4217-39 Street	2183.50	6 Ste Apt,

7. Monthly Reports & Minutes:

R.D.D.P.C. Minutes of July 17th, 1961 meeting.

R.D.D.P.C. Minutes of Subdivision Committee meeting August 9th, 1961.

8. New Business:

Unfinished Business:

To: City Commissioner.

From: Building Inspector.

August 17th, 1961.

Re: House West of Church of Christ Site

Mr. Johanson is constructing a new dwelling on Lot 8, Block D, West of the Church of Christ site.

He is using old material for basement forms and this material is visible from 43rd Street.

The field inspector has been carefully checking the concrete and it is very good.

We will continue our inspection on this building.

G. K. Jorgenson,
Building Inspector.

NOTE:

For information of Council.

COMMISSIONER.

City Land Administrator,
City of Red Deer.

Red Deer District Planning Commission.

August 14th, 1961.

Dear Sir,

Re: Premium Lots - Spruce Drive

In reply to the City Clerk's letter to the City Land Administrator dated July 24th, 1961 with a copy to me, I would give the following comments:-

I am of the view that it is premature to make any change in the price of the premium lots on Spruce Drive.

The road has only just been paved, and one of the arguments for making these large lots and more expensive lots available was that such type of lots were not made available in the standard subdivisions. I would support the view of a modified price if more of these lots have not been sold by the fall of next year, but would strongly recommend that no change be made at the present time.

It will be recalled that the lots set aside for apartments and duplexes facing the Eastview School remained vacant for nearly 18 months and suggestions were made that they should be re-subdivided for single family houses. These lots have now all been sold and developed for the original purpose. The lots lying immediately behind the multiple family properties facing Eastview School were large single family lots and it was argued that nobody would buy a large lot backing onto an apartment block. It is our understanding that these lots have now all been sold.

For these reasons we recommend that these lots remain at their present price, at least until the fall of next year.

Yours truly,
Denis Cole,
Director.

To: City Commissioner.

From: Land Dept.

Re: Spruce Drive (City Lots)

In reply to Council's wishes of July 17, 1961, I hereby submit the following report.

At the present time the City has 3 different house building areas, West Park, Eastview and Spruce Drive.

Due to the Zoning, Lot Sizes and Building Regulations (size of houses) for the above mentioned areas, I am of the view that the present land sale prices are reasonable.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Land Price</u>	<u>Zoning</u>	<u>Bldg. Requirements</u>
West Park	39.26	R.2 B	800 sq. ft.
Eastview	46.92	R.1 C	1000 sq. ft.
Spruce Drive	58.92	R.1 B	1400 sq. ft.

In the proposed subdivision of Sunnybrook, Council has agreed that the Premium Lots would sell for \$75.00 per foot with a minimum building line of 100 ft. and building commitment of 1800 sq. ft. - this is a R.1 A. Zone.

It is my opinion that the lots on Spruce Drive are of a semi-premium type, therefore the comparison of the selling price between a standard single family lot, semi-premium lot and a premium lot are in relationship to one another.

D. J. Wilson,
Land Administrator.

NOTE:

Recommend that no change be made in the price of the lots on Spruce Drive at the present time.

COMMISSIONER.

Re: Tilting Grave Markers - City Cemetery

Investigations are being made into this matter, and report and recommendations designed to overcome the problem are expect to be available for Council's consideration at Council meeting of September 11th, 1961.

COMMISSIONERS.

REPORTS:No.1.

July 28th, 1961.

To: The City Commissioners,

From: The Building Inspector.

Re: Report on Surveys carried out in connection with
the control of garbage disposal

We have surveyed the following areas of the City, Michener Hill, Grandview, North and South Mountview, Parkvale and North Red Deer, West of Gaetz Avenue and South of the hill.

In all areas surveyed the cans that are being used to contain garbage are in most cases very poor being almost rusted through. In some cases it was noted that there was up to five small cans to a site.

Where property was fenced along the lane, it was noted that cans were generally placed outside the fence on that portion of the lane not gravelled for traffic. Otherwise cans were generally stored off the lanes.

We noted several sites on which garden refuse was dumped at the rear of the site. The occupants of these sites were approached and requested to make arrangements to have this cleared.

We noted that in some sections of North Red Deer where there are no constructed lanes, it is very difficult to ascertain where property lines lie and so containers were not placed very uniformly.

There were one or two sites noted to be particularly untidy and the owners of these were approached and requested to take steps to clear same.

These surveys so far carried out have been only of a preliminary nature. Should Council require a more detailed check up with door to door calls, informing occupants of the requirements of the by-laws, this would require considerable time and would be at the expense of the other work required by this department. Otherwise we would intend to carry out this work in conjunction with our normal inspections, notifying occupiers of infractions as we note them.

Yours truly,
 J. MacLean,
 Asst. Building Inspector.

No.2:

Commissioners request following amendment to Class "A" Chimney resolution of August 1st, 1961.

"This resolution shall not apply to a house development where application to an approved lender was made prior to August 15th, 1961".

This is required because some builders have applied to C.M.H.C. already and sold the houses without provision for a Class "A" chimney, even though they have not yet taken out a building permit. If we insist on a Class "A" chimney at this stage they will have to spend \$75.00 more for a Class "A" chimney which they will not be able to pass on to the purchaser since he has not asked for it.

Commissioners.

No.3:

August 21st, 1961.

To: City Council

From: The Technical Planning Committee.

At the August 17th meeting of the Technical Planning Committee the following resolution was passed.

"Moved by G. J. Gamble and seconded by Denis Cole, that it be recommended to Council that S. A. Pepper be appointed as Secretary of the Technical Planning Committee".

Trusting such appointment will be made in compliance with the requirements of By-law 2011/1.

Yours truly,
S.A. Pepper,
Acting Secretary,
Technical Planning Committee.

No.4:

City Commissioners,
City of Red Deer.

August 11th, 1961.

Gentlemen,

Tenders on 6 - 10 KVA and 6 - 15 KVA transformers were received as shown on the following list and were opened by City Clerk in presence of Alderman Barton and myself.

	<u>Central Electric</u>	<u>Moloney Electric</u>	<u>Westinghouse</u>	<u>Gen.Gen. Electric</u>	<u>Pioneer Elec. (Brews & Son)</u>	<u>Ferranti- Packard</u>
10 KVA	181.00	181.00	186.00	186.00	179.00	186.00
15 KVA	222.00	222.00	228.00	228.00	221.00	228.00

R. L. Brews & Son are low on both items so would recommend we purchase our requirements from them. These are Pioneer Electric transformers, made in Red Deer, and the quality and delivery are both good.

I therefore request permission to place the order with R.L. Brews & Son as follows:-

6 - 10 KVA distribution transformers @ \$179.00 ea.	1074.00
6 - 15 KVA " " @ \$221.00 ea.	<u>1326.00</u>
	<u><u>\$2400.00</u></u>

Yours truly,
O.C. Mills,
Elec. Supt.

NOTE:

Recommend acceptance of tender of R. L. Brews at \$2400.00.

COMMISSIONERS.

No.5:

Tenders for demolition of City Garage building (formerly Prov.D.P.W. Garage) 43rd Street and 52nd Avenue.

In accordance with the agreement for the sale of this property to the Red Deer Bottling Co., the City is required to demolish and remove the existing building. The estimated cost of the demolition was included in the sale price of the land.

Tenders were invited and three tenders received for the demolition of the building as follows:-

Red Deer Salvage & Demolition	\$1140.00
Manfield Construction Co. Red Deer.....	\$1600.00
C. V. Thoen, Red Deer	\$1980.00

It is recommended that tender of Red Deer Salvage & Demolition Co., be accepted at \$1140.00.

COMMISSIONER.

No.6:Re: License Inspector

Mr. F. Szastkiw has been employed under Acting License Inspector G. K. Jorgenson since June 19th, 1961. His work has been found satisfactory and it is recommended Mr. Szastkiw be appointed by resolution of Council as License Inspector under By-law No.1862.

COMMISSIONER.

No.7:

To: City Commissioners.

From: Building Inspector.

July 31st, 1961.

Dog Control Report

During the month of July there were 17 dogs impounded of these 10 were redeemed, 1 was sold and 6 were euthanased. The Dog Control Officer regularly patrolled all play areas during hours of play and made routine inspections throughout the City.

J. MacLean,
Building Inspection Branch.

No.8: No.9. (Red Deer) Health Unit Water Analysis Report (Bacteriological)
July 1961.

Samples of water tested from City public water supply for bacteria all proved negative.

No.9:Re: Court of Revision - Voters List

It is necessary that Court of Revision - Voters List, be held. We suggest Council act as Court of Revision and that same be held Monday, September 11th, 1961 at 4.15 p.m., in Council Chambers. This is regular Council meeting date, and the Court of Revision could be held prior to commencement of regular Council business.

City Clerk.

No.10.

To: City Council.

Re: Tenders.

In reply to our tender request for the supply and delivery of 8000 tons of 2" road gravel, the following tenders were received.

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Basic Unit Price per ton</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>Adjusted Cost</u>
Hopkins Const.Ltd.	73¢	\$5840.00	\$6702.50
R.F.Curr & Sons	84¢	\$6720.00	\$7582.50
Sprecher Const.Ltd.	\$1.09	\$8720.00	\$8499.50
Border Paving Ltd.	\$1.30	\$10400.00	\$11435.00

The "basic unit price" is the cost to deliver the material to our stock piles at 54 Avenue and 43rd Street.

The "Total Cost" is that cost for delivering the complete quantity to our stock pile.

As much material will be placed directly on job sites as construction condition will permit during the period of crushing the gravel, price variable was requested for "overhauls" and underhauls" (being longer or shorter haul distances as related to the stockpile haul distances).

The "Adjusted Cost" as shown above is that amount if a maximum quantity is placed on job sites direct from the crusher.

I would recommend that 8000 tons of 2" crushed gravel be purchased from Hopkins Construction Ltd., of Lacombe to be delivered as required by the Engineering Dept., at a basic total price of \$5840.00, together with adjustments for overhauls and underhauls.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours truly,
A. S. Krause.
D. W. MacGowan.

NOTE:

Concur with recommendations of the Public Works Dept.

COMMISSIONER.

CORRESPONDENCE:

7.

Letter No.1.

August 5th, 1961.

City Clerk,
City Hall,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear Sir,

We hereby make application for access to the front of property Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 8324 E.T., on South Gaetz Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta.

We wish for access either by service road; for which project we have dedicated 25 feet from the front of said property, or as an alternative temporary access from number 2 Highway until the service road is developed.

Having no front entrance, seriously de-values the aforementioned property, and causes inconvenience and difficulty of entrance to the occupants of this property.

Yours very truly,
C.George Constable & Gladys G. Constable.

City Clerk,
City of Red Deer.

Red Deer District Planning Commission.

August 14th, 1961.

Dear Sir,

Re: Application by George Constable - dated August 5th, 1961

I find difficulty in understanding the above mentioned letter.

In April 1961, Mr. Constable applied for permission to erect a duplex on this property, which is a conditional use.

On April 25th, 1961, I furnished the Building Inspector with my comments as he considered the circumstances of this lot a little unusual, and the Zoning By-law indicated that a future service road reservation would be required between the lot and Gaetz Avenue.

In this letter I pointed out to the Building Inspector that the use of this lot for a duplex was conditional upon the approval of Council and any conditions which Council might make, and I further recommended that a condition would be that a 50 foot reservation be made for the cost of re-surveying this lot and providing 50 feet for a future service road, the City to pay the expense. It should be noted that this was complied with. The report further pointed out that until such time as the property could be obtained on either side, the service road could not be built and another access to Gaetz Avenue at this point would be highly undesirable. In the circumstances it was suggested that the City should consider the improvement of the lane behind the lots and that it should be understood that the approval of the subdivision would be on the understanding that the access would be from the lane only. It was my understanding that this was made perfectly clear to the applicant at the time the approval was made for the duplex.

The letter dated August 5th, 1961 would suggest that the owner has only just realized the situation, and now he is asking either for the construction of the service road or a temporary access to Gaetz Avenue.

I would strongly recommend that the City refuses this application and notify the applicant that he erected the duplex with full knowledge that the access would be from the lane only until such time as the City were in a position to construct a service road which may be several years due to the fact that additional lands will have to be obtained from the adjacent owners.

Yours truly,
Denis Cole,
Director.

NOTE:

Council on May 8th, 1961 in approving an application to build a duplex on the subject property did so on the following conditions.

1. The front 50' of said lot being registered as a road.
2. Access to the above lot shall be from the lane only, with no access being provided to Gaetz Avenue.

The City Solicitor is of the legal opinion that access only has to be provided to a property at one point, and there is already a lane at the rear of this property.

The City is not able at this time to proceed with the construction of the service road, since we have not got the required right-of-way.

Your Commissioners therefore recommend that this application be rejected.

COMMISSIONERS.

Letter No.2:

Union of Alberta Municipalities.

August 17th, 1961.

To All Members:

Please accept this circular as an early reminder of our 1961 Convention and I would ask you to make a note of the following points and also bring same to the attention of your Council.

Your Executive have held several meetings this year and the following has been decided.

1. Place: Macdonald Hotel, Edmonton, Alberta.
Dates: Wednesday, October 25, 1961. Registration at 10 a.m. Official opening at 2 p.m. Thursday, October 26, 1961 and Friday, October 27, 1961.
Tentative programme will be mailed later.
2. Please arrange to book your own accommodations. Your Secretary-Treasurer cannot do this for you.
3. All resolutions to be presented at the Convention must be in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer no later than September 15, 1961.

A full and interesting programme is being arranged. Make every effort to attend, and once again PLEASE INFORM YOUR MAYOR AND COUNCIL.

One of the highlights of this year's Convention will be a speech by Mr. H. Carl Goldenberg of Montreal. His subject will be Municipal and School Taxation followed by a question period.

Yours truly,
E. Newman,
Secretary-Treasurer.

NOTE:

For information of Council.

COMMISSIONER.

Letter No. 3:

Alberta Professional Photographers Association,
4912 Ross Street,
Red Deer, Alberta.

August 16, 1961.

Mayor McAfee and City Council,
c/o City Clerk,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Gentlemen,

The executive of the Central Zone, Alberta Professional Photographers Association, had a matter brought to their attention which was felt should be passed on to you and the City Council for your consideration.

Your By-law governing the itinerant or out of town photographer I understand provides for a \$100 license and the posting of a \$500 bond.

The complaint brought to our executive is that a number of these non-resident photographers were allowed to come into Red Deer this year with the payment of a \$35.00 license and no bond.

Apart from the business lost to local photographers, there are numerous complaints each year regarding the shady business ethics and poor quality of work of some of these fellows. Therefore we feel that if the terms of the By-law are enforced both our local business places and the general public will be protected to a greater extent.

Yours very truly,
Russel M. Fisher, President
Central Zone, Alberta Professional Photographers Assoc.

To: City Clerk.

From: License Inspector.

August 18th, 1961.

Re: Alta Professional Photographers Assoc. Letter dated August 16, 1961

License Department Records indicate only one non-resident license issued to-date.

This was issued to Rothermel Studios of Calgary; (License #2608 dated June 7th, 1961).

The license was granted at resident rates on the assumption that a license had been granted the year previous.

The issue was made during the period when the License Department was functioning under temporary arrangements.

Future issue of photographer license will be more closely scrutinized.

F. Szastkiw,
License Inspector.

NOTE:

Licensing By-law requires \$100 license fee and posting \$500 bond for "non-resident" photographers: \$35.00 for "resident".

This license issued as a "resident" license in error is only license issued to "non-resident" photographers this year, and was issued in the period after retirement of former License Inspector and prior to engagement of present License Inspector. No complaints have been received at City Office in respect of the licensee in question as to quality of work etc.

Would recommend no further action in this case other than to assure no re-occurrence of same in future.

COMMISSIONERS.

Letter No.4:

Red Deer Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. G. J. Gamble,
City Commissioner,
City Hall,
Red Deer, Alta.

August 21st, 1961.

Dear Sir,

The matter of decorative street lighting at Christmas time was considered at a recent meeting of the executive council of the Red Deer Chamber of Commerce.

This council takes the view that, starting this year, the two centre blocks of Gaetz Avenue and Ross Street respectively should be decorated with new material, with a continuing program of extension in successive years.

In consultation with Mr. Mills it was estimated that the cost of material for the four blocks described would be \$1800.00. Of this sum the Chamber of Commerce is prepared to pay one half or, if a lesser amount is expended, then one half of such amount, the City to take care of the cost of installation, removal and storage. The total amount payable by the Chamber is not to exceed \$900.00.

There is some urgency in this matter in order to take advantage of a discount of $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ for early ordering. In this connection the manufacturer has agreed to an extension from August 15th to 31st.

Should you wish to discuss this matter with representatives of the Chamber please advise me.

Your early attention will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,
W. H. Stringer,
Secretary.

NOTE:

Would recommend Council agree to provide amount equal to Chamber of Commerce for this project.

COMMISSIONERS.

Letter No.5:

The Mayor & Councillors,
City of Red Deer, Alberta.

Raymond Meunier,
Morinville, Alberta.

August 17, 1961.

Dear Sirs,

Re: Removal of Subsoil Pile on Lot at 3838-39th Street.

The builder of the fourplex on the East side of the above property, has piled his subsoil on part of the mentioned lot. This Spring, we asked him several times to remove it, as it was preventing us from finishing our landscaping.

We were in Red Deer lately, to find that the building has changed hands, but the mountain of soil was left on our lot by the builder. We know not how and where to contact him.

Would Council please see to it that he removes this pile of dirt, as soon as possible, so that we can get the rest of our property levelled and landscaped this fall.

Anticipating your prompt attention on this matter, we are,

Yours truly,
Raymond & Rolande Meunier.

NOTE:

This is no legal concern of the City's. The Meunier's action is against person who put soil there through their private solicitor. Action lies in trespass and damages should be obtainable.

City Solicitor.

Letter No. 6:

F. W. Horn,
August 17th, 1961.

City Commissioner,
Red Deer,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear George,

I notice by the local newspaper that the City is having a traffic consultant take a look at your Gaetz Ave., problem.

While this man is in Red Deer I feel that we have a problem in front of my home that an expert should have a look at, there has been several accidents at this corner (49 Ave., and 44 St.) in the last few years and there has been three fairly bad ones in the last month.

The cars proceed South on 49 Ave., at speeds that they cannot make the curve and end up on the front lawn of the homes next to me. 4823-44 Street has had her house damaged and her fence badly damaged by a hit and run driver just prior to the R. D. Fair and last Wednesday a car completely smashed the front of her fence.

I am concerned because I am afraid one of these times children will be playing on the boulevard or their front yards and we may have a serious accident or even a fatality.

These accidents are caused partly by the curve and partly by the fact that the road narrows. I do not have any recommendations, if the curve was made wider by taking some land off the South School property it would probably help but this is costly and may not be the answer.

This note is for information only and possibly some constructive action, I am,

Yours very truly,
Fred.

Mayor & Members,
Red Deer City Council.

4823-44 St. Crescent,
Red Deer, Alberta.

Sirs,

As a home owner at 4823-44 Street Crescent, may I bring to your attention the hazard that exists to life and property at 44th St. Crescent due to traffic mishaps. Will briefly outline accidents which have occurred to this property in the last few weeks through drivers not making the proper turn at this curve.

July 9th - Truck or car with hit and run driver crashed into wall of house doing considerable damage to same and also demolished heavy yard fence on West side, damaging lawn and shrubs also.

July 28th - Car forced onto boulevard and walk in front of residence having been bumped by heavy truck. Luckily no damage.

August 9th - Driver of car again failed to make turn on Crescent, crashing and destroying fence and flowers and damaging lawn on North side of house. Pedestrian narrowly escaping injury. Will you kindly investigate and take some steps to safeguard not only the above mentioned property but also property of adjacent home owners in this area.

As 44th Street Crescent is now a danger zone, I would again urge that some action be taken for safety before an accident of a more serious nature occurs involving loss of life.

Yours truly, (Mrs.) I Lorentson.

To: City Clerk.

From: City Engineer.

Re: Attached letters on Traffic at 44 St. & 49 Ave.

According to the letters it would seem that South bound traffic is causing the damage and concern. It is possible that out-of-town drivers proceeding South on 49 Ave., travelling at the legal speed limit, on reaching 44 Street expect the same standard of road but find the turn a little "tight" and width of road narrower.

To correct this situation it is suggested a checkerboard sign be erected in the boulevard as shown on the attached plan. On this sign a "tight" curve indication should also be placed. This signing would advise the motorist about the turn. In order to compensate for the narrow road it is suggested that parking be prohibited as shown on the plan in red. To improve the traffic flow it is also suggested that parking also be prohibited in the area marked black and possibly in the area marked green.

N.J . DECK.

NOTE:

Recommend that sign be erected and no parking allowed in the black, red and green area shown on plan.

COMMISSIONER.

Letter No.7:

City Commissioner,
City of Red Deer.

National Grain Company Limited,
Red Deer, Alberta.

August 22nd, 1961.

Dear Sir,

Re: Quaker Oats Warehouse

The attached picture shows the building we propose to move onto the new C.P.R. Industrial Area. The building is 24' x 40'. The proposed site is Block 4 immediately South of the National Grain Co. property. I have been advised by the City Building Inspector to apply for your authorization.

Thanking you.

Yours truly,
Clayton K. Hay.

NOTE:

Planning Commission Director states no objection to proposal. Building Inspection Dept., also advises no objection. Would recommend Council's approval of application.

COMMISSIONER.

Letter No.8:

H. F. Macdonald,
4924A Ross Street, Red Deer.

The Mayor & Council,
City of Red Deer,
Red Deer, Alberta.

August 24th, 1961.

Dear Sirs,

Re: Central Multi-Channel Television Ltd. - Our File 1372

The writer acts for the above firm and is making the following application on their behalf. I would like first to provide a certain amount of preliminary information concerning the company and its operation, following which I will explain what it is that we are asking City Council to do.

Preliminary information:

Central Multi-Channel operates a closed circuit television system in Red Deer. They have erected, approximately a mile and a half North-East of the City, a 300 foot tower and antennas. This receiving station is to pick up television signals from the two Calgary and two Edmonton television stations. The Company has also entered into a contract with Alberta Government Telephones, as a result of which cable leading from the receiving station has been brought into the City in the Michener Hill area and erected throughout the Michener Hill, Mountview, Grandview and Eastview areas. This erection is, at the time of writing, 80% completed. According to information received from Alberta Government Telephones, the installation will be 100% completed within ten days.

The final product of all these arrangements is that Central Multi-Channel's subscribers in the area now being served will, by means of a line run from the cable to the subscriber's house, be enabled to view on their home television sets, the two Calgary channels, and the two Edmonton channels, in addition to the Red Deer channel which is already available.

The system and its operation have been licensed by the Federal Department of Transport and the Provincial Government. Before the commencement of operations, Central Multi-Channel applied to the proper City of Red Deer officials and obtained the necessary City of Red Deer licenses.

The cable in the areas above referred to is strung partly on A.G.T. poles and partly on City of Red Deer poles. Central Multi-Channel was required by A.G.T. to deal exclusively with A.G.T. and therefore arrangements concerning the City poles have been and continue to be a matter for discussion between Alberta Government Telephones and the City of Red Deer.

Application

As Council is of course aware, the attractive new Sunnybrook Subdivision will be considerably enhanced by the absence of utility poles. This means that in order to provide a selection of television channels to residents in the new Sunnybrook area, Central Multi-Channel must enter into negotiations with the City of Red Deer to enable the company's cables to be laid with the various other utility cables planned for the area. This, of course, must be done at the present time before the trenches have been completed because naturally any attempt to lay a cable at some future date would involve opening the trench. Even if the City were to allow this to be done, which is hardly to be expected, the cost would be prohibitive.

Representatives of the company have made an informal approach to the City's engineering department. At the time that approach was made, it seemed to be feasible to install the company's cable in the City's trenches, but of course the engineering department quite properly refuses to enter into any real discussion of the matter without the permission of the City Council. Naturally, therefore, it is impossible in this application to discuss technical details of the installation or the financial arrangements which would have to be made between the City and the Company.

This application, therefore, is in effect for Council's approval in principal of the installation of the company's cable in the City's trenches. In other words, the company would like Council's permission to enter into detailed discussions with the engineering department concerning technical details and costs.

When, as a result of such discussions, the company is in a position to make a definite proposal for the installation of cables, a further application for the approval of such proposal will of course be made to Council. Naturally, however, if the Council feels able at this stage to allow the engineering department not merely to discuss the matter but actually to make an agreement on the basis of technical and financial arrangements satisfactory to the engineering department, this will be even more acceptable to the company. The latter arrangements would of course save both the Council and the company the necessity of a further application to Council for approval of the arrangements finally proposed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours faithfully,
H. F. Macdonald.

NOTE:

The licenses issued were "Canvassers" licenses and authorized house to house canvassing only.

Recommended this application be referred to the City Commissioner for full investigation and later report and recommendations to Council.

COMMISSIONER.

Letter No. 9:

Alberta Government Telephones,
Red Deer, Alta.
August 11th, 1961.

Mr. George Gamble,
Commissioner,
City of Red Deer.

Dear Sir,

Re: Outside Pay Stations City of Red Deer.

With reference to our telephone conversation August 8th regarding Outdoor Pay Stations, we are anxious to place an outdoor Pay Station Booth on Gaetz Avenue between 50th and 51st Street. The site most suitable is directly North of 50th Street beside Horsley's Drug Store.

The booth would be anchored to the sidewalk with four small bolts.

For providing this location and lighting for the booth this Department will pay the City of Red Deer 10% of the total collections taken from the Pay Station.

Will you please advise if installing a Pay Station at this location meets with the City's approval.

Yours very truly,
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES
R. C. Glenfield,
SECTION COMMERCIAL MANAGER.

NOTE:

The installation of telephone pay stations received Council's approval some time ago, subject to actual location of booth receiving City approval. Mr. Horsley has been contacted and would welcome pay phone booth providing same is not installed in front of windows of his store. Recommend Council approve location of booth on North side of Ross Street not less than 50 feet East of Gaetz Avenue intersection. It is felt if the booth was located on Gaetz Avenue there might be a tendency for persons in cars stopping to use the phone, there is no parking allowed on Gaetz Avenue, while parking is available at meters on Ross Street. The applica- will be agreeable to location of booth on Ross Street.

COMMISSIONER.