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FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF RED DEER CITY COUNCIL

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL,

TUESDAY, MAY 25, 1993,

COMMENCING AT 4:30 P.M.

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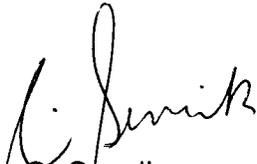
PUBLIC HEARINGSNO. 1

DATE: May 14, 1993
TO: City Council
FROM: City Clerk
RE: PUBLIC HEARING/LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/C-93

A Public Hearing has been advertised in regard to the above noted Land Use Bylaw Amendment to be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, May 25, 1993, commencing at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as Council may determine.

Bylaw 2672/C-93 pertains to the redesignation of lands in downtown west to C1-A and DC(3).

Enclosed hereafter is a plan showing the area in question.



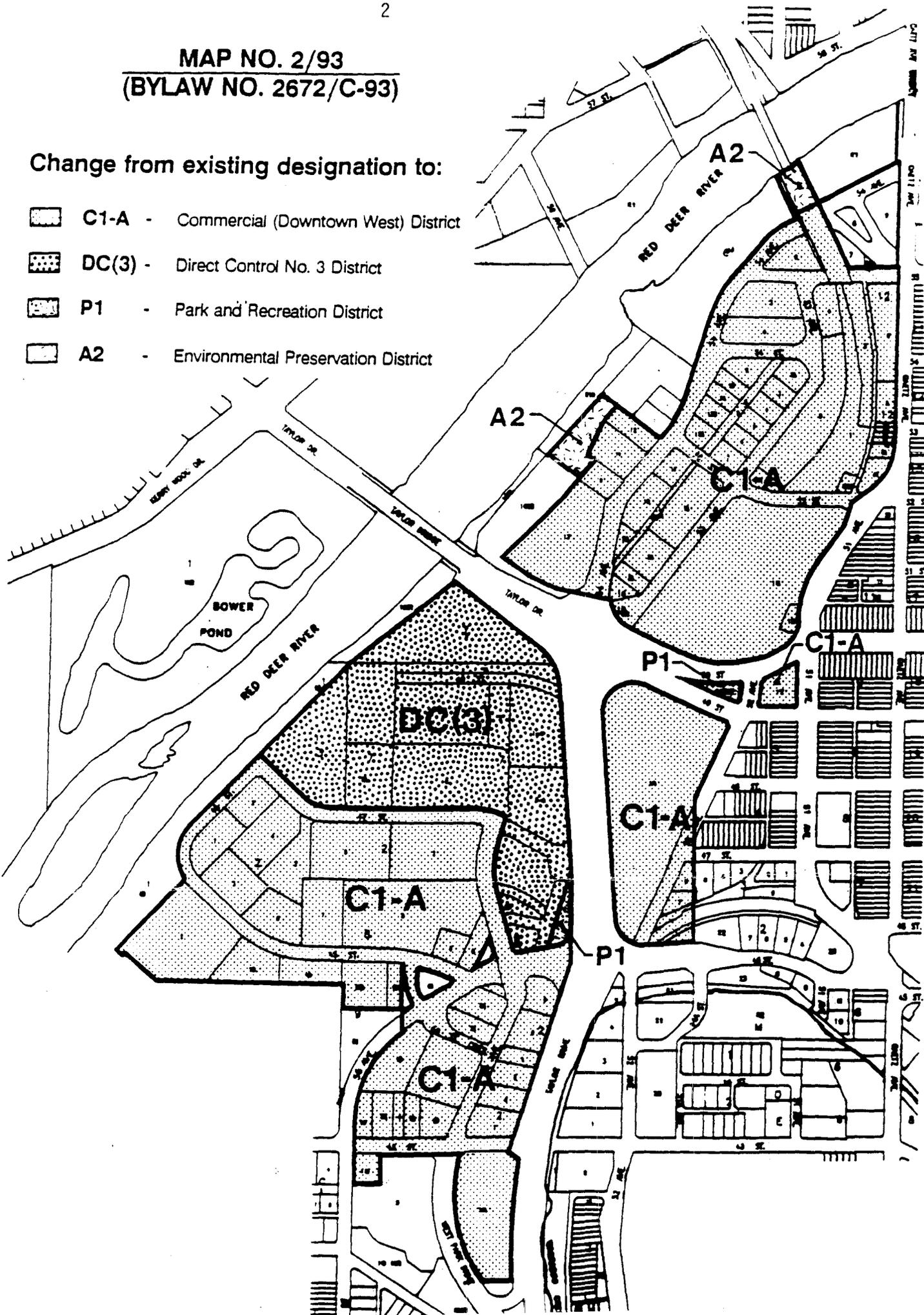
C. Sevcik
City Clerk

CS/ds

MAP NO. 2/93
(BYLAW NO. 2672/C-93)

Change from existing designation to:

-  **C1-A** - Commercial (Downtown West) District
-  **DC(3)** - Direct Control No. 3 District
-  **P1** - Park and Recreation District
-  **A2** - Environmental Preservation District





**RED DEER
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May 18, 1993

Mr. C. Sevcik, City Clerk
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Dear Sir:

RE: LAND USE BYLAW NO. 2672/C-93

The above bylaw affecting the Downtown West is planned for a public hearing on May 25, 1993.

We are proposing the side yard requirement Under 6.2.1.4-A regulation be clarified to read:

- (4) Side yard: Minimum - Nil, where there is a constructed lane
- 3.8 m on one side where there is no constructed lane
- 3.0 m when it abuts a street

We are recommending the above be approved by City Council and from part of the Bylaw 2672/C-93.

Yours truly,

D. ROUHI, ACP, MCIP
SENIOR PLANNER

DR/js

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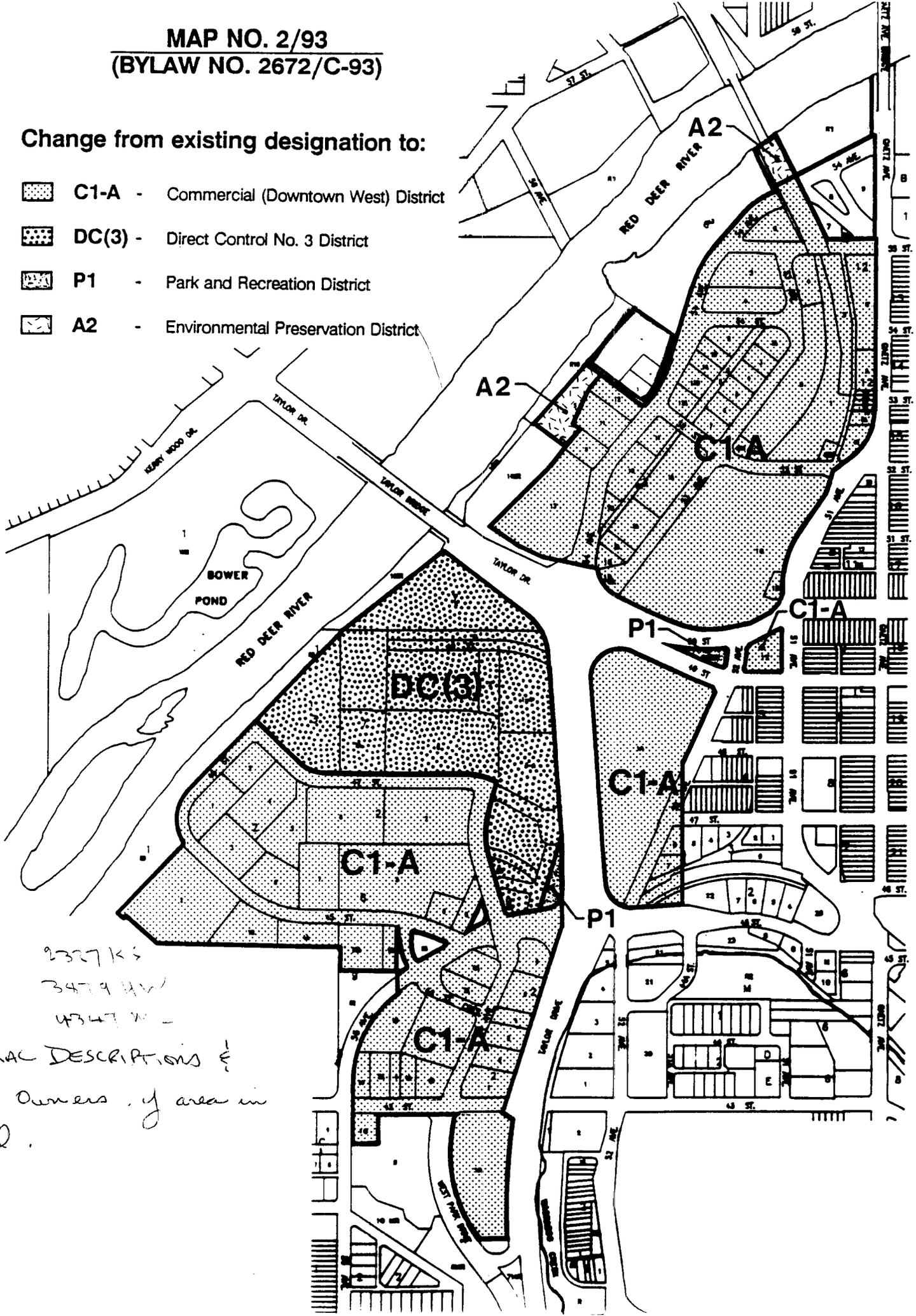
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MAP NO. 2/93
(BYLAW NO. 2672/C-93)

Change from existing designation to:

-  **C1-A** - Commercial (Downtown West) District
-  **DC(3)** - Direct Control No. 3 District
-  **P1** - Park and Recreation District
-  **A2** - Environmental Preservation District



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BYLAW NO. 2672/C-93

Being a Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2672/80, the Land Use Bylaw of the City of Red Deer.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 6.2.1 is amended by adding the following under Section 6.2.1-A:

6.2.1-A C1-A COMMERCIAL (DOWNTOWN WEST) DISTRICT

6.2.1.1-A General Purpose of District

To facilitate the development of a unique area of land uses, which includes office and a combination of commercial, industrial, institutional, cultural and residential development. Generally, the land uses are to serve the City and the region, as a whole. This District is distinct from the C1 District and includes higher standards of development. No hazardous goods would be permitted.

6.2.1.2-A Permitted Uses

- (1) Commercial recreation facility (maximum capacity of 60 persons)
- (2) Commercial entertainment facility (maximum capacity of 60 persons)
- (3) Commercial service facility (maximum capacity of 60 persons)
- (4) Food and/or beverage service facility (maximum seating capacity of 60 persons)
- (5) Institutional service facility
- (6) Office
- (7) Sign Identification and local advertising on the following types of signs (see Section 4.12): (2672/T-89)
 - A-Board signs
 - Awning, canopy and marquee signs
 - Under canopy signs
 - Fascia signs
 - Free standing signs
 - Neighbourhood identification signs
 - Painted wall signs
 - Projecting signs
 - Roof signs
 - Wall signs
- (8) Warehouse in the existing structure
- (9) Service or repair of any articles
- (10) Merchandise sales and/or rental (maximum floor area of 250 m²)

6.2.1.3-A Discretionary Uses

- (1) Accessory building or use
- (2) Commercial entertainment facility
- (3) Commercial recreation facility
- (4) Commercial service facility
- (5) Food and/or beverage service facility
- (6) Dwelling units above the ground floor
- (7) Merchandise sales and/or rental
- (8) Manufacture, of any articles
- (9) Parking lot/parking structure
- (10) Sign General advertising and directional information on the following types of signs (see Section 4.12): (2672/T-89)
 - Painted wall signs
 - Wall signs
- (11) Transportation, communication or utility facility
- (12) Hotel, motel or hostel
- (13) Home occupation
- (14) Any development legally existing or legally approved prior to the passing of this Land Use Bylaw is deemed to be a discretionary use duly approved by the Municipal Planning Commission.

6.2.1.4-A Regulations

- (1) Floor Area: Minimum - Dwelling Units 37 m²
Maximum - One-third of site area (ground floor)
- (2) Building Height: Maximum - As approved by M.P.C.
- (3) Front Yard: 6 m
- (4) Side Yard: Minimum - Nil, except where it abuts a street, in which case it shall be 3.0 m
- (5) Rear Yard: Minimum - 3 m
- (6) Landscape Area: 15% of site area
- (7) Parking: Subject to Section 4.10
- (8) Loading Spaces: Minimum - One opposite each loading door with a minimum of one

- (9) Site Area: Minimum - 900 m²
- (10) Frontage: Minimum - 20 m

6.2.1.5-A Site Development

- (1) The site plan, the relationship between buildings, structures and open spaces; the architectural treatment of buildings; the provision and architecture of landscaped open space; and the parking layout shall be subject to approval by the Development Officer or Municipal Planning Commission.

2 Section 7.3.2(4) is deleted and is replaced by the following:

- (4) Direct Control No. 3 - DC(3)
 - (a) Any use legally existing within an existing building in the area at the time this use district comes into effect is deemed to be a discretionary use.
 - (b) Any use approved by the City Council for the land within this use district having regard to the adopted Area Redevelopment Plan.

3 The "Use District Map" as referred to in Section 1.4 is hereby amended in accordance with the Use District Map No. 2/93 attached hereto and forming part of the Bylaw.

4 This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect upon the passing of third reading.

READ A FIRST TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this 29 day of March A.D. 1993

READ A SECOND TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this day of A.D. 1993

READ A THIRD TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this day of A.D. 1993

MAYOR

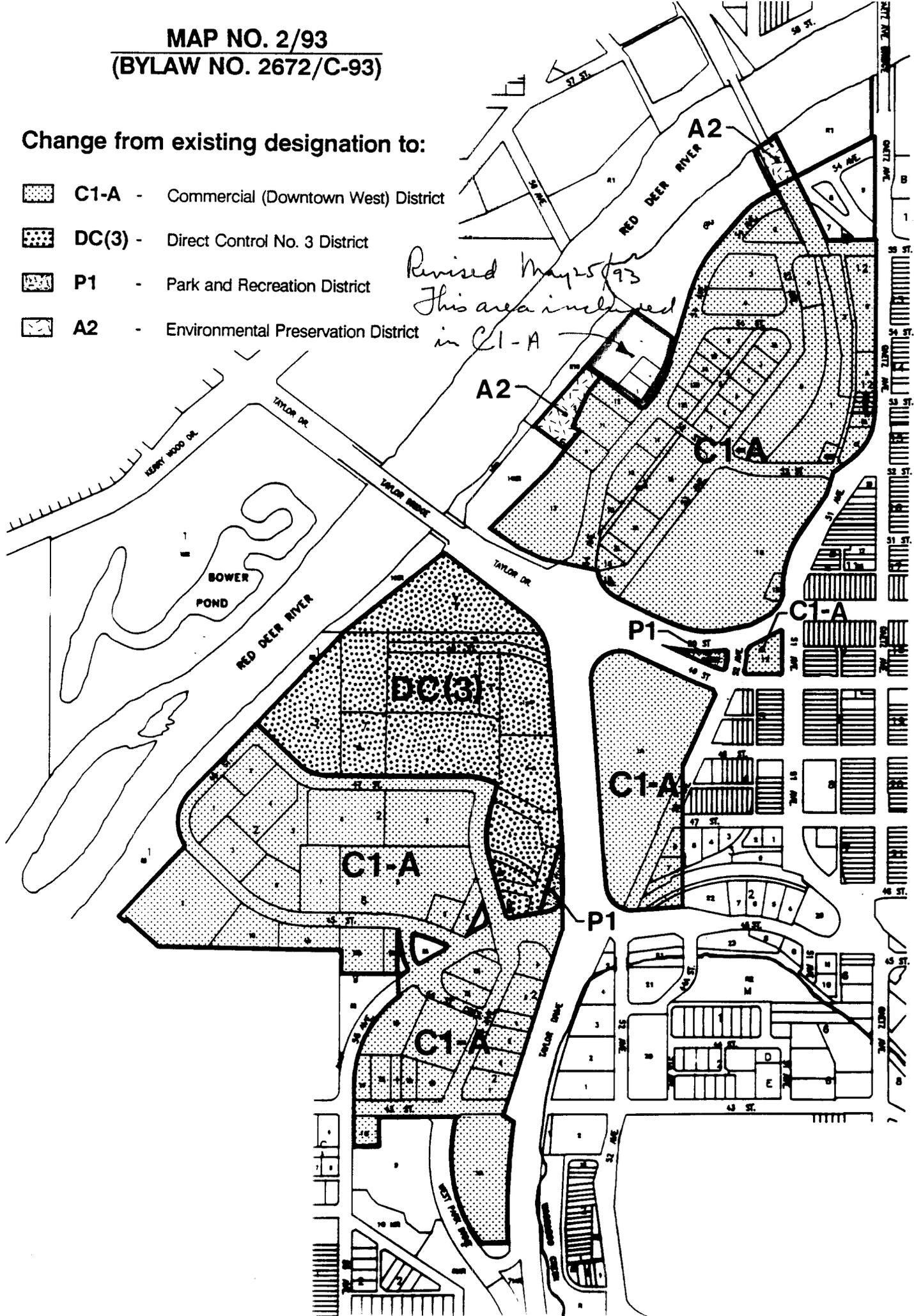
CITY CLERK

MAP NO. 2/93
(BYLAW NO. 2672/C-93)

Change from existing designation to:

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*Revised May 25, 1993
This area included
in C1-A*



DATE: APRIL 27, 1993

TO: RED DEER REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
ATTENTION: MR. PAUL MEYETTE - PRINCIPAL PLANNER

FROM: CITY CLERK

RE: PUBLIC HEARINGS:
LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/C-93
LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/D-93
EAST HILL AREA STRUCTURE PLAN 3075/A-93
DOWNTOWN WEST AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN 3087/93

Public Hearings regarding the above noted bylaws were held in the Council Chambers of City Hall Monday, April 26, 1993.

With regard to **Bylaw 2672/C-93** the hearing was adjourned and will be reconvened Tuesday, May 25, 1993, commencing at 7:00 p.m. in order that proper notification might be given in accordance with the requirements of the Government Act.

Notwithstanding the above, the following motion was passed to amend said bylaw:

"RESOLVED that Bylaw 2672/C-93 be amended as follows:

The following to be added to Permitted Uses (6.2.1.2-A)

- 8 - warehouse in the existing structure
- 9 - service or repair of any articles
- 10 - merchandise sales and/or rental (Maximum floor area of 250 m²)

The following changes to be made to Discretionary Uses (6.2.1.3-A)

- | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| 8 - manufacture of any article | <u>Proposed change</u> |
| 13 - warehouse | change of wording |
| | deleted |

Section 6.2.1.4.-A Regulation

- (1) Maximum - one third of site area (ground floor)

Section 6.2.1.5-A Site Development

- (1) The site plan, the relationship between buildings, structures and open spaces, the architectural treatment of buildings, the provision and architectural of landscaped open space, and the parking layout shall be subject to approval by the Development Officer or Municipal Planning Commission."

With regard to **Bylaw 2672/D-93** the following resolution was passed agreeing that said bylaw be amended:

"RESOLVED that Bylaw 2672/D-93 be amended as follows:

1. By changing Section 4, page 12, to read:

"IN SUB-SECTION 1.2 DEFINITIONS, RESCIND THE DEFINITIONS FOR "Office Building or Office", "Commercial Entertainment Establishment", "Commercial Recreational Establishment" AND "Personal Services."

2. Change the wording on page 16 opposite the words "regional and district shopping centres" to read "5.1 per 93 square metres (gross leasable floor area)".

Bylaw 2672/D-93 as amended was subsequently given second and third reading.

With regard to **Bylaw 3075/A-93** said bylaw was given second and third reading by Council.

With regard to **Bylaw 3087/93** the following motion was passed agreeing that same be amended:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees that Bylaw 3087/93 be amended as follows:

Page 2: Amend the fourth paragraph to:

"The Area Redevelopment Plan is based upon the following principals:

- the redevelopment of this industrial area to provide a commercial and residential development which will be complimentary to and eventually form part of the existing downtown

- the upgrading of the properties within the plan area to meet the new parking, landscaping and visual standards in the C1-A District
- maintaining the environmental integrity of the Red Deer River and the river banks
- the expansion and enhancement of the Waskasoo Park system
- the expansion of the bike trails throughout the area."

Page 13: Substitute the following for paragraph 2.

"It is proposed that the zoning for this area be upgraded to the new commercial C1A District excluding the block east of 54th Avenue which will be designated to DC3. The long range plan for this block is residential in conjunction with West yard relocation."

Page 17: Substitute the following for paragraph #2.

"A high density development would highlight the river vista as well as providing a substantial residential neighbourhood close to the downtown. Any development on the West yards site should include a dedication of additional parkland along the west boundary as well as providing landscaping in this area. The buildings should be setback a minimum of 70 metres from the existing trail system."

Page 18: In Paragraph 4, delete the following phrase in the last line.

"projecting over the riverbank"

In Paragraph 4, add a new sentence:

"The restaurant should be located southeast of the existing trail system."

Page 29: Add the following summary.

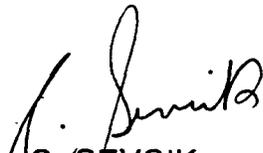
"SUMMARY

This plan envisages a slow transformation of this area from industrial/warehouse uses to residential/commercial uses. In order to support these uses, the plan creates additional parkland, new bicycle trails, realigned roads and redevelopment opportunities. To oversee the redevelopment of this area, it is recommended that MPC monitor any major development proposals; it is also recommended that the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission report annually to Council on the progress made in terms of the principles of this plan."

The said bylaw as amended was subsequently given second and third reading.

Enclosed herewith are copies of Bylaw 2672/D-93, 3075/A-93, and 3087/93 as passed by Council. We look forward to receipt of the revised pages for inclusion in the Office Consolidation Copy of the Land Use Bylaw as amended by Bylaw 2672/D-93, at your earliest convenience. Also, please take appropriate action with regard to Bylaws 3075/A-93 and 3087/93.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.



G. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

Encl.

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
City Assessor
Land and Economic Development Manager
E. L. & P. Manager
Fire Chief
Public Works Manager
Council and Committee Secretary - Sandra



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City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

April 27, 1993

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ATTENTION: MR. D. R. THOMAS - QC

Dear Sir:

RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/C-93 - YOUR FILE 127027-58/DRT

Your letter of April 26, 1993, on behalf of your client 422984 Alberta Limited, the registered owner of Lot 16A, Plan 222-3172, is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

This is to advise that as per your request, the Public Hearing regarding the above noted Land Use Bylaw Amendment was adjourned at the Council Meeting of April 26, and will be reconvened on Tuesday, May 25, 1993, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Your client will be receiving official notice from this office with regard to this Public Hearing in accordance with the requirements of the planning act.

As indicated in your letter, this adjournment to May 25 will give your client an opportunity to meet with members of the Administration to discuss the proposed changes and to come to a better understanding of the amending bylaw.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.

Sincerely,

G. Sevcik
 G. SEVCIK
 City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Principal Planner
 City Solicitor
 Council and Committee Secretary - Sandra
 422984 Alberta Limited, Attention: Mr. Bruce Andrews



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DELIVERED VIA FAX
TO: 346-6195

April 26, 1993

Attention: Charlie Sevcik
City Clerk

City of Red Deer
Box 5008
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Dear Sirs:

Re: Bylaw #2672/C-93, a Bylaw to amend Bylaw #2672/80,
the Land Use Bylaw of the City of Red Deer

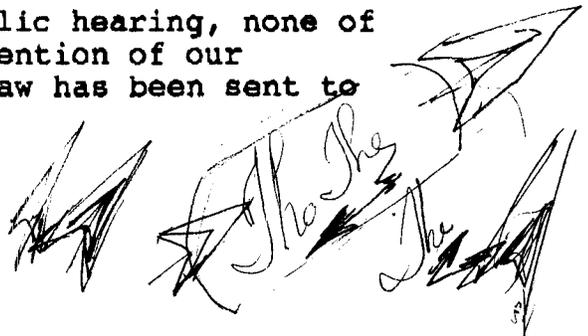
We act for 422984 Alberta Ltd., the registered owner of Lot 16A, Plan 922 3172, located within the corporate limits of the City of Red Deer. We have been asked to write to City Council with respect to the above-noted proposed Bylaw #2672/C-93, which affects the lands described.

Founded 1882
Offices in Edmonton
and Calgary

We understand that proposed Bylaw #2672/C-93 will be before Red Deer City Council today (April 26, 1993) for a public hearing. Accordingly, we ask that this letter be copied and provided to the Mayor and all members of City Council prior to commencement of the public hearing.

Our client did not become aware of proposed Bylaw #2672/C-93 or of the public hearing relating to the bylaw until Friday, April 23, when it was reviewing a report from the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission dealing with a proposed subdivision of a portion of Lot 16A, Plan 922 3172.

If this bylaw was advertised for public hearing, none of that advertising had come to the attention of our client. No copy of the proposed bylaw has been sent to our client as far as it is aware.



MILNER PENERTY

April 26, 1993

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Our client has some serious concerns with respect to the changes to the permitted use categories contained in proposed Bylaw #2672/C-93, especially as these may impact on the possible restoration and redevelopment of the CP Rail Station Building. In particular, there appear to be some restrictions on some permitted uses which may diminish the development rights of our client.

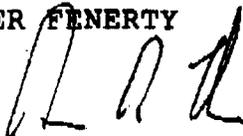
We are requesting that the public hearing with respect to Bylaw #2672/C-93 be adjourned for at least one month, so that our client will have an opportunity to meet with members of the City administration to discuss these proposed changes and to come to a better understanding as to what effect the changes may have on its development rights.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the City's legal advisor so that he will be aware of our request. A copy is also being sent to our client.

Could you please consider our request on behalf of our client and advise us in writing as to City Council's decision with respect to our request to adjourn the public hearing.

Yours truly,

MILNER PENERTY

Per: 
Dennis R. Thomas, Q.C.

vmd/446040

cc: Chapman, Riebeek & Company
Attention: Mr. T.H. Chapman, Q.C.

cc: 422984 Alberta Ltd.
Attention: Mr. Bruce Andrews
(copies delivered via fax)

1. Check with Sandra on notices sent out re:
Bylaw 2672/C-93 - Numbered Co. 422984
- Belmon

Did we refer them to the Planning Commission
in this letter? No.

Any enquiries re: this bylaw - should be referred to
the Planning Commission.

Dennis Millar - U.F.A. Coop Calgary 258-4515
John Newton - Victoria B.C. (former Fletchers)



THE CITY OF RED DEER

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City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

April 30, 1993

The Governing Council of the Salvation Army Canada West
700, 10179 - 105 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
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(Moved)

Dear Sirs:

RE: PROPOSED LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/C-93

Pursuant to the provisions of The Planning Act 1980, you are hereby advised that the Council of The City of Red Deer proposes to consider Land Use Bylaw Amendment 2672/C-93. The purpose of the proposed amending Bylaw 2672/C-93 is to create two new land use districts known as C1A Commercial (Downtown West) and DC(3) Direct Control, the deletion of the existing DC(3) Direct Control District and the amending of the zoning as shown in the plan attached, to facilitate the development of a unique area of land uses, which includes office and a combination of commercial, industrial, institutional, cultural and residential development. Generally, the land uses are to serve the City and the region as a whole. Permitted and discretionary uses and development requirements are included in the Bylaw.

The Council of The City of Red Deer intend to hold a Public Hearing on this matter in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor of City Hall, Red Deer, Alberta, on **TUESDAY, MAY 25, 1993, AT 7:00 P.M.**, or as soon thereafter as Council may determine, for the purpose of hearing objections and/or objectors to the proposed Amending Bylaw.

Any person claiming to be affected by the proposed Bylaw shall be heard. Any other interested party may be heard if Council agrees.

To ensure the Public Hearing is conducted in an orderly manner, each speaker shall be limited to a maximum of ten minutes exclusive of questions put to the speaker by Council. The speakers must direct their remarks to the advisability of the Bylaw under consideration and should not repeat at length points made by other speakers.

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No written representation or petition shall be heard by Council of The City of Red Deer unless:

- (a) such representation or petition is filed with the City Clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. on the Monday prior to the date of the Public Hearing, and
- (b) it contains the names and addresses of all persons making the representation, and
- (c) it states the names and addresses of all persons authorized to represent a group of persons or the public at large.

Yours truly,



C. SEVCIK
CITY CLERK
CS/sl

PLAN ATTACHED

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: RED DEER REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: LAND USE BYLAW 2672/C-93

I would advise that a Public Hearing was held in regard to the above noted Land Use Bylaw Amendment at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993.

Following the Public Hearing, Council amended the aforesaid bylaw prior to second and third reading by passing the following motions:

"RESOLVED that Bylaw 2672/C-93 be amended by deleting clause (4) under 6.2.1.4-A Regulations and by substituting therefore, the following:

- (4) Side yard: Minimum - Nil, where there is a constructed lane
- 3.8 m on one side where there is no constructed lane
 - 3.0 m when it abuts a street."

"RESOLVED that Bylaw 2672/C-93 be amended by including the following properties in the C1-A designation:

- * Lot 7, Block 6, Plan 4347MC
- * Lot 4, Block 6, Plan 2321KC
- * Lot 1, Block 6, Plan 5879HW."

Bylaw 2672/C-93 as amended was given second and third reading at the Council Meeting of May 25. Bylaw 2672/C-93 pertains to the redesignation of lands in the down town west to C1-A and DC-3. Enclosed, herewith, is a copy of Bylaw 2672/C-93 as amended.

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission
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May 26, 1993

Trusting you will find this satisfactory and that you will be sending us the revised pages for inclusion in the Office Consolidation copy at your earliest convenience.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd
Encl.

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
City Assessor
Land and Economic Development Manager
E. L. & P. Manager
Fire Chief

**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 348-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 27, 1993

Precision Window and Awning (1986) Limited
5202 - 54 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 5K8

Dear Sir or Madam,

RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/C-93

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At the May 25, 1993, Council Meeting, the aforesaid bylaw was given second and third reading. However, prior to third reading the following resolution was passed by Council agreeing to amend the bylaw to include certain additional lands within the C1-A designation:

"RESOLVED that Bylaw 2672/C-93 be amended by including the following properties in the C1-A designation:

- * Lot 7, Block 6, Plan 4347MC
- * Lot 4, Block 6, Plan 3421KC
- * Lot 1, Block 6, Plan 5879HW."

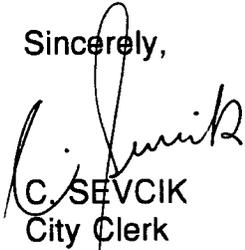
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Precision Window and Awning (1986) Limited
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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Trusting you will find this satisfactory.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

Encl.

cc: Principal Planner



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May 27, 1993

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 P. O. Box 550
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 T4N 5G4

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C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

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cc: Principal Planner

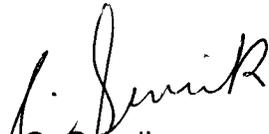
NO. 2

DATE: May 14, 1993
TO: City Council
FROM: City Clerk
RE: PUBLIC HEARING/ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 3086/93

A Public Hearing has been advertised in regard to the above noted Road Closure Bylaw to be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, May 25, 1993, commencing at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as Council may determine.

Bylaw 3086/93 provides for the closure of all that portion of road as shown on Plan 922-2098 which lies north of a line from the most north westerly corner of road to the most easterly corner of road on Plan 922-2098 and containing 0.048 hectares (0.12 acres) more or less. Upon closure of the portion of road in question, said lands will be returned to the Capri Hotel.

Following hereafter is a map showing the area in question.



C. Sevcik
City Clerk

CS/ds

DATE: April 15, 1993
TO: Land & Economic Development Manager
FROM: Assistant City Clerk
RE: THE CITY OF RED DEER AND CAPRI HOTEL/PROPOSED
CONSOLIDATION OF PORTION OF ROAD PLAN 922-2098 WITH LOT G-
1, PLAN.3237 N.Y./ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 3086/93

At the Council Meeting of April 13, 1993, consideration was given to your report dated April 2, 1993, concerning the above topic and at which meeting the following motion was passed.

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered reports from the Land and Economic Development Manager dated April 2, 1993, re: City of Red Deer and Capri Hotel proposed consolidation of portion of road Plan 922-2098 with Lot G1, Plan 3237NY and from the Engineering Department Manager dated March 25, 1993, re: Capri Hotel, land acquisition by The City of Red Deer, hereby concurs with the recommendations as outlined in the above reports and as presented to Council April 13, 1993."

In addition to the above motion, first reading was given to Road Closure Bylaw 3086/93.

Bylaw 3086/93 provides for the closure of all that portion of road as shown on Plan 922-2098 which lies north of a line from the most north westerly corner of road to the most easterly corner of road on Plan 922-2098 and containing 0.048 hectares (0.12 acres) more or less. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the aforesaid Road Closure Bylaw.

This office will now proceed with advertising for a Public Hearing to be held on May 24, 1993, commencing at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as Council may determine. The advertising for this closure is scheduled to appear in the Advocate on April 30 and May 7, 1993. 25

It is our understanding that the cost of this advertising is to be the responsibility of the City and in this regard, I would ask that you provide Sandra Ladwig at 342-8135 with an account number so as said advertising can be charged to this project.

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Land & Economic Development Manager
April 15, 1993

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.



Kelly Kloss
Assistant City Clerk

KK/ds

c.c. Director of Engineering Services
Bylaws & Inspections Manager
City Assessor
E.L. & P. Manager
Fire Chief
Public Works Manager
Council & Committee Secy., Sandra

NO. 5

DATE: April 2, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Land & Economic Development Manager
RE: **CITY OF RED DEER AND CAPRI HOTEL
PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION OF PORTION OF ROAD PLAN 922-2098 WITH LOT
G-1, PLAN 3237 N.Y.**

A portion of Lot G-1, Plan 3237 N.Y., owned by the Capri Hotel and shown crosshatched on the attached plan was acquired by The City of Red Deer for the upgrading of the 32 Street Road Carriage Way, in accordance with the attached report from the Engineering Department Manager.

This upgrading was carried out as a part of the Major Continuous Corridor Project. The land required for the upgrading of 32 Street was registered as Road Right-of-Way by Registered Plan 922-2098. Once the 32 Street upgrading was completed, it became apparent that all the land registered by Plan 922-2098 was not required for road widening purposes.

The City Engineering Department has negotiated the return of the surplus lands to the Capri Hotel, and the consolidation of these lands with the Capri's existing title by way of a legal survey.

Recommendation:

That City Council approve the road closure described as follows, to enable the lands surplus to the 32 Street upgrading to be consolidated with the Capri Hotel's Lot G-1:

"All that portion of road as shown on Plan 922-2098 which lies north of a line from the most north-westerly corner of road to the most easterly corner of road on Plan 922-2098, and containing 0.048 hectares (0.12 acres) more or less."



Alan V. Scott
WFL/pr

att.

c. Director of Engineering Services

DATE: March 25, 1993
TO: Land Supervisor
FROM: Engineering Department Manager
RE: **CAPRI HOTEL
LAND ACQUISITION BY THE CITY OF RED DEER**

During design of the Major Continuous Corridor and 32 Street, in the vicinity of the Capri Hotel, it was necessary to acquire more land than the original 32 Street right of way to accommodate the back slope of the cut. At the same time an inquiry was made by the owner of the Capri for consideration of an auxiliary lane and access to the property. Since negotiations for the access required time and the contractor was already working on the Major Continuous Corridor, the consultant estimated the land requirements for the Capri access without a final design so a legal plan could be surveyed for an agreement between the City and the Capri. No monies were to be exchanged until completion of construction of the access and auxiliary lane.

After construction, it was evident that the original land estimate was excessive, and should be returned to the Capri. This land was initially dedicated to the City at no cost, for the Capri access.

As the City initiated the land acquisition to accommodate both the widening of 32 Street and the Capri access, the City normally would be responsible for the road plan closure, legal survey, and registration. The alternative is for the City to retain this surplus land and carry the responsibility for liability and maintenance. In addition, a small part of the Capri parking lot is on this land which further complicates the issue.

The Capri will remain responsible to reimburse the City for the value of construction related to the deceleration lane, entrance, and parking lot modifications.

RECOMMENDATION

As the City has no apparent need for this land, and as it was originally given to the City by the Capri for the sum of \$1.00, we would recommend that the land be returned to the Capri.



Ken G. Haslop, P. Eng.
Engineering Department Manager

PEG/emg

A summary of the portion of the Major Continuous Corridor Project cost attributable to the Capri Hotel is as follows:

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

Design and build the deceleration lane on 32 Street, Capri access to 32 Street, and on-site modifications to the Capri parking lot to accommodate the new Capri access to 32 Street.

PROPERTY REQUIREMENTS

1. Originally required 695 m² at \$91.50/m² = \$63,590, as per City/Capri Agreement.
2. Estimated an additional 490 m² at \$1, which was dedicated by the Capri for their access.
3. Final land requirements were 695 m² for 32 Street widening and 33.5 m² for the Capri access point.
4. A surplus of 456.5 m² originally dedicated by the Capri was generated (see attached plan).

CONSTRUCTION COSTS

1. Design (consultant fees)	\$11,612
2. Construction (contractor)	\$42,674
3. E. L. & P. pole relocation	<u>\$ 7,592</u>
SUBTOTAL	\$61,878
10% Administration	\$ 6,188
7% GST	<u>\$ 4,765</u>
TOTAL DUE CITY	<u>\$72,830</u>

NET COST TO CAPRI (INVOICE AMOUNT)

1. Amount due City from the Capri for their access constructed to 32 Street.	\$72,830
2. Land purchased by City for 32 Street widening.	<u>\$63,590</u>
NET AMOUNT DUE CITY	<u>\$ 9,240</u>

Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Land & Economic Development Manager.

"G. SURKAN", Mayor
"M.C. DAY", City Commissioner

Plan 792-0232

Lot 5

Lot E

R/W Plan
5236 M.C.

Lot 3

Plan 3231 T.R.

Block 10

R/W Plan 922-0331

Lot G-1

Area Required For Road
0.118 ha. (0.29 Ac.)

490 m² @ no cost to city.

Fd. No MK.

DECELERATION LANE

89°

46'

25"

96.579

102° 36' 31"

45.016

25"

265.55

R = 302.392

Arc = 14.425

Arc = 10.102

269°

139.050

RIGHT-OF-WAY

46'

10.000

181° 30' 24"

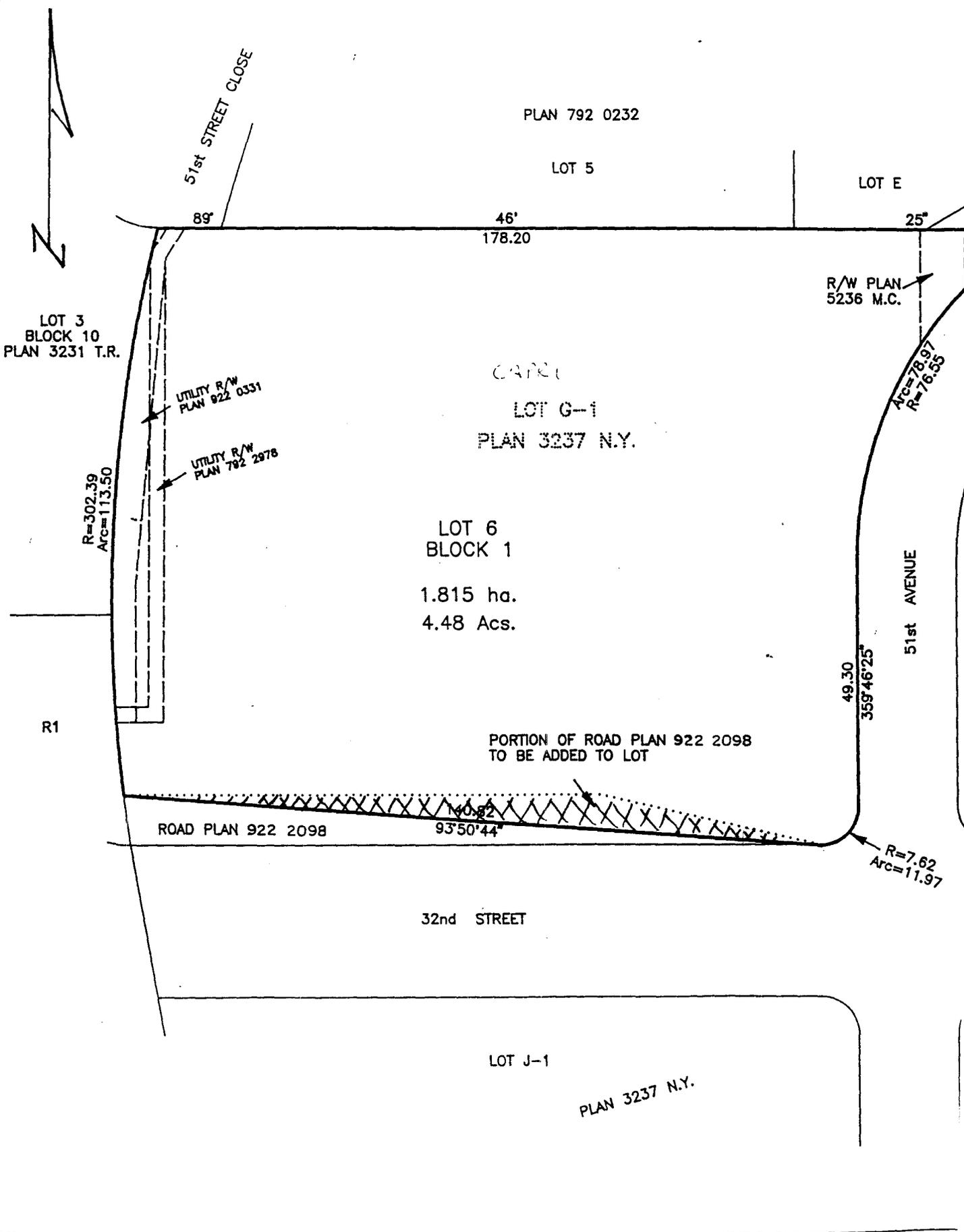
10.000

32nd Street

51st Avenue

50.000

695 m² @ $\frac{91.49}{141}^2 = 63,560$



PLAN 792 0232

LOT 5

LOT E

51st STREET CLOSE

89°

46'
178.20

25°

R/W PLAN
5236 M.C.

LOT 3
BLOCK 10
PLAN 3231 T.R.

CAPRI

LOT G-1

PLAN 3237 N.Y.

Arc=78.97
R=76.55

UTILITY R/W
PLAN 922 0331

UTILITY R/W
PLAN 792 2978

R=302.39
Arc=113.50

LOT 6
BLOCK 1

1.815 ha.
4.48 Acs.

51st AVENUE

49.30
359'46'25"

R1

PORTION OF ROAD PLAN 922 2098
TO BE ADDED TO LOT

ROAD PLAN 922 2098

93°50'44"

R=7.62
Arc=11.97

32nd STREET

LOT J-1

PLAN 3237 N.Y.

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: LAND & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 3086/93

Council at its Meeting of May 25, 1993, gave second and third reading to the above noted Road Closure Bylaw subsequent to Public Hearing.

Bylaw 3086/93 provides for the closure of a portion of land surplus to our requirements, adjacent to the Capri Hotel and which land will be returned to the Capri.

Enclosed herewith, is a certified copy of the Road Closure Bylaw which will be required for submission with the legal plan for registration.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory and that you will take appropriate action.



G. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

Encl.

cc: Director of Engineering Services
City Assessor
E. L. & P. Manager
Public Works Manager
Principal Planner
Land Supervisor

REPORTSNO. 1

DATE: May 14, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Fire Chief
RE: UPDATE OF POLICIES

Attached hereto are the following policies with revisions which are being submitted for Council's approval:

701 Mutual Aid Agreements

702 Ambulance Agreements

Any words proposed to be added to the policies are outlined in **bold** print. Any words proposed to be deleted are outlined in parenthesis () and underlined.

RECOMMENDATION

That the revised policies as submitted be approved by Council.

Respectfully submitted



R. Oscroft
Fire Chief

Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Fire Chief. The changes are intended to simplify the policy statement so it need not be amended every time a particular municipality opts in or out of the arrangement.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

Policy Section:
Protective Services

Page:
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Policy Subject
Mutual Aid Agreements

Policy Reference:
701

Lead Role:
Fire

Resolution/Bylaw:

PURPOSE

POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Red Deer authorizes entering into Mutual Aid Agreements for fire protection and rescue services with (the County of Red Deer, the Towns of Lacombe, Ponoka, Innisfail, Bowden, Olds, Sylvan Lake and Eckville and with the Villages of Elnora, Delburne and Penhold) **other municipal jurisdictions as approved from time to time by City Council.**

The Fire Chief, or in his absence, the Deputy Fire Chief will determine what equipment may be sent out of the City in response to a request made under Mutual Aid Agreements.

Any actions taken by the Fire Chief shall be reported to the City Commissioner or an elected representative as soon as possible.

User fees shall be established and reviewed on an annual basis.

Cross Reference

Remarks

Date of Approval:
March 5, 1979

Effective Date:

Date of Revision:

Policy Section:
Protective Services

Page:
1 of 1

Policy Subject
Ambulance Agreements

Policy Reference:
702

Lead Role:
Fire

Resolution/Bylaw:
November 22, 1982

PURPOSE

POLICY STATEMENT

The City shall provide ambulance (response) **service** outside City limits, through an agreement with (the various) **other** municipal jurisdictions to whom The City of Red Deer is providing ambulance services **as approved by City Council.**

(Agreements are in place with the County of Red Deer, Town of Penhold, Town of Sylvan Lake, Town of Blackfalds, Village of Delburne, Village of Elnora.)

(These agreements specify) **The agreement specifies** that the host community will (be responsible for the payment of all uncollectible accounts generated as the result of ambulance service to the community.

City of Red Deer ambulance rates will be the maximum rate reimbursed by Alberta Blue Cross as amended from time to time.)

make a per capita contribution each year towards the operating deficit of the ambulance service and the patient(s) will pay in accordance with the fee schedule as approved by the Council of The City of Red Deer.

Cross Reference

Remarks

Date of Approval:
November 22, 1982

Effective Date:

Date of Revision:

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: FIRE CHIEF
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: UPDATE OF POLICIES: 701 MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS
702 AMBULANCE AGREEMENTS

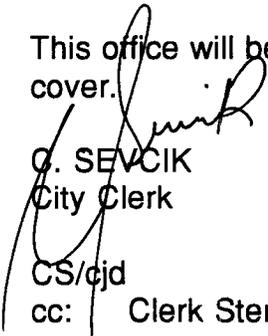
This is to advise that the above noted policies, which you submitted to Council with revisions, appeared on the Council Agenda of May 25, 1993.

At the above noted meeting Council passed the following motion approving the revised policies:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby approves revisions to Policies 701 and 702 and as presented to Council May 25, 1993."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I trust you will find same satisfactory.

This office will be sending the revised policies to all the manual holders under separate cover.


G. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Clerk Steno II - Donna

TO	Fire Chief.	FROM	Charlie
		DEPT.	City Clerk
		DATE	May 14/93

RE Update of Policies

MESSAGE

Please review the attached and if acceptable sign report and return. Feel free to make any changes. Thankyou.

ps.

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REPLY

DATE _____ 19__

COUNCIL POLICY MANUAL

Policy Section:
Protective Services

Policy Subject:
Mutual Aid Agreements

Policy Reference:
701

Lead Role:
Fire

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COUNCIL POLICY MANUAL

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Protective Services

Policy Subject:
Ambulance Agreements

Policy Reference:
702

Lead Role:
Fire

POLICY STATEMENT:

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Agreements are in place with the County of Red Deer and the Village of Delburne.

These agreements specify that the host community will contribute \$10.00 per capita per year towards the operating deficit of the ambulance service, and that the patient(s) will pay in accordance with the fee schedule as approved by the Council of the City of Red Deer.

NO. 2

DATE: May 17, 1993
TO: Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Alan Scott, Manager Land and Economic Development
RE: **OFFER TO PURCHASE ONE ACRE
PT. LOT 4, BLOCK 2, PLAN 812-2691
(RIVERSIDE HEAVY INDUSTRIAL PARK)**

Attached is an offer by Rialta Supply Ltd. to purchase one acre of land in Riverside Heavy Industrial Park. The proposal is to utilize the site for the manufacture and storage of oilfield equipment. The offer is for \$37,500 - the advertised selling price for the area. In addition, Rialta is prepared to cover the costs associated with subdivision of the site. There are no plans for the construction of any buildings on the site, as Rialta Supply Ltd. would continue to rent shop space from Pact Production, owners of the site adjacent to the proposed purchase.

RECOMMENDATION

We would recommend that Council approve the sale of one acre of land to Rialta Supply Ltd. for use as manufacturing and storage area of oilfield equipment. The sale to be subject to the following conditions:

1. The purchase price to be \$37,500/acre.
2. The purchaser to be responsible for costs related to registration and subdivision of the site.
3. There be no building commitment for the site. Any future site development to be in accordance with the Land Use Bylaw for the area.
4. The City's standard payment schedule for industrial and commercial land to apply.
5. An agreement to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,


Alan V. Scott

AVS/mm

Enc.



 RIALTA SUPPLY LTD.

April 30, 1993

Land and Economic Development Department
City Hall
P. O. Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Offer to Purchase

Rialta Supply Ltd. would like to purchase one acre of land from the City of Red Deer in Riverside Heavy Industrial Park for the price of \$37,500.00.

Our choice is a portion of Lot 4, Block 2, Plan 812-2691, directly adjacent to the land owned by Pact Production Services. Without surveying, we estimate that this would give Rialta approximately 200 feet of frontage on 78 Street Cres.

We propose to use this site for the manufacture and storage of oilfield equipment. We are currently renting shop space from Pact Production and this arrangement would continue.

We understand that the minimum purchase is 3 acres, but as Rialta would bear the subdivision costs, we are hoping that the city can be flexible on the lot size.

Thank you for your consideration of this offer.

Yours very truly,

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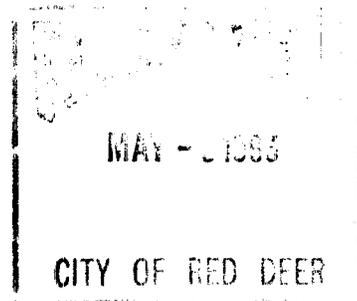
Lee Loepky, President
Rialta Supply Ltd.

Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Land and Economic Development Manager.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner



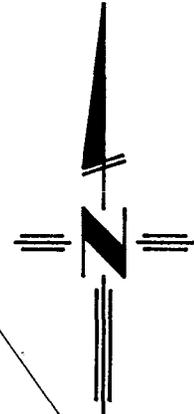
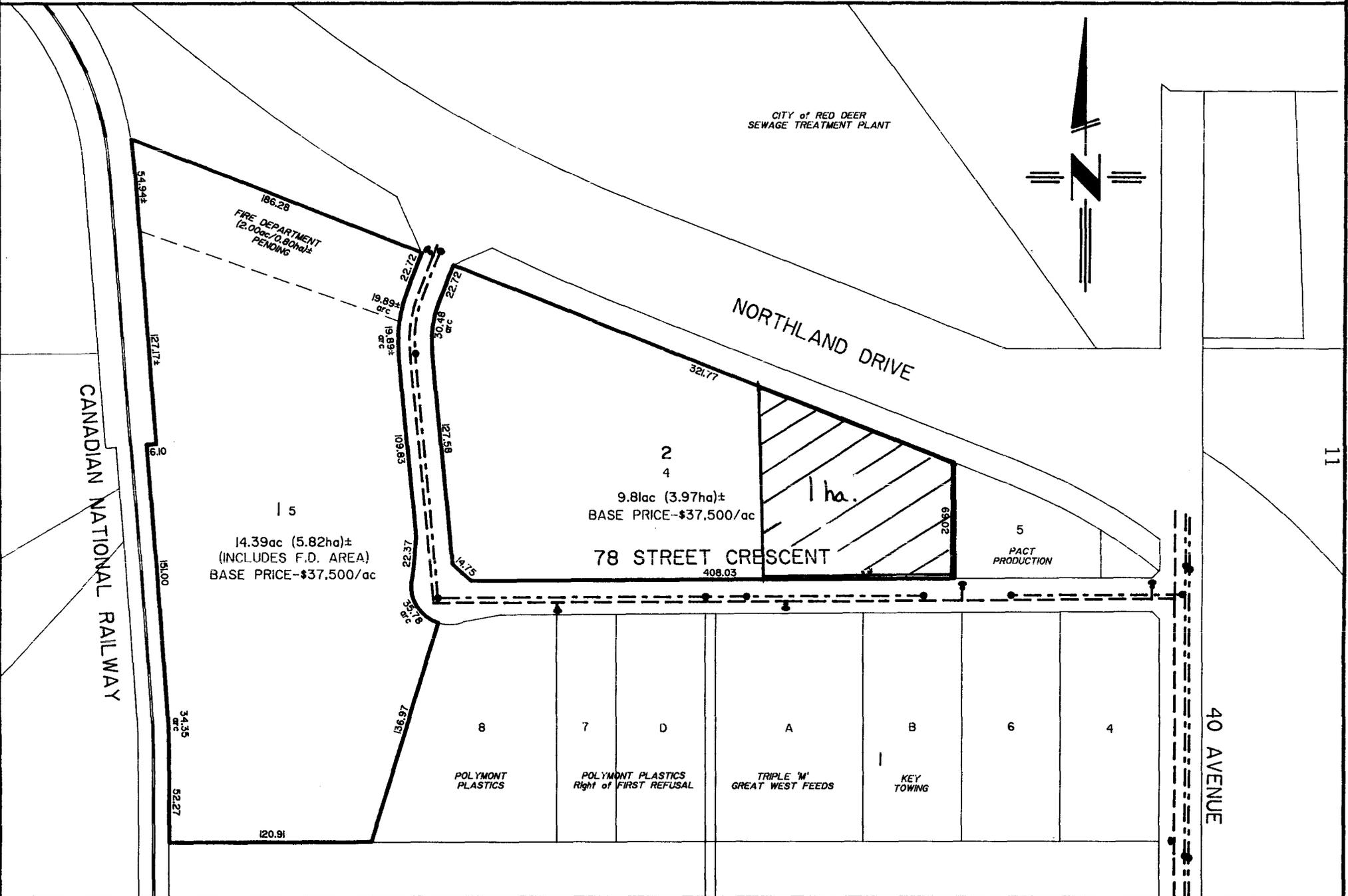
LOT DIMENSIONS and AREAS
should be VERIFIED with
REGISTERED PLANS and
CERTIFICATE of TITLE documentation.

RIVERSIDE HEAVY INDUSTRIAL PARK

SCALE 1:3000

29 JANUARY 1993

--- WATER
--- SANITARY
--- STORM



CITY of RED DEER
SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY

186.28
FIRE DEPARTMENT
(2.00ac/0.80ha)±
PENDING

2
4
9.8ac (3.97ha)±
BASE PRICE-\$37,500/ac

78 STREET CRESCENT

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PACT
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POLYMONT PLASTICS
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DATE: MAY 26, 1993

TO: LAND AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANGER

FROM: CITY CLERK

RE: OFFER TO PURCHASE 1 ACRE BY RIALTA SUPPLY LIMITED - PART OF LOT 4, BLOCK 2, PLAN 812-2691 (RIVERSIDE HEAVY INDUSTRIAL PARK)

Your report dated May 17, 1993, pertaining to the above, was considered at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting Council passed the following motion as per your recommendations:

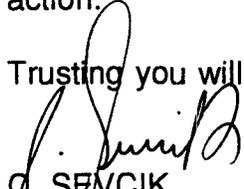
"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees to the sale of 1 acre of land, part of Lot 4, Block 2, Plan 812-2691 (Riverside Heavy Industrial Park) to Rialta Supply Ltd. for use as manufacturing and storage area of oilfield equipment to be subject to the following conditions:

1. The Purchase price to be \$37.500/acre.
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4. The City's standard payment schedule for industrial and commercial land to apply.
5. Any agreement to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor."

Land and Economic Development Manager
Page 2
May 26, 1993

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and appropriate action.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

- cc:
- Director of Community Services
 - Director of Engineering Services
 - Bylaws and Inspections Manager
 - City Assessor
 - E. L. & .P. Manager
 - Public Works Manager
 - Principal Planner
 - Land Supervisor

NO. 3

CS-P-4.248

DATE: May 12, 1993

TO: CITY COUNCIL

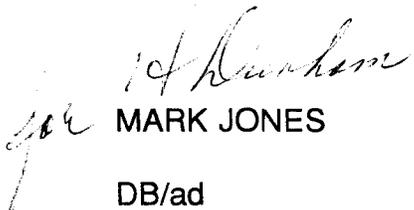
**FROM: MARK JONES, Chairman
Recreation, Parks & Culture Board**

RE: ICE CREAM CONCESSION OPERATION - KIN KANYON

At their regular meeting of May 11, 1993, the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board, after considering a report from the Parks Manager (attached), and a presentation by Mr. Leroy Miller (The Ice Cream Place), passed the following resolution:

"That the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board support and recommend to City Council that the proposed agreement as drafted with Darren Walker, The Ice Cream Place, be approved."

In passing this resolution, the Board also discussed the desirability to tender these types of opportunities in the future. In view of the park concession tender that was conducted in 1991, with very limited response, the Board supported this proposal, but passed a subsequent resolution to tender other concession opportunities in the future.


MARK JONES

DB/ad
Att.

c. Craig Curtis, Director of Community Services

CS-P-4.234

DATE: May 13, 1993

TO: RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURE BOARD

**FROM: DON BATCHELOR
Parks Manager**

RE: ICE CREAM CONCESSION OPERATION - KIN KANYON

The City is in receipt of a request from Mr. Darren Walker, The Ice Cream Place, asking that an ice cream stand be installed and operated by a concessionaire at Kin Canyon (see attachment).

This proposal has been reviewed by the Director of Community Services and the Recreation & Culture Manager who jointly agree that this venue would be a desirable addition to Kin Canyon.

A tentative agreement has been drafted by the City Solicitor (Attachment II) which outlines similar terms and conditions as the agreement for the concession in Rotary Picnic Park. Specifically the agreement includes:

- 3-year term with two 1-year extensions
- One million dollar public liability insurance listing The City of Red Deer as co-insured
- Performance Bond for \$300
- All development permits, licenses and approvals would be acquired.
- The building would be maintained in a satisfactory condition and installed on site in a manner as outlined in the photographs (Attachment III).
- Waste receptacles, tables, a hard-surface path and all water and electrical hookups would be the responsibility of the concessionaire.
- The City would receive a percentage of the gross sales over the term of the contract:

1993	5%
1994	8%
1995	8%

In view of the significant capital costs associated with this attractive vending unit and the servicing hookups required by the concessionaire, I feel the profit sharing formula is appropriate. The concessionaire would be responsible for litter control and will act in a public relation role for Waskasoo Park by handing out brochures, maps, litter bags and by providing some park security.

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board support and recommend to City Council that the proposed agreement as drafted with Darren Walker, The Ice Cream Place, be approved.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Batchelor", with a large, stylized initial "D" and a horizontal line extending to the right.

DON BATCHELOR

:ad
Atts.

THE ICE CREAM PLACE
5923-60 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta T4N 4W6
(403) 346-3631

April 28, 1993

Don Batchelor
Parks Manager
The City of Red Deer
P.O. Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Re: The Ice Cream Place location in Kin Kanyon

Dear Mr. Batchelor:

Subsequent to our recent telephone conversations, please find attached our proposal for your approval.

Yours truly,



Darren Walker
The Ice Cream Place

DW/drw

Attachments

P R O P O S A L

Darren Walker, Dawn Walker and Leroy Miller, operating under the trade name The Ice Cream Place, wish to open an ice cream stand in Kin Canyon under a 3 year + 1 year + 1 year concession contract with the City of Red Deer.

The building is a 9 foot X 14 foot wooden structure that is well kept and tastefully designed. It would remain on site for the duration of the contract due to the underground electrical cable but would carry its own insurance for the term and employ one full time and six part time staff members.

We would be willing to permit the Parks department to display a map of the trail system on the side of the building and make available to the public any related pamphlets, etc.

Attached is a copy from the Electric Light and Power department outlining the cost for them to hook up an electrical outlet for us to use. In addition to this we anticipate a further charge of approximately \$500 for an electrician to hook the building up to the outlet.

In order to offset the enormous expenses and due to the fact that the outlet will remain the property of the City of Red Deer, we propose to pay the City 5% of gross profit for the 1993 season and 8% for the next two consecutive seasons on a 3 year + 1 year + 1 year contract.

The building is equipped with a box to accomodate a power meter and we will pay for our own electricity. Neil Evans has indicated to us that water is available from a tap in the service box by the spray pool. A garden hose would supply water to the building during business hours but would be taken in every night. Approximately 10 gallons of water will be consumed daily (for the dipping cups, clean up and public consumption on request) however there will be no sewage and the used water will be removed regularly.

Please find enclosed photocopies of the floor plan and dimensions of the building, actual photos of the building and location and a map provided by E L & P indicating the exact location in the city.

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At this time, we would also like to make known our intention to bid on the concession rights for Rotary Park upon expiration of the current contract held by Mr. Popcorn.

Please direct any questions or concerns to Darren Walker at 346-3631.

Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

ICE CREAM STAND CONCESSION AGREEMENT
FOR KIN KANYON, WASKASOO PARK

BETWEEN:

THE CITY OF RED DEER
("the City")

OF THE FIRST PART

- and -

DARREN WALKER
Carrying on business as
THE ICE CREAM PLACE
("the Concessionaire")

OF THE SECOND PART

INTRODUCTION

The parties wish to enter into an agreement to permit the operation of a ice cream concession in Kin Kanyon, which is a park owned by the City located near the junction of 32nd Street and 47th Avenue, in the City of Red Deer as shown on the map attached as Schedule "A".

LICENSE AND PREMISES

1. The City grants to the Concessionaire the exclusive right to operate a Concession booth or stall ("the concession") in Kin Kanyon together with the exclusive right to sell from it refreshments, confections and other commodities approved by the City, for the term commencing May 26th, 1993, and expiring October 30, 1996, excepting the annual Family Fitnic where a one day portable City operated concession will be in operation during the hours of this special event.
2. The Concessionaire shall locate the concession only at such specific location as may be approved by the City Parks Manager or his agent.
3. The Concessionaire acknowledges that he has inspected Kin Kanyon and is familiar with it.
4. The City does not guarantee or represent that any picnic tables or waste receptacles will be provided.

OBLIGATIONS OF CONCESSIONAIRE

Hours of Operation

5. The Concessionaire agrees to operate the concession:
- a) during all special events at such times as may be predetermined and acceptable to the City Parks Manager; and
 - b) at the approved Kin Kanyon location 7 days per week during the period May 26 to October 30 in each year for a minimum of 4 hours each day during weekends and a minimum of 8 hours each day on Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays.

6.(1) Specific hours of operation shall be at the discretion of the Concessionaire, provided that the minimum hours of service in clause 5 are provided.

(2) The minimum hours of operation in clause 5 are applicable to normal weather conditions only and hours of operation can be reduced only due to inclement weather (ie, rain, extreme cold and wind). The Concessionaire may operate the concession for longer periods of time each day should conditions warrant.

Food Services

7. The Concessionaire will provide food and concession items for sale to members of the general public in accordance with the Bill of Fare which is attached as Schedule "B" to this Agreement at such prices as may be agreed. The Concessionaire shall post and prominently display on the concession the Bill of Fare and Schedule of Prices.

Limitation on Rights of Concessionaire

8. The Concessionaire will use Kin Kanyon only for the purposes stated in this agreement and shall not sell:

- a) any items except those as may be agreed to between the Concessionaire and the City, as represented by the City Parks Manager, and as set forth in Schedule "B";

- b) gum or sunflower seeds; and
- c) goods other than from the concession; provided, however, permission may be given from time to time by the City Parks Manager to use "hawkers" provided their activity does not infringe on the use, comfort and safety of any person using Kin Canyon.

Maintenance, Repair & Cleanliness

9. The Concessionaire shall:

- a) on a daily basis, clean up and remove litter from Kin Canyon from a minimum area within a 30 metre radius around the concession;
- b) assist members of the public by providing information concerning the facilities located at Kin Canyon and shall maintain an adequate first aid kit;
- c) provide waste receptacles;
- d) provide any picnic tables he deems necessary;
- e) provide a hard surface pad in front of the concession;
- f) provide electrical power hook-ups;
- g) provide water hook-ups to the spray pool water box;
- h) maintain conditions within the concession acceptable to the Red Deer Regional Health Unit and the Parks Manager;
- i) ensure that the quality of goods offered for sale meets the requirements of the Red Deer Regional Health Unit;
- j) maintain the concession in good condition and reasonable repair and neat and tidy appearance, all to the reasonable satisfaction of the Parks Manager and shall not

change the appearance of the concession without the prior written consent of the Parks Manager.

Employees

10. The staff employed by the Concessionaire shall at all times be neat and tidy and must be acceptable in appearance and behavior to the Parks Manager. The Concessionaire is fully responsible for the discipline and control of staff while they are in Kin Canyon.

TAXES, LICENSES AND BYLAWS

11. The Concessionaire shall apply for, obtain and maintain in good standing all licenses and permits necessary to the conduct of the Concessionaire's business and in particular, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, shall obtain a Food Premises Permit from the Red Deer Regional Health Unit, and a Development Permit from the Building Inspections and Bylaws Department.

12. The Concessionaire shall pay any and all taxes and license fees charged in respect of the premises or by reason of the business being carried on, and shall abide by and comply with all the laws, by-laws and regulations which in any way affect the premises and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the City in respect thereof.

RIGHT TO INSPECT

13. The City may by its agents examine the concession and view its state of repair and cleanliness from time to time.

PAYMENT TO CITY

14. The Concessionaire shall pay to the City a sum equal to a percentage as outlined below of the Concessionaire's gross sales of goods and services from his operations at Kin Canyon, without exception, which sum shall be paid to the City Treasurer, together with a monthly statement of gross sales, before the 10th day of the month next following the month in which such sales are made:

1993 - 5%

1994 - 8%

1995 - 8%

15. The Concessionaire shall maintain complete written records of all of his sales in Kin Canyon, which records shall be open for inspection by the City or its employees at all reasonable times, and shall as soon as possible after the end of each of his fiscal years, all or part of which fall during the term hereof, provide a financial statement prepared by an independent accountant of all his operations hereunder.

PERFORMANCE BOND

16. Upon execution of this agreement, the Concessionaire shall deliver to the City a cash contract Performance Bond (the "bond") in the amount of \$300.00 as security for the faithful performance of this Contract. The bond will be held by the City for the duration of the agreement and may be applied by the City to amounts owing to it hereunder in the event of the default of the Concessionaire. If the Contract is fully performed and completed by the Concessionaire, the bond shall be returned to the Concessionaire on the expiry of this agreement. The bond shall be renewed for the term of any renewal of the Contract, in like amount.

INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY

17. The Concessionaire shall, upon execution of this Agreement and delivery of the same to the City, deposit with the City Treasurer a comprehensive public liability insurance policy satisfactory to the City in the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00), naming the City as additional named insured, and shall thereafter maintain the same during the term of this Agreement and provide to the City timely evidence of its renewal. If the Concessionaire fails to do so, the City may renew the policy and all its costs of so doing shall be paid by the Concessionaire immediately upon demand.

18. The Concessionaire shall be responsible to insure its Concession Booth or stall and all equipment and supplies against fire and theft.

19. The Concessionaire shall indemnify and save harmless the City from and against all claims, actions, damages, and judgments arising out of bodily injury, including death, or property damage arising directly or indirectly out of, or caused by the negligence of the Concessionaire, whether in respect of the operation of the concessions, or the provision of any supervisory services to the City.

CITY'S OBLIGATIONS

20. The City shall make available for the Concessionaire detailed information on scheduling of all special events taking place in Kin Canyon and shall endeavour to keep the Concessionaire informed of any changes, additions or cancellations of programs, functions or activities.

DEFAULT

21. If the Concessionaire makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or becomes bankrupt or insolvent, or breaches any covenant or condition hereof, or fails to provide proper service to the patrons of Kin Canyon in accordance with the true intent hereof, then in any such event, the City may at any time thereafter upon the giving of 10 days prior written notice terminate this agreement and the sole and exclusive right and license hereunder granted to the Concessionaire, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

22. If the Concessionaire fails to account for and pay to the City the sums required under clause 14, then notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the City may at its option by notice in writing declare that the sum of \$300.00 is owing to it by the Concessionaire in respect of gross sales for that month, whereupon the Concessionaire shall forthwith be liable for and shall pay such amount to the City, in default of which the City may apply the bond in payment of such sum and commence and maintain an action therefore against the Concessionaire for an accounting and determination of any amount payable, unless the Concessionaire sooner accounts for and pays to the City the amount payable hereunder for such month as hereinbefore provided. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if it is later ascertained that the amount payable for such month exceeds the aforesaid sum of \$300.00 the Concessionaire shall be liable for and shall pay the amount of any such excess.

TERMINATION

23. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time during the term hereof, with or without cause, by the giving of 30 days prior written notice thereof one to the other.

24. If the Concessionaire fails or refuses to open the concession as required by this agreement, the City, in addition to any other remedy, may make such other arrangements for the service of the public as it deems necessary.

NO ASSIGNMENT

25. This Agreement shall not be assigned, or the use or possession of the concession given by the Concessionaire to any other person, firm or body corporate without the express written consent of the City, which consent may be arbitrarily withheld.

EXCEPTIONS

26. Nothing in this agreement shall bind the right of any person to the use and enjoyment of Kin Canyon, nor limit the City permitting the use of any part of Kin Canyon to any person.

RENEWAL

27. On the expiry of this Agreement, and providing the Concessionaire has fulfilled and performed all of the conditions and requirements necessary to be fulfilled and performed by him hereunder, then this Agreement may be renewed for a further period of 2 years with two 1 year extensions upon such terms and conditions as may then be agreed.

NOTICES

28. Any notice or request to be given by either party to the other shall be in writing personally delivered or sent by prepaid registered mail addressed to such party at the following address:

As to the City:

City of Red Deer
4914-48 Avenue
City Hall
P.O. Box 5008
RED DEER, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Attention: Don Batchelor

As to the Concessionaire:

The Ice Cream Place
5923 - 60 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 4W6

Attention: Darren Walker

or at such other address as either of the parties may from time to time advise the other by notice in writing. Any such notice, communication or request if mailed shall be deemed to have been received on the 7th business day next following the date it is so mailed.

TIME

29. Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement and this Agreement shall enure to the benefit of, be binding upon and enforceable by the parties hereto and their respective successors, administrators and where permitted assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto by their proper officers have hereunto affixed their corporate seal the day and year above written.

THE CITY OF RED DEER

PER: _____
MAYOR

PER: _____
CITY CLERK

WITNESS

PER: _____
DARREN WALKER
Carrying on business as
THE ICE CREAM PLACE

AFFIDAVIT OF EXECUTION

CANADA)
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PROVINCE OF ALBERTA)
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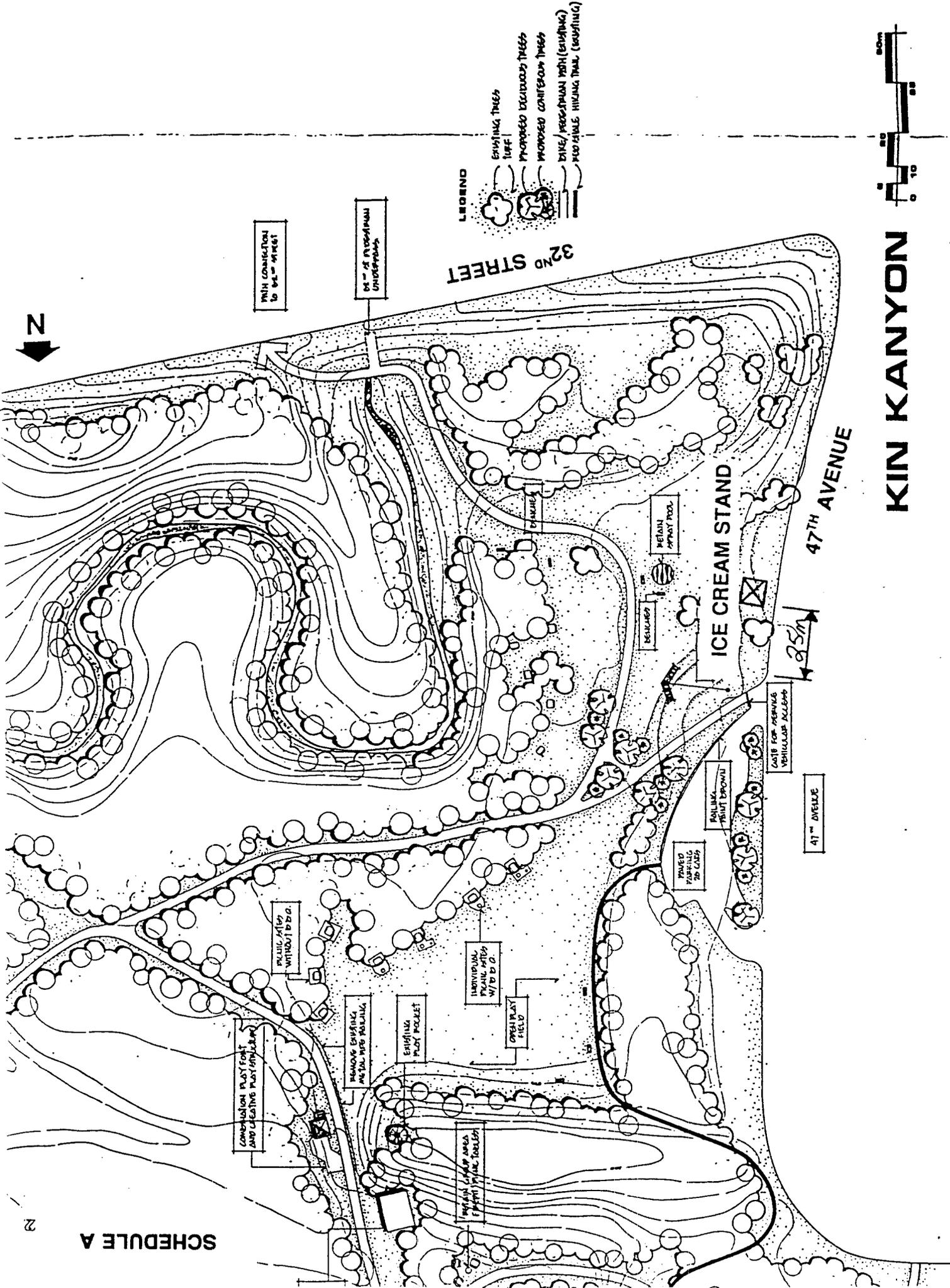
I, _____, of the City of Red Deer, in the Province of Alberta, MAKE OATH AND SAY THAT:

1. I was personally present and did see DARREN WALKER, named in the within instrument, who is personally known to me to be the person named therein, duly sign and execute the same for the purposes named therein.
2. The same was executed at Red Deer, in the Province of Alberta and I am the subscribing witness thereto.
3. I know the said DARREN WALKER and he is in my belief of the full age of 18 years.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of)
Red Deer in the Province of)
Alberta, this _____ day of)
May, 1993.)
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A COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS in and
for the Province of Alberta

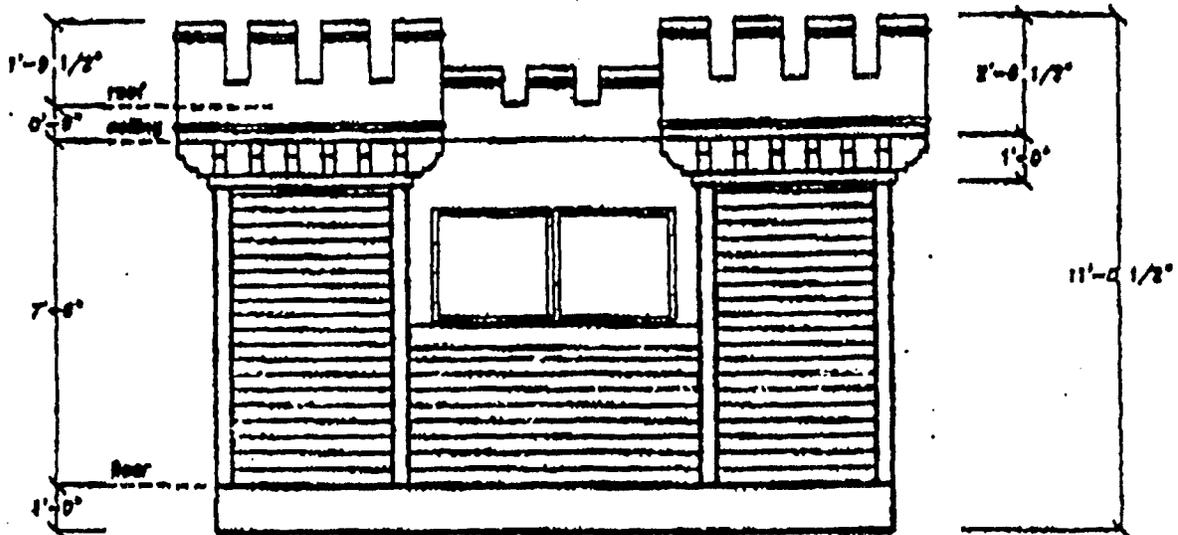


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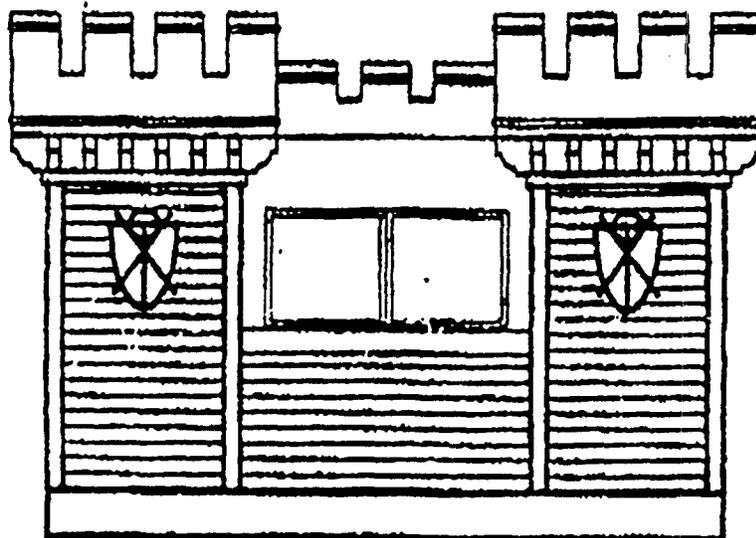


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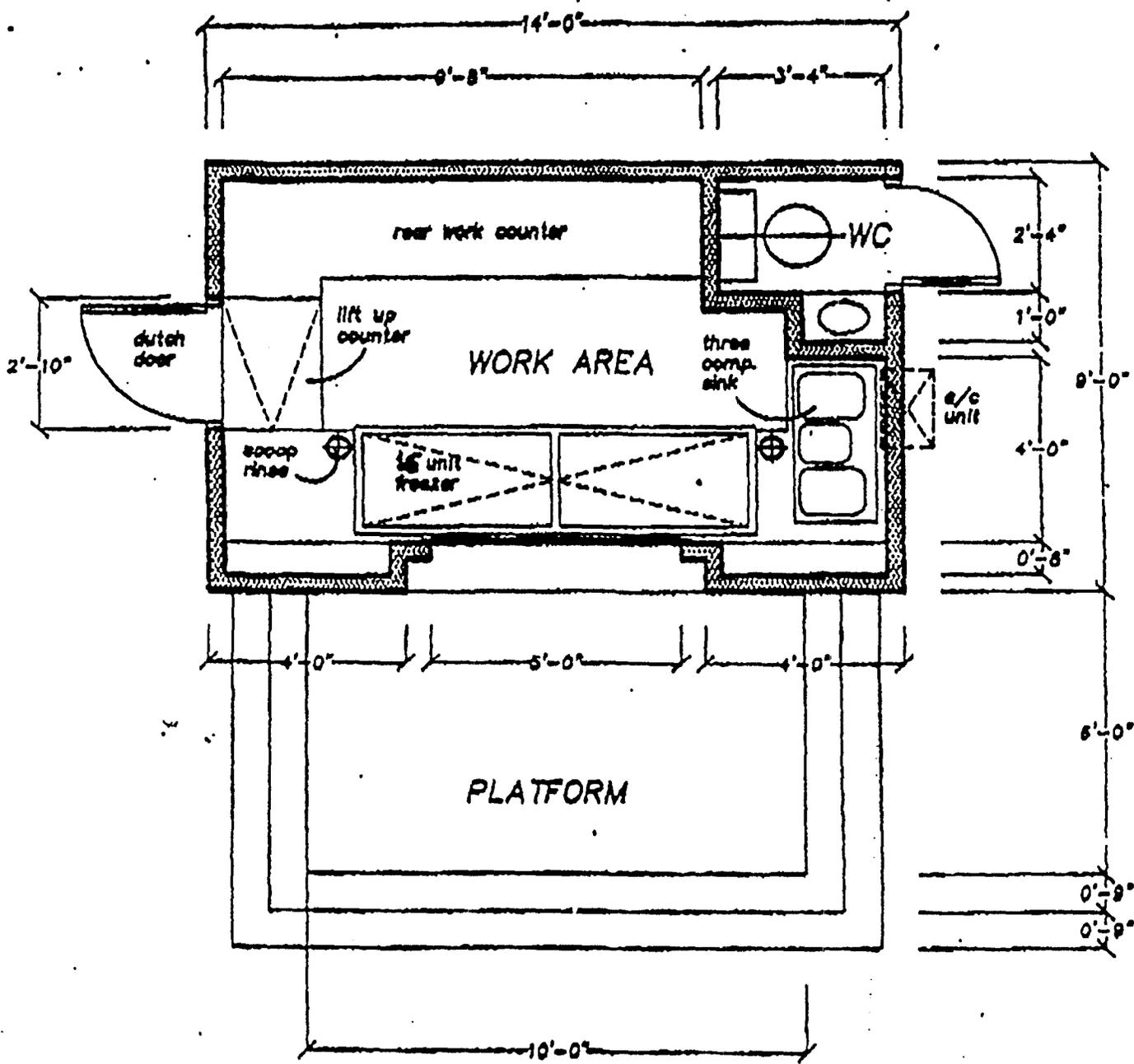




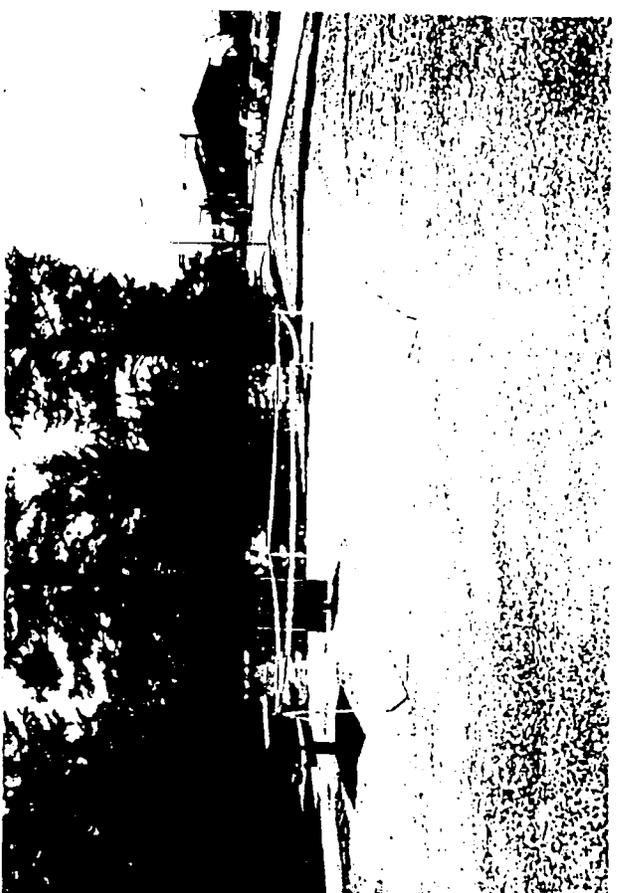
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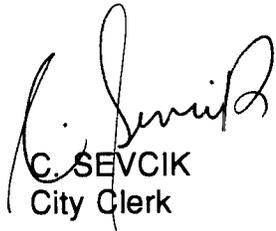
DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: PARKS MANAGER
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: ICE CREAM CONCESSION OPERATION - KIN CANYON

I would advise that the above matter received consideration at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting Council passed the following motion:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby approves the agreement between Darren Walker, The Ice Cream Place, and The City of Red Deer for the ice cream concession operation - Kin Canyon, for a 3 year term."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I trust you will ensure appropriate legal documentation is prepared and executed by both parties.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory and that you will take appropriate action.


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Financial Services
Recreation Parks and Culture Board

DATE: May 18, 1993
TO: CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JOHN RETALLACK, Chairman
Environmental Advisory Committee
RE: PRAIRIE CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

The Environmental Advisory Board considered a report from the Director of Community Services (attached) regarding the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee at their May 18, 1993 meeting. The Board passed the following resolution in regard to the Committee's request for views and feedback from respective City Aldermen:

"That the Environmental Advisory Board accept the report from the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee for information and, within the context of its overall objectives, recommend that City Council:

- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the implementation of the Regional River Valley Concept.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Natural Area.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the College Natural Area with the commitment that the future planning of access to the College site will be an open process, with opportunities for review by the community and the Environmental Advisory Board.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Woods area, and further agree that the need to extend Molly Bannister Drive to the east across Piper Creek be subject to a detailed transportation review and reassessment, prior to the commencement of functional design.
- Request the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission to give a high priority to the protection of the natural treed areas and wetlands within the West Park Extension Area Structure Plan now being prepared.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Spruce Woods area.



JOHN RETALLACK

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Att.

- c. Craig Curtis, Director of Community Services
Bryon Jeffers, Director of Engineering Services
Paul Murette, Principal Planner, R.D.R.P.C.

DATE: May 10, 1993

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD

FROM: CRAIG CURTIS, Director
Community Services Division

RE: PRAIRIE CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE
A memo from the City Clerk dated April 26, 1993 refers.

1. The Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee (PCCC) was established in 1989 by the provincial government in response to the challenge posed by World Wildlife Fund Canada's Prairie Conservation Action Plan. The committee has numerous member agencies, including major government departments and the majority of the Regional Planning Commissions in the province.

The PCCC has written to the City, enclosing a report outlining the current status of measures being undertaken by cities and towns in prairie and parkland Alberta, to preserve natural environments within their municipalities. This report includes a summary of what has been undertaken in the city of Red Deer as part of the Waskasoo Park development.

The PCCC requests that its report be tabled for information at an upcoming City Council meeting and notes that any feedback would be much appreciated.

2. As can be seen from the report, The City of Red Deer has preserved major natural areas within and immediately beyond its boundaries. However, there are continuing pressures for development which may detrimentally impact a number of significant natural areas, as identified in Figures 1 and 2 and described below.

2.1 Regional River Valley Concept

A Regional River Valley Concept was approved by City Council and the Councils of the County of Red Deer and the County of Lacombe in 1975. This concept, as shown on Fig. 1 attached, proposes a continuous open space corridor along the Red Deer and Blindman Rivers in Waskasoo and Piper Creeks. The concept would protect and enhance the river valley and ensure that a wildlife movement corridor is maintained through the Red Deer area.

The first phase of the River Valley Concept has been implemented in the form of the 940ha Waskasoo Park system, which was funded through the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund. The park system extends beyond the city boundary and, consequently, falls under the jurisdiction of both the City and County of Red Deer.

The approved Community Services Master Plan includes the following policy related to the protection of the river valley:

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- "The City should continue to support the Regional River Valley Concept and should work cooperatively with the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission and the Counties of Red Deer and Lacombe, to promote the preservation and recreation use of the Red Deer River Valley as a regional open space corridor."
 (Community Services Master Plan, Section 3.2, pg. 27)

It is considered that the implementation of this concept should also be pursued through a Joint General Municipal Plan adopted by both the City and County Councils.

2.2 Bower Natural Area

The area known as the Bower Natural Area is 42ha of private land adjacent to Red Deer College, south of Waskasoo Creek and west of the old CPR tracks. The northern 30ha falls within the city, whereas, the southern 12ha is within the county. The area is a unique natural feature and consists largely of a series of consolidated sand dunes covered by a mixture of aspen and climax spruce forest. The balance of the area includes a rolling field under agricultural use, an abandoned gravel pit, and an area in the south being used for a sand extraction operation. The area has over 175 identified species of wildflowers and many other varieties of plants, and supports many types of animals, including a transient deer population.

With the permission of the owner, Mr. Art Bower, the area is used extensively by the Red Deer College for both educational and recreational purposes in conjunction with the adjacent College Natural Area. For biology courses, the area acts as a "living classroom", with its wide variety of flora and fauna and excellent examples of natural terrestrial succession. Unlike areas in Waskasoo Park, it may also be used for a variety of semi-consumptive activities, such as transect studies, collections, sampling and mark recapture studies. The College physical education and recreation courses use the area for cross-country ski instruction and orienteering.

The Community Services Master Plan approved by City Council in December 1991 includes the following policy relating to the Bower Natural Area:

- "The City should continue to support the College in its attempts to acquire the Bower Natural Area and preserve the wooded portion of the site as a low-key natural area for non-motorized recreation with trails for skiing, orienteering, and cross-country skiing. However, no capital funding should be allocated for this purpose."
 (Community Services Master Plan, Section 4.2.5, pg. 35)

The future of the Bower Natural Area was considered by City Council at its meeting on October 13, 1992, when the following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered correspondence dated July 23, 1992 from Mr. Don Wales expressing concern regarding the preservation of the College Natural Area within the Red Deer College site and the privately owned Bower Natural Area to the east, hereby agrees as follows:

1. To reaffirm its support for the policies in the Community Services Master Plan relating to both the College Natural Area and the Bower Natural Area.
2. To request the Engineering Department to work with the College in the consideration and development of all viable options for an additional access to the College site with opportunity for community input.
3. To request the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission to prepare a long-range plan for the Bower Natural Area, in consultation with the private landowner and the Red Deer College and with opportunities for community input, said long-range plan to be included in the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission's proposed 1993 Work Plan, which will be submitted for Council for approval and, at which time, Council can establish the priorities."

2.3 College Natural Area

The College site includes a large natural area along Waskasoo Creek and in the southwest. A portion of this area is hilly and wooded, and is used in conjunction with the privately owned Bower Natural Area to the east. An extensive trail network has been developed in this area which is used for cross-country skiing, running and orienteering. The western portion adjacent to Highway 2 is used for agricultural purposes.

The approved Community Services Master Plan includes the following policy related to the College Natural Area, which was reaffirmed by City Council on October 13, 1992:

- "The City endorses the College's policy of preserving the natural area in the southwestern portion of the site to be used in conjunction with the Bower Natural Area for hiking, cross-country skiing and orienteering."

(Community Services Master Plan, Section 4.2.38, pg. 59)

The Transportation Master Plan studied a possible alternate access to the College site from 28 Street as a method of relieving congestion on 32 Street. However, construction of this route would be the responsibility of the College, not the City, and may involve the acquisition of private land. Plans are very conceptual at this stage, and the Engineering Department has indicated that it "would be pleased to work with the College on all viable options for any additional access to the College".

City Council considered this issue at its meeting on October 13, 1992, when it was resolved that the Engineering Department would "work with the College in the consideration and development of all viable options for an additional access to the College site, with opportunities for community input".

2.4 Bower Woods

The area known as Bower Woods includes all City-owned parkland along Piper Creek, between 32 Street and Delburne Road. The area immediately south of 32 Street is densely wooded and includes stands of climax spruce forest. Developments include a bicycle/pedestrian trail which provides access to the Westerner Exposition Grounds, a number of seating areas and interpretive signage.

It is proposed to expand the Bower Woods area through reserve dedication in the future when privately owned lands west of Sunnybrook and east of Bower Place are developed.

The approved Community Services Master Plan includes the following policy related to Bower Woods:

- "Bower Woods should be retained as a natural area along the Piper Creek trail system. This area should be expanded through reserve dedication in the future, when adjacent privately owned lands are developed."

(Community Services Master Plan, Section 4.2.7, pg. 37)

The City's Transportation Plan recommends that Molly Bannister Drive be extended to the east to provide better access to the new planned residential areas. This proposal was included in the East Hill Concept Plan in the 1970's, and the road is proposed as a major arterial in the East Hill Area Structure Plan (Bylaw 3075/92). The proposal, therefore, preceded the inclusion and development of Bower Woods as part of the Waskasoo Park system. The road is scheduled for construction in 1996 as a two-lane arterial roadway.

A number of individuals and environmental organizations have expressed concern that the extension of Molly Bannister Drive will destroy significant portions of spruce forest within Bower Woods and will bisect the bicycle/pedestrian trail system and a significant wildlife corridor. Mr. Don Wales and the Red Deer River Naturalists are requesting the City maintain the environmental integrity of Piper Creek and review the need for extending Molly Bannister Drive.

The Community Services Division recognizes that an additional crossing of Piper Creek between 32 Street and Delburne Road may be required. However, in view of the high capital and operating costs involved and the new traffic patterns generated by the Major Continuous Corridor, it is recommended that a detailed transportation review and reassessment be undertaken prior to the commencement of the functional design. If the need for the road is reaffirmed, design alternatives should be considered which minimize the impact on the creek and the surrounding natural area.

2.5 West Park Extension

A 61.9ha property between West Park and Highway 2 was recently annexed to the City. The area is designated for residential purposes in the City's General Municipal Plan (Bylaw 2663/A91). An area structure plan for this site is presently being prepared by the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission.

The majority of the site is presently used for agricultural purposes. However, there is a major tree stand adjacent to Highway 2 and immediately south of Riverview Drive. There is also a wetlands area adjacent to 32 Street which is a significant ecological area for game birds and wetlands organisms.

The Community Services Division has recommended that the above natural features be protected in the West Park Area Structure Plan now being prepared.

2.6 Spruce Woods

The Waskasoo Park Master Plan recommended the acquisition of the escarpment area and floodplain south of the River Bend Golf Course & Recreation Area. This area, known as Spruce Woods, comprises approximately 83ha within the County of Red Deer, and includes areas of climax spruce forest within the river floodplain. It was proposed that this property be preserved largely in its natural state, and that a bicycle/pedestrian trail be developed along the escarpment linking the McKenzie Trail Recreation Area with River Bend. However, negotiations to acquire this area from two private landowners were not successful.

A large portion of the spruce forest has subsequently been destroyed to facilitate a gravel mining operation. Nevertheless, it is considered that the City should pursue the long-term objective of acquiring the escarpment land, possibly through reserve dedication.

The approved Community Services Master Plan includes the following policy relating to the Spruce Woods Area:

- "The City should continue the policy of acquiring escarpment and natural amenity areas through reserve dedication and land purpose.
 - The City should endeavour to acquire the natural area known as Spruce Woods between the River Bend Golf Course and McKenzie Trail Recreation Area in the medium/long term, possibly through reserve dedication."

(Community Services Master Plan, Section 3.2, pg. 27)

It is considered that protection of the Spruce Woods area should also be pursued through a Joint General Municipal Plan adopted by both the City and County Councils.

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Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee

3. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Environmental Advisory Board accept the report from the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee for information and, within the context of its overall objectives, recommend that City Council:

- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the implementation of the Regional River Valley Concept.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Natural Area.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the College Natural Area with the commitment that the future planning of access to the College site will be an open process, with opportunities for review by the community and the Environmental Advisory Board.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Woods area, and further agree that the need to extend Molly Bannister Drive to the east across Piper Creek be subject to a detailed transportation review and reassessment, prior to the commencement of functional design.
- Request the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission to give a high priority to the protection of the natural treed areas and wetlands within the West Park Extension Area Structure Plan now being prepared.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Spruce Woods area.



CRAIG CURTIS

:dmg

Att.

- c Don Batchelor, Parks Manager
- Lowell Hodgson, Recreation & Culture Manager
- Paul Meyette, Principal Planner, R.D.R.P.C.
- Bryon Jeffers, Director of Engineering Services

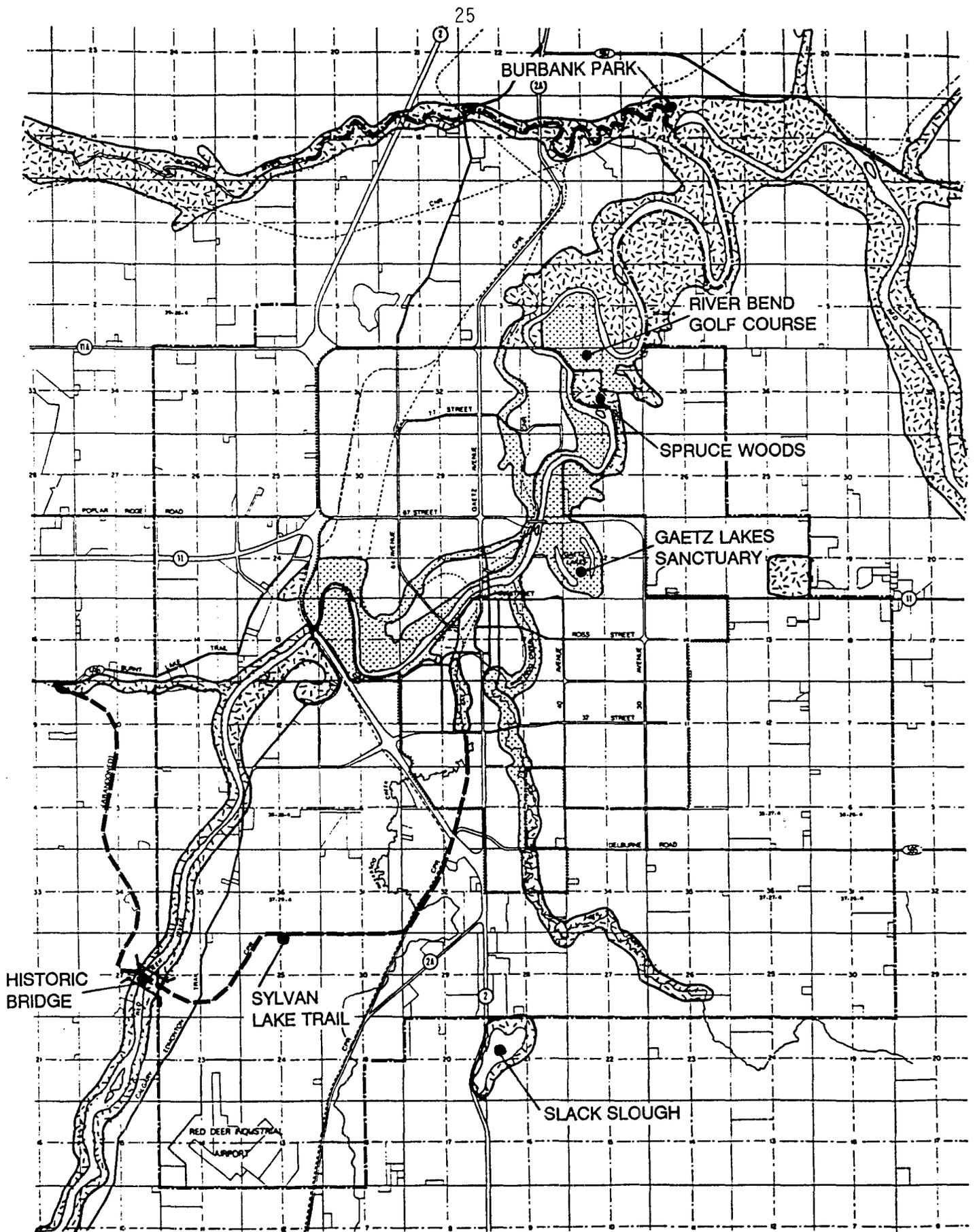
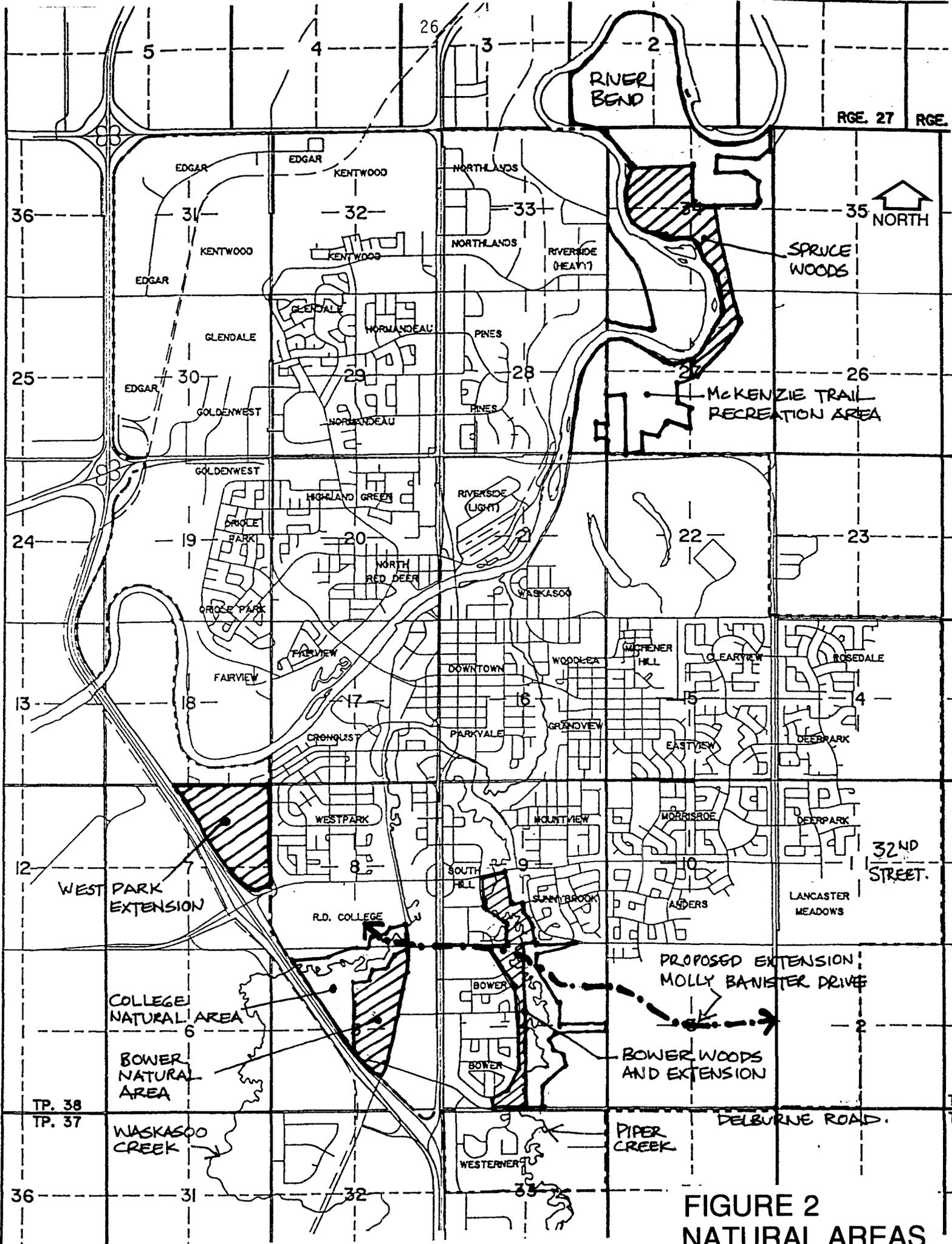


FIGURE 1
RED DEER RIVER VALLEY CONCEPT



**FIGURE 2
NATURAL AREAS**

THE PRAIRIE CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

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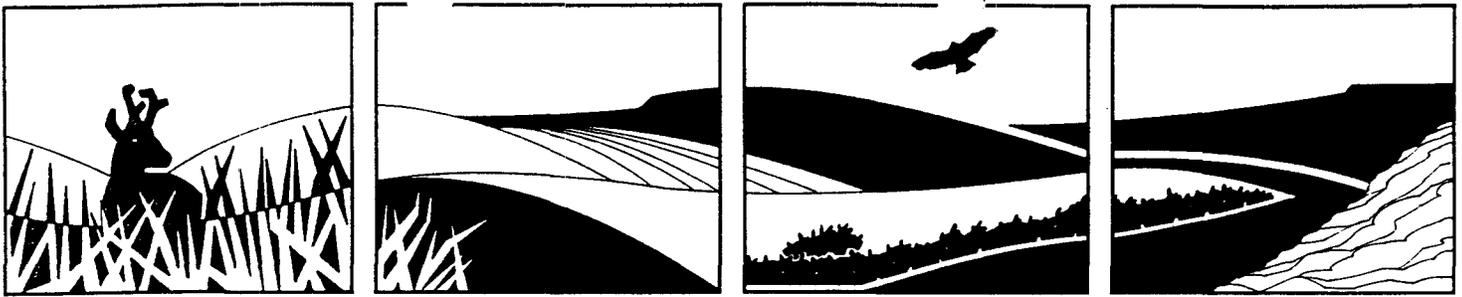
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The PCCC created several working groups to pursue strategy development, information gathering and stimulate the realization of several thrusts of the PCAP, one being the URBAN NATIVE PRAIRIE WORK GROUP. This group drafted a research proposal and polled all major urban municipalities to produce an inventory of what has been preserved and to identify opportunities.

Bill Shaw was a member of that working group and he compiled the information relating to the City of Red Deer, a copy of which is included with the Agenda, most of the report relates to Waskasoo Park. The report provides an overview of where Red Deer stands in protecting urban native prairie and parkland areas. The report verifies that the City of Red Deer is one of the leading urban municipalities with regard to native ecosystem conservation.

The Chairman of the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee is following up on the Working Group's overview by distributing it as information to Council, requesting that any views or feedback be supplied. He also attached a copy of the 1991 PCCC Annual Report.

Rich White, RDRPC
Alternate Member of PCCC



PRAIRIE CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

April 16, 1993

Mr. Charlie Sevcik, City Clerk
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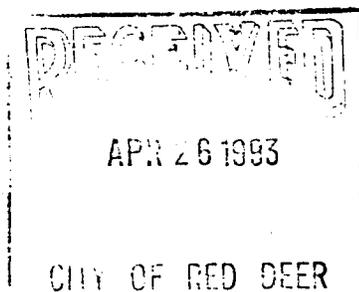
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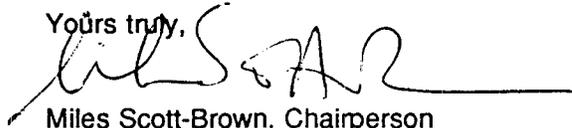


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Yours truly,



Miles Scott-Brown, Chairperson
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Attach.

Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Environmental Advisory Board.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

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FROM:

CITY CLERK

RE: PRAIRIE CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by MAY 31, 1993

for the Council Agenda of JUNE 7, 1993

No comments
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C. SEVCIK
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**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

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April 30, 1993

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ATTENTION: MILES SCOTT-BROWN, CHAIRPERSON

Dear Mr. Scott-Brown,

RE: PRESERVATION OF NATIVE PRAIRIE ENVIRONMENTS

Thank you for your letter in regard to the above, and we would advise that this matter will be presented to Red Deer City Council at its meeting on June 7, 1993.

In the event you wish to be present at the Council Meeting, would you please telephone our office on Friday June 4, and we will advise you of the approximate time that Council will be discussing this item. Council meetings begin at 4:30 p.m. and adjourn for the supper hour at 6:00 p.m., reconvening at 7:00 p.m. If you are coming to the Council Meeting please enter City Hall on the park side entrance (west side) when arriving, and proceed up to the second floor Council Chambers.

This request has been circulated to City Administration for comments, and should you wish to receive a copy of the administrative comments prior to the Council meeting, they may be picked up at our office on the second floor of City Hall on Friday June 4.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Sincerely,

C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

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DATE April 26/93

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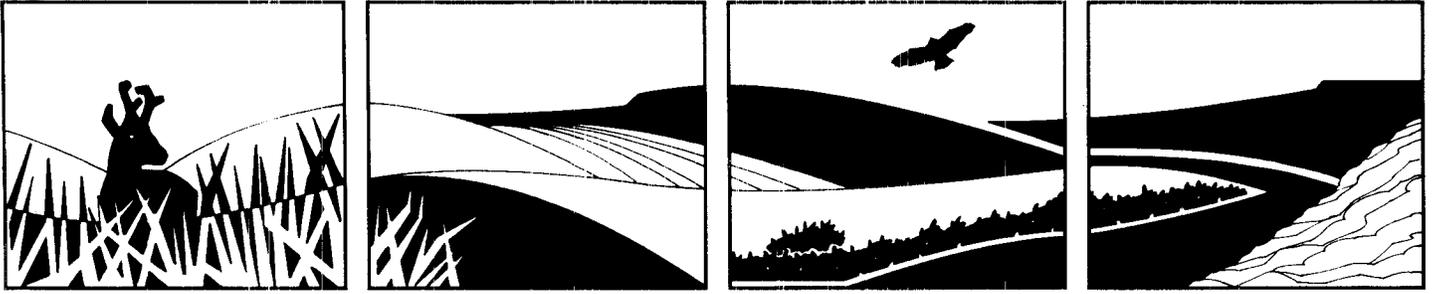
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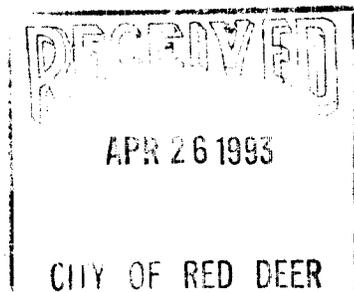
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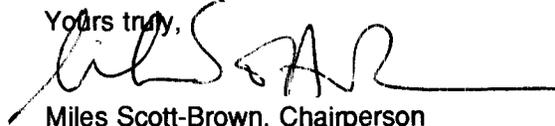


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Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee

Urban Prairie Areas Workgroup Report Trends and Concerns in Alberta's Urban Prairie Areas

Goal 9.8 Small native prairie areas in and near towns and cities should be recognized, preserved and used for educational, recreational and inspirational purposes whenever possible - for example, Nose Hill in Calgary and the St. James Living Prairie Museum in Winnipeg.

Workgroup Members: Peter Dickson (Edmonton RPC), Linda Henrickson (Palliser RPC), Jim Muller (Southeast Alberta RPC), Doug Olson (U of C), Lynda Paterson (Oldman River RPC), Bob Riddet (Battle River RPC), John Rusling (Calgary RPC), Liz Savoy (FAN), Bill Shaw (Red Deer RPC)

Introduction

The following cities and towns were contacted by workgroup members to assess the amount of native prairie that is preserved in urban areas, level of protection, future issues and concerns, educational opportunities and public support:

Drumheller, Calgary, Edmonton, Red Deer, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Fort Macleod.

Workgroup members and PCCC members were also asked to identify any initiatives relating to prairie conservation in smaller towns and villages.

A valuable result of the inventory process has been the increased awareness of urban municipalities of the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee.

Summary of Results

Inventory

The following is a summary of the information collected. More detailed listings of specific protected areas can be obtained from the workgroup chair (E.Savoy) or the PCCC secretary (I.Dyson).

Calgary. The City is currently updating its inventory of Environmentally Sensitive Areas. Over the next two years they will be developing a Natural Areas Management Plan. The City is rich in native prairie areas and there are high levels of public support for the protection of natural environments.

Drumheller. Midland Provincial Park is apparently the only protected area within the immediate vicinity of the City of Drumheller. The Red Deer River valley is being left relatively undisturbed because the badlands landscape is largely undevelopable.

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Urban Native Areas in Medicine Hat, Alberta

General Description

The City of Medicine Hat is surrounded by agricultural land, both farming and ranching. Immediately south of the city, the land has been intensively cultivated. However, large chunks of native prairie still exist to the north, east, and west, as well as to the south about 4-6 km from city limits.

The South Saskatchewan River passes through the centre of the city. Generally, development (mostly residential) is to the high water mark. The narrow band along the river is protected under the designation "Environmental Reserve." This designation is given to land which, for whatever reason (eg. springs, unstable slopes), is undevelopable at the present time. However, the protective status is vague and does not exclude disturbance through utilities development, nor does it preclude future development. Also included as Environmental Reserve are the hillsides along the two creeks - Seven Persons, which runs through the city, and Ross, which borders city limits. Some of these hillsides and the north hillside of the river are native vegetation, others a mixture of native and introduced plants. Essentially, there is still a fair amount of native coulee habitat. However, the broad "channels" of both creeks are, for the most part, planted to non-native grasses or developed.

Also with Environmental Reserve status is the substantial area of river cliffs/steep hillsides: eg. at Echo Dale (south side of river only), and across the river from Police Point Park.

The city limits extend about 5 mi north of the river; within this area is approximately 1900 acres of city-owned and perhaps 1300 acres of privately-owned native prairie. None of this is protected.

A City "Natural Areas Restoration Plan," meant to restore environmental reserve that has been damaged or encroached upon, is now in effect. However, non-native grasses (mostly crested wheat grass) are being used exclusively for replanting, as they are by the City for all replantings.

**IMPORTANT
URBAN NATIVE PRAIRIE AREAS
IN CALGARY**

INTRODUCTION:

The following information for the City of Calgary should be viewed as preliminary only, as the City is presently updating its environmentally sensitive areas work after its recent annexation. This work will be done by the end of the summer and more specifics, including the size of the native prairie areas, can be provided then. This ESA work is part of the City's Natural Areas Management Plan, a project which will be completed over the next two years or so.

In general though, the City is rich in native prairie areas and there are high levels for public support in the City for the protection of natural environments. In a 1991 public survey, over 70 per cent of the respondents indicated that the public acquisition of ESA's is either important or very important. The City's initiative to undertake the Management Plan is a major step to ensure that these areas are recognized and properly managed.

MAJOR NATIVE PRAIRIE AREAS
(in random order)

Site	Designation	Type of Prairie
1. Nose Hill	Park	Grassland
2. Bowmont Park	Park	Coulee, grasslands
3. Escarpments south of Highway 1 by Canada Olympic Park	Presently being negotiated with developers; some will be taken as environmental reserve at subdivision	Aspen, woodlands, grasslands
4. Nose Creek/West Nose Creek	Private	Grasslands with creek/willow complexes
5. Inglewood Bird Sanctuary	City	Grasses with woodlands (significant to riparian forest)
6. Elbow River escarpments	City-owned land	Grassland/escarpments
7. Fish Creek Provincial Park	Provincial Park	Grasslands, woodlands, riparian
8. Cominco Plant	Private lands	Grasslands, riparian forest
(This area has been identified in the river valley plan; by restricting access, they've protected a large area of grasslands.)		



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April 27, 1992

Ms. Elizabeth Savoy
Helen Schuler Coulee Centre
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Lethbridge, Alberta
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Dear Liz

Re: Urban Prairie Areas Work Group - P.C.C.C.

I have had the opportunity to contact the City of Edmonton with regard to their efforts to identify and protect areas within the City which are considered to be environmentally sensitive. I am pleased to report the following.

1. A number of years ago the City carried out an inventory of natural areas some of which could be environmentally sensitive. Approximately 1000 sites were identified. However the information collected was sufficient only to "flag" natural sites and not to identify the degree of sensitivity involved, or the relative importance of each. Consequently, the City has been quite cautious about how it uses the information, and is not confident enough about it to release it publicly. When applications for development are received, the Planning Department checks the inventory, and if a site which is thought to be sensitive is involved, the planning staff attempts to ensure that the development takes the environmental factor identified into account, so that any negative affects which the development may have will be mitigated.
2. The City planning staff are well aware of the limitations of their current inventory of ESA's, and are currently working to improve the situation. To this end they are attempting to develop a comprehensive City policy on protection of ESA's and natural areas on the City's table lands. As part of this project they intend to carry out a more comprehensive ESA study, working with the EMRPC, in order to help provide a better information base. Thus, the methodology and criteria used to identify ESA's will be similar to those used in other parts of the Region. It is hoped that the new inventory will be completed in 1992.
3. Perhaps the most significant natural feature in Edmonton is the North Saskatchewan River Valley and associated ravine system. A map showing the system is attached for your information. Of the 7400 hectares of river valley within City limits, the City owns approximately 33%, and the Province an additional 10-15% (estimated). The area lies within the boreal mixedwood forest region of Alberta, and although much of it has been developed for various recreational uses and otherwise altered by disturbances related to urban development, remnants of the native plant communities are still well represented.

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Urban Native Prairie Areas in Lethbridge, Alberta

General Description

The City of Lethbridge is primarily surrounded by agricultural lands - there are virtually no uncultivated areas in the area immediately surrounding the city. The Oldman River provides a corridor of prairie habitats through the centre of the city. There are no significant upland grassland habitats within the city limits, as development has occurred up to the edge of the coulees along much of the river valley. Those areas designated for future development have generally been cultivated. Essentially any flat upland areas either have houses or cultivated fields on them. Along the river valley, extensive coulee habitat remains intact, with the exception of a few transportation routes and several areas that were disturbed and re-planted with non-native grasses. Riparian habitats exist along much of the river valley, but have been disturbed in several areas by gravel mining, golf courses, recreational facilities, utilities and past agricultural activities.

Currently Protected:

Designation	Name	Type of Prairie	Size
Nature Reserve (City owned)	Lethbridge Nature Reserve	Coulee, Riparian	78 ha
	Elizabeth Hall Wetlands	Riparian, Wetland	23 ha
	Alexander Wilderness Park	Coulee, Riparian	
Mixed Rec and Natural (City owned)	Indian Battle Park	Coulee, Riparian	136 ha
	Botterhill Bottom Park	Coulee, Riparian	80 ha
	Pavan Park	Coulee, Riparian	181 ha
	Popson Park	Coulee, Riparian	133 ha
	Peenaquim Park	Coulee, Riparian	97 ha
	Bull Trail Park	Coulee	
Recreational (City owned)	Henderson Lake Park	Man-made lake (used by waterfowl)	28 ha
No designation (City and private)	Six-mile Coulee	Uplands, Coulee, Riparian	
Parkland	University of Lethbridge	Coulee, Riparian, Wetlands	
Govt of Alberta Correctional Centre	Jail Lake	Wetlands, Lake	
Golf and Country Club		Coulees	50ha

General Description

RED DEER

Within and adjacent to the City of Red Deer the vestiges of native prairie and parkland are primarily contained within Waskasoo Park which, at present, extends along approximately 6 linear miles of the Red Deer River. The main area of the park encompasses the valley bottoms and escarpment of the Red Deer River valley, but also extends into the prairie upland areas via coulees, primarily those that contain Waskasoo and Piper Creeks. The park forms a continuous open space corridor along the Red Deer River. It protects and enhances the river valley, as well as ensures that a wildlife movement corridor is maintained through the Red Deer area.

There are only minor upland parkland habitats within the City limits. Active farmland cultivation or urban development generally extends to near the top of the river valley bank throughout most of Red Deer. However, much of the river valley and creek coulee escarpment habitat remains intact. A great portion of the valley bottom has been developed for urban purposes in that the bottom lands are generally wide and flat, although significant habitats now are evident along the valley in areas that have been long set aside for parks or in recently reclaimed areas through the urban park program.

Currently Protected:

Maskepetoon Park: A unique natural area of 46 hectares which includes a unique bog vegetation community with a significant stand of tamarack forest. It is part of Waskasoo Park and will be maintained as a natural area.

Heritage Ranch: Is an 87 hectare area owned by the City as part of Waskasoo Park. It includes a variety of natural environments and is divided by a wooded escarpment into lower and upper areas. The lower bottom land remains in its relatively natural state with riparian vegetation along the river and a major climax spruce forest which extends up the shaded portions of the escarpment. The sunnier aspects of the escarpment have poplar forests.

Bower Ponds: Is a recreation park area consisting primarily of a large meandering pond (on reclaimed land) along the river and poplar woodlands.

Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary: Is the major natural conservation area within Waskasoo Park, which includes a federally designated bird sanctuary of approximately 80 hectares. It encompasses a wide variety of vegetation communities, such as stands of climax white spruce and mixed wood along the escarpment as well as poplar and deciduous slough vegetation in the lowland area surrounding two oxbow lakes.

Riverside Park: This is a large undeveloped park which contains riparian vegetation along the Red Deer River shores, as well as significant stands of poplar woodlands on valley bottom lands.

Mackenzie Trail Recreation Area: This is a reclaimed natural park owned by the City of Red Deer as part of the Waskasoo Park system. The City's former landfill site and a number of abandoned gravel pits have been reclaimed as a series of meandering ponds with islands for waterfowl nesting. The escarpment adjacent contains major stands of climax spruce forests which are preserved in their natural state.

Three-Mile Bend: This is another reclaimed natural park within the Waskasoo Park system owned by the City of Red Deer. The area had been severely impacted by gravel mining but has since been reclaimed as part of the Park to contain a series of inter-linked ponds. Substantial riparian vegetation

Stephanson Park: A densely wooded natural area along the Waskasoo Creek with a small landscaped grass area.

Westerner Natural Area: A fairly large natural area along Piper Creek which contains riparian vegetation and stands of poplar woods.

Alberta Central Railway Trail: A natural area along the Waskasoo Creek escarpment which contains an interesting complex of riparian vegetation, mixed woods and landscaped areas.

Potential Changes and Future Issues

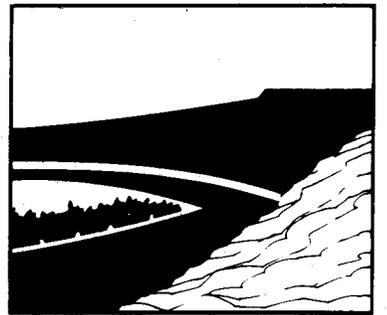
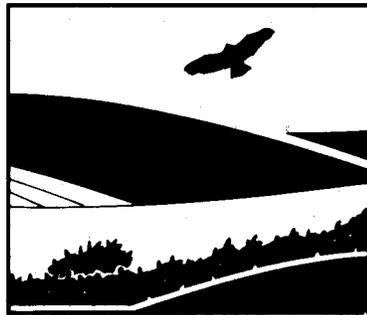
Waskasoo Park extends outside the City of Red Deer limits into the rural lands of the County of Red Deer. Two major areas of the park - Heritage Ranch and River Bend Golf Course & Recreation Area - are owned by the City and form an integral part of the park system. It is hoped that over time the park can be expanded to include a number of significant areas of natural habitat along the river valley and creek lands, including Spruce Woods, an addition to River Bend, Bower Woods, and the Bower natural area which is a heavily wooded piece of land just south of the Red Deer College. Some of these areas may be added to the park system as funds become available for special purchases or through reserve dedication within the subdivision and development process.

Education

Contained within Waskasoo Park is the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary, which is the major natural conservation area within the Park. It includes a federally designated bird sanctuary of approximately 80 hectares, together with additional lands purchased by the City. This node of the Park also includes the Kerry Wood Nature Centre, which acts as a gateway to the sanctuary and is the focus of natural history interpretation and education for Waskasoo Park as a whole. The Centre includes permanent displays depicting a walk through time, from the age of dinosaurs to the present. The facility also includes a gallery, a small auditorium, the Discovery Room - where school programs and meetings are held, an information desk and natural history bookstore. The Centre receives over 65,000 visitors a year, whereby in both informal and formal settings natural history interpretation and education is provided to these visitors.

Public Support

Interest in the urban outdoors, for both natural and man made areas, has risen significantly since the opening of Waskasoo Park. In addition, a tremendous amount of community pride has developed for the park system wherein citizen groups and the public at large are very interested in the conservation of the prairie parkland through and adjacent to the City of Red Deer. There is no doubt that future intrusions, such as transportation corridors and the expansion of gravel operations, will be watched extremely closely by citizens to ensure that if these are allowed to proceed that adverse effects to the environment will be absolutely minimized.



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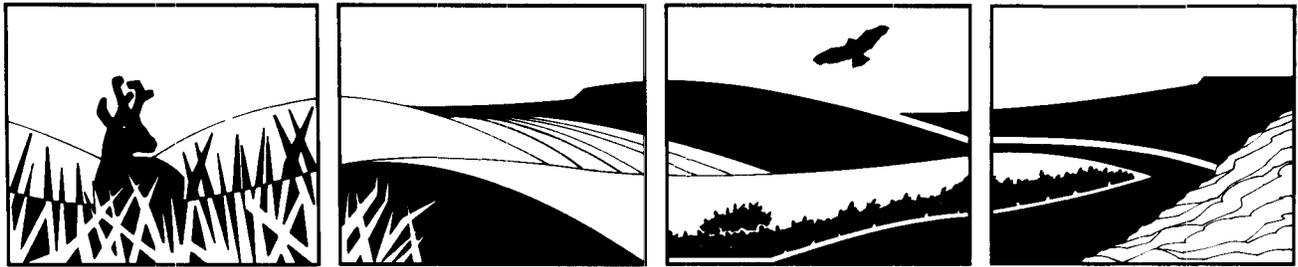


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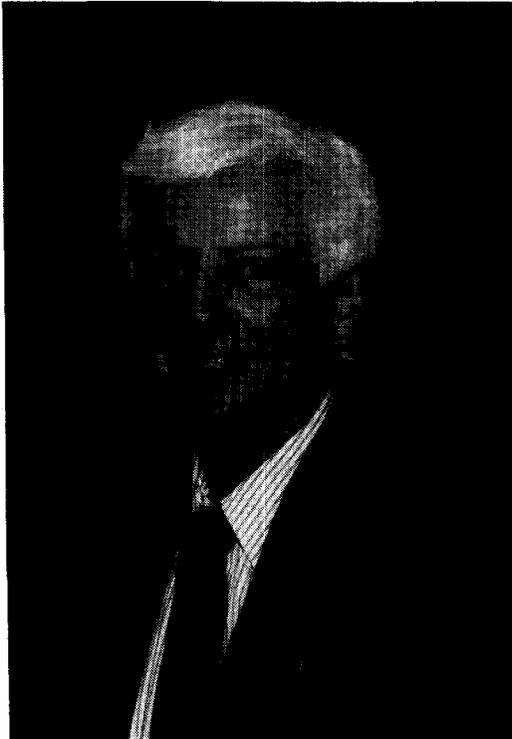
CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The past year has witnessed some significant progress in the implementation of the 1988 Prairie Conservation Action Plan in Alberta. The highlight of our efforts was the wildlife values training course organized through the University of Calgary, which brought together a diverse group of wildlife and agriculture resource managers. This exchange of information and sharing of objectives demonstrates the ability of agriculture and wildlife interests to work together to achieve common goals. We hope to organize this training course again in the next few years.

Through the stimulus of the PCCC, the Department of National Defence and Environment Canada reached an agreement in principle to establish the Canadian Forces Base Suffield National Wildlife Area. This sensitive ecological area covers over 400 square kilometres and contains some of the finest natural prairie in Canada. Over the years the Department of National Defence has exercised excellent stewardship over the land and clearly has demonstrated the positive role private landowners can play in conserving prairie heritage.

The year 1991 was also marked by important individual efforts by various agencies—both private and governmental—directed towards prairie conservation. The cooperative nature of the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee has enhanced this work by providing a broad perspective and an increased knowledge base.

We also are in the process of streamlining our approach to reaching the goals of the Prairie Conservation Action Plan. To this end, we established an Executive Committee in 1991 representing a cross-section of members. Work groups are now being set up to develop work plans that will guide efforts to achieve each action plan goal. With such a large multi-agency committee, this streamlining of procedures will be vital to its success.



The prairie landscape is subject to many demands from individuals or agencies who utilize its resources. At times, these demands conflict with other needs or with perceptions as to how the landscape can be used. The success of the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee lies in its ability to bring together these competing concerns, to resolve problems and to increase our understanding of each other's perspective. Our experience has clearly shown that there is much in common among all members. It is this goodwill and constructive concern of our

members that makes prairie conservation happen.

Over the past year, it has been my pleasure to work with many dedicated people. I thank you all. In particular, I wish to recognize the strong efforts of Ian Dyson.

Gerald McKeating
Chairperson, 1991-1992

The Prairie Conservation Action Plan (PCAP) is the result of a three-year World Wildlife Fund Canada program, the "Wild West" program. Published in the fall of 1988 and released jointly by WWF Canada and each of the three prairie provinces, the plan is a five-year action plan aimed at prairie-wide efforts to conserve, protect and manage native and parkland species, communities and habitats.

The Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee (PCCC) is the Government of Alberta's response to the challenge posed by the PCAP. It was established in 1989 to ensure that the goals and intentions of the PCAP are carried out. With over four dozen member organizations it is the largest and most broadly representative committee of its kind in Canada.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

The PCCC held combined meetings and field trips in 1991:

- **Stettler, April 1991**

A field tour of the Rumsey aspen parkland was conducted the evening before the business meeting. Rumsey is the largest remaining undisturbed block of native aspen parkland in the world. Thus, it was identified by the PCAP as requiring provincial protection. Alberta Recreation and Parks has designated an ecological reserve at the northern end of the parkland and Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife is developing a local land-use plan for the balance of the parkland area.

In a tour conducted by Public Lands staff, PCCC members visited several sites in the ecological reserve and in the parkland area. The tour focused on reclamation activities for petroleum and natural gas facilities. Members reviewed planning activities for both areas and discussed grazing land management and historical resource values. The meeting focused on ways in which member organizations can contribute to implementing the recommendations of the PCAP. Workshops were held addressing the dual themes of representing individual interests and

communicating PCCC activities back through member organizations.

Darcy Beach, a Fish and Wildlife District Officer, provided members with his "hands-on" perspective on fish and wildlife conservation and Loney Dickson, Shorebird Specialist with the Canadian Wildlife Service, gave an illustrated talk on current shorebird research. He emphasized the work to designate protected sites of various levels of significance under the Western Hemispheric Shorebird Reserve Network international agreement.

A field tour of the North American Waterfowl Management Plan (NAWMP) First Step activities on the Buffalo Lake moraine was conducted by Brett Calverly of the Alberta NAWMP Centre. Members viewed a variety of site management techniques including rotational grazing, land purchase, chemical fallowing, the underseeding of legumes and the construction of small nesting islands. The tour concluded with a site inspection of property purchased to provide upland nesting cover.



- **Waterton Lakes National Park
September 1991**

The mountains meet the prairie at Waterton and this meeting commenced appropriately with an evening field trip to the fescue grasslands of Waterton Lakes National Park. The tour was conducted by the Canadian Parks Service and the Waterton Biosphere Association with assistance from staff of the Agriculture Canada Research Station in Lethbridge. During the tour members were briefed on park planning policies, the designation of an environmentally significant fescue site, road construction rehabilitation, and reclamation techniques. Tour coordinators talked about how soil science, plant ecology and historical, climatic and cultural factors have affected the distribution and health of the park's fescue grassland community.

In addition to activity updates, the business meeting addressed several administrative items, including financing of PCCC's operations, progress on a communications strategy and methods of enhancing the effectiveness of future meetings.

Dr. Peter Achuff of the U.S. Nature Conservancy talked about the U.S. experience in adopting Conservation Data Centres to provide common, accessible environmental resource information. Charlie Zinkan, Park Superintendent, outlined some current administrative and management challenges associated with running a national park. The meeting was followed by guided hikes.

KEY 1991 ACHIEVEMENTS

Two PCCC workgroups completed their work in 1991 with impressive results.

- **Wildlife Values Training**

In July 1990 the PCCC established a workgroup, chaired by Doug Olson of the University of Calgary (U of C) and including representatives from Alberta Agriculture, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife, the Canadian Wildlife Service and the Alberta Association of Agricultural Fieldmen. The group was charged with action on a PCAP recommendation under Goal No. 7 "Agricultural field personnel, district agriculturalists and wildlife biologists should receive training in the value and preservation of native habitat and all wildlife".

In response, members organized a training course entitled "Retaining Native Prairie and Wildlife Habitat in an Agricultural Landscape". The course was conducted by the U of C's Faculty of Environmental Design on 10-12 June 1991 at the Brooks Pheasant Hatchery (see Appendix 3).

About 30 registrants including habitat biologists, district agriculturalists, resource agrologists, range specialists, soil conservation specialists and agricul-

tural fieldmen attended the course. Evaluations were extremely positive. The modest proceeds from the course were donated to the Antelope Creek Habitat Development Project.

The PCCC is exploring the possibility of conducting the course again in 1992.

- **Protection Issues, Canadian Forces Base Suffield**

The PCAP noted the existence of a large area of relatively undisturbed prairie within the Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Suffield and encouraged cooperative conservation efforts to increase protection of flora and fauna. The plan recommended that major portions of the area be given significant conservation status.

The Suffield workgroup was established in July 1990 and chaired by Donn Cline (Alberta Recreation and Parks). Major Brent McDonald (CFB Suffield), Gerald McKeating and Tim Coleman (Canadian Wildlife Service) also played lead roles. Representatives of the Alberta Wildlife Association, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife and Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society also participated.

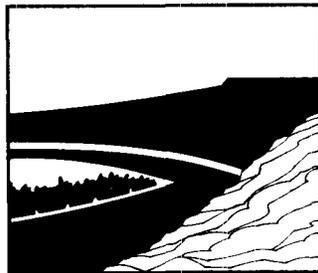
The workgroup conducted a number of meetings and a field tour of CFB Suffield. From this cooperative effort, the extent of the environmental stewardship exercised by the base became evident. For example, the base has an environmental protection plan to ensure that military training activities do not compromise important environmental values. It also has designated large areas of the base off limits to military activity. Each year, two third-party committees provide environmental advice about oil and gas and domestic grazing on the base.

While recognizing this exemplary environmental stewardship, some members of the group continued to struggle with the issue of whether or not some form of designated protection was needed. Various options were considered, including a proposal for a



Brewer's sparrow were co-funded with the Provincial Museum. NAPA funded a review of herbarium records for all Alberta rare plant species. (*Public Lands*)

- Studies were conducted on the status and location of the plains hognosed snake, mountain plover and northern leopard frog. (*Public Lands, World Wildlife Fund Canada*)
- Supported volunteer involvement in wildlife surveys, such as the May Species Count, the provincial phenology survey, the Breeding Bird Atlas, Operation Burrowing Owl and the northern leopard frog and plains hognosed snake campaigns. (*Public Lands, World Wildlife Fund Canada*)
- A pamphlet was prepared by Range Management and Conservation and Coordination explaining the relationship between sound range management practices and soil conservation. Over 10 000 copies have been distributed to date. Range Management has completed a pamphlet explaining the principles of grazing land management espoused by the division. (*Public Lands*)
- Prairie for Tomorrow produced and distributed a brochure on its program. A poster entitled "Sharing the Prairies" and an accompanying Alberta Landowner Conservation Directory have been completed and distributed. With several other agencies and organizations, Prairie for Tomorrow is supporting the production of eight factsheets for inclusion into the series "Alberta's Threatened Wildlife". This program is also cooperating in the development of public information material for the Antelope Creek Habitat Development Project, the Canadian Wildlife Service Raptors and Prairie Grassland landowner manuals, and a public education program on endangered species with the County of Strathcona. (*World Wildlife Fund Canada*)
- Provincial museum inventory of the flora and fauna of the McIntyre Ranch grasslands is approximately 85 per cent complete. Publication



of results is expected by 1993. (*Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism*)

- The Adopt-A-Stream program is in the pilot stage and is being tested with community groups. (*Alberta Environment*)
- Publication of a report identifying key migratory bird sites south of 60 degrees latitude. (*Canadian Wildlife Service*)

Selected List of New Commitments

- Conduct inventory work on 15 400 hectares of rangelands. (*Public Lands*)
- Acquisition of four parcels of private land with high conservation values. (*Public Lands*)
- Reservation/notations used on public lands in the Southern Region are being reviewed and extended to ensure that environmentally significant and sensitive public lands are appropriately protected. (*Public Lands, Fish and Wildlife*)
- National endangered species recovery plans will be developed by the Committee on the Recovery of Nationally Endangered Wildlife for swift fox, Baird's sparrow, burrowing owl, ferruginous hawk and loggerhead shrike. (*Fish and Wildlife, Canadian Wildlife Service*)
- Natural and Protected Areas will develop information papers on specific issues related to the management of native prairies and parkland over the next five years, such as burning, management of deciduous forests, management of riparian areas and fragmentation. (*Public Lands*)
- Four projects are under way with ranchers to demonstrate and measure the cost benefits of several grazing systems to improve range conditions and productivity of grasslands and to safeguard other resource values (Warner, Lundbreck, Brooks and Aden). (*Public Lands*)
- The Range Management program is assisting the Siksika Nation in developing a range management plan for the 38 850 hectares of mixed-grass prairie on the reserve. (*Public Lands*)

- Range Management is responsible for a Reclamation Research Technical Advisory Committee study to identify ways to minimize industrial disturbance to native prairie from pipeline construction. (*Public Lands*)
- **Implementation Workgroups**

The following summarizes the current status of implementation workgroups addressing specific PCAP action recommendations.

**Workgroup: Protection Issues -
Lost River/Milk River**

ACTION RECOMMENDATION

The Lost River portion of the federal Onefour Research Station and the Milk River area are home to several rare and endangered plants and animals such as the short-horned lizard, mountain plover, pronuba moth and soapweed. Parts of these areas have been proposed as Natural Areas and ecological reserves that should be given permanent protection.



MEMBERSHIP

Public Lands (chair), Alberta Recreation and Parks, Agriculture Canada, Alberta Cattle Commission, Alberta Wilderness Association, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Canadian Wildlife Service, Fish and Wildlife.

STATUS

The workgroup held several meetings and gained consensus on follow-up recommendations. A number of specific PCAP recommendations largely have been addressed. Species inventories have been conducted, several sites have received designated protection and a number of others are under protective notations. The workgroup will present its final report in 1992.

Landowners and Native Habitats

ACTION RECOMMENDATION

Non-government conservation organizations and government agencies should encourage and support a landowner's decision to maintain native wildlife

and habitats through landowner support and acknowledgement programs.

MEMBERSHIP

World Wildlife Fund (chair), Alberta Agriculture, Canadian Wildlife Service, Ducks Unlimited, Federation of Alberta Naturalists, Fish and Wildlife, Public Lands, University of Calgary, Waterton Biosphere Association.

STATUS

The workgroup presented a final report at the September 1991 meeting. Members compiled a list of citations that can be used to foster stewardship of private lands or that summarized key program areas. A summary of the main mechanisms to promote private stewardship was also provided. Members agreed to pursue the intent of this action recommendation through implementation of the Municipal Soil and Water Conservation Planning Pilot Project coordinated by Alberta Agriculture.

**Maintaining Wildlife and Habitat in
Municipalities**

ACTION RECOMMENDATION

Regional and municipal planning commissions should set objectives to protect wildlife and wildlife habitat on both private and public lands within their jurisdictions. A target of at least 10 per cent of land should be maintained. All major ecosystems within the jurisdiction should be represented. The commissions should immediately undertake inventories of the native habitat within their boundaries, to identify the area's species, ecosystems and ecologically sensitive sites. Provincial managers of public lands should agree to these regional planning objectives.

MEMBERSHIP

Oldman Regional Planning Commission (chair), Calgary, Edmonton Metropolitan, Battle River, Palliser, Red Deer and Southeast Regional Planning Commissions, Alberta Energy, Alberta Recreation and Parks, Federation of Alberta Naturalists.

CURRENT STATUS

This workgroup was initiated in April 1991. The group developed a preliminary list of measures available to municipalities that would allow for the protection of environmentally significant areas.

Environmental Education

ACTION RECOMMENDATION

Environmental education, including wildlife conservation, should be incorporated into the school curriculum. All schools should be encouraged to grow natural gardens or to care for a natural area nearby.

MEMBERSHIP

Alberta Environment (chair), Alberta Agriculture, Alberta Recreation and Parks, Canadian Parks Services, Canadian Wildlife Service, Ducks Unlimited, Fish and Wildlife, Public Lands and the Waterton Biosphere Association.

STATUS

This workgroup was not formally initiated until September 1991, but the chairperson had done some preliminary work and tabled a report at Waterton which had a selected list of environmental education programs. Specific objectives for the workgroup were identified and Alberta Environment's Education Branch will facilitate an initial meeting in 1992.

Urban Native Prairie Areas

ACTION RECOMMENDATION

Small native prairie areas near towns and cities should be recognized, preserved and used for educational, recreational and inspirational purposes, e.g. Calgary's Nose Hill.

MEMBERSHIP

Federation of Alberta Naturalists (chair), Alberta Municipal Affairs, the Battle River, Calgary, Edmonton Metropolitan, Oldman River, Palliser, Red Deer and Southeast Regional Planning Commissions, University of Calgary.

STATUS

A research proposal has been drafted. As a preliminary measure, all major urban municipalities are being polled to produce an inventory of what has been preserved to date and to identify potential opportunities.

• **Conservation Data Centre**

The PCCC has noted the lack of easily accessible information for identifying prairie ecosystems and endangered or valuable prairie grasslands. The PCCC identified the U.S. Nature Conservancy's Conservation Data Centre (CDC) system as a cost-effective way to collect, manage and provide access to biological data. The PCCC is recommending that the Alberta government implement the CDC with support from other levels of government and the private sector. An advisory committee of all stakeholders should be developed to oversee the project.

• **Cooperative Prairie Conservation Initiatives**

During 1991 there has been considerable movement for several progressive cooperative prairie conservation initiatives. Included here are projects which have not been initiated formally by the PCCC as a committee, but where there is direct PCAP/PCCC linkage and where several member organizations have played key roles.

ESA Inventories

PROJECT

Production of inventories of ESA for rural municipalities.

PCAP/PCCC LINK

The PCAP recommends that inventories of remaining native prairie be undertaken at the habitat sub-region level. The inventories undertaken in the Oldman River Regional River Planning Commission area in the mid-late 1980s are cited as a model.



PCCC MEMBERS INVOLVED

Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife agencies, the Battle River, Palliser, Red Deer and Southeast Regional Planning Commissions, the Special Areas Board, World Wildlife Fund Canada.

CURRENT STATUS

During 1991, ESA inventory reports were produced for the following rural municipalities: County of Mountain View, County of Newell, County of Forty Mile, M.D. of Acadia, M.D. of Cypress, M.D. of Kneehills and M.D. of Starland. An ESA inventory for the Lower Red Deer Corridor (Drumheller to the Saskatchewan border) was approaching completion at year end.

Energy/Prairie Project

PROJECT

Development of guidelines for petroleum and natural gas activity on native prairie.

PCAP/PCCC LINK

The project resulted from an Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB) hearing in response to concerns expressed by a leaseholder in the Altario area to a well site application on native prairie. The ERCB permitted the well to go ahead with conditions and recommended that affected agencies collaborate to develop policy guidelines to protect native prairie environments while allowing reasonable access to oil and gas resources.

PCCC MEMBERS INVOLVED

Alberta Energy, Alberta Environment (Conservation and Reclamation Council), ERCB, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife (Fish and Wildlife, Public Lands, Regional Coordination Services), Special Areas Board. All PCCC members had an opportunity to review draft guidelines in September 1991.

CURRENT STATUS

A final report was produced and endorsed by a steering committee comprised of assistant deputy

ministers and a member of the ERCB. The report details guidelines for seismic, drilling, production, pipeline and reclamation activities and will be issued as an ERCB informational letter early in 1992.

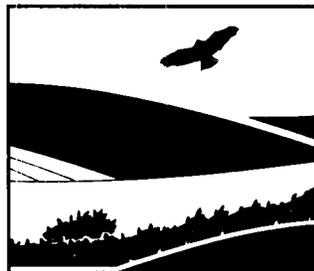
Rumsey Regionally Integrated Decision

PROJECT

Development of a local land-use plan for almost 50 sections of native aspen parkland on public land located south of the Rumsey Ecological Reserve.

PCAP/PCCC LINK

The PCAP recommends the retention of large areas of native aspen parkland, specifically the Rumsey block, which is the largest remaining representative site of aspen parkland left in the world. The Government of Alberta formally established 13.25 sections at the north end of the block as the Rumsey Ecological Reserve in 1990. Management issues have been repeatedly raised, particularly by public interest groups, for the remainder of the block. Surface impacts associated with oil and gas activity are the primary issue.



PCCC MEMBERS INVOLVED

Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism, Alberta Energy, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife (Fish and Wildlife, Public Lands, Regional Coordination Services), Alberta Recreation and Parks, Alberta Wilderness Association, the ERCB. A number of other key stakeholders were also involved in drafting the plan. All PCCC members had an opportunity to review a draft plan in September 1991. The PCCC and individual member agencies provided input.

CURRENT STATUS

A draft plan has been produced under the coordination of Public Lands which attempts to ensure that Rumsey's unique ecosystem is maintained while allowing for the responsible use of the area's resources. The draft plan was publicly reviewed at Big Valley in November 1991. At year-end the planning team was compiling a summary of all public feedback.

THE PRAIRIE CONSERVATION ACTION PLAN

PCCC member agency representatives gathered at Calgary's Red and White club early in 1992 to plan initiatives for the coming year.



Standing (l-r): Hiske Gerding, Calvin Webb, Duane Radford, Mary Penny, Peter Dickson, Linda Henrickson, Dug Major, Bill Shaw, Roger Marvin, Robert Powell, Bob Riddet, Miles Scott-Brown, Larry Simpson, F. Les Usher, Bill Mortensen, Donn Cline, John Rusling, Philip Stepney, Stephen Dobson, Bill Dolan, Andy Masiuk, Gary Stewart, Gerald Kornelson, Deanna Knudson.

Seated: Ann Roberts, Bas Delaney, Cynthia Langlo, Lynda Paterson, Rhonda Wehrhahn, Ian Dyson, Gerald McKeating, Louise McGillivray, Liz Savoy, Tim Coleman, J. Douglas Olson.

APPENDIX 1

Member Agencies

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Rhonda Wehrhahn	Alberta Agriculture
Linda Walton	Alberta Association of M.D.s & Counties
Chris Mills	Alberta Cattle Commission
Mary Penny	Alberta Energy
Stephen Dobson	Alberta Environment
Dr. Niels Damgaard	Alberta Fish & Game Association
Philip Stepney	Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism
Donn Cline	Alberta Recreation and Parks
Louise McGillivray	Alberta Tourism
Ann Roberts	Alberta Wilderness Association
Bob Riddet	Battle River Regional Planning Commission
John Rusling	Calgary Regional Planning Commission
Major H. Brent McDonald	Canadian Forces Base Suffield
Bill Dolan	Canadian Parks Service Waterton
Miles Scott-Brown	Canadian Parks & Wilderness Association
Gerald McKeating	Canadian Wildlife Service (Chairman - PCCC)
Moe Mahendran	CN Rail
Bernd Martens	Coal Association
Andy Masiuk	Coordination Services, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife
Gary Stewart	Ducks Unlimited
Bill Mortensen	Eastern Irrigation District
Peter Dickson	Edmonton Metropolitan Regional Planning Commission
Cynthia Langlo	Energy Resources Conservation Board
Calvin Webb	Environment Council of Alberta
Liz Savoy	Federation of Alberta Naturalists
Duane Radford	Fish and Wildlife Division, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife
Jim Struthers	Fish and Wildlife Division, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife
Bas Delaney	Land Information Services Division, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife
Rae Runge	Municipal Affairs
Robert Powell	Natural Resources Conservation Board
Larry Simpson	Nature Conservancy Canada
Lynda Paterson	Oldman River Regional Planning Commission
Linda Henrickson	Palliser Regional Planning Commission
Roger Marvin	Public Lands Division, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife
Hiske Gerding	Recreation Parks and Wildlife Foundation
Bill Shaw	Red Deer Regional Planning Commission
Ian Dyson	Regional Coordination Services, Alberta Forestry, Lands and Wildlife (Secretary - PCCC)
Jim Muller	Southeast Alberta Regional Planning Commission
Gordon Graydon	South Peace Regional Planning Commission
Dug Major	Special Areas Board
Gerald Kornelson	Special Areas Advisory Council
Phil Lulman	TransAlta Utilities
Hartman Nagel	Unifarm
J. Douglas Olson	University of Calgary
Larry Frith	Waterton Biosphere Association
Ed Curry	Western Stockgrowers Association
Dennis Sherrat	Wildlife Habitat Canada
Monte Hummel	World Wildlife Fund Canada

PCAP Goals

1. Identify the remaining native prairie and parkland.
2. Protect at least one large, representative area in each of the four major prairie ecosystems (Mixed Prairie, Tall Grass Prairie, Fescue Prairie and Aspen Parkland).
3. Establish a system of protected native prairie ecosystems across the three prairie provinces and, where possible, create connecting corridors. This system should include representative samples of each habitat subregion.
4. Protect threatened ecosystems and habitats by preparing and implementing habitat management and restoration plans.
5. Protect and enhance the populations of prairie species designated nationally or provincially as vulnerable, threatened or endangered by implementing recovery and management plans.
6. Ensure that no additional species become threatened, endangered or extirpated.
7. Encourage governments to incorporate conservation of native prairie more explicitly in their programs.
8. Encourage balanced use of private lands that allows sustained use of the land while maintaining and enhancing the native biological diversity of the prairies.
9. Promote public awareness of the values and importance of prairie wildlife and wildlife places.
10. Promote research relevant to prairie conservation.

Terms of Reference

Authority

Initiated by the Government of Alberta. The committee is consultative and advisory to member organizations. It does not have legislative, management or program authority or responsibilities. The acceptance of committee recommendations will remain at the individual discretion of member organizations.

Duration

The committee's duration is tied to the Prairie Conservation Action Plan, 1989-1994. The committee will exist until 31 December 1994. This tenure may be extended at the discretion of the committee.

Purpose

1. The purpose of the committee is to encourage effective implementation of the Prairie Conservation Action Plan in Alberta and to provide an ongoing profile for prairie and parkland conservation initiatives.
2. The committee will establish a focus and profile for the cooperative pursuit of initiatives identified in the Prairie Conservation Action Plan. It will
 - serve as a forum for information exchange and cooperation between key organizations with interests in or jurisdiction over prairie conservation initiatives;
 - allow key contacts to get together periodically to review the plans, projects and programs of member organizations, to assess progress and to integrate program efforts;
 - constitute a cooperative partnership between different levels of government and non-government organizations in sharing major responsibility for implementing the Prairie Conservation Action Plan, while also allowing both groups to share their experiences and strengthen mutual goals and objectives;
 - encourage members to tailor their own programs, policies or initiatives to meet the goals of the Prairie Conservation Action Plan;
 - review progress in implementing the Prairie Conservation Action Plan in Alberta;
 - identify gaps and recommend measures to fill them in such areas as inventory deficiencies or new program requirements; and
 - adopt media communication strategies as appropriate to ensure that significant initiatives and accomplishments are widely communicated publicly.
3. The committee will encourage coordination and complementarity between major conservation-related initiatives such as the Prairie Conservation Action Plan, the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, the Alberta Conservation Strategy, and Federal/Provincial Soil Conservation initiatives.

Retaining Native Prairie and Wildlife in an Agricultural Landscape

A block course organized by the University of Calgary, Faculty of Environmental Design

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. To promote the value and preservation of native prairie and its wildlife. The course will be of interest to district agriculturalists, agricultural field men, Special Areas personnel, range managers, Fish and Wildlife staff and others.
2. To foster an understanding of an ecosystem approach to agricultural land management that allows an integration of conservation and agricultural production objectives.
3. To increase awareness of native plant communities, as well as endangered species and their habitat requirements.
4. To identify where habitat improvement and economical agricultural practices may coincide.
5. To outline habitat improvements and management techniques as well as the various programmes and incentives that are available.
6. To encourage dialogue and understanding amongst those involved in range, agricultural and wildlife resource management.

COURSE OUTLINE

Location: Brooks Pheasant Hatchery Dates: June 10,11, & 12, 1991

DAY 1

8:00 - 9:00 **Ecosystem Concept in Resource Management** - Dr. Rich Revel, U of C
 9:00 - 10:00 **Optimizing Resource Use Decision Through Integration** - Dr. Rich Revel
 10:15 - 11:00 **Landscape Structure** - Doug Olson, U of C
 11:00 - 12:00 **Range Plant and Animal Identification Lab**
 12:00 - 13:00 **Luncheon Speaker: Strategic Planning for Ecosystem and Land Use Zoning, F&W Policies** - Duane Radford, Regional Director, Southern Region, Alberta Fish and Wildlife
 13:00 - 14:00 **Range Management Principles** - Barry Adams
 14:00 - 15:00 **Basic Concepts of Wildlife Management** - Bill Wishart
 15:00 - 18:00 **Range Plant Identification Field Component and Management Opportunities Discussion at Antelope Creek Ranch** - Barry Adams, Alberta Public Lands
 18:30 - **Dinner at the Cassils Hall c/w Ranch Presentation**

DAY 2

8:00 - 10:00 **Principles of Forage and Field Crop Production** - Mr. Tom Jensen, Alberta Agriculture
 10:15 - 11:30 **Impact of Agricultural Practices** - David Watson, U of A, Department of Rural Economy
 11:30 - 12:00 **Discussion**
 12:00 - 13:00 **Luncheon Speaker: North American Waterfowl Plan** - Mr. Brett Calverley, Co-ordinating Biologist, NAWMP
 13:00 - 14:30 **Rare, Threatened and Endangered Species Identification and Habitat Requirements; Proposed Endangered Species Legislation** - Steve Brechtel, Alberta Fish and Wildlife
 14:30 - 15:30 **Reptile and Amphibian Identification and Habitat Requirements** - Wayne Roberts, Curator, Vertebrate Museum, U of A
 15:45 - 17:00 **Site and Habitat Improvements; Habitat Referral Systems; Riparian Areas Management** - Lorne Fitch, Alberta Fish and Wildlife
 17:00 - 17:30 **Conservation Programmes of Agriculture Alberta** - Mr. David Neilson, Resource Planning Branch, Alberta Agriculture

DAY 3

AM. Field Trip to Millicent Farm - Examination and discussion of the farm and its management plan.
PM. Trip to Dinosaur Park Area - Examination of various plant communities and associated land uses. Return to Brooks by 15:00.

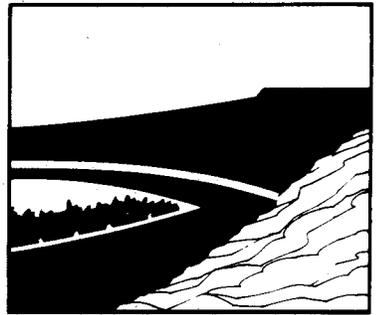
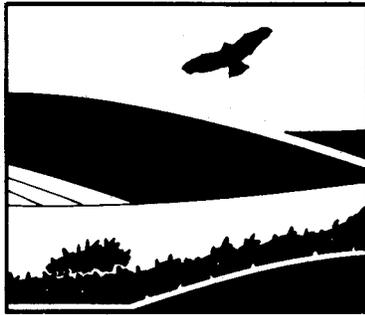
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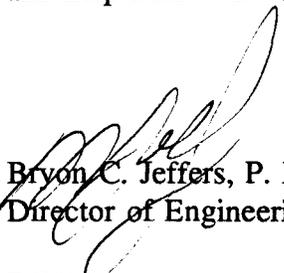
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DATE: May 19, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Engineering Department Manager
RE: **PRAIRIE CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

Engineering Services has reviewed the material from the Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee.

The scope and intent of the Committee is admirable. They are quite correct in their assessment of Red Deer's open space parks system.

It is the Division's intent in contemplating any Engineering, Public Works, or Transit issues, that careful consideration and assessment of the impacts of these projects on the environment are carefully considered. The public and environmental groups will be contacted for input in all sensitive projects. The Environmental Advisory Board will serve well to monitor these projects and help liaise with the various groups.


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May 26, 1993

Prairie Conversation Coordinating Committee
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ATTENTION: MR. MILES SCOTT-BROWN, CHAIRPERSON

Dear Sir:

RE: PRAIRIE CONSERVATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE - YOUR
 CORRESPONDENCE DATED APRIL 16, 1993

This is to advise that your correspondence referred to above was presented on the Council agenda of May 25, 1993. I would further advise that at the aforesaid meeting the enclosed reports were also presented (pages 18 - 29).

Following is the resolution which was passed by Council concerning said matter in accordance with recommendations from the Environmental Advisory Board:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered recommendations from the Environmental Advisory Board re: Prairie Conservation Coordinating Committee, hereby agrees:

1. to reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the implementation of the Regional River Valley Concept.
2. to reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Natural Area.
3. to reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the College Natural Area with the commitment that the future planning of access to the College site will be an open process, with opportunities for review by the community and the Environmental Advisory Board.



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4. to reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Woods area, and further agree that the need to extend Molly Bannister Drive to the east across Piper Creek be subject to a detailed transportation review and reassessment, prior to the commencement of functional design.
5. to request the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission to give a high priority to the protection of the natural treed areas and wetlands within the West Park Extension Area Structure Plan now being prepared.
6. to reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Spruce Woods area."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and in addition I am also enclosing, herewith, a copy of the Community Services Master Plan, which is referred to in the aforesaid resolution.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory and again we thank you for your letter and interest in this regard.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cad

Encl.

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Principal Planner
Alternate Member of PCCC - Rich White
Environmental Advisory Board

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: PRINCIPAL PLANNER
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: PRAIRIE CONVERSATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Enclosed herewith, is a copy of our letter to the Prairie Conversation Coordinating Committee quoting the resolution passed by Council of The City of Red Deer at its meeting of May 25, 1993.

I would particularly draw to your attention, clause #5 of the Council resolution which specifically "requests the Red Deer Regional Planning Committee to give a high priority to the protection of the natural treed areas and wetlands within the West Park Extension Area Structure Plan now being prepared".

Trusting that you will make note of Council's request in this instance, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.



G. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd
Encl.

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Environmental Advisory Board
Prairie Conversation Coordinating Committee
Alternate Member of PCCC - Rich White

NO. 5

DATE: 13 May 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: City Assessor
RE: 1993 COURT OF REVISION
LAND, IMPROVEMENTS, BUSINESS TAX & MOBILE HOME LICENSE

Pursuant to Section 43(2) of the *Municipal Taxation Act*, which reads as follows:

"The Council of a Municipality, by bylaw, may establish a Court of Revision consisting of not more than five members, and any councillors, commissioners, municipal employees or municipal residents may be appointed to it."

We respectfully request City Council pass a bylaw establishing a Court of Revision with the bylaw stipulating "for the year 1993" as the period required under Section 43(4) of the *Municipal Taxation Act*.

Historically, the Court of Revision has consisted of two members of Council and three citizens at large. We respectfully recommend that this practice continue. As allowed in Section 43(10) of the *Municipal Taxation Act*, we respectfully request that the members of the Court be reimbursed \$50.00 per half day or \$100.00 per full day, and the chairman be reimbursed \$65.00 per half day or \$125.00 per full day. These rates were included in the budget submission as approved by City Council.

We further request, pursuant to Section 43(13) of the *Municipal Taxation Act*, which reads:

"The Council shall provide for the appointment of a Clerk of the Court of Revision and may provide that the Clerk shall be an official or employee of the municipality other than the assessor and shall prescribe his duties and remuneration which shall include the recording of all proceedings thereof, and unless such an appointment is made, the Municipal Secretary shall act."

that Council make the necessary appointment of the Clerk of the Court of Revision.

Pursuant to Section 44(1) of the *Municipal Taxation Act*, which reads:

"The Council, by resolution, shall provide for the calling of sittings of the Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing complaints."

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We therefore request Council provide for the sitting of the Court and would suggest the dates be as follows:

1. **July 21, 1993**, to hear all complaints on **Business Assessment, School Support, Tax Classification and Mobile Home License Assessment.**
2. **September 13 to 17 and 20 to 24** or additional times thereafter or fewer days, to be determined by the numbers of complaints and time required to hear the complaints to the Court of Revision, on all **Property Assessment, Land and Improvement accounts.**

Due to the reassessment, we anticipate, as is normal, larger numbers of complaints that will have to be dealt with. The split dates, as requested, are necessary to comply with legislative requirements and to allow for preparation for the Court of Revision.

Respectfully submitted,



Al Knight, A.M.A.A.
City Assessor

AK/ngl

Enc.

c.c. Al Wilcock, Director of Finance
Peter Holloway, Asst. Development Officer

Commissioners' Comments

A bylaw has been prepared for Council's consideration with the names of the members appointed by Council to be inserted prior to passage of the bylaw. As has been the practise, members of Council are encouraged to bring forward names of any persons they feel would be valuable members to serve on the Court. The nominees' approval must be sought, however, prior to submission of their names. The City Clerk's Office will be in contact with all citizens-at-large who served on last year's Court of Revision to determine if they are prepared to let their names stand for consideration on this year's Court. The 1992 Court of Revision consisted of the following members:

Alderman McGregor
Alderman Statnyk
Claybyn Hood
Murray Parker
Don Wilson

We would also recommend Council pass a resolution establishing dates for the sittings of the Court as suggested.

Council will remember that the revisions to the business assessment as a result of the reassessment process will not be implemented until 1994. As a result those businesses who wish to appeal their revised assessment will do so in 1994 rather than this year. They have been advised of this by letter.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: CITY ASSESSOR
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: 1993 COURT OF REVISION - COURT OF REVISION BYLAW 3092/93

Your report dated May 13, 1993, pertaining to the above topic, was considered at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting Council passed the following motion establishing the dates for the sitting of the 1993 Court of Revision:

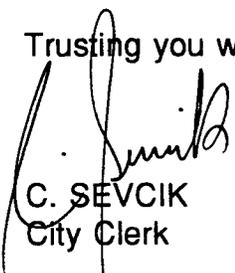
"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees that the sittings for the 1993 Court of Revision be as follows:

1. July 21, 1993 to hear all complaints on business assessment, school support, tax classification and mobile home license assessment.
2. September 13 - 17, and 20 - 24, or additional times thereafter or fewer days, to be determined by the numbers of complaints and time required to hear the complaints to the Court of Revision, on all property assessment, land and improvement accounts."

In addition Council gave three readings to Bylaw 3092/93 appointing the members to the Court of Revision. In this regard I am enclosing, herewith, a certified copy of the aforesaid Bylaw.

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I trust that you will be in contact with the members of the Court of Revisions in due course with further instructions, meeting notices, agendas, etc.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd
Encl.

cc: Director of Financial Services
Members of the Court of Revision
Council and Committee Secretary - Sandra/Cheryl
Assistant City Clerk

DATE: MAY 27, 1993
TO: ASSISTANT CITY CLERK
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: ADVERTISEMENT - COUNCIL COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, BOARDS

At the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, it was suggested that when we advertise for Citizens interested in serving on various committees, commissions and boards this fall, that we include in this advertisement the Court of Revision. It was suggested by Alderman Schnell that while we continue to fall back on past members, we have no way of knowing whether there is anyone else interested in the Community in serving on this board.

Accordingly, would you ensure that we include the Court of Revision in this falls advertisement.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Council and Committee Secretary - Sandra/Cheryl
Director of Financial Services
City Assessor

NO. 6

DATE: May 17, 1993 **CS-4.021**

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CRAIG CURTIS, Director
Community Services Division

RE: MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY: FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
A memo from the Chairman of the F.C.S.S. Board
dated May 6, 1993 refers.

1. In September 1990, the Community Services Division established an "integration Committee" to explore ways in which the City might respond to initiatives by the Province regarding the integration of persons with disabilities into the community. At the November 1990 Department Heads Meeting, a motion was adopted supporting the development of a municipal strategy for the "positive integration of persons with physical and mental disabilities into programs and services in our community".
2. An interdepartmental committee was subsequently formed to prepare the strategy. The final document entitled "City of Red Deer: Municipal Integration Strategy" contains policies and recommendations for each department within the administration, and was unanimously adopted at a special Department Heads Meeting on May 15, 1991.
3. The strategy was reviewed by the F.C.S.S. and Recreation, Parks & Culture Boards, and was considered by City Council at its meeting on June 24, 1991, when the following resolution was adopted:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby approves the 'City of Red Deer: Municipal Integration Strategy' as presented to Council June 24, 1991, with the exception that the words 'attempt to' be deleted in the clauses related to the scheduling of public meetings in barrier-free facilities."

The strategy is now included in the City Council Policy Manual (Policy No. 923).

4. A Commissioner's Committee was appointed to monitor the implementation of the Municipal Integration Strategy and report annually on the success of the strategy and the changes that may be required. The committee has now completed its First Annual Report, which includes the following three components:
 - Actions Taken to Date
 - Updated Strategy (pgs. 17-29 incl.)
 - Cost Analysis

The report was considered by the F.C.S.S. Board at its meeting on May 4, 1993, when the following resolution was adopted:

"THAT the Red Deer & District F.C.S.S. Board supports the philosophical content of the Municipal Integration Strategy First Annual Report and that same be forwarded to City Council for adoption."

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Municipal Integration Strategy: First Annual Report

5. I have reviewed the First Annual Report and updated Municipal Integration Strategy, and my comments are as follows:

- I consider that good progress has been made in the actions taken to date. The cost analysis indicates that most objectives have been achieved with minimal cost.
- I support the recommendations as outlined in the revised strategy (pgs. 17-29 incl.) and recommend adoption by City Council.
- The strategy includes a recommendation that the Social Planning Department "work toward implementing recommendations from the Special (Accessible) Transportation Review". This study projects a considerable increase in the per capita ridership for special transportation, and it is projected that the demand for annual rides will increase by 54% by the year 2000.

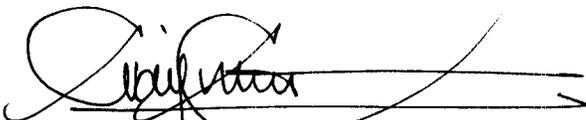
The increased demand for special transportation services in Red Deer poses a major funding dilemma for the City. However, in my view, the provision of accessible transportation is a municipal responsibility and should be given a high priority in the City's strategic planning.

Provision of adequate accessible transportation for persons with disabilities has many indirect economic advantages and should be perceived as an investment, rather than solely as a cost. It gives individuals the opportunity for full participation in community life, including, being active members of the work force. Vision 2020 and other City policy statements have emphasized the desire for Red Deer to be seen as a "caring community", and to give "special consideration" to the needs of persons with disabilities.

6. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that City Council:

- Accept the Municipal Integration Strategy First Annual Report for information and support continued implementation of the recommendations, subject to budget limitations.
- Approve the recommendations outlined in the revised Municipal Integration Strategy (1993 update), and that City Council Policy No. 923 be updated in accordance with pages 17-29 of the report.



CRAIG CURTIS

:dmg

c Colleen Jensen, Social Planning Manager
 Lowell Hodgson, Recreation & Culture Manager

Don Batchelor, Parks Manager
 Gillian Lawrence, Community Worker

DATE: May 6, 1993

**TO: CHARLIE SEVCIK
City Clerk**

**FROM: ROGER CLARKE
Chairman - F.C.S.S. Board**

RE: MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY - FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

- The Municipal Integration Strategy was approved as a City Policy by City Council in June, 1991. The focus of the strategy is "to promote the positive integration of persons with physical and mental disabilities into programs and services for which the City of Red Deer is responsible."
- Three major areas were targeted as part of a systematic approach:
 - **Employment** - the City will attempt to increase employment opportunities for persons with disabilities in City departments.
 - **Accessibility/Mobility** - the City will attempt to improve access to facilities and programs and reduce barriers to mobility for persons with disabilities.
 - **Education & Awareness** - the City will attempt to promote a greater community awareness of ways to integrate persons with disabilities into many facets of living in the community.
- A Commissioner's Committee was appointed to "monitor the implementation of the Municipal Integration Strategy and report annually to the senior administration on the success of the strategy and changes that may be required."

The enclosed report documents the findings, with three major sections:

- Actions to Date
 - Updated Recommendations
 - Cost Analysis
- Overall City department heads have viewed the Strategy quite positively, with good progress made in actions to date. Most departments also have specific initiatives which can be undertaken in the future. The cost analysis indicates that most objectives have been achieved with minimal cost and have simply been adopted as part of the general process by which the City serves its citizens. In the future, many recommendations can be achieved in the same manner, with the exception of transportation.

CHARLIE SEVCIK
May 6, 1993
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- The Report was considered at the April 7 Department Head Meeting, with some minor amendments to the cost analysis made.
- At the May 4 F.C.S.S. Board meeting the report was considered with the following recommendations:

"That the Red Deer & District F.C.S.S. Board supports the philosophical content of the Municipal Integration Strategy First Annual Report and that same be forwarded to City Council for adoption."

It was also noted that the format for presentation was clear and that it may not be necessary to forward future annual reports through the F.C.S.S. Board for approval.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council for the City of Red Deer accept the Municipal Integration Strategy First Annual Report, and further that Administration be encouraged to implement the objectives, keeping in mind budget limitations.



ROGER CLARKE, Chairman
Red Deer & District F.C.S.S. Board

/kb

cc - Craig Curtis, Director of Community Services
- Gillian Lawrence, Chair, MIST Committee

SP-3.974

DATE: April 22, 1993

TO: F.C.S.S. BOARD

**FROM: GILLIAN LAWRENCE
Community Worker**

RE: MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY - FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

Attached is the Municipal Integration Strategy Team's (MIST) First Annual Report.

As you may recall, the Municipal Integration Strategy was approved as a City policy by City Council in June, 1991. The Strategy's policy statement includes a proviso that a Commissioner's Review Committee be appointed to "monitor the implementation of the Municipal Integration Strategy and report annually to the senior administration on the success of the Strategy and changes that may be required". This has been MIST's major task over the last few months.

The report includes three major sections. The following highlights some of the points found in these sections:

- **Actions Taken to Date**

Several of the accomplishments have focused on promoting awareness and understanding amongst City staff through training. Other highlights include the revision of policies such as the City's Group Home Bylaw; structural modifications to the Public Works and RCMP buildings during general renovations; scheduling public meetings in barrier-free facilities and ensuring that polling stations (with the exception of one) were accessible to persons with disabilities during the 1992 municipal election.

- **Updated Recommendations**

Staff training and the removal of barriers, both physical and systemic, which prohibit persons with disabilities from accessing City services will continue to be a focus for City departments. The City will also attempt to increase employment opportunities for persons with disabilities by developing a process by which to analyze job functions as positions become vacant. Changes in regular transit service as well as the implementation of recommendations from the Special Transportation Review are key factors associated with the Municipal Integration Strategy.

- **Cost Analysis**

Costs to date associated with the Municipal Integration Strategy have been minimal. Many of the Strategy's objectives have simply been adopted, through staff training and thus increased awareness, as part of the general process by which the City serves its citizens. In the future, many recommendations can be achieved in the same manner, again with little or no additional costs to the municipality. Changes to the regular transit service as well as the implementation of recommendations in the Special Transportation Review have been identified in the cost analysis as being areas in which there will be sizeable incremental costs to the municipality.

Overall, City Departments have viewed the Strategy quite positively and the Team is pleased with the City's progress. The Team also believes that much more can be done to promote the integration of persons with disabilities but recognizes that this process will have to be balanced with the fiscal reality of the time.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Red Deer and District FCSS Board support the Municipal Integration Strategy First Annual Report and forward it to City Council for adoption.



GILLIAN M. LAWRENCE
Community Worker

GL/kb
Encl.

Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Director of Community Services. Council will note that the most significant cost implication is related to the implementation of the Special Accessible Transportation Review. However, the recommendation emphasizes that our ability to implement the recommendations contained therein will be subject to budget limitations.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

CITY OF RED DEER
MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY
REVIEW

1st ANNUAL REPORT

"A GOOD BEGINNING"

JANUARY, 1993

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BACKGROUND

The Brassard Report on persons with mental disabilities was released in November, 1989. The Premier's Council on the Status of Persons with Disabilities released the report "Action Plan" in the spring of 1990. Both reports call for major changes in our society to enable persons with mental and physical disabilities to participate in a more meaningful manner in all facets of community living.

In April, 1990, the Hon. Roy Brassard, Associate Minister of Family & Social Services responsible for persons with disabilities, met with City council and the F.C.S.S. Board to discuss the Brassard Report and its implications to Red Deer. City council expressed general support for the thrust of the report and offered the services of the City to assist in the community-based change process in order to help achieve the objectives of greater participation of persons with disabilities in community living.

In September, 1990 the Community Services Division established an "Integration Committee" to explore ways in which our City might move our community towards the objectives of the above reports. The Integration Committee was made up of Ed Morris and Steve Sogge from the Recreation & Culture Department and Rick Assinger and Barbara Jeffrey from the Social Planning Department. Later, Grant Howell of the Personnel Department joined the committee. The Integration Committee approached the senior administration in the City with regard to the proposed development of a municipal strategy to promote integration in the municipal corporation's sphere of influence. At the November department head meeting the following resolution was adopted:

That senior administration in the City of Red Deer supports the development of a municipal strategy to promote the positive integration of persons with physical and mental disabilities into programs and services in our community.

In November, 1990 the Integration Committee circulated copies of the Brassard Report and the Action Plan to all City departments. Sections of the reports were identified as being particularly relevant to various departments. Senior administrators were asked to consider strategies to promote more positive integration of persons with disabilities in the functioning of their respective departments. Members of the Integration Committee then met with all the senior administrators to discuss the reports and possible strategies to promote integration.

The above process resulted in a series of recommendations for each of the City's departments. The composite recommendations and a commitment to follow through became the Municipal Integration Strategy. The F.C.S.S. Board recommended the City adopt the Strategy at its June, 1991 meeting and City Council approved the Strategy on June 24, 1991.

In February, 1992, the City Commissioner appointed a committee "to monitor the implementation of the Municipal Integration Strategy and report annually to senior administration on the success of the Strategy and changes that may be required". The committee which named itself the Municipal Integration Strategy Team (M.I.S.T.) includes Gillian Lawrence (Chairperson) from Social Planning, Steven Sogge from Recreation & Culture, Grant Howell from Personnel, Jack Pallo from Treasury, and Peter Anderson from Engineering. The team has established action plans to carry out it's monitoring and reporting responsibilities and is also active in heightening the awareness of all City Staff. The following report marks the completion of one of the Team's 1992 objectives pertaining to it's monitoring and reporting role.

MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY

PURPOSE OF POLICY: To promote the positive integration of persons with physical and mental disabilities into programs and services for which The City of Red Deer is responsible.

POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Red Deer will attempt to promote the positive integration of persons with disabilities in a systematic way through three major areas:

1. **Employment** - The City will attempt to increase employment opportunities for persons with disabilities in City departments.
2. **Accessibility/Mobility** - The City will attempt to improve access to facilities and programs and reduce barriers to mobility for persons with disabilities.
3. **Education/Awareness** - The City will attempt to promote a greater community awareness of ways to integrate persons with disabilities into many facets of living in the community.

Responsibilities:

Department Heads will attempt to implement the recommendations in the Municipal Integration Strategy.

The City Commissioner will appoint a Review Committee consisting of one representative from each of the following:

- Community Services Division
- Finance Division
- Engineering Division
- Personnel Department
- an outside Department

to monitor the implementation of the Municipal Integration Strategy and report annually to the senior administration on the success of the Strategy and changes that may be required.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Surveys of all department heads were conducted between September 18 and October 15, 1992 by members of the Municipal Integration Strategy Team. The following summarizes the findings of these interviews. More detailed information about responses to the interview questions is included in Appendix One.

- All department heads indicated support for the concept of equal access to all City services by all citizens. There was also strong support for the Municipal Integration Strategy as an effective tool for achieving integration of persons with disabilities.
- The majority of managers indicated that the Municipal Integration Strategy has been effective in raising awareness of the needs and rights of persons with disabilities. While attitudes are difficult to measure, it appears that the Municipal Integration Strategy has had a positive influence on awareness and sensitivity among City staff.
- For many department heads the strategy has been a catalyst for concrete action. Others felt it was too early to see tangible results. They felt the strategy was "philosophically exciting and challenging" but was not yet easily applied on a day-to-day basis.
- Some department heads cited limitations with implementing some of the strategy's recommendations. Budgetary constraints, difficulties in working within some union contract guidelines, lack of authority and inability to integrate persons with disabilities into certain work situations were the areas that were indicated as being problematic.
- Fourteen of seventeen department heads indicated that they had communicated their integration recommendations to their staff. Typically, the strategy was discussed at staff meetings. In some cases, department heads were unsure of how much information had filtered down to frontline staff.
- Department heads outlined what actions had been taken to date in order to move towards the completion of their department's recommendations. These accomplishments are outlined in the next section of this report.
- In most cases, department heads felt that their department recommendations were ongoing. A few recommendations were identified as being complete. However, department heads also indicated that recommendations which are now complete will require monitoring and in the future further action may need to be taken. In general, the integration of persons with disabilities will be an ongoing process which incorporates continual review.
- Several departments have communicated and cooperated with other departments and outside agencies in order to achieve their recommendations. Working collectively was cited by many department heads as being an important factor in making the City's integration strategy a success.

- Twelve out of 17 department heads responded that they had reviewed their departments mandate to ensure access to and use of all services provided by their departments. It was suggested that a review of department mandates was implicit in the development of the Municipal Integration Strategy. Consequently, the recommendation to review department mandates was removed from each department's list of recommendations. In its place, it was suggested that a recommendation to review department policies and procedures be added to each department's list of recommendations.
- City departments have generally considered the possibility of employing persons with disabilities. Given the responsibilities and tasks associated with positions in certain departments, it is recognized that employing persons with disabilities will be easier for some departments than for others. Department heads indicated that they would like the assistance of Personnel to review vacant positions to determine which tasks would be suitable for persons with disabilities, recognizing that there are various types and levels of disabilities.
- Five departments have been successful in providing training sessions for staff concerning the integration of persons with disabilities. All department heads, including those from departments which are already providing some training, felt more could be done in this area. Furthermore, all department heads agreed that it would be appropriate for MIST and Personnel to develop a specific awareness program regarding the integration of persons with disabilities. This program would be accessed by all departments as part of staff development.
- Fiscal restraint and the lack of time to focus on the strategy, the ability to keep the strategy at the forefront (part of day-to-day operations) and reluctance to change were cited most often as barriers encountered in implementing the Municipal Integration Strategy.
- Overall, most department heads felt the Municipal Integration Strategy had been effective in influencing a positive change in 1992. Increases in awareness and understanding were cited most often as the positive change which took place during 1992.
- Department heads made many suggestions (which included modifications to existing recommendations, development of new recommendations, and deletion of existing recommendations) pertaining to the 1993 update of the Municipal Integration Strategy. The 1993 recommendations are outlined in another section of the report.
- Department heads anticipated needing assistance in many areas in order to achieve the 1993 recommendations. The following lists some of these areas:
 - * assistance with staff training;
 - * funding - increases or at least maintaining current levels of funding;
 - * access to educational materials, videos, etc.;
 - * assistance with evaluating job tasks;
 - * more staff to provide training to outside agencies and groups.

- When asked what role MIST could play in meeting department objectives, the following responses were made most often:
 - * to keep issues at the forefront;
 - * to provide assistance in developing an awareness program for staff;
 - * to work with Personnel and the other departments in developing a checklist which will assist Department Heads in evaluating job tasks of positions when they become vacant;
 - * to provide ongoing communication and evaluation;
 - * to provide information, heightening awareness.

ACTIONS TO DATE

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Community Services Division:

- * developed a Master Plan, a working policy document which incorporates program guidelines for the integration of persons with disabilities. This plan was approved by City Council on December 9, 1991.
- * incorporated the theme "Access for All" in the Fall, 1992 Community Services Activity Guide, thus promoting awareness of the importance of integration and accessibility within the community.
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.

RECREATION & CULTURE DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Recreation and Culture Department:

- * appointed a representative to the Municipal Integration Strategy Team.
- * completed a staff education and awareness session for program and facility staff.
- * continued to work towards making facilities accessible. The Memorial Centre and the Kinex have undergone structural modifications which improve accessibility.
- * accessed funds through the Community Foundation to make the Memorial Centre accessible. Funds were also obtained from Alberta Recreation & Parks for summer playground staff to work with persons with disabilities.
- * had staff participate on the National Access Awareness Week Committee.
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.
- * is recommending that City Council approve a policy to permit the waiver of fees for admissions and registrations for support people for persons with disabilities. This initiative was endorsed by the Recreation, Parks and Culture Board at its meeting on January 12, 1993.
- has a representative on the Recreation Services for Disabled Committee. This committee, consisting of a number of community agencies, plays an educational and advocacy role.

PARKS DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Parks Department:

- * conducted a review of neighbourhood standards to ensure that a maximum level of accessibility is achieved when neighbourhoods are developed. The review process was undertaken during the development of the Community Services Master Plan.
- * as a result of the Community Services Master Plan, includes facility design considerations for the disabled at all District sites.
- * has a policy on accessibility standards for all new and existing construction.
- * incorporated barrier-free design criteria into facility maintenance plans. Where necessary and as the budget has permitted, replacement of old structures have been completed with barrier-free designs.
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.
- * is in the process of designing plans to modify the Bower Ponds stage to make it wheelchair accessible.

SOCIAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Social Planning Department:

- * has appointed a representative to the Municipal Integration Strategy Team.
- * funds Children's Council which developed a One-Stop Children's Information Delivery System. It is a computerized directory of services for children with special needs. Once complete the service was turned over to Community Information and Referral Service (also an F.C.S.S. funded project).
- * continues to review the need for relief services, the need for a support network for families, and the need for better information on services available to persons with disabilities. This is done in conjunction with the Family Service Bureau and Red Deer Regional Health Unit.
- * successfully encouraged the Volunteer Referral Centre to promote the recruitment of persons with disabilities for volunteer positions within community agencies. For example, the Volunteer Coordinator organized a Volunteer Manager's meeting which specifically focused on recruiting persons with disabilities as volunteers.
- * worked with the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission and other agencies, to review the City's Group Home Bylaw. As a result, the term "group home" was deleted from Land Use Bylaw 2672/80 and was replaced with a new definition, "Social Care Residences".

- * worked with the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission, to revise the City's policy (#814) regarding the development of Social Care Residences in new subdivisions. The new policy states that all new neighborhoods should contain two sites for the possible development of Social Care Residences.
- * reviewed it's mandate with funded agencies during the development of the Community Services Master Plan.
- * has been overseeing the Special (Accessible) Transportation Review scheduled to be completed in March 1993.
- * liaised with various community agencies and municipal departments in addressing accessibility issues (de-institutionalization of Michener Centre, review of handicapped children's services, downtown re-development, etc.)
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.
- * allocates funding through the Day Care Management Agreement which ensures day care spaces for children with special needs.
- * had staff participate on the National Access Awareness Week Committee.
- * hosted a meeting for funded agencies to discuss the Municipal Integration Strategy. This was the first step in a process to encourage and assist funded agencies in reviewing their own programs and facilities to ensure that persons with disabilities have equal access to these services.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Building Inspections Department:

- * has developed an information package to promote and encourage compliance with the accessibility provisions of the Alberta Building Code. At present there is no provision under the Building Code which legally requires renovations of older buildings to incorporate accessible designs. The information package was developed to encourage owners of older buildings to incorporate accessible designs even if they are not legally required to do so.
- * has an information sheet on building features required by persons with physical disabilities which is made available to developers, builders, and contractors.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Economic Development Department:

- * has included COSMOS enterprises in employer visitations in an effort to promote the employment of persons with disabilities.
- * improved physical accessibility to its office as part of the relocation of the Land division of Land and Tax to Economic Development.
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.

CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The City Clerk's Department:

- * ensured that modifications to one polling station were undertaken and redesignated two others to improve accessibility during the 1992 municipal election. Only one polling station remains inaccessible at this time. The advanced polling station is accessible.
- * included accessibility information with all 1992 municipal election advertising.
- * has ensured that all polling stations have designated handicapped parking.
- * has been successful in scheduling all public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.

ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Engineering Department:

- * appointed a representative to the Municipal Integration Strategy Team.
- * has undertaken preliminary research on traffic lights and signals in the city to determine if any changes can be made to better meet the needs of the visually impaired.
- * formulated wheelchair ramp design standards to meet provincial standards.
- * sought input from various departments and outside agencies regarding urban design issues which impact persons with disabilities (ie consistency in sign and parking meter placement, sidewalk cafes, sidewalk textures, etc.).
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.

- * held two information/awareness sessions for department staff using a training video entitled "ALL WAYS WELCOME".

LAND & TAX DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Land & Tax Department:

- * has considered in its planning a notice of motion to lower the height of the utilities, assessment and cashiers counters; this motion was put forward at City Council in April, 1992. The lowering of the counters is subject to the 1993 budget deliberations.

COMPUTER SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Computer Services Department:

- * as part of the tender and purchasing process, has considered the accessibility of work stations. In the event that persons with disabilities become employed in this Department, many computer work stations are accessible.

RED DEER REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Red Deer Regional Planning Commission:

- * worked with the Social Planning Department and other agencies to review the City's Group Home Bylaw. As a result, the term "group home" was deleted from Land Use Bylaw 2672/80 and was replaced with a new definition, "Social Care Residences".
- * was instrumental in establishing guidelines for allocation of land for Social Care Residences in private land developments.
- * was the first department to advertise and schedule public meetings in barrier-free facilities.

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Personnel Department:

- * appointed a representative to the Municipal Integration Strategy Team.
- * participated in Face to Face, a training program designed to provide education and awareness to employers about the capabilities of persons with disabilities. One of the participants was hired as a casual employee working in the accounting area.

- * organized a presentation for the Municipal Integration Strategy Team about the Employment Skills Program. This government sponsored program provides opportunities for individuals to develop skills. One of the program's target groups is persons with disabilities who are receiving social assistance.
- * incorporated an awareness component into the customer service and supervisory training programs.

E.L.& P. DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Electric, Light & Power Department:

- * has generally reviewed its mandate in reference to persons with disabilities.

TREASURY SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Treasury Services Department:

- * appointed a representative to the Municipal Integration Strategy Team.
- * participated in Face to Face, a training program designed to provide education and awareness to employers about the capabilities of persons with disabilities. One of the participants was hired as a casual employee working in the accounting area.
- * has considered in its planning a notice of motion to lower the height of the utilities, assessment and cashiers counters; this motion was put forward at City Council in April, 1992. The lowering of the counters is subject to the 1993 budget deliberations.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Public Works Department:

- * improved accessibility to offices and parking areas during its recent renovation.
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Transit Department:

- * continues to research accessible transit vehicles to replace the existing transit fleet as necessary.

- * continues to represent the needs of persons with disabilities by sitting on the Advisory Committee on Barrier-Free Transportation established by the provincial Minister of Transportation & Utilities.
- * participated in a Special (Accessible) Transportation Review to be completed in March, 1993.
- * regularly assists community agencies by providing opportunities to train persons with mental disabilities about the use of public transit.

FIRE DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Fire Department:

- * works with the Building Inspections Department in checking facilities to ensure that the Building/Fire Codes are being met.
- * has provided fire prevention education seminars to children with disabilities at Parkland School.
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.

POLICE (RCMP) DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS TO DATE

The Police Department:

- * has undertaken renovations to make the office more accessible to persons with disabilities.
- * has a crime prevention program which includes a component regarding the philosophy of citizenship and the application of legal process for people with disabilities.
- * has a training program for Victim Services volunteers which includes information designed to sensitize them to the individual needs of persons with disabilities.
- * has been successful in scheduling public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free, and advertising for such meetings has included information on accessibility.
- * has a crime prevention unit which has participated in training sessions concerning the individual needs of persons with disabilities.

CITY OF RED DEER
MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY
RECOMMENDATIONS
A 1993 UPDATE TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVED
JUNE 24, 1992

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Community Services Division will:

- 1) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.
- 2) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Division will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates, including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 3) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 4) encourage its contracted recreation and culture agencies which deliver programs on behalf of the City to adopt the aforementioned recommendations. These agencies include the following:
 - Red Deer and District Archives
 - Normandeau Cultural and Natural History Society
 - River Bend Golf and Recreation Society
 - Red Deer Library Board
 - G. H. Dawe Management Board
- 5) endeavour to include a representative cross-section of the community on all boards.

RECREATION & CULTURE DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Recreation and Culture Department will:

- 1) commit to reviewing and giving priority to accessibility in annual program planning and objective setting.
- 2) provide or incorporate an education program designed to sensitize program and facility staff to the individual needs of persons with disabilities.
- 3) endeavour to include a representative cross-section of the community on the Recreation, Parks and Culture Advisory Board and other committees.
- 4) continue to design and build barrier free facilities and ensure that recreation facilities undergoing renovations be made barrier-free to the greatest extent possible.
- 5) endeavour to access funds to assist in integration from foundations and other grants.

- 6) ensure that the provincial funding agencies are made aware of the need for financial resources to ensure accessibility to programs and services.
- 7) undertake an education and awareness program to be targeted to all organizations that provide recreational activities, with the intent of increasing accessibility with the community.
- 8) undertake an analysis of the job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 9) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into municipal programs and services.
- 10) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 11) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

PARKS DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Parks Department will:

- 1) continue to monitor neighbourhood parks and playgrounds to ensure that a maximum attainable level of accessibility is maintained.
- 2) request that MLA's stipulate "barrier-free" design criteria when granting C.F.E.P. and other provincial grants.
- 3) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 4) endeavour to make all outdoor recreation facilities fully accessible.
- 5) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 6) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.

- 7) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.
- 8) undertake structural modifications to the Bower Ponds stage to make it wheelchair accessible.

SOCIAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Social Planning Department will:

- 1) continue to review the need for relief services, the need for a support network for families, and the need for better information on services available to families caring for persons with disabilities.
- 2) continue to encourage the Volunteer Centre, as well as other community agencies, to actively recruit persons with disabilities for volunteer positions in the community.
- 3) continue to work closely with the Engineering Department and the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission in addressing urban design issues that impact persons with disabilities.
- 4) encourage the Community Information and Referral Service (an FCSS funded agency) to regularly update the One-Stop Children's Information Delivery System which is a directory of services for children with disabilities.
- 5) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 6) work toward implementing recommendations from the Special (Accessible) Transportation review to be complete in March, 1993.
- 7) continue to liaise with community agencies and other municipal departments in addressing integration and accessibility issues (ie the deinstitutionalization of Michener Centre).
- 8) continue to allocate funds through the Day Care Management Agreement which ensures day care spaces for children with special needs.
- 9) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 10) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.

- 11) in hiring for contract positions such as consultants for program reviews, ensure that the position is available to a broad range of candidates including persons with disabilities. Advertisements for such positions should include this information.
- 12) continue to work with FCSS funded agencies in reviewing their programs and facilities to ensure that persons with disabilities have equal access to these services.
- 13) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.
- 14) endeavour to include a representative cross-section of the community on the F.C.S.S. Advisory Board and other committees.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

The Building Inspections Department will:

- 1) review and make recommendations for improvements to the Alberta Building Code regarding safety and accessibility for persons with disabilities. Such recommendations should be presented to provincial authorities through City Council.
- 2) promote and encourage compliance with the accessibility provisions of the Building Code for older buildings that are not covered by the Code.
- 3) update, as necessary, it's information sheet on building features required by persons with disabilities and continue to make this information sheet available to developers, builders, and contractors.
- 4) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 5) review parking and appropriate signage policies in the City to ensure that the needs of persons with disabilities are suitably addressed.
- 6) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 7) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Economic Development Department will:

- 1) encourage business to consider employing persons with disabilities by including information in promotional literature.
- 2) encourage the development of industry and businesses in Red Deer which has the potential of employing persons with disabilities.
- 3) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 4) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 5) working in cooperation with the Building Inspections Department, promote a greater awareness of housing needs for persons with disabilities through their contact with developers, builders, and contractors.
- 6) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 7) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Clerk's Department will:

- 1) promote the availability of parking permits for the disabled and bus passes for the blind.
- 2) review the voting practices in the community to assist persons with disabilities to participate as much as possible in the municipal election process.
- 3) identify in advertising, all polling stations which are handicapped accessible.
- 4) attempt to ensure that all new polling stations are handicapped accessible.
- 5) continue to designate parking for the disabled at all polling stations.
- 6) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.

- 7) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 8) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 9) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Engineering Department will:

- 1) continue to monitor the policy on traffic lights and signals in the city to determine any additional requirements to meet the needs of the visually impaired.
- 2) continue to monitor its policy on curb cuts, wheelchair ramps, parking lot design, parking meters, garbage containers, sidewalk replacement, and other upgrading of the infrastructure to continue to accommodate some of the mobility needs of persons with disabilities.
- 3) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 4) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 5) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 6) continue to seek input from provincial authorities, other departments and local agencies regarding urban design issues which impact persons with disabilities (ie consistency in sign and parking meter placement, sidewalk cafes, sidewalk textures, etc.).
- 7) investigate ways and means of minimizing hazards to persons with disabilities while doing work that requires re-routing of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- 8) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

TAX DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Tax Department will:

- 1) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 2) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 3) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.
- 4) make structural modifications in order to lower the height of the assessment counter on the main floor of City Hall.

COMPUTER SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Computer Services Department will:

- 1) continue to consider accessibility in the recommendation to purchase equipment and work stations.
- 2) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 3) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 4) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

RED DEER REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission will:

- 1) act in a co-ordinating role to resolve planning and development issues as they relate to the needs and rights of people with disabilities.

- 2) play an advocacy role in acknowledging the needs and right of persons with disabilities in terms of planning and development.
- 3) upon review, incorporate in all City statutory plans and planning documents, policies which ensure full and equal access to all disabled individuals.
- 4) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 5) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 6) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Personnel Department will:

- 1) incorporate appropriate information into staff orientation programs in order to sensitize staff to the individual needs of persons with disabilities.
- 2) take a leadership role in promoting the hiring and support of persons with disabilities within the City. In doing this, the Personnel Department will develop an accessibility rating system to be used on all job postings.
- 3) support City departments in identifying work that could be held by persons with disabilities. The Personnel Department will help develop an evaluation tool that will assist departments in evaluating job functions with the intention of making vacant positions available to a wider range of candidates.
- 4) develop and offer training sessions that reinforce the equality and citizenship of persons with disabilities and, more specifically, provide practical skills for staff serving persons with disabilities.
- 5) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 6) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.

- 7) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

E.L.& P. DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the E.L.& P. Department will:

- 1) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 2) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 3) investigate ways and means of minimizing hazards to persons with disabilities while doing work that requires re-routing of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- 4) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

TREASURY SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Treasury Services Department will:

- 1) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 2) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 3) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.
- 4) make structural modifications in order to lower the utilities and cashiers counters on the main floor of City Hall.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Public Works Department will:

- 1) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 2) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 3) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 4) investigate ways and means of minimizing hazards to persons with disabilities while doing work that requires re-routing of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- 5) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

TRANSIT DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Transit Department will:

- 1) continue to research and plan to purchase vehicles which include features that enable persons with disabilities to make better use of the transit system. Such features include: easier access, better lighting, better signage, and priority seating. Purchase of these kinds of vehicles will take place as the existing fleet is replaced.
- 2) continue to be a member of the Advisory Committee on Barrier-Free Transportation established by the provincial Minister of Transportation & Utilities and monitor the recommendations of this committee.
- 3) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 4) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 5) assist with the implementation of recommendations made in the City's Special (Accessible) Transportation Review.

- 6) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

FIRE DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Fire Department will:

- 1) work with the Building Inspections Department in encouraging the application of construction techniques which provide greater safety for individuals with disabilities living within the community.
- 2) contact all the community agencies involved in providing housing to the physically and mentally disabled in order to investigate the possibility of having automatic sprinkler systems installed in all group homes.
- 3) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.
- 4) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 5) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.
- 6) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.

POLICE (RCMP) DEPARTMENT'S UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Police Department will:

- 1) continue to provide an education and awareness program regarding the philosophy of citizenship and the application of legal process for people with disabilities.
- 2) continue to include in the training for Victim Services volunteers, information designed to sensitize them to the individual needs of persons with disabilities.
- 3) encourage staff to attend training and awareness sessions designed to support the integration of persons with disabilities into programs and services.

- 5) schedule public meetings in facilities that are barrier-free and ensure that all notice for such meetings include information on accessibility.
- 6) when reviewing existing policies or writing new policies, assess and, if necessary, re-draft these policies ensuring that they do not contradict the Municipal Integration Strategy which is also City policy.
- 7) undertake an analysis of job functions as positions become vacant. If appropriate, the Department will consider reorganizing job functions to make a position available to a broad range of candidates including persons with mental and/or physical disabilities.

COST ANALYSIS
MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY

COST ANALYSIS MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY

The following report is a summary of financial costs associated with integration of persons with disabilities as outlined in the Municipal Integration Strategy. All reported expenditures and projected costs were submitted by Department Heads in February, 1993. As was agreed at the February 3 Department Head's meeting, only incremental capital and operating costs to the municipality have been reported.

It must be noted that many objectives associated with the Municipal Integration Strategy have been and will be simply adopted as part of the general process by which the City corporation serves its citizens. As such the incorporation of these initiatives have not required and will not require any additional expenditures. Furthermore, it is neither feasible nor desirable to try to distinguish these initiatives from the City's general operations.

For the most part, capital costs which have been identified in this analysis relate to structural retrofit/renovation expenditures or purchases of equipment which will improve physical accessibility to City facilities and services. Additionally, operating costs which have been identified pertain to staff training programs and the development of specific processes which may increase employment opportunities for persons with disabilities in City departments. All the tangible costs which have been reported by Department Heads correspond with the three major areas identified in the Municipal Integration Strategy policy statement (Employment, Accessibility/Mobility, Education). Furthermore, these expenditures will ensure that the City of Red Deer will keep pace with societal standards concerning the integration of persons with disabilities.

**COST ANALYSIS
MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY**

ACTIONS TO DATE

ACTIONS TO DATE	MUNICIPAL COSTS TO DATE		COMMENTS
	CAPITAL	OPERATING	
RECREATION & CULTURE DEPARTMENT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Structural Modifications to Memorial Centre 	\$ 2,000	-	Total cost of these modifications were 69,072. Funds were contributed by AMPLE, CRC, Red Deer Community Foundation, the Legion, as well as the City.
PARKS DEPARTMENT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barrier-free design incorporated into facility maintenance. 	-	\$ 1,000	A small portion of the annual maintenance budget; where necessary and as the budget has permitted, replacement of old inaccessible structures have been completed with barrier free designs.
CITY CLERKS DEPARTMENT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modifications to polling station 	\$ 130	-	To ensure access from the parking lot to the shelter. The polling station was housed in a community shelter, and consequently, Recreation & Culture paid for the improvements as this facility falls under its mandate.
PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporated an awareness component into customer service and supervisory training programs. 	-	\$ 1,000	Staff time to revise previous customer service and supervisory training programs.
POLICE:	unable to specify amount related directly to integration of persons with disabilities		\$150,000 renovation undertaken to make the entrance of the Police Station more accessible and "user friendly" to all citizens.
TOTAL OF ACTIONS TO DATE	\$ 2,130	\$ 2,000	

**COST ANALYSIS
MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY**

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FUTURE

RECOMMENDATIONS	PROJECTED MUNICIPAL COST		COMMENTS
	CAPITAL	OPERATING	
PARKS DEPARTMENT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff Training • Barrier-free design incorporated into facility maintenance • wheelchair accessibility to Bower Ponds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - - \$ 2,500 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$ 200 \$ 1,000 - 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • operating cost for 1993. • a small portion of the annual maintenance budget; where necessary and as the budget allows, replacement of old inaccessible structures will be completed with barrier-free designs. • one time capital initiative; work in progress to be completed in 1993.
SOCIAL PLANNING: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist with implementing recommendations of Special (Accessible) Transportation Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$ 18,650 per year (average) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • incremental increase of \$130,500 in operating costs associated with expanding service over the next 7 years; annual projected budget increases include \$34,500 in 1994, a further \$40,000 by 1996, a further \$28,000 by 1998 and a further \$28,000 by 2000; these projections assume that Red Deer Transit will implement a community bus service by 1995, otherwise the Special Transit service could increase by an additional 20% by the year 2000 (see Transit recommendations, next page). Municipal costs over the next 7 years would only be \$40,455 if we assume the City will continue to receive a \$3.19 per capital provincial grant for special transportation. Expansion of service includes 4 additional handibuses by the year 2000; purchase of these buses are projected to be covered by grants from the province (75%) and local service clubs (25%). Based on 1993 dollars. See table 6.1, Special (Accessible) Transportation Review for further explanation.

<p>ENGINEERING SERVICES DEPARTMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor urban infrastructure Lowering of front counter 	<p>unable to specify amounts at this time</p> <p>\$ 2,000</p>	<p>-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> costs associated with retrofit situations. Specific costs will become apparent as need for change increases.
<p>ASSESSMENT AND TAX DEPARTMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lowering of counter 	<p>\$ 2,000</p>	<p>-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> action in progress; funding approved by City Council as an addback in 1993 budget
<p>PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and offer training sessions Promote employment opportunities for persons with disabilities by developing an evaluation tool to assess job functions and an accessibility rating system for job postings Structural modifications within the Department 	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>\$ 2,000</p>	<p>\$ 5,000</p> <p>\$ 2,500</p> <p>-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> staff time to develop this initiative, 1994-95 staff time for development of initiative, 1994 dependent on hiring
<p>TREASURY SERVICES DEPARTMENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lowering of counter in Utility Billing Department 	<p>\$ 2,000</p>	<p>-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> action in progress; funding approved by City Council as an addback in the 1993 budget
<p>PUBLIC WORKS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> installation of a wheelchair ramp in the main entrance 	<p>\$ 400</p>	<p>-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> completion date dependent on availability of funds in department's maintenance budget
<p>TRANSIT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist in the implementation of special transportation via introduction of community bus service for frail elderly and the ambulatory disabled. 	<p>\$ 79,000</p> <p>-</p>	<p>-</p> <p>\$ 95,000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> capital costs associated with the community bus service; \$315,000 (\$105,000 each) for 3 lower floor mini-buses assuming 75% provincial cost sharing, 25% municipal (based on 1993 dollars) operating costs per annum associated with community bus service to be implemented in 1995 (based on 1993 dollars) does not incorporate inflation.

APPENDIX ONE
RESPONSES TO INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

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1. Do you support the concept of equal access to all your services by all citizens?

Yes 17 No 0

2. Do you believe the Municipal Integration Strategy can be an effective tool in achieving this objective as it exists?

Yes 17 No 0

Some department heads cited limitations with the Strategy.

Recreation - Yes

Parks - Yes

Social Planning - Yes - haven't seen big impacts yet.

Building Inspections - Yes, but Department has limited authority; authority is in the hands of the Province.

Economic Development - Yes

City Clerks - Yes

Engineering - Yes, but there are limitations. Integration can only be taken so far because of lack of funds.

Land & Tax - Yes

Computer Services - Yes, but with limitations, specifically funding.

Red Deer Regional

Planning Commission - Yes

Personnel - Yes

E,L & P. - Yes, in general terms; for the City as a whole.

Treasury - Yes

Public Works - Yes

Transit - Yes, City staff needs to be doing more.

Fire - Yes

Police - Yes, some difficulties from the union contract language may arise.

3. In what way have you found the Municipal Integration Strategy to be helpful?

Recreation & Culture - provides a focus; it is a memory jogger.

Parks - has raised the consciousness of planners and designers, in preparing neighbourhood parks and playground designs, to ensure accessibility.

Social Planning - used as a reference; used in developing the Master Plan.

Building Inspections - not helpful or otherwise yet; not helpful or a hinderance.

Economic Development - have considered issues; nothing else yet.

City Clerks - heightens awareness; keeps accessibility issues in the forefront of our minds.

Engineering - has brought forward the need to accommodate different needs; keeps issues in forefront.

Land & Tax - haven't paid much attention to it; not in forefront because of time constraints. Land division is moving to Economic Development so some recommendations are not applicable.

Computer Services - has made staff more aware and supportive of accessibility; not a large impact yet.

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission - increased awareness.

Personnel - philosophically exciting and challenging.

Electric, Light & Power - haven't referred to it in last year.

Treasury - it has had an impact in general, intangible ways but not directly.

Public Works - increased awareness more than anything else.

Transit - it has helped to a point but will be more helpful when the transportation review is complete.

Fire - has not had an impact; don't know what it's changed; there are limitations regarding integration for the Fire Department.

Police - the Crime Prevention Unit has taken on the responsibility to "sensitize" staff regarding the Municipal Integration Strategy.

4. **Have your Department initiatives been communicated to your staff?**

Yes 14 No 1 No Response 2

Recreation & Culture - Yes, but uncertain as to what level of staff it has been communicated.

Parks - Yes, discussed at meetings; is in policy manual.

Social Planning - Yes, worked on it as a group during the development of the Master Plan; consequently it has been communicated to agency staff too.

Building Inspections - Yes

Economic Development - Yes

City Clerks - Yes, communicated it to election and census staff, but not to others.

Engineering - Yes, have communicated Strategy to supervisors, supervisors communicated it to junior staff - copies to each staff member.

Land & Tax - Yes

Computer Services - Yes

Red Deer Regional

Planning Commission - Yes, two planners and one assistant work for City.

Personnel - Yes, staff incorporated information into some training sessions.

Electric, Light & Power - No response

Treasury - Yes, at staff meetings

Public Works - Yes

Transit - Not yet but definitely plan to do so.

Fire - No response

Police - Yes

5. **To what extent (if any) has the Municipal Integration Strategy been effective in influencing change in employee attitudes/behaviours?**

Recreation & Culture - efforts (sensitivity training) relative to sensitivity have produced some results.

Parks - there have been positive changes with superintendents and designer; not sure about the degree of change with outside staff.

Social Planning - the staff had good attitudes prior to the Strategy; this strategy will spur us on to do something.

Building Inspections - little influence because staff were already doing some things.

Economic Development - no changes that we are aware of.

City Clerks - no response

Engineering - attitudes are changing slowly; we need to continue.

Land & Tax - unsure; it hasn't hurt.

Computer Services - generally improved awareness and sensitivity.

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission - group homes in community now more accepted, easier process, no approval required.

Personnel - some increase in understanding/knowledge; no practical application of it yet.

E.L. & P. - no contact with persons with disabilities.

Treasury - unsure

Public Works - unable to measure

Transit - premature to say

Fire - no response

Police - some improvement in compassion; other than this, haven't noticed a direct link between change in attitude/behavior and the Strategy.

6 **What specific actions have been taken towards the completion of individual objectives?**

The interviewers reviewed each department's recommendations with the appropriate managers. Actions accomplished to date are outlined in the main text of this document.

7. **Are there any objectives that you could now say are complete?**

In most cases, department heads felt that their department recommendations were ongoing. A few recommendations were identified as being complete. However, department heads also indicated that recommendations which are now complete will require monitoring and in the future further action may need to be taken. In general, the integration of persons with disabilities will be an ongoing process which incorporates continual review.

8. **Has your department communicated with or cooperated with other departments in achieving your goals?**

Recreation & Culture - no comment

Parks - Recreation & Culture (re: playgrounds); Public Works and Engineering (re: sidewalks, park benches, etc.)

Social Planning - Recreation & Culture, Fire, Police, Transit and City Council (re: Michener Centre de-institutionalization); Engineering (re: parking, streetscapes); Red Deer Regional Planning Commission (re: group homes)

Building Inspections - no

Economic Development - no, but have worked with Yolande re: accessibility with department office area

City Clerks - Recreation & Culture, Folk Festival Society, Museum (re: polling stations)

Engineering - Electric, Light & Power (re: signals); Parks (re: wheelchair crossing/curbs); Parking Commission (re: assignment of stalls); Social Planning (re: feedback on various issues)

Land & Tax - not internally but externally ie: Handicapped Housing Society of Alberta, Alberta Housing Corp.

Computer Services - no

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission - Building Inspections (re: do plan checks), Social Planning (re: group homes), Engineering (re: street cafes), City Solicitor, Community Services, City Commissioner, Urban Development Institute (re: external)

Personnel - have discussed things but nothing more.

Electric, Light & Power - no

Treasury - no

Public Works - no

Transit - Social Planning, Citizen's Action Bus, Police, Fire, and numerous outside agencies - meetings with CARS, COSMOS (re: Dial-A-Bus)

Fire - no

Police - not on a daily basis.

9. **Has your department reviewed its mandate to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to and use all of the services provided by your department?**

Yes 12 No 3 No response 2

Recreation & Culture - no

Parks - yes, done through Community Services Master Plan; not every facility can be successfully modified but majority can.

Social Planning - yes, through the Community Services Master Plan; more development work needed with outside agencies.

Building Inspections - no response

Economic Development - somewhat; publications are shelved in accessible areas; office space accessible.

City Clerks - not in a systematic manner; could do a better job of promoting handicapped parking permits.

Engineering - yes; but this objective is a duplication or catch-all for all other objectives.

Land & Tax - not specifically

Computer Services - yes, generally

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission - yes

Personnel - yes

Electric, Light & Power - yes, generally

Treasury - yes, generally

Public Works - yes, generally

Transit - yes, this is an ongoing process.

Fire - no response

Police - yes, and some modifications will be made to the building.

10. **Have you been successful in identifying ways to organize work so that persons with disabilities might be employed in your department?**

City departments have generally considered the possibility of employing persons with disabilities. Given the responsibilities and tasks associated with positions in certain departments, it is recognized that employing persons with disabilities will be easier for some departments than for others. Department heads indicated that they would like the assistance of Personnel to review vacant positions to determine which tasks would be suitable for persons with disabilities, recognizing that there are various types and levels of disabilities.

Recreation - nothing done specifically, but many positions could be filled by persons with disabilities.

Parks - nothing specifically done, very few positions could be filled by persons with disabilities.

Social Planning - nothing specifically done, but there are possibilities.

Building Inspections - no, not a lot of possibilities.

Economic Development - no

City Clerks - no

Engineering - yes, this has to be ongoing.

Land & Tax - yes, have worked with Yolande.

Computer Services - yes, employing a person with a disability is only possible in certain areas.

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission - no response

Personnel - right now positions are not suitable for persons with disabilities; we need to look at tasks and reorganize work that way.

Electric, Light & Power - only certain jobs in the office would be suitable.

Treasury - yes

Public Works - yes, only office work

Transit - yes, only administrative/office work

Fire - yes, have had a disabled person in dispatch position.

Police - yes

Other Comments:

- we should consider positions on Boards and Committees as well as paid staff re: integration of persons with disabilities.
- hiring persons with disabilities will be a slow process; there are few positions available and they are often filled internally.
- union contract language presents a problem.
- departments have only thought about hiring a person with a disability in general terms; we need a more formalized process, ie checklist.

11. Has your department been successful in providing training sessions for your staff?

Yes	5	No	12
Recreation, Personnel, Transit, Fire, Police		(all other departments)	

Those who had provided training for staff indicated that much more could be done in this area.

12. If not, is this a possibility in the coming months?

All department heads, including those from departments which are providing some training, felt more could be done in this area. Furthermore, all department heads agreed that it would be appropriate for MIST and Personnel to develop a specific training program regarding the integration of persons with disabilities. This program would be accessed by all departments as part of staff development.

13. What barriers have you encountered in implementing your department objectives?

- Lack of funding for structural modifications, training, etc. (7 responses)
(Recreation & Culture, Economic Development, Engineering, Computer Services, Treasury, Transit, Fire)
- Time to focus on Strategy (4 responses)
(Recreation & Culture, Social Planning, Land & Tax, Public Works)
- Keeping Strategy at the forefront (2 responses)
(Recreation & Culture, Public Works)
- Reluctance to change (2 responses)
(City Clerks, Police)
- Uncertainty about where to start with some of the objectives (Parks)
- Structural limitations (City Clerks)
- More reactive than proactive (Land & Tax)
- Understanding and acceptance by City staff (Computer Services)
- Some apathy within the organization (Personnel)
- Lack of training (Treasury)

14. **Would you say the Municipal Integration Strategy has been effective in influencing positive change in 1992?**

Yes 11 No 4 No response 2

Recreation & Culture - yes, staff continue to be exposed to issues

Parks - yes

Social Planning - yes, positive things have happened

Building Inspections - yes, has focused the issues

Economic Development - no evidence of change

City Clerks - yes

Engineering - yes

Land & Tax - unsure

Computer Services - no change, people were positive before this.

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission - yes, process has been positive

Personnel - has failed or succeeded

E.L. & P. - no influence

Treasury - yes

Public Works - yes, has identified integration as an issue

Transit - yes, has got people thinking

Fire - no evidence yet

Police - yes, sensitization

15. **What changes (if any) would you recommend be made to your department's objectives for 1993 and beyond?**

The interviewers reviewed each department's recommendations with the appropriate managers. In addition to discussing accomplishments to date, department heads also made many suggestions (modifications to existing recommendations, development of new recommendations, deletion of existing recommendations) pertaining to the 1993 updated recommendations to be included in the Strategy. These are outlined in the main part of the text.

16. What assistance, if any, do you anticipate needing in order to meet your 1993 objectives for 1993 and beyond?

The following responses are listed in order according to the number of times they were suggested by department heads:

- assistance with staff training (10 responses)
(Recreation & Culture, Parks, Social Planning, Economic Development, City Clerks, Engineering, Land & Tax, Computer Services, Treasury, Public Works)
- educational materials, videos, etc. (7 responses)
(Recreation & Culture, Land & Tax, Public Works, Fire)
- funding - increases or at least maintaining current level (5 responses)
(Recreation & Culture, Parks, Building Inspections, Transit, Fire)
- assistance with evaluating job tasks; developing a task checklist (3 responses)
(Parks, Economic Development, Treasury)
- more staff to provide training to outside agencies, groups (2 responses)
(Building Inspections, Fire)
- assistance with review of mandate (City Clerks)
- keeping issues and recommendations in the forefront (Engineering)
- continued input from interest groups and users to influence change (Red Deer Regional Planning Commission)
- include integration of persons with disabilities into strategic planning for human resources (Personnel)
- look for ways to reduce or minimize impediments to visually impaired in equipment design and installation (Electric, Light & Power)
- more forceful and stronger political commitment (Transit)
- establishing ongoing partnerships with other departments and outside agencies (Transit)

17. What role can MIST play in meeting your goals?

The following responses are listed in order according to the number of times they were suggested by department heads:

- keep issues at the forefront (6 responses)
(Social Planning, City Clerks, Engineering, Personnel, Treasury, Fire)
- assistance in developing training program for staff (5 responses)
(Parks, Social Planning, Economic Development, Engineering, Computer Services)
- assistance in classifying job tasks by helping to develop a task checklist with Personnel (4 responses)
(Parks, Economic Development, Land & Tax, City Clerks)
- ongoing communication and evaluation (3 responses)
(Recreation & Culture, City Clerks, Personnel)
- providing information, heightening awareness
(2 responses)
(Land & Tax, Public Works)
- provide an advisory function re structural changes; checking accessibility of work stations, office equipment, etc. (Computer Services)
- act as a resource (Electric, Light & Power)
- promoting cooperation amongst departments (Transit)
- communicating with community agencies (Fire)
- attend RCMP Victim Services training sessions to discuss the Municipal Integration Strategy (Police)

18. Other Comments:

- Strategy is not a high priority; not day-to-day part of work.
- MIST has positive influence.
- MIST needs to be empowered.
- persons with disabilities have legitimate needs but changes must be made within restrictive economic climate.
- cooperative efforts are important; no territoriality; change is overdue.
- residential sprinklers in all group homes
- continue to reinforce awareness
- increased accessibility will be conditional on funds to cover any additional expenses
- keep Strategy in place

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: COMMUNITY WORKER - GILLIAN LAWRENCE
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: MUNICIPAL INTEGRATION STRATEGY - FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

I would advise that the Municipal Integration Strategy first annual report was submitted to Council May 25, 1993.

At the aforesaid meeting Council passed the following motion:

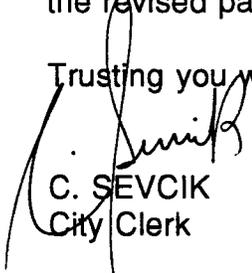
"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby accepts the Municipal Integration Strategy first annual report for information as presented to Council May 25, 1993 and hereby support continued implementation of the recommendations, subject to budget limitations.

Council further approves the recommendations outlined in the revised Municipal Integration Strategy (1993 update), and agrees that Council Policy #923 be updated in accordance with pages 17 to 29 of the report and as presented to Council May 25, 1993."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and we thank you for your report in this instance.

Council Policy #923 will be updated in accordance with the resolution noted above and the revised pages will be sent to the Council Policy holders under separate cover.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Director of Community Services
Social Planning Manager
F. C. S. S. Board
Clerk Steno II - Donna

NO. 7

DATE: May 14, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Land and Economic Development Manager
RE: **REQUEST TO LEASE PART OF LOT 22 PUL, BLOCK 10, PLAN 912-3084
DENMARK CRESCENT, CITY DEER PARK** (see attached map)

A request has been received from the property owners of Lot 17, 18 and 19 to lease part of the above utility lot (see attached request). The area to be leased is adjacent to the south property lines of the above lots to the property line of the proposed church site (cross-hatched on the attached map).

Community Services, Engineering and E. L. & P. are in agreement to offering the noted lands for lease (replies attached).

We would recommend Council of The City of Red Deer approve these three leases subject to the following conditions:

1. That all three property owners enter into a lease with the City, or none at all
2. Standard PUL lease agreement to apply
3. \$30.00 annual lease fee
4. General liability insurance of \$1 Million, naming City as additional insured
5. Due to the presence of utilities, water, sewer and sanitary within this utility lot, access by way of gate or removable fencing must be available at all times in the case of emergency utility repairs.
6. Should any of the lessees cancel their lease, the City has the right, within 60 days, to terminate adjacent leases.
7. Agreement satisfactory to the City Solicitor.



Alan V. Scott

PAR/mm

Enc.

May 4, 1993

Mr. Peter Robinson
Land Appraiser
Land & Economic Development Department
City of Red Deer
Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Dear Mr. Robinson:

RE: LEASE OF ²² P.U.L. SOUTH OF LOTS 17, 18, 19
BLOCK 10, PLAN 9123084
(#10, 14, 18 DENMARK CRESCENT)

I have had discussions with the property owners above and agreement has been reached with all to lease the utility lot behind these properties.

Please initiate the required process to formalize the lease agreement and to forward the necessary information to the parties below.



BRUCE OLSON

HAROLD & SHARON BERGEN

10 Denmark Cres.
Red Deer, Ab.
T4R 2K4
LOT 19

BRUCE & WENDY OLSON

14 Denmark Cres.
Red Deer, Ab.
T4R 2K4
LOT 14

ROB & SUE STEWART

18 Denmark Cres.
c/o 26 Douglas Ave
Red Deer, Ab.
LOT 17



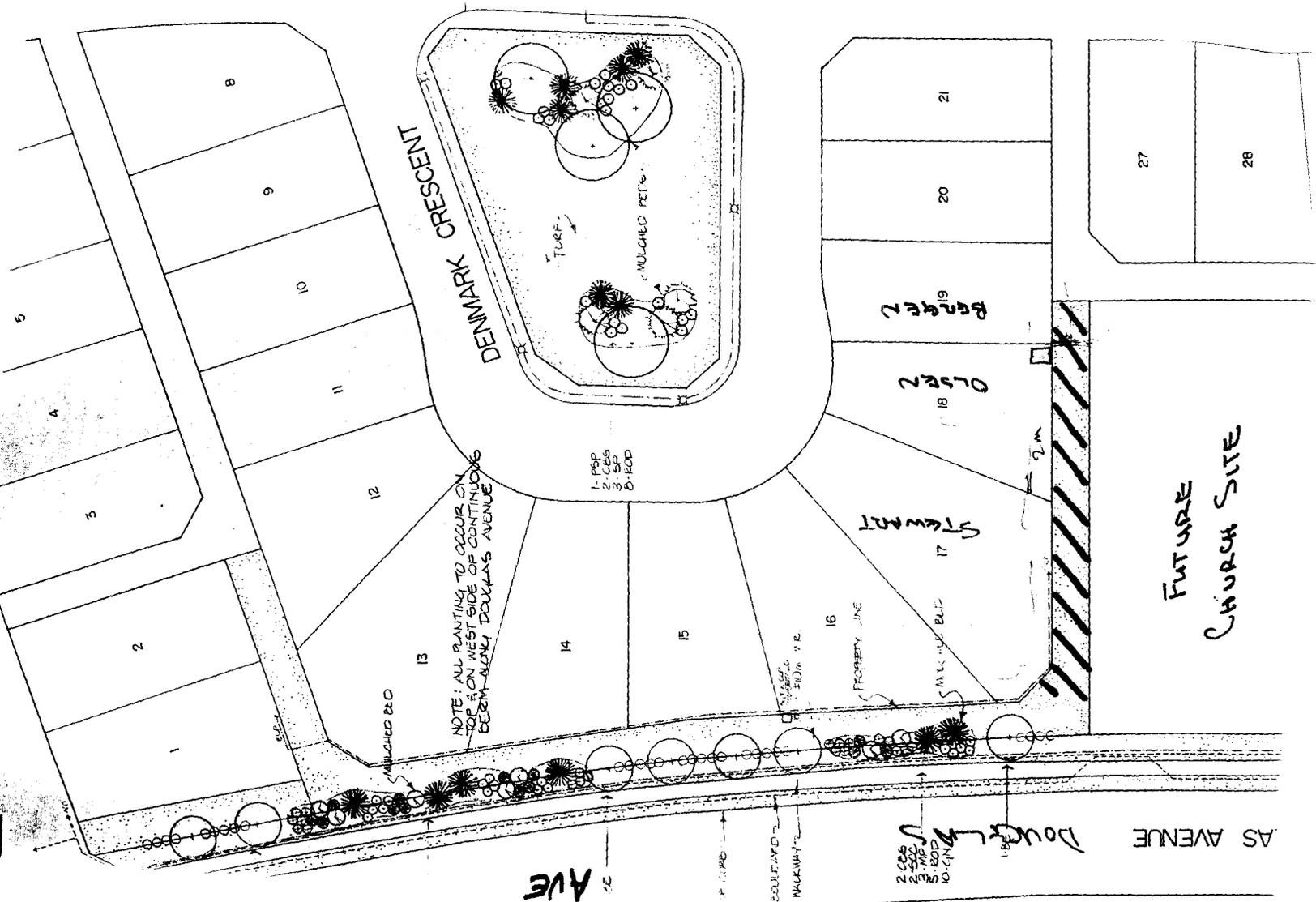
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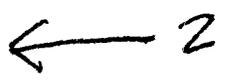
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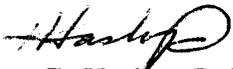
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DATE: March 17, 1993
TO: Land Appraiser
FROM: Engineering Department Manager
RE: **PROPOSED UTILITY LOT LEASE
LOT 22 PUL, BLOCK 10, PLAN 912-3084**

We are not in favour of leasing Lot 22 PUL to the owners of Lots 13 to 16, Block 10, Plan 912-3084. This area was specifically designed to create a landscaped berm area and maintain a pleasing view to the motorist on Douglas Avenue and to those residents on the west side of Douglas Avenue.

We would have no objections to leasing the east/west portions of the PUL lot subject to a satisfactory agreement and a favourable response from the Parks Department.



Ken G. Haslop, P. Eng.
Engineering Department Manager

NPA/sab

PER. MARYLE SCHEELAR, E.L.A.P.
NO OBJECTION SUBJECT TO
ACCESS BEING AVAILABLE
TO E.L.A. TRANSFORMER BOXES

May 12-1993



CS-3.956

DATE: March 12, 1993

**TO: PETER ROBINSON
Land Appraiser**

**FROM: CRAIG CURTIS
Director of Community Services**

**RE: REQUEST TO LEASE LOT 22 PUL, BLOCK 10, PLAN 912-3084
DEER PARK - CITY**

In response to the above lease request, I have discussed it with the Parks Manager and our comments are as follows.

A lease of a portion of Lot 22 PUL should be conditional to all adjacent residential property owners leasing the areas as shaded on the attached plan. The owners of Lots 17, 18 and 19, Block 10 would all have to agree to leasing the respective portion of Lot 22 PUL. If they do not all agree, no portion should be leased.

With respect to Lot 13, again their lease should only be considered if the owner of Lot 12, Block 10 leases the balance of Lot 22 PUL.

To ensure there is no misunderstanding, the City will not consider leasing any portion of Lot 22 PUL adjacent to Douglas Avenue. This portion of the PUL will be extensively landscaped in 1993, to provide a roadway enhanced entrance into Deer Park, and provide a screen from the back yards of Block 10 to the houses on Block 6.

Please contact me if further clarification is required.



CRAIG CURTIS

DB/ad
Atts.

c. Ken Haslop, Engineering Manager

BLK 6

PLAN

892-1779

DIXON CRESC.

BLK 4

AVENUE

DOUGLAS

BLK 8

DENMARK CRESC.

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BLOCK 10

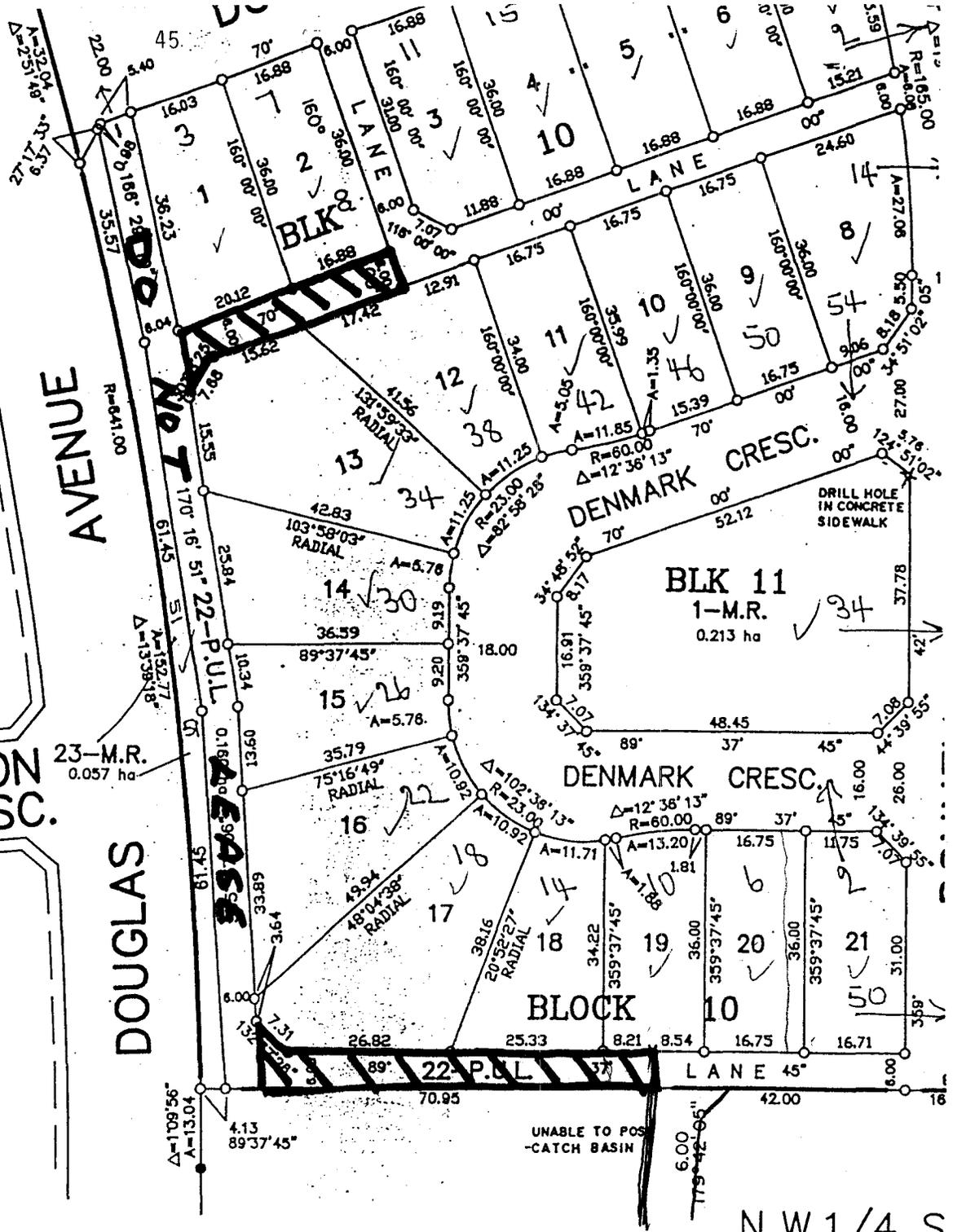
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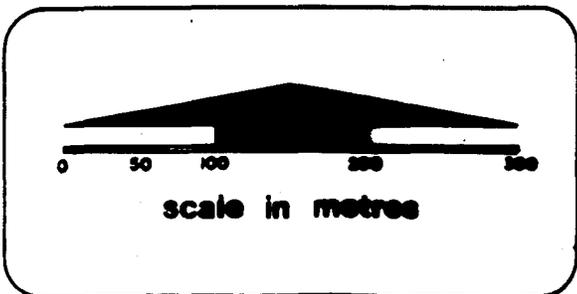
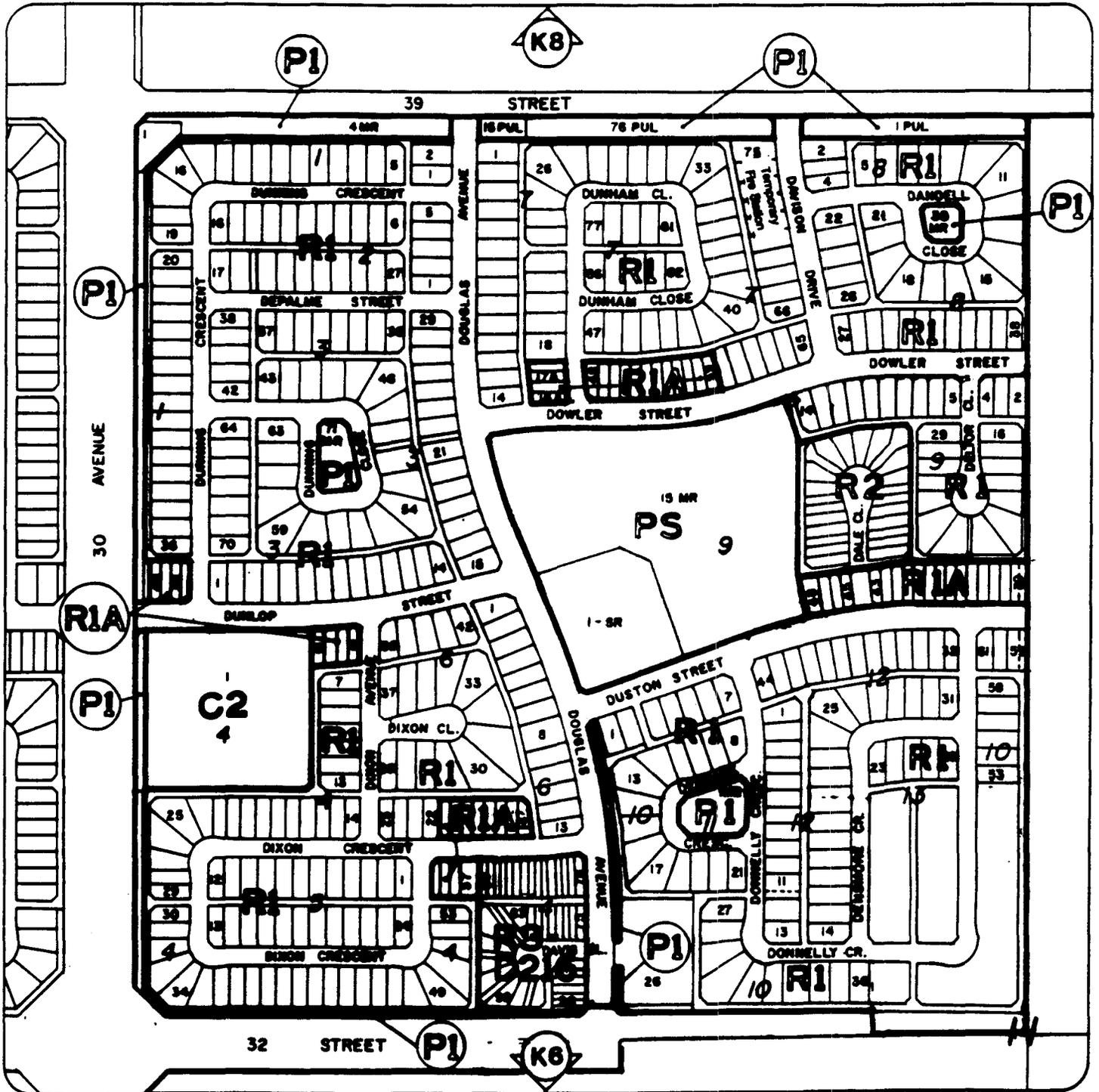


TOTAL AREA TO BE LEASED
(not portions thereof)



City of Red Deer --- Land Use Bylaw Land Use Districts

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- Revisions :**
- 2672/A-87 (09/02/87)
 - 2672/Z-87 (02/11/87)
 - 2672/L-88 (25/07/88)
 - 2672/F-89 (15/05/89)
 - 2672/D-90 (19/03/90)
 - 2672/I-90 (02/04/90)
 - 2672/R-90 (23/07/90)
 - 2672/M-91 (24/06/91)
 - 2672/N-91 (24/06/91)
- 2672/A-92 (3/2/92)

Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Land & Economic Development Manager. Council may vote that the portion requested for lease is part of a larger parcel including the public utility lot along Douglas Avenue and the back of Lots 12 & 13. However, the only portion requested for lease is the portion backing on to Lots 17, 18 & 19 and all Departments are in agreement that this portion can be leased without cause for concern.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

DATE: MAY 26, 1993

TO: LAND AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

FROM: CITY CLERK

**RE: LEASE OF PART OF LOT 22, PUL, BLOCK 10, PLAN 912-3084,
DENMARK CRESCENT**

Your report pertaining to the above topic was considered at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting Council passed the following motion in accordance with your recommendations:

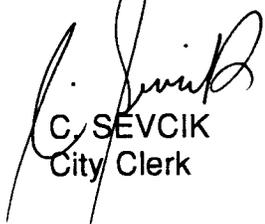
"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees to lease part of Lot 22PUL, Block 10, Plan 912-3084 (Denmark Crescent) to the property owners of Lot 17, 18, and 19 as recommended to Council May 25, 1993 and subject to the following conditions:

1. That all three property owners enter into a lease with the City, or none at all.
2. Standard PUL lease agreement to apply.
3. \$30.00 annual lease fee.
4. General liability insurance of \$1 Million, naming City as additional insured.
5. Due to the presence of utilities, water, sewer and sanitary within this utility lot, access by way of gate or removable fencing must be available at all times in the case of emergency utility repairs.
6. Should any of the lessees cancel their lease, the City has the right, within 60 days, to terminate adjacent leases.
7. Agreement satisfactory to the City Solicitor."

Land and Economic Development Manager
Page 2
May 26, 1993

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and appropriate action.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Director of Engineering Services
Director of Community Services
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
City Assessor
E. L. & P. Manager
Public Works Manager
Principal Planner
Land Supervisor

NO. 8

DATE: May 18, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Land and Economic Development Manager
RE: **EARL'S RESTAURANT - PATIO AND PARKING EXPANSION**
PART OF LOT 58 M.R., PLAN 812-3053 (see attached)

The February 16, 1993 meeting of City Council approved the sale of a portion of Municipal Reserve Lot 58, Plan 812-3053 to Earl's Restaurant for their proposed patio and parking expansion (as cross-hatched on the attached map).

An agreement to purchase was signed between The City of Red Deer and Earl's Restaurant on April 22, 1993. To proceed with the registration of the legal plan of survey consolidating a portion of Lot 58 M.R. with Earl's existing Lot 12, Block 5, Plan 812-3053, the Municipal Reserve designation must be removed from that portion of Lot 58 M.R. being purchased by Earl's.

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the Municipal Government Provincial Planning Act, City Council approve a resolution to dispose of the Municipal Reserve designation from that portion of Lot 58 M.R. described as follows:

"All that portion of Lot 58 M.R. (Municipal Reserve), Block 5, Plan 812-3053 contained within Lot 13, Block 1, Plan 932-_____ containing 0.112 ha (0.28 acre) more or less."



Alan V. Scott

WFL/mm

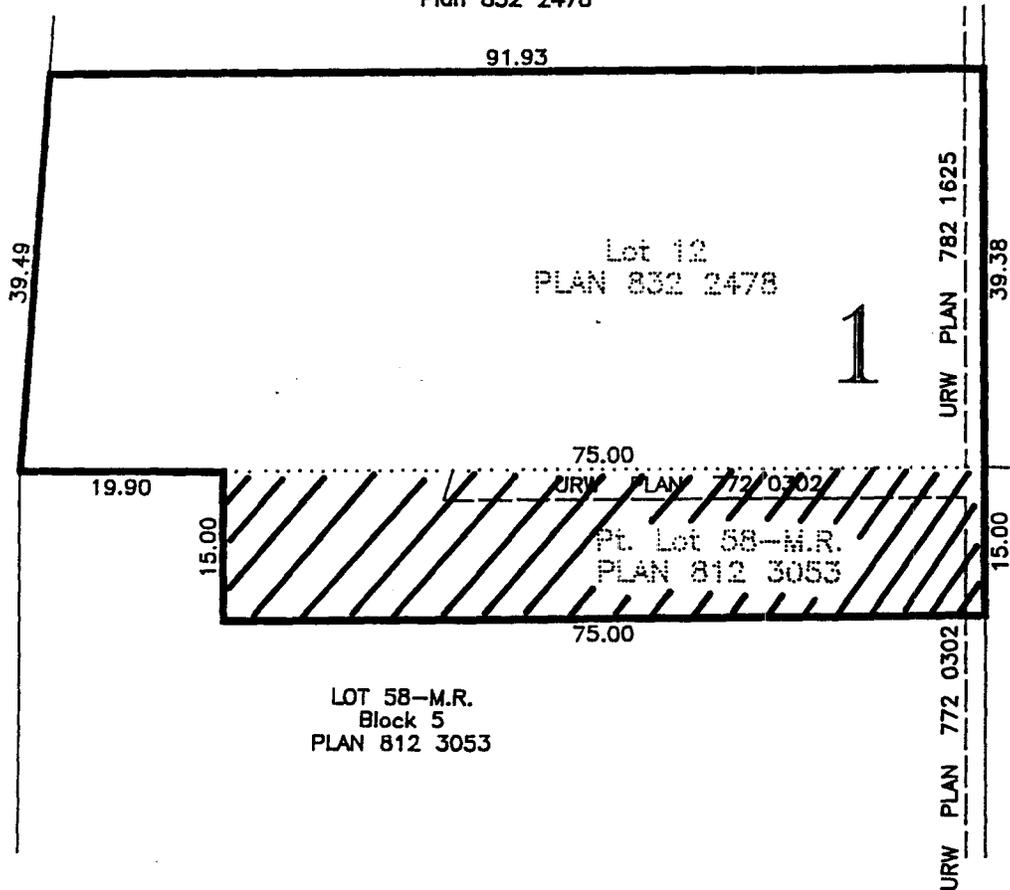
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Lot 11
Block 1
Plan 832 2478



GAETZ AVENUE SERVICE ROAD



RED DEER

PLAN SHOWING A PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION OF
LOT 12, BLOCK 1, PLAN 832 2478
AND PART OF

LOT 58 M.R., BLOCK 5, PLAN 812 3053

IN THE

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LOT 12	0.368 ha.
LOT 58-MR	0.112 ha.
TOTAL	0.480 ha.

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**RED DEER
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

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DIRECTOR: W. G. A. Shaw, ACP, MCIP

M E M O

DATE: May 17, 1993

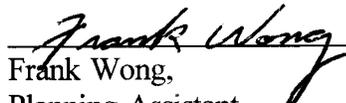
TO: Charles Sevcik, City Clerk

FROM: Frank Wong, Planning Assistant

RE: **Proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment 2672/G-93
Part of Lot 58 M.R., Block 5, Plan 812 3053**

Pursuant to Council Resolution of February 16, 1993, we are enclosing the proposed land use amendment to facilitate the sale of the above noted land for the expansion of Earl's Restaurant.

We are recommending that City Council proceed with the first reading of the proposed amendment.


 Frank Wong,
 Planning Assistant
 FW/cc

MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN COMMISSION AREA

CITY OF RED DEER • MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CLEARWATER No. 99 • COUNTY OF STETTNER No. 6 • COUNTY OF LACOMBE No. 14 • COUNTY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW No. 17 • COUNTY OF PAINEARTH No. 18 • COUNTY OF RED DEER No. 23 • TOWN OF BLACKFALDS • TOWN OF BOWDEN • TOWN OF CARSTAIRS • TOWN OF CASTOR • TOWN OF CORONATION • TOWN OF DIDSBURY • TOWN OF ECKVILLE • TOWN OF INNISFAIL • TOWN OF LACOMBE • TOWN OF OLDS • TOWN OF PENHOLD • TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE • TOWN OF STETTNER • TOWN OF SUNDRE • TOWN OF SYLVAN LAKE • VILLAGE OF ALIX • VILLAGE OF BENTLEY • VILLAGE OF BIG VALLEY • VILLAGE OF BOTHA • VILLAGE OF CAROLINE • VILLAGE OF CLIVE • VILLAGE OF CREMONA • VILLAGE OF DELBURNE • VILLAGE OF DONALDA • VILLAGE OF ELNORA • VILLAGE OF GADSBY • VILLAGE OF HALKIRK • VILLAGE OF MIRROR • SUMMER VILLAGE OF BIRCHCLIFF • SUMMER VILLAGE OF GULL LAKE • SUMMER VILLAGE OF HALF MOON BAY • SUMMER VILLAGE OF JARVIS BAY • SUMMER VILLAGE OF NORGLLENWOLD • SUMMER VILLAGE OF ROCHON SANDS • SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNBREAKER COVE • SUMMER VILLAGE OF WHITE SANDS • SUMMER VILLAGE OF BURNSTICK LAKE

Commissioners' Comments

Council has previously dealt with this issue and the proposed disposal of the Reserve and redesignation are the steps to implement the proposal. Council may remember that the funds generated by the removal of the reserve will be utilized to upgrade the adjacent park area and complete the trail system.

We concur with the Land & Economic Development Manager and recommend that Council proceed with first reading of the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

STANDARD PROVISIONS

7. Any waiver by the Vendor of the strict performance of any covenant, condition or stipulation herein contained shall not of itself constitute a waiver of or abrogate such covenant, condition or stipulation nor be a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same, or any other covenant, condition or stipulation.

8. No assignment of this agreement shall be valid unless the same shall be for the benefit and interest of the Purchaser and shall be approved and countersigned by the Vendor; and no agreement or conditions of relations between the Purchaser and his assignee or any other person acquiring title or interest from or through the Purchaser shall preclude the Vendor from the right to convey the premises to the said Purchaser on the payment of the unpaid portion of the purchase price, or any balance due thereunder, unless such assignment be approved and countersigned by the Vendor as aforesaid.

The agreements, provisions, powers and licences herein expressed or implied shall be binding upon and enure to the benefit of and may be exercised or enjoyed by the heirs, executors, administrators or assigns of the Vendor, and by the heirs, executors, administrators or approved assigns of the Purchaser.

10. The covenants of the Purchaser and Earl's shall survive the closing and transfer of

11. Any notice to a party shall be in writing personally delivered or sent by registered mail addressed to such party at the following address:

As to the Purchaser.

Oicorp Holdings Ltd. and
Earl's Restaurant (Red Deer) Ltd.
2111 Gaetz Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4R 1Z4

Attention: Mr. W. A. Olafson

DATE: FEBRUARY 18, 1993
TO: LAND & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: EARLS RESTAURANT - PATIO PROPOSAL - 2111 GAETZ AVENUE

Your report dated February 10, 1993, advising of a request from Earls Restaurant to purchase a portion of City owned Lot 58MR, Block 5, Plan 812-3053, for the purpose of constructing a covered patio thereon, received consideration at the Council Meeting of February 16, 1993.

At the above noted meeting Council passed the following motion approving the sale:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby approves the sale of a portion of Lot 58 M.R., Block 5, Plan 812-3053 (approximately 15 m x 75 m) to Earl's Restaurant for the purpose of constructing thereon a covered patio subject to the following conditions:

1. Approval by the Bower Place Community Association
2. Approval by the Recreation, Parks and Culture Board
3. City Council approval in principle of the proposed development and land purchase price
4. Purchase price of \$3.50/sq.ft. for the 12,066 sq. ft. \pm (established by way of an in-house evaluation)
5. Municipal Reserve to be disposed of in accordance with Section 115 of the Planning Act
6. Earl's to pay all costs related to the disposal of the Municipal Reserve (advertising) and all legal fees relating to the preparation of agreements and all legal survey fees relating to the consolidation of lands being purchased with their existing title and preparation of utility right-of-way plans and easement agreements

7. Conditions of the TransAlta crossing agreement
8. Funds obtained from the sale of the property to be credited to the Public Reserve Trust Fund and utilized to provide a shale trail and landscape improvements through the balance of Lot 58MR and across Lots U-5 and 50-R in accordance with the Community Services Master Plan and as discussed with the Bower Place Community Association.
9. Wood fencing to be provided by Earl's along the new east property line adjacent to Lot U-5
10. Post and cable fencing (or agreed alternate) to be provided along the new south property line
11. The existing spruce trees in the proposal area can be retained or alternatively, at the discretion of the applicant, the trees can be removed and new buffer planting and landscape enhancement be implemented between the patio area and the proposed east parking lot (a landscape plan should be submitted)
12. All grade changes must be accommodated in the area to be sold; no encroachments (cut or fill) will be permitted in the balance of the M.R.
13. Drainage of the south-east parking lot shall not be diverted to the M.R., but can be directed to the catchbasin in Lot U-5
14. The west property line should be a minimum of 1.0 m from the TransAlta tower to protect the trees surrounding the tower
15. Redesignation of the site from P1 to C4
16. Design of the patio so that excessive noise does not become a problem for the residential area to the east

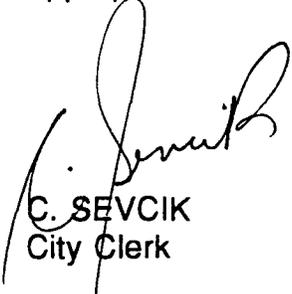
17. No permanent structures will be permitted within this easement
18. The patio/fenced area be a minimum of 6.0 m from the existing transformer located at the south-east corner of the building. If this is not feasible, the owner will be required to install blast walls
19. The owner may be required to install protective bollards around the transformer, depending on final parking lot design
20. Earl's to provide a 6.0 m wide easement paralleling the north property line throughout the portion to be sold. This easement document is to include the following conditions:
 - a) Access for E.L. & P. to existing underground duct and cables situated at 1.2 m south of north property line of Lot 58 M.R.
 - b) Costs for damage to E.L. & P.'s existing facilities due to new construction to be the responsibility of Earl's
 - c) Upon written notice by E.L. & P., Earl's will remove, within 30 days, all structures that would restrict the City's access in the 6.0 m wide easement
 - d) E.L. & P. shall be absolved from any damage costs incurred against improvements within this easement during any time in which access is required by the City's work force
 - e) Install protective bollards around the transformer to E.L. & P.'s specifications should a driving surface be within 1.2 m

21. Prior to building permits being issued within the easement area, E.L. & P. is to receive structural and mechanical plans which indicate City's existing plant in relationship to new construction
22. The City Solicitor to review the proposed easement document to ensure it meets the intent and conditions set out in this resolution

and as recommended to Council February 16, 1993."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I trust that you will convey Council's decision to Earls Restaurant.

If the conditions of approval are acceptable to Earls Restaurant please take all appropriate action necessary in this conveyance as outlined in the above resolution.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cd

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Director of Financial Services
Bylaws & Inspections Manager
City Assessor
E. L. & P. Manager
Fire Chief
Principal Planner
Land Supervisor
City Solicitor
Recreation Parks & Culture Board
Bower Place Community Association
Box 1231
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 6S6
Attention: Marlene Bennett, President

Bill has (April 1/93)
Appt has been sent to Earls
Hopes to be to Council some
time in April likely the end of
April.



THE CITY OF RED DEER

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-8195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 26, 1993

Earl's Restaurant (Red Deer) Limited
2111 Gaetz Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4R 1Z4

ATTENTION: MR. OLAFSON

Dear Sir:

RE: EARL'S RESTAURANT PATIO AND PARKING EXPANSION:

1. DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL RESERVE
 2. LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/G93
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At the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, the following resolution was passed by Council approving the disposal of a portion of Lot 58MR, Block 5, Plan 812-3053:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees to the disposal of all that portion of Lot 58MR, Block 5, Plan 812-3053 contained within Lot 13, Block 1, Plan 932-_____containing 0.112 hectares (0.28 acres) more or less and as presented to Council May 25, 1993.

In addition, Council gave first reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 2672/G-93 which provides for the redesignation of the said lands from P1 to C4. Enclosed, herewith, is a copy of said bylaw for your information.

This office will now proceed with preparation of advertising, posting and notification for a Public Hearing to be held Monday, June 21, 1993, commencing at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as Council may determine. The advertising is scheduled to appear in the Advocate on Friday, June 4 and 11 for the Land Use Bylaw Amendment. The advertising for the disposal of public reserve will only appear once in the Advocate on June 4.

You are required to deposit with the City Clerk, prior to Public advertising, an amount equal to the estimated cost of said advertising, which in this instance is \$200.00 for the disposal of municipal reserve and \$500.00 for the Land Use Bylaw Amendment. We will



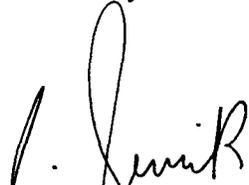
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require this deposit no later than Tuesday, June 1, in order to proceed with advertising scheduled above. Once the actual costs are known, you will either be invoiced or refunded the balance.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

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Encl.

cc: Economic Development Manager
Principal Planner
Council and Committee Secretary - Sandra

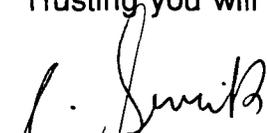
DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: LAND AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: DISPOSAL OF A PORTION OF MUNICIPAL RESERVE - EARL'S RESTAURANT, PART OF LOT 58MR, BLOCK 5, PLAN 812-3053

Your report dated May 18, 1993, pertaining to the above, was considered at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting Council passed the following motion:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees to the disposal of all that portion of Lot 58MR, Block 5, Plan 812-3053 contained within Lot 13, Block 1, Plan 932-_____containing 0.112 hectares (0.28 acres) more or less and as presented to Council May 25, 1993.

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information. This office will now proceed with advertising and posting in accordance with the Planning Act indicating Council's intention to dispose of the aforesaid municipal reserve. A report will be brought back to Council on June 21, advising as to whether there were any objections to the proposed disposal.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
City Assessor
E. L. & P. Manager
Fire Chief
Parks Manager
Principal Planner
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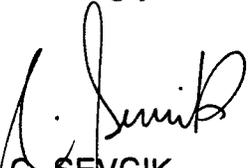
DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: PRINCIPAL PLANNER
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT 2672/G-93

I would advise that Council of The City of Red Deer at its meeting held on May 25, 1993, gave first reading to the above noted bylaw.

Bylaw 2672/G-93 provides for the redesignation of part of Lot 58MR, Block 5, Plan 812-3053 for expansion of Earl's Restaurant. Enclosed, herewith, is a copy of the aforesaid bylaw.

This office will now proceed with advertising for a Public Hearing to be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Monday, June 21, 1993, commencing at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as Council may determine.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

Encl.

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
City Assessor
Land and Economic Development Manager
E. L. & P. Manager
Fire Chief
Parks Manager

NO. 9

CS-P-4.265

DATE: May 18, 1993

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JOHN RETALLACK, Chairman
Environmental Advisory Board

RE: ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS - LEASE/SALE OF
LOT 2, BLOCK 2, PLAN 792-1758, N.W. 22-38-27-W4

The Environmental Advisory Board considered a report from the Director of Community Services and the Parks Manager at their regular meeting of May 18, 1993. The Board passed the following resolution in relation to the lease/sale of Provincially owned land adjacent to the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary:

"That the Environmental Advisory Board having considered correspondence from Alberta Public Works Supply & Services, dated April 19, 1993, and recommendations from the Recreation, Parks and Culture Board and the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee hereby recommend that City Council:

- inform the Province that the City does not wish to exercise its option to purchase any of the lands within the total 41.29 acre property.
- request the Province to grant the City a supplementary lease on the northern 29.59 acre portion of the property until December 31, 1993, in order to accommodate the existing garden plot area and the temporary nursery area.
- advise the Province of the inherent bank stability problem along the escarpment, and the need for a buffer strip to protect the escarpment and the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary from the impact of adjacent residential development.
- advise the Province that all future development of the property must be subject to a detailed hydro-geotechnical evaluation in accordance with City Council policy to be undertaken at the time of preparation of an outline plan.

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- approve a reduction of the terms of the lease of the nursery to the year 2001, subject to the Province confirming that it will make the requirement of buffer strip or development setback along the Sanctuary a condition of any future sale of the total 41.29 acre property. Such setback shall be mutually acceptable to Alberta Environment Protection, Alberta Fish & Wildlife and The City of Red Deer, and shall be determined prior to the sale of the property."



JOHN RETALLACK

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CS-P-4.259

DATE: May 13, 1993

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD

FROM: CRAIG CURTIS, Director of Community Services
DON BATCHELOR, Parks Manager

RE: ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS - LEASE/SALE OF TREE NURSERY
AREA ADJACENT TO THE GAETZ LAKES SANCTUARY

The City of Red Deer is in receipt of a letter from Alberta Public Works (Attachment I) requesting that the City consider purchasing the land or portions thereof as outlined on Attachment II.

This letter has been forwarded to the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee and the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board for their review, as it may relate to slumping which occurred along the escarpment adjacent to the property in question in 1981. A soil stability investigation by Hardy and Associates and Associated Engineering Services Ltd. identifies an area (see Attachment III) that has the potential for further slumping, "... it is our opinion that the entire slope has a moderate-to-severe potential for further instability."

Presently the total 41.29 acre parcel is used by The City of Red Deer in the following manner:

	11.7 acres	- Tree nursery lease area until 2010
+/-	9.2 acres	- Temporary expansion area of tree nursery
+/-	14.2 acres	- Unused area
+/-	<u>6.1</u> acres	- Garden plots
	41.29 acres	TOTAL

Mr. Alex Jacob, Alberta Public Works, has suggested three options to The City of Red Deer:

1. Purchase the entire 41.29 acre parcel.
2. Purchase only the 11.7 acre portion which covers the tree nursery area.
3. Continue to lease the tree nursery area enabling the Province to sell the north +/- 29.59 acres.

We see no merit in considering the first two options, in that the City has no requirements for this land. The garden plots located in this area can be relocated to another site, and the small number of trees in the temporary nursery expansion area can be relocated by October 30, 1993.

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With respect to the third option, we also see no requirement for this land in the long term by The City of Red Deer. Recognizing that the tree nursery site is a temporary use of the site under the terms of an existing lease agreement, it is recommended that the City phase this nursery out of operation with a target date of 2001. The City of Red Deer Tree Nursery requirement for the replacements of trees within our park system can be totally accommodated in the other tree nursery located within the McKenzie Trail Recreation Area.

The entire property is identified for residential development as part of the East Hill Area Structure Plan approved by City Council (Bylaw 3075/92). (Attachment IV)

The concern for the stability of a portion of the escarpment adjacent to and within the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary was addressed by the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board and the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee. The Recreation, Parks & Culture Board considered the issue at its meeting on May 11, 1993, when the following resolution was adopted:

"That the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board support and recommend to City Council the following:

1. That a supplementary lease with the Province be established until December 31, 1993 for the north 29.53 acres of this parcel for the garden plot area and temporary nursery area.
2. That the terms of the existing tree nursery lease be amended to the year 2001.
3. That the City not exercise the options to purchase any portions of the total 41.29 acre parcel and advise the Province accordingly.
4. That the Province be advised of the inherent bank-stability problem along a portion of the escarpment, and that potential purchasers of this land be advised of this condition and the possible requirements for Municipal and/or Environmental Reserve along the escarpment as may be identified by the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee."

The Environmental Advisory Board will recall that the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee was established with a Provincial representative and the purpose of the committee is to express mutual Provincial, City and Community concern/recommendations for the continued protection of the wildlife and natural habitat as set forth in the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Agreement.

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The Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee considered this issue at its meeting on May 12, 1993, when the following resolution was adopted:

"That the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee, having considered a letter from Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services, dated April 19, 1993 re: Lot 2, Block 2, Plan 792-1758, N.W. 22-38-27-W4th, hereby recommend to Council of the City of Red Deer as follows:

- That the Province be advised of the inherent bank stability problem along the escarpment and the need for a buffer strip to protect the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary in any future development.
- That the Province be requested to make the requirement of a minimum 100 metre buffer strip or development setback along the Sanctuary boundary a condition of any future sale of the property.
- That the Province be advised that all future development of the site will be subject to a detailed geotechnical evaluation in accordance with City Council policy, to be undertaken at the time of preparation of the outline plan.
- That, subject to the Province's acceptance of the above conditions, the Committee support the reduction of the terms of the lease of the nursery to the year 2001."

In considering this item, the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee considered two letters from the Red Deer River Naturalists and the Waskasoo Park Naturalist (Attachments V & VI).

The recommendations outlined below include the provision for development setbacks or buffers adjacent to the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary. This protection area may be provided by Municipal Reserve and Environmental Reserve based on geotechnical information that should be prepared at the time a Neighbourhood Outline Plan is prepared.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Environmental Advisory Board having considered correspondence from Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services, dated April 19, 1993, and recommendations from the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board and the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee hereby recommend that City Council:

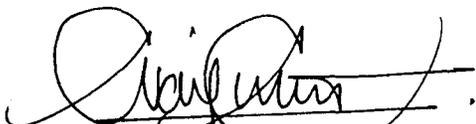
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- inform the Province that the City does not wish to exercise its option to purchase any of the lands within the total 41.29 acre property.
- request the Province to grant the City a supplementary lease on the southern 29.53 acre portion of the property until December 31, 1993, in order to accommodate the existing garden plot area and the temporary nursery area.
- advise the Province of the inherent bank stability problem along the escarpment, and the need for a buffer strip to protect the escarpment and the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary from the impact of adjacent residential development.
- advise the Province that all future development of the property must be subject to a detailed geotechnical evaluation in accordance with City Council policy to be undertaken at the time of preparation of an outline plan.
- approve a reduction of the terms of the lease of the nursery to the year 2001, subject to the Province confirming that it will make the requirement of buffer strip or development setback along the Sanctuary a condition of any future sale of the total 41.29 acre property. Such setback shall be mutually acceptable to Alberta Environment Protection, Alberta Fish & Wildlife and The City of Red Deer, and shall be determined prior to the sale of the property.



CRAIG CURTIS



DON BATCHELOR

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Atts.

Realty Division

#604, College Plaza
8215 - 112 Street
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Telephone 403/422-0147
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April 19, 1993

Mr. Michael Day, Commissioner
City of Red Deer
2nd Floor, City Hall
4914 - 48 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T3

Dear Mr. Day,

RE: *Lot 2, Block 2, Plan 792 1758,
N.W. 22-38-27 W4th
East Hill Area Structure Plan*

Reference is to our conversation of April 7, 1993 regarding the disposition of the above-noted parcel of land.

As you already know, the City of Red Deer has a lease for a 11.7 acre portion of this 41.29 acre parcel of land, which expires as of December 31, 2010. (A recent review of the site indicates that a larger portion of the site is under use by the City.)

As already discussed, there has been a recent enquiry from a party interested in purchasing these lands for development. It was also indicated that the party is making arrangements to purchase the adjoining lands so that the whole area can be developed together.

Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services is actively engaged in rationalizing its land holdings and disposing of

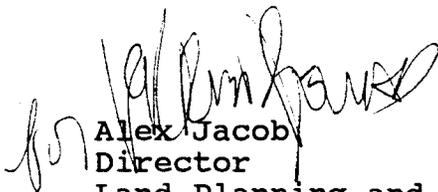
surplus holdings at market value at the present time. Further, the practice of the Department is to sell surplus lands and not be involved in the development process. The Departmental Policy in this regard, is to offer surplus land holdings for sale at market value, first to the local municipality in which the land is located. In this particular case, there is the additional consideration of the City's leasehold interest in the lands.

The Department considers this to be an appropriate time to consider the sale of these lands in view of the adoption of the East Hill Area Structure Plan, the expressed interests in purchasing these lands, and the unique attributes of this parcel which makes it valuable for residential development. Consequently, I am seeking your response to the following options:

1. The City of Red Deer purchase the 41.29 acre parcel at market value.
2. The City of Red Deer purchase the area currently under lease; and the Department subdivide and sell the remaining lands.
3. The Department subdivide and sell the land unencumbered by the lease immediately and sell the leased area on termination of the lease or a mutually acceptable earlier date. (It is assumed that development approvals will provide for servicing and access requirements for the leased lands to be developed in the future.)

I look forward to your response in order to deal with the enquiry for purchasing these lands.

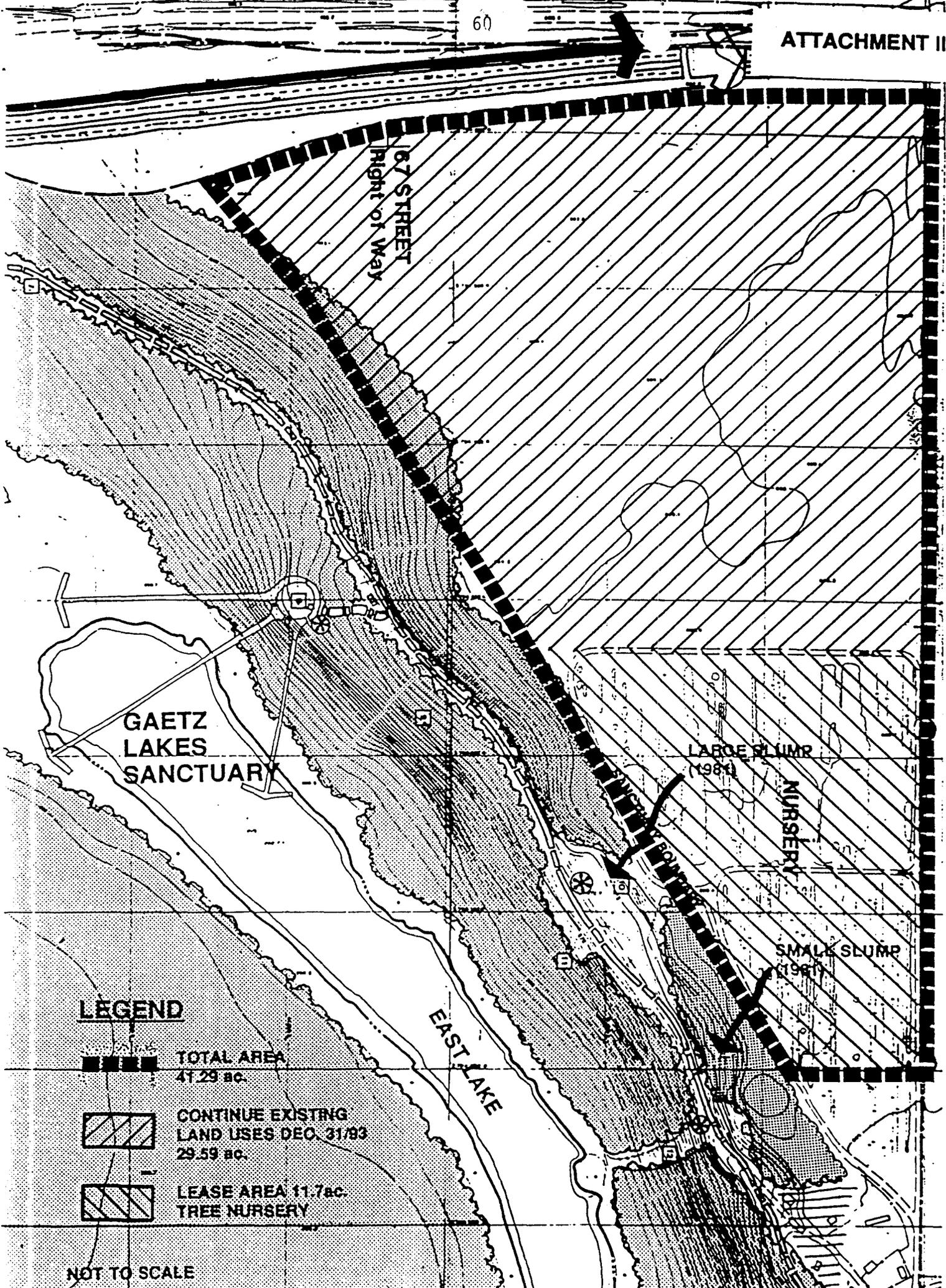
Yours truly,


 Alex Jacob
 Director
 Land Planning and Management Branch

cc: R.C. Smith
 G.R. Summers
 L. Belland

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CITY OF RED DEER



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ABANDONED ACCESS ROAD
TOP OF ESCARPMENT

STUDY AREA 3

MAJOR SLIDE AREA

MINOR SLIDE AREA

EAST GAETZ LAKE

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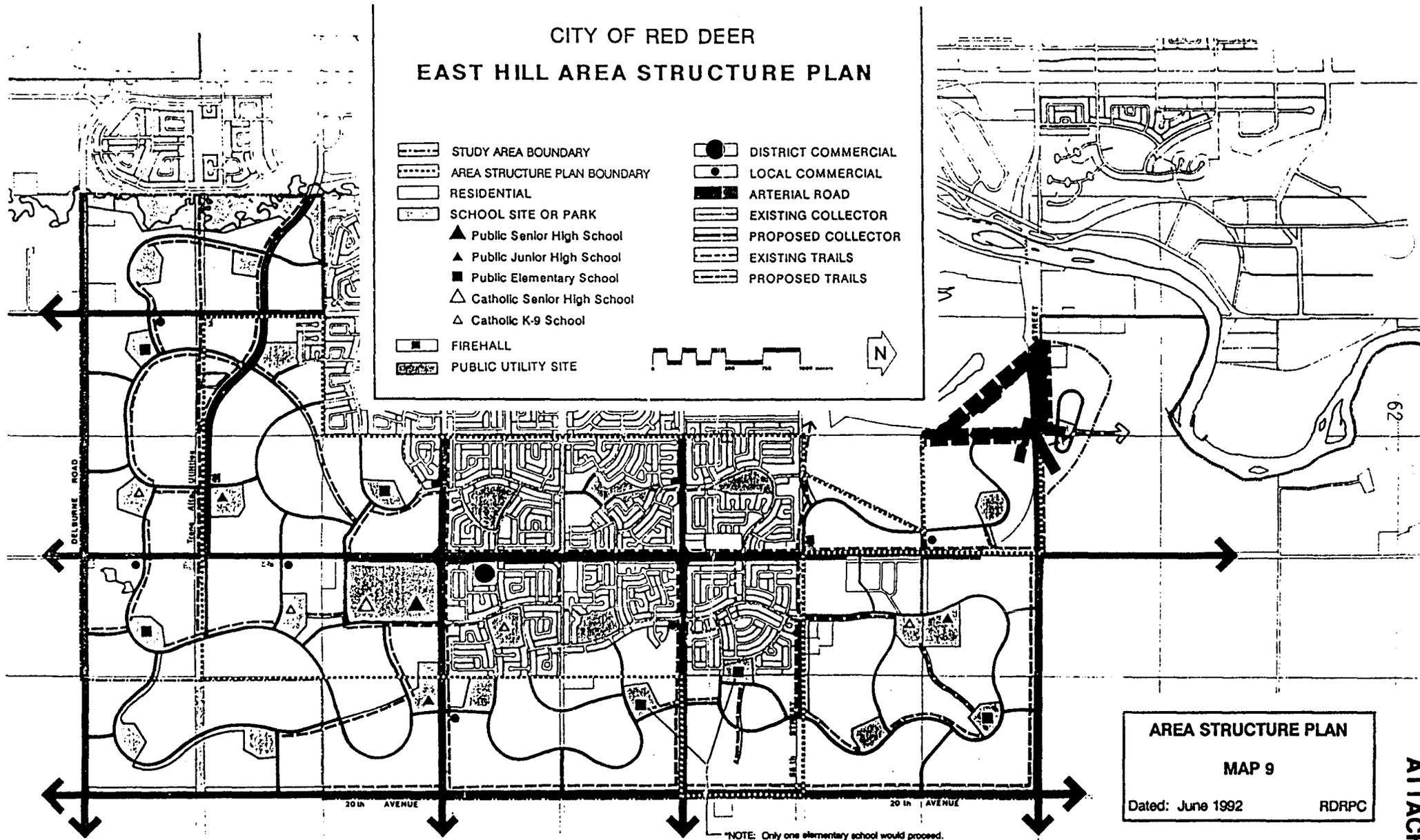
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CITY OF RED DEER EAST HILL AREA STRUCTURE PLAN

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AREA STRUCTURE PLAN
MAP 9
Dated: June 1992 RDRPC

*NOTE: Only one elementary school would proceed.

Red Deer River Naturalists

P.O. BOX 785, RED DEER, ALBERTA, T4N 5H2

ANSWERING PHONE: 347-8200

May 7, 1993

To: Gaetz Lake Sanctuary Committee

From: Michael O'Brien and Kenneth Larsen

Re: Proposal to sell land above the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary.

Since our representative, Eldon Neufeld, is away and we are not certain that he will be back for your next Gaetz Lake Sanctuary Committee meeting, or that we will have enough time to consult with him on this issue, we would therefore like to address the above concern to you in writing.

It has come to our attention that lands to the east of the sanctuary will be developed for residential use. Since this development could have an impact on the hydrology of the area, we would ask that certain historical issues be explained to the membership of the committee, and that the following RDRN concerns and suggestions be examined.

Of importance is the fact that the creek that fed the lakes from the south has been pretty well destroyed by housing development.

The current high water level of the lakes may lull members into thinking that the water level in the lakes is not a problem. It was, however, of considerable concern not many years ago, and the anticipated long term warming trend will probably have a negative impact in the not too distant future.

Plans to pump river water into the lakes was investigated and committee members should be aware of the nature of the experiment and costs. Attempts to discharge storm sewer water into the lakes to keep their level up in dry years was tried and found to pose an unduly dangerous hazard to the lake water quality.

Springs which currently feed the lakes are likely dependent on the wet lands to the east of the sanctuary. If these wet lands are drained for housing development, the results could be serious for the survival of the sanctuary lakes as they presently exist as well as for the wildlife that uses these adjoining wetlands and which probably helps balance the sanctuary populations.

We suggest ways to create a substantial treed buffer along the east boundary be sought, and that a way to save the wet lands be found.

While the above is a look at some of the problems relating to the issue, we would like to offer the following information to assist in the resolution of these problems.



First, this anticipated land use change presents an opportunity to achieve a number of good things for the Sanctuary:

- provide a buffer strip above the escarpment to slow water seepage and perhaps forestall any further slumping.
- provide a stabilized hydrological regime to stabilize the water levels in the Gaetz Lakes.

A 300 foot or greater buffer strip along the top of the escarpment would provide vegetative cover to absorb run off and protect the escarpment from further slumping and erosion.

With the development of housing and its storm sewer system, this is also an opportune time to make use of the large wet land to the east of the Sanctuary adjacent to the recently paved 30th Avenue. As outlined in the Proceedings of a 1991 North American conference on using Wetlands for water treatment, a paper which we forwarded to the Parks Dept. some time ago and recopy here for your convenience on page 3 below, it should be possible to channel the storm sewer runoff into this wet land for "natural treatment" of residual oils and other toxins from storm sewer water. The overflow could then be directed along the north edge of the Michner Centre property in a sub-surface "seepage" channel, back into the Gaetz Lakes.

This would not only preserve the wet land, but would provide a needed source of water augmentation for the Gaetz Lakes themselves. Storm sewer water was rejected in the past because of oil and possible pesticide contamination, but using the wet land as a natural buffer and filter, would answer these objections. With careful design by the City Engineering Department, this could be another showcase of environmental innovation for the City of red Deer and provide a cost effective alternative to the present expensive and, we understand, sometimes ineffective efforts at pumping water into the lakes.

The following earlier proposed observation then, is specifically relevant to the preservation of the wetlands adjacent to the Michner Centre:

The Gaetz Lakes are hydrologically connected to these wetlands. The lakes are being cut off from their hydrological sources by subdivisions and the process of highway building. This has been recognized by council some years ago with the installation of a pumping system which attempts to stabilize the level of the Gaetz Lakes. It works well in wet years but its effectiveness in dry years may be questioned. Inquiries as to the possibility of diverting storm sewer water into the Gaetz lakes revealed that such water was unsuitable due to contamination of oil and other residues from automobiles and suburban lawn care products among others.

The wetlands adjacent to the Michner centre are a good candidate for re-habilitation and could serve as a catchment for storm sewer water and water from the ditches along 67 St. Since this area is hydrologically connected to the Gaetz Lakes, it would act as a buffer and filter of storm sewer water diverted into it. It would also provide a cost effective storm sewer surge system for the City at little cost as the following experience at Stanford University has shown.



To: Ron Bjorge
Chairman, Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee

From: Jim Robertson
Head of Interpretation for Waskasoo Park

Date: Tuesday, May 4, 1993

Subject: May 1993 Meeting

My apologies for not being able to attend: I will be in Ontario or Quebec on the day of the Sanctuary Committee meeting.

- 1 - Regarding the possible sale of the tree nursery lands above the Sanctuary. This will inevitably happen, sooner or later, and my feeling is that houses WILL go up there.

I first suggested my preferred actions in the Community Services Master Plan: There should be the most ferocious opposition to a repeat of the situation presently found at Fish Creek Park, where large expensive homes are perched on the edge of -- or cantilevered out over -- Fish Creek Park. There must be a visual buffer. So much of the beauty of the Sanctuary is the feeling of wildness, if not wilderness, that one experiences in it.

We have to insist on a greenbelt between the houses and the Sanctuary. The bike trail at upper McKenzie Trail could be joined to the Michener Centre path network in this buffer zone. This would divert some of the inevitable dog-walker and bike traffic that would try to use the Sanctuary paths.

We must also insist that the developers (or someone apart from the NCNHS or the Sanctuary) construct a fence similar to the west boundary fence currently separating the Sanctuary from the high schools and South Bank Trail. If the "view" would be blocked by the fence, then they can ditch & berm it, but there must be a bike- & dog-proof fence. Otherwise we will have constant breaches of the City bylaws & federal sanctuary regulations.

Finally, we'll have to decide if we'll permit a gate into the Sanctuary from the east, or if we'll continue to insist that everyone travel around to the KWNC before entering. I have no clear thoughts on this yet: a gate would invite access, and hence possible problems, but if done properly, might prevent people from

jumping over or cutting holes in the fence and using the Sanctuary anyway. We're supposed to be promoting environmental awareness: telling people there to "drive along 30 Avenue from 67 Street to Ross Street, then go back to 40 Avenue, 55 Street and 45 Avenue to get to (almost) where you started from" isn't really smart.

The report is entitled "Geotechnical Investigations of Slope Stability, Michener Centre Property", February; 1982. (3)

Portions of this report have been extracted for ease of reference. The following extract relates to the failures which prompted those investigations:

"In the spring (April-May) of 1981, a relatively small slope failure (in the order of 1000 m³) occurred along a portion of the slope forming the east shore of East Gaetz Lake. Subsequently, on October 3, 1981, a larger slope failure (in the order of 10,000 m³) occurred approximately 150 m north of the first slide. These slope failures have been confined to that section of the slope west of a service road extending from the Michener Centre northwards to the north end of East Gaetz Lake."

Field investigations by AESL confirmed the magnitude of these failures. It was also observed that the larger slope failure has continued to slough further back into the slope. Water was observed seeping from the slope at the centre and along both edges. Tension cracks were observed along the entire crest of this failure indicating the strong probability of continuing failures (Figure C-1).

Tension cracks were also observed along the crest of the smaller failure, but no other signs of current activity were seen. Grass has rooted over this slide area (Figure C-2).

A service road to Michener Centre is built midway up the slope and cuts across the entire failure area. Our reconnaissance included the entire service road and its adjacent slopes. Several small gullies and old failure scars were noted. At many locations, uphill rotation of mature trees indicate general slope instability along the entire length of the escarpment in the area directly east of Gaetz Lakes.

A sewer line from the Michener Centre is built beneath the service road. Analysis of water samples taken in 1981 at the slide areas, showed no contamination or evidence of leakage from this sewer.

At the crest of the escarpment, east of the service road, the City of Red Deer leases land for use as a tree nursery. Although it is not irrigated, extensive cultivation prevents rainwater from running off and promotes its infiltration. The Hardy Associates report comments:

"The source of the groundwater appears to be a natural spring resulting from meltwater and rainfall. The tree nursery at the top of the slope is not irrigated and thereby does not contribute directly to the groundwater regime."

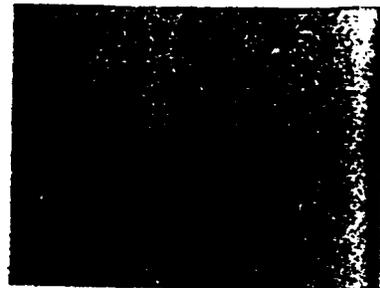
The potential for future movement along this escarpment appears high. The Hardy Associates report comments:

"....it is our opinion that the entire slope has a moderate to severe potential for further instability."

and:

"In the long term, it is likely that additional major failures will occur. However, the timing of the failures is unknown."

As a result of the investigations conducted in 1981, the sewer line has been abandoned and a new sewer along a different route away from this area now services Michener Centre. However, the abandoned sewer is now within the next failure zone.



The larger of the two major slides appears to have been triggered by placement of fill over the top of the slope which may have overloaded an older slide at this location. Regarding this Hardy Associates comment:

"It is our understanding that during the excavation work for parking lots at Michener Centre, some excess fill material was placed on the roadway at this location and pushed over the slope with a bulldozer. This would concur with our observations at the toe of the slope. Although we are not sure of the exact dates of the placement of the fill, it appears that the placement of this fill could have induced dramatic soil movement of a slope which was marginally stable to begin with."

The smaller slide appears to be a different mode of failure. It seems to have failed along a relatively uniform shear plane. This may be attributable to a layer of saturated soil strata becoming "quick" and providing a greased surface for the slope to slide down.

The underlying clay layer dipping towards the lakes along the escarpment, makes continual instability highly probable and difficult to control or prevent. Remedial works to halt erosion, will require heavy equipment to construct. This equipment will destroy the trees and shrubbery which now are providing the only source of stability to the slope. Any form of stabilization in this area will require extensive planning, scheduling, and very rigid construction control to prevent erosion being caused by the construction itself.

40 AVENUE

67 STREET

ABANDONED ACCESS ROAD
TOP OF ESCARPMENT

STUDY AREA 3

MAJOR SLIDE AREA

MINOR SLIDE AREA

EAST GAETZ LAKE

WEST GAETZ LAKE

HOSPITAL

30 AVENUE

55 STREET

CAMERON CRES.
CARDINAL AVENUE
COSGROVE CRES.
COSGROVE CRES.

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ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING SERVICES LTD



CS-P-4.261

DATE: May 18, 1993

TO: CITY COUNCIL

**FROM: RON BJORGE, Chairman
Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee**

**RE: ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS - LOT 2, BLOCK 2,
PLAN 792-1758, N.W. 4th, 22-38-27.W4**

The Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee considered the above issue at its meeting on May 12, 1993, when the following resolution was adopted:

"That the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee, having considered a letter from Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services, dated April 19, 1993 re: Lot 2, Block 2, Plan 792-1758, N.W. 22-38-27-W4th, hereby recommend to Council of the City of Red Deer as follows:

- That the Province be advised of the inherent bank stability problem along the escarpment and the need for a buffer strip to protect the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary in any future development.
- That the Province be requested to make the requirement of a minimum 100 metre buffer strip or development setback along the Sanctuary boundary a condition of any future sale of the property.
- That the Province be advised that all future development of the site will be subject to a detailed geotechnical evaluation in accordance with City Council policy, to be undertaken at the time of preparation of the outline plan.
- That, subject to the Province's acceptance of the above conditions, the Committee support the reduction of the terms of the lease of the nursery to the year 2001."

In considering this item, the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee considered two letters from the Red Deer River Naturalists and the Waskasoo Park Naturalist (Attachment I and Attachment II), and a development setback area as illustrated on Attachment III.

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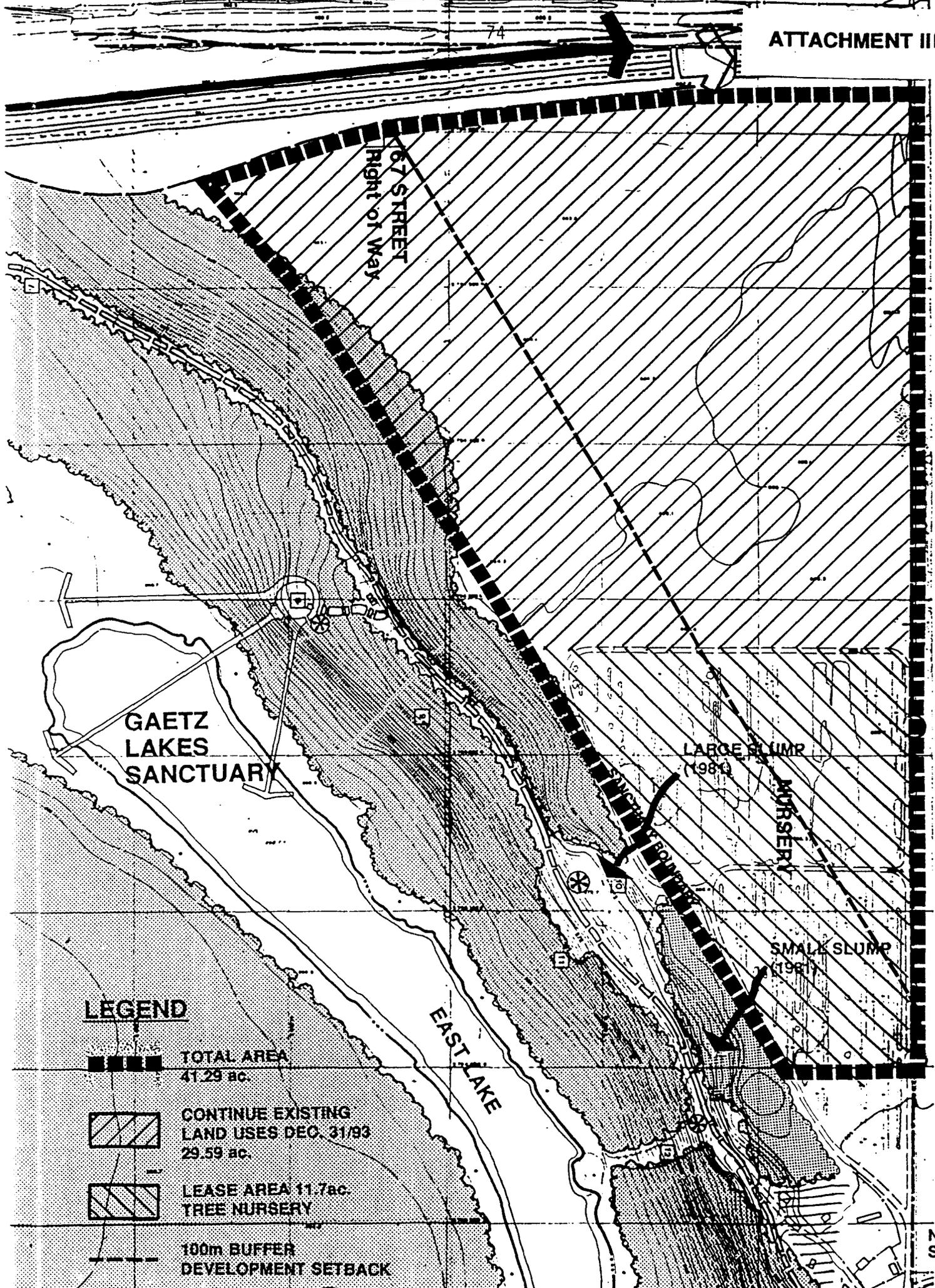
Furthermore, the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee was concerned that in the event that neither the Province nor the potential developer was prepared to allow for the 100m setback, the Committee would recommend to City Council that this buffer area be acquired by the City.



RON BJORGE

DB/ad
Atts.

- c. Craig Curtis, Director of Community Services



67 STREET
Right of Way

GAETZ
LAKES
SANCTUARY

LARGE SLUMP
(1984)

TREE NURSERY

SMALL SLUMP
(1981)

EAST LAKE

LEGEND

-  TOTAL AREA
41.29 ac.
-  CONTINUE EXISTING
LAND USES DEC. 31/93
29.59 ac.
-  LEASE AREA 11.7ac.
TREE NURSERY
-  100m BUFFER
DEVELOPMENT SETBACK

NOT TO
SCALE

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DATE: May 12, 1993

TO: CITY COUNCIL

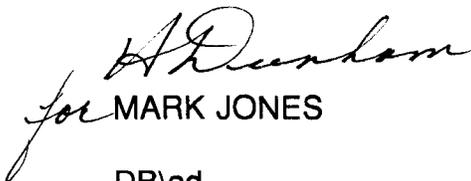
**FROM: MARK JONES, Chairman
Recreation, Parks & Culture Board**

**RE: ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS - LEASE/SALE OF LOT 2, BLOCK 2,
PLAN 792-1758, NW22-38-27-W4**

The Recreation, Parks & Culture Board considered a report from the Parks Manager concerning the above, at their May 11, 1993 meeting. The following resolution was passed in relation to the letter received from Alberta Public Works:

That the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board support and recommend to City Council the following:

1. That a supplementary lease with the Province be established until December 31, 1993 for the north 29.53 acres of this parcel for the garden plot area and temporary nursery area.
2. That the terms of the existing tree nursery lease be amended to the year 2001.
3. That the City not exercise the options to purchase any portions of the total 41.29 acre parcel and advise the Province accordingly.
4. That the Province be advised of the inherent bank-stability problem along a portion of the escarpment, and that potential purchasers of this land be advised of this condition and the possible requirements for Municipal and/or Environmental Reserve along the escarpment as may be identified by the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee.


for MARK JONES

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c. Craig Curtis, Director of Community Services

DATE: May 4, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Land and Economic Development Manager
RE: **ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS, MICHENER SITE** (See attached Plan)
LOT 2, BLOCK 1, PLAN 792-1758 PT. NW 1/2 22-38-27-W4M

We submit the following comments in reference to the offer to sell the above site. The City has leased parts of this land over the years for public garden plots and tree nursery purposes.

First Agreement

Dated March 23, 1972. Seven acres to December 31, 1990, plus option to renew for additional three times ten year terms.

Supplementary Lease

Dated April 26, 1982. Additional 4.7 acres for a total of 11.7 acres. All terms and conditions the same as first agreement.

Second Supplementary Lease

Dated October 26, 1983. Effective August 1, 1983, the land area to be leased by the City contained in new legal description Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 792-1758 per title is 49.19 acres \pm . Their letter refers to Block 2.

Agricultural Lease Agreement

Dated January 24, 1990. This lease indicates on front page reference to first, supplementary and second supplementary leases, but refers to 11.7 acres as mentioned in the supplementary lease, not the 49.19 acres as indicated by the second supplementary lease. Term is 20 years to December 31, 2010 plus one 10 year option.

By Letter

Dated March 22, 1989. Term of lease was extended commencing January 1, 1991 for 20 years, to December 31, 2010.

City Clerk
May 4, 1993
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In none of the above leases is any reference made to a cancellation clause by either party. Termination is mentioned but only in reference to default. As these agreements stand, I consider the City Solicitor should review them for his interpretation of whether we lease 11.7 acres or 49.19 acres less Road Plan 872-0879 (7.90 acres), for a net of 41.29 acres.

As the servicing and development of this land appears to be many years away, this Department would recommend as follows:

1. City of Red Deer does not purchase land.
2. City of Red Deer be given one year's notice of termination date. This should allow garden plots to see season through and for the Parks Department to transplant tree nursery.



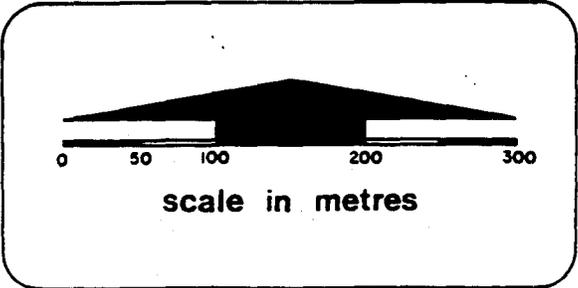
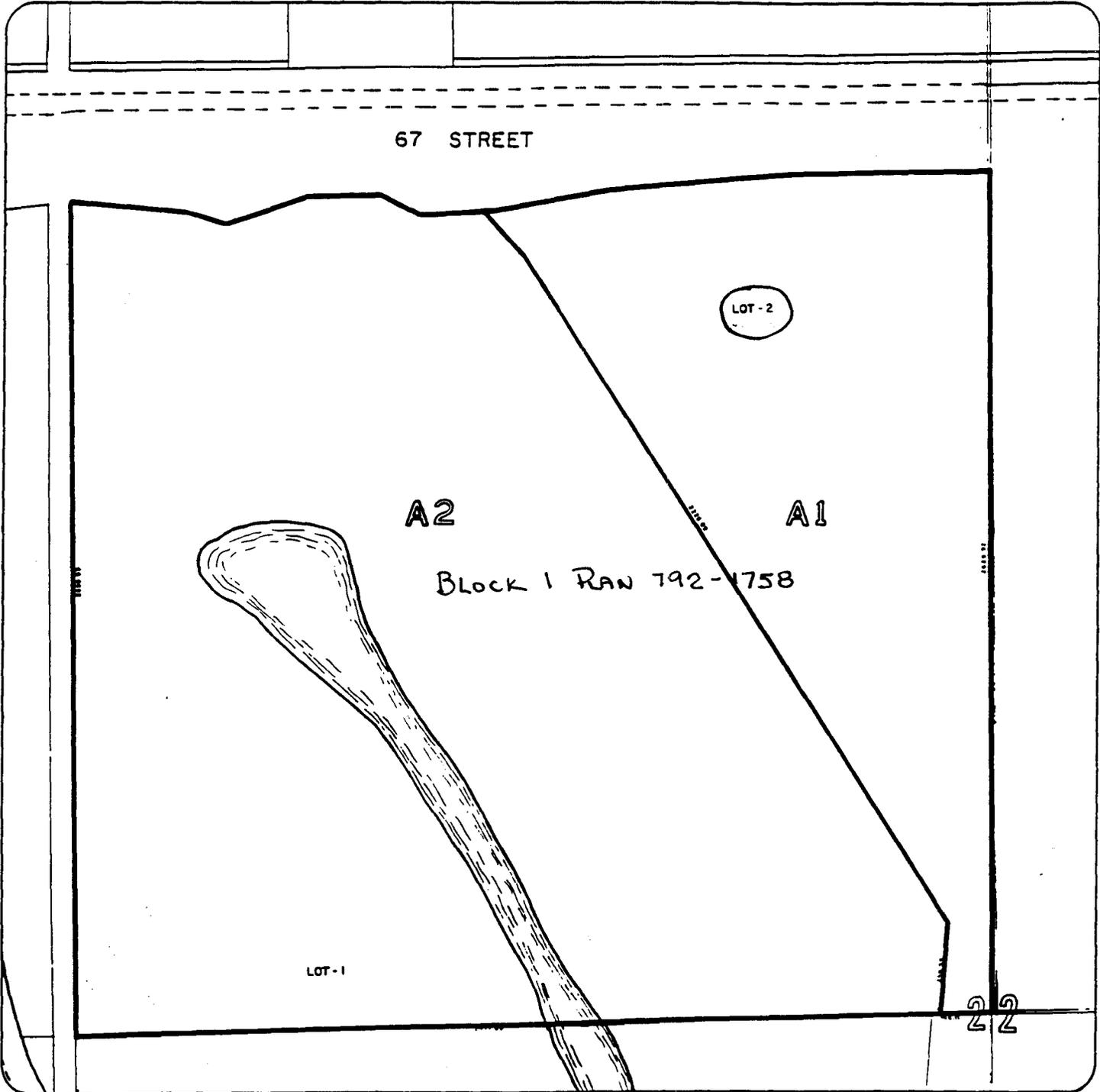
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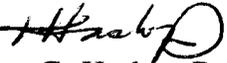
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DATE: May 3, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Engineering Department Manager
RE: **LOT 2, BLOCK 2, PLAN 792-1758 - NW 22-38-27-4
ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS LAND SALES OFFER**

In response to Alberta Public Works' letter of April 19, 1993, please be advised that the Engineering Department has no interest in purchasing the above noted property.


Ken G. Haslop, P. Eng.
Engineering Department Manager

TCW/emg

DATE: April 28, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Financial Services
RE: ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS
LOT 2, BLOCK 2, PLAN 792-1758

The other City departments would have to comment on the need for the land.

I could not recommend purchase, based on:

- the current budget restraint the City is facing
- the Subdivision Plan which provides for the private sector to take over more of the responsibility for land development.



A. Wilcock, B. Comm., C.A.
Director of Financial Services

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Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Environmental Advisory Board.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

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April 19, 1993

Mr. Michael Day, Commissioner
City of Red Deer
2nd Floor, City Hall
4914 - 48 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
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Dear Mr. Day,

RE: *Lot 2, Block 2, Plan 792 1758,
N.W. 22-38-27 W4th
East Hill Area Structure Plan*

Reference is to our conversation of April 7, 1993 regarding the disposition of the above-noted parcel of land.

As you already know, the City of Red Deer has a lease for a 11.7 acre portion of this 41.29 acre parcel of land, which expires as of December 31, 2010. (A recent review of the site indicates that a larger portion of the site is under use by the City.)

As already discussed, there has been a recent enquiry from a party interested in purchasing these lands for development. It was also indicated that the party is making arrangements to purchase the adjoining lands so that the whole area can be developed together.

Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services is actively engaged in rationalizing its land holdings and disposing of

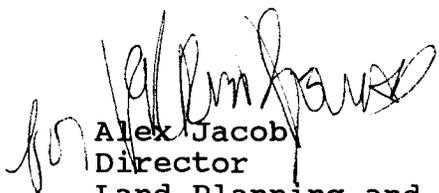
surplus holdings at market value at the present time. Further, the practice of the Department is to sell surplus lands and not be involved in the development process. The Departmental Policy in this regard, is to offer surplus land holdings for sale at market value, first to the local municipality in which the land is located. In this particular case, there is the additional consideration of the City's leasehold interest in the lands.

The Department considers this to be an appropriate time to consider the sale of these lands in view of the adoption of the East Hill Area Structure Plan, the expressed interests in purchasing these lands, and the unique attributes of this parcel which makes it valuable for residential development. Consequently, I am seeking your response to the following options:

1. The City of Red Deer purchase the 41.29 acre parcel at market value.
2. The City of Red Deer purchase the area currently under lease; and the Department subdivide and sell the remaining lands.
3. The Department subdivide and sell the land unencumbered by the lease immediately and sell the leased area on termination of the lease or a mutually acceptable earlier date. (It is assumed that development approvals will provide for servicing and access requirements for the leased lands to be developed in the future.)

I look forward to your response in order to deal with the enquiry for purchasing these lands.

Yours truly,


Alex Jacob
Director

Land Planning and Management Branch

cc: R.C. Smith
G.R. Summers
L. Belland

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CITY OF RED DEER

TO:

- DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
- DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES
- DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
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- R.C.M.P. INSPECTOR
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- SOCIAL PLANNING MANAGER
- TRANSIT MANAGER
- TREASURY SERVICES MANAGER
- PRINCIPAL PLANNER
- CITY SOLICITOR
- Recreation Parks & Culture Board (meets May 11)*
- Party Lakes Sanctuary Committee*

FROM:

CITY CLERK

Alberta Public Works -
RE: Lot 2, Block 2, Plan 792-1758, N.W. 1/4 22-38-27-
W4

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by May 3, 1993

for the Council Agenda of May ²⁵ 10, 1993

C. Sevcik
C. SEVCIK
City Clerk



THE CITY OF RED DEER

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May 27, 1993

Mr. A. Jacob, Director
 Land Planning and Management Branch
 Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services
 604 College Plaza
 8215 - 112 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta
 T6G 5A9

Dear Mr. Jacob,

RE: LOT 2, BLOCK 2, PLAN 792-1758, NW 1/4 22-38-27-W4, EAST HILL AREA
 STRUCTURE PLAN

Your letter of May 11, 1993, confirming acceptance of the proposal of the above noted property as outlined in the letter of May 5, 1993, from the City Commissioner, H. M. C. Day, is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

I would further advise that at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, the following motion was passed in regard to this matter:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered recommendations from the Environmental Advisory Board re: Alberta Public Works - lease/sale of Lot 2, Block 2, Plan 792-1758, N.W. 1/4 22-38-27-W4, hereby agrees:

1. to inform the Province that the City does not wish to exercise its option to purchase any of the lands within the total 41.29 acre property.
2. to request the Province to grant the City a supplementary lease on the northern 29.59 acre portion of the property until December 31, 1993, in order to accommodate the existing garden plot area and the temporary nursery area.
3. to advise the Province of the inherent bank stability problem along the escarpment, and the need for a buffer strip to protect the escarpment and the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary from the impact of adjacent residential development.



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Alberta Public Works

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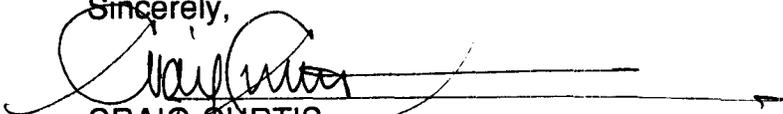
4. to advise the Province that all future development of the property must be subject to a detailed hydro-geotechnical evaluation in accordance with City Council policy to be undertaken at the time of preparation of an outline plan.
5. to approve a reduction of the terms of the lease of the nursery to the year 2001, subject to the Province confirming that it will make the requirement of buffer strip or development setback along the Sanctuary a condition of any future sale of the total 41.29 acre property. Such setback shall be mutually acceptable to Alberta Environment Protection, Alberta Fish & Wildlife and The City of Red Deer, and shall be determined prior to the sale of the property."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information. We would appreciate your response, in particular with respect to the final clause of the above noted resolution pertaining to the requirements of a buffer strip or development setback along the Sanctuary.

For your additional information, I am enclosing, herewith, reports from the Environmental Advisory Board and the Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee supporting this setback requirement. The Gaetz Lakes Sanctuary Committee was established at the request of the Province and includes a representative (Mr. Ron Bjorge) from Alberta Forestry, Fish and Wildlife Division.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory and we await your response in due course. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



CRAIG CURTIS

Acting City Commissioner

CS/cjd

cc: City Commissioner
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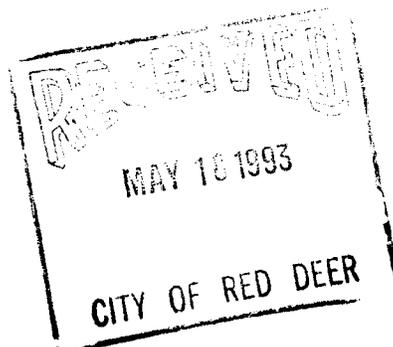
Mr. Michael Day, Commissioner
City of Red Deer
2nd Floor, City Hall
4914 - 48 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
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Dear Mr. Day,

RE: Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 792 1758
N.W. 22-38-27 W4th
East Hill Area Structure Plan

This is to confirm the acceptance of the proposal regarding the above-noted site, as outlined in your letter of May 5, 1993. Specifically, the Department is prepared to execute a supplementary lease agreement with the City of Red Deer, which will provide for:

1. The continued use of the entire parcel of land (41.29 acres) until December 31, 1993.
2. The withdrawal of the northerly 29.59 acres of land from the lease as of January 1, 1994.

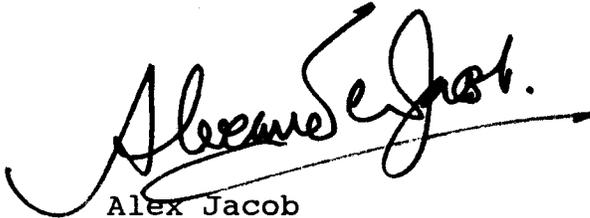


3. The termination of the lease for the remaining 11.7 acres of land on December 31, 2001.
4. The termination of the lease for the 11.7 acres at a date earlier than December 31, 2001, provided the City of Red Deer is compensated (by the Department or its assignee of these lands) for the plant material remaining to be harvested from the land as of that earlier date.
5. Access to the 11.7 acres of land under lease as long as the lease is in force.

I would like to express the sincere appreciation of the Department for your efforts in facilitating a resolution to this disposition issue to the benefit of the City, the Province, and interested developers. I would also like to thank Mr. Don Batchelor for his effort and co-operation in this matter.

I look forward to hearing from you following the Council meeting of May 25, 1993.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Jacob", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alex Jacob
Director
Land Planning and Management Branch

cc: R.C. Smith
J.W. Hunt/J. Devlin
L. Belland

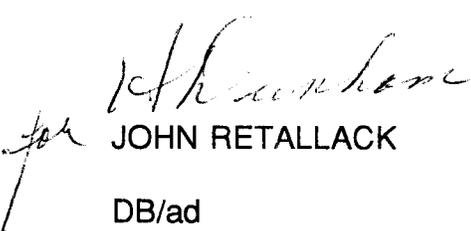
DATE: May 19, 1993
TO: CITY COUNCIL
FROM: JOHN RETALLACK, Chairman
Environmental Advisory Board
RE: MOLLY BANNISTER DRIVE

The Environmental Advisory Board meeting of May 18, 1993, was attended by ±25 citizens concerned about the proposed extension of Molly Bannister Drive across Piper Creek. Five (5) presentations were given by either public citizens or representatives of environmental groups. In addition, a number of written letters to Council and the Environmental Advisory Board (attached) were considered by the Board.

Following the public presentations, and after extensive discussion and consideration by the Board of the reports of the Director of Community Services, the Director of Engineering Services and the Principal Planner of The Red Deer Regional Planning Commission, the following resolutions were passed:

"That the Environmental Advisory Board recommend that City Council:

- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the College Natural Area with the commitment that the planning of the future access to the College site will be an open process, with opportunities for review by the community and the Environmental Advisory Board.
- That creative alternatives be sought to replace the Molly Bannister Drive extension and that opportunity be given to extensive public involvement on those alternatives.
- That we reaffirm support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Woods area and further agree that the need to extend Molly Bannister Drive to the east across Piper Creek be subject to a detailed review and reassessment prior to the commencement of functional design, and further that there be significant opportunity for continued public involvement."


JOHN RETALLACK

DB/ad
Att.

DATE: May 10, 1993

TO: ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD

FROM: CRAIG CURTIS, Director
Community Services Division

RE: BOWER WOODS / COLLEGE NATURAL AREA:
PROPOSED EXTENSION OF MOLLY BANNISTER DRIVE

1. A number of individuals and environmental organizations have written to the City expressing concern regarding the environmental impact of extending Molly Bannister Drive to the east and west. These concerns may be summarized as follows:

- The design of the Major Continuous Corridor (Taylor Drive) has made provision for the possible westerly extension of Molly Bannister Drive to provide an alternative access to the Red Deer College. Concern has been expressed that such an extension would cut through and detrimentally impact the so-called College Natural Area along Waskasoo Creek (see attached sketch).
- The City's approved Transportation Master Plan recommends that Molly Bannister Drive be extended to the east to provide better access to the proposed new residential areas. Concern has been expressed that this extension will destroy a significant portion of spruce forest within the area known as Bower Woods and will bisect the bicycle/pedestrian trail system and wildlife corridor along Piper Creek (see attached sketch).

2. I have reviewed the correspondence submitted to the City with the Parks and Recreation & Culture Managers, and our comments are as follows:

2.1 College Natural Area

- The College site includes a large natural area along Waskasoo Creek and in the southwest. A portion of this area is hilly and wooded, and is used in conjunction with the privately owned Bower Natural Area to the east. An extensive trail network has been developed in this area which is used for cross-country skiing, running and orienteering. The western portion adjacent to Highway 2 is used for agricultural purposes.
- The approved Community Services Master Plan includes the following policy related to the College Natural Area, which was reaffirmed by City Council on October 13, 1992:

"The City endorses the College's policy of preserving the natural area in the southwestern portion of the site to be used in conjunction with the Bower Natural Area for hiking, cross-country skiing and orienteering."

(Community Services Master Plan, Section 4.2.38, pg. 59)

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- The Transportation Master Plan studied a possible alternate access to the College site from 28 Street as a method of relieving congestion on 32 Street. However, construction of this route would be the responsibility of the College, not the City, and may involve the acquisition of private land. Plans are very conceptual at this stage, and the Engineering Department has indicated that it "would be pleased to work with the College on all viable options for any additional access to the College".

City Council considered this issue at its meeting on October 13, 1992, when it was resolved that the Engineering Department would "work with the College in the consideration and development of all viable options for an additional access to the College site, with opportunities for community input".

2.2 Bower Woods

- The portion of Waskasoo Park named Bower Woods includes all City-owned parkland along Piper Creek between 32 Street and Delburne Road. The area immediately south of 32 Street is densely wooded and includes stands of climax spruce forest. Developments include a bicycle/pedestrian trail which provides access to the Westerner Exposition Grounds, a number of seating areas, and interpretive signage.

It is proposed to expand the Bower Woods area through reserve dedication in the future, when privately owned lands west of Sunnybrook and east of Bower Place are developed.

- The approved Community Services Master Plan includes the following policy related to Bower Woods:

"Bower Woods should be retained as a natural area along the Piper Creek trail system. This area should be expanded through reserve dedication in the future, when adjacent privately owned lands are developed."

(Community Services Master Plan, Section 4.2.7, pg. 37)

- The City's Transportation Plan recommends that Molly Bannister Drive be extended to the east to provide better access to the new planned residential areas. This proposal was included in the East Hill Concept Plan in the 1970's, and the road is proposed as a major arterial in the East Hill Area Structure Plan (Bylaw 3075/92). The proposal, therefore, preceded the inclusion and development of Bower Woods as part of the Waskasoo Park system. The road is scheduled for construction in 1996 as a two-lane arterial roadway.

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- It is difficult to assess the environmental impact of the proposed arterial road prior to any detailed design work being undertaken. From a purely environmental prospective, any development will have a detrimental impact upon Piper Creek and the surrounding natural area, which is utilized as a wildlife corridor.

The Community Services Division recognizes that an additional crossing of Piper Creek between 32 Street and Delburne Road may be required. Furthermore, the impact of widening 32 Street to accommodate additional traffic may have even greater environmental consequences.

In view of the high capital and operating costs involved and the new traffic patterns generated by the Major Continuous Corridor (Taylor Drive), it is recommended that a detailed transportation review and reassessment of the need to extend Molly Bannister Drive to the east be undertaken prior to the commencement of the functional design. If the need for the road is reaffirmed, design alternatives should be considered which minimize the impact on the creek and the surrounding natural area.

3. Recommendations

It is proposed that the Environmental Advisory Board recommend that City Council:

- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the College Natural Area with the commitment that the planning of the future access to the College site will be an open process, with opportunities for review by the community and the Environmental Advisory Board.
- Reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Woods area, and further agree that the need to extend Molly Bannister Drive to the east across Piper Creek be subject to a detailed transportation review and reassessment, prior to the commencement of functional design.



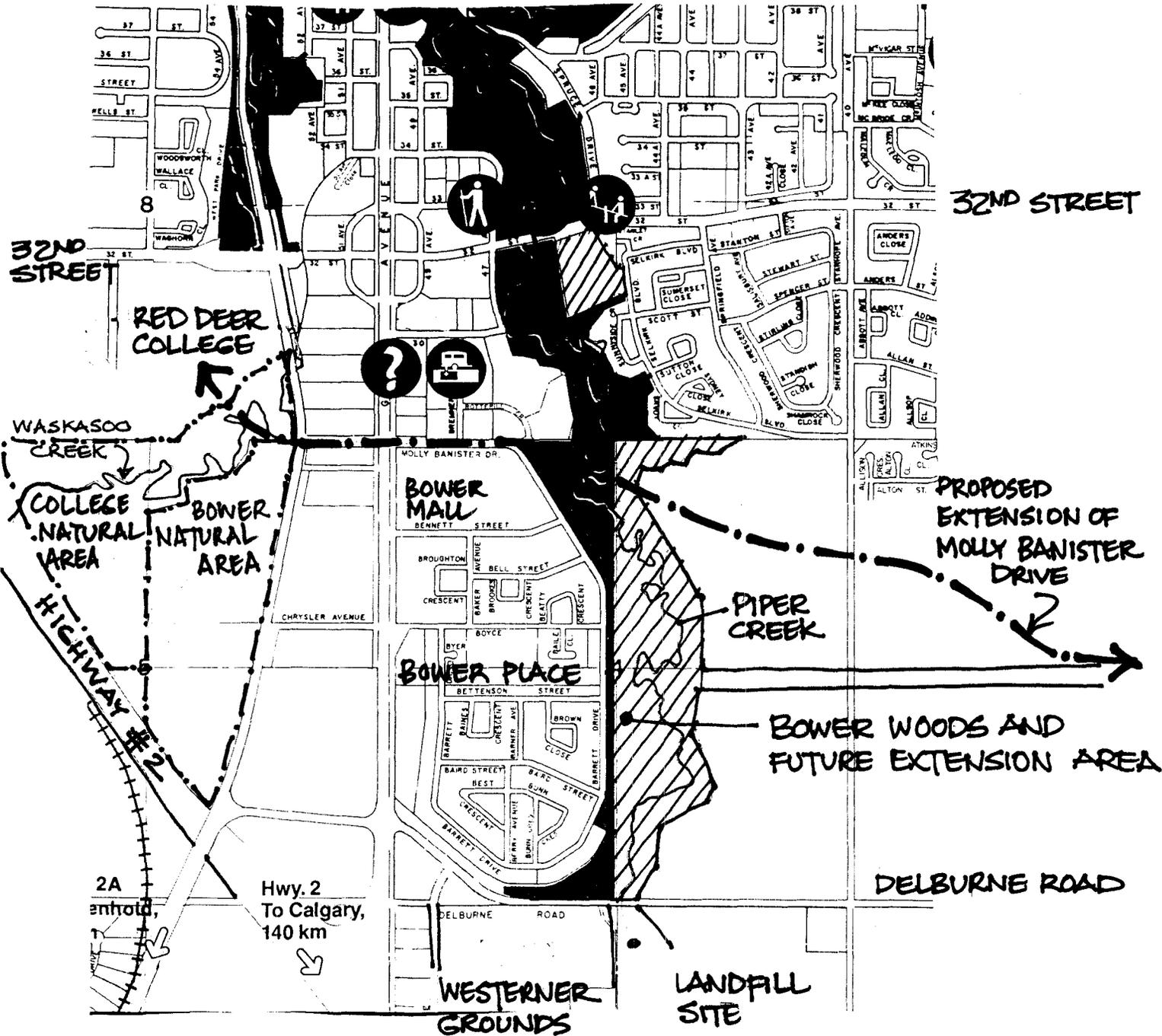
CRAIG CURTIS

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Att.

- c Don Batchelor, Parks Manager
- Lowell Hodgson, Recreation & Culture Manager
- Paul Meyette, Principal Planner, R.D.R.P.C.

GAEZT AVENUE



32ND STREET

32ND STREET

RED DEER COLLEGE

WASKASOO CREEK

COLLEGE NATURAL AREA

BOWER NATURAL AREA

HIGHWAY #2

BOWER MALL

BOWER PLACE

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF MOLLY BANISTER DRIVE

PIPER CREEK

BOWER WOODS AND FUTURE EXTENSION AREA

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WESTERNER GROUNDS

LANDFILL SITE



EXTENSION OF MOLLY BANISTER DRIVE

DATE: May 11, 1993
TO: Environmental Advisory Board
FROM: Director of Engineering Services
RE: **PROPOSED EXTENSION OF 28 STREET, EAST TO 40 AVENUE**

Since this issue, the extension of 28 Street eastward to 40 Avenue, gained recent public exposure, there have been considerable responses, mostly of a written nature expressing serious concern over this road project.

As further background to the Board, we would advise that this roadway has been under consideration since the late 1970's. It forms a part of the East Hill Concept Plan, which was formalized in 1978. The need for this roadway has also been indicated in at least two transportation studies.

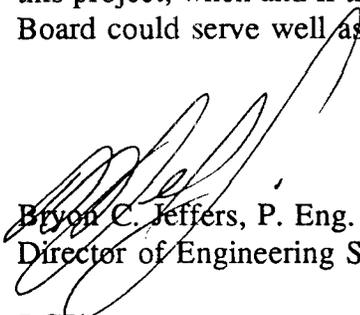
Presently, this roadway is slated for construction in 1996. This is based on predicting the need for the roadway. Several of the concerns voiced question the need for the roadway as opposed to other options such as widening 32 Street or directing traffic around Delburne Road.

Funding for capital work is at a premium. Construction of this roadway would not proceed unless the need for it was confirmed by further, more current study. Such a study would give full consideration to other options as well.

Should the project proceed, it would do so with extensive involvement from the public at large, interested environmental groups, and any person who has constructive comments to make.

In the event the project was to proceed at some time in the future, every reasonable attempt would be made to minimize environmental impact.

It would be my respectful recommendation to the Environmental Advisory Board that the concerns of the parties be heard. Following these representations, a resolution directing the Engineering Department to keep the Environmental Advisory Board aware of developments on this project, when and if they occur, in advance of their occurring. The Environmental Advisory Board could serve well as a liaison between the administration and concerned parties.



Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Engineering Services

BCJ/emg



MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 11, 1993
TO: Environmental Advisory Board
FROM: Paul Meyette
Principal Planner
SUBJECT: PROPOSED 28TH STREET (MOLLY BANNISTER DRIVE) EXTENSION

A number of letters have been received regarding the extension of 28th Street. These letters reflect the following concerns:

- the proposed extension of 28th Street to the west which would provide a second access to the Red Deer College; this access would involve the crossing of a meandering section of Waskasoo Creek
- the proposed extension of 28th Street to the east across Piper Creek to connect with 40th Avenue. This crossing could affect the existing park trail system as well as the existing wildlife corridor and creek alignment, depending upon its exact location and the environmental sensitivity of the design

COMMENTS:

28th Street East (access to the College)

The construction and exact location of this access will be a College responsibility; the College campus master plan is currently being updated and may provide a tentative location for this alignment. In addition, the City has requested that an outline plan be developed for the Bower/College lands. The environmental implications of this route could be explored further through the Outline Plan process which will include a public consultation process.

28th Street West (extension to 40th Avenue)

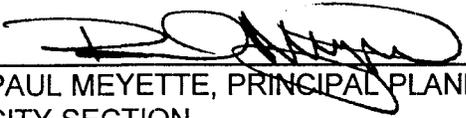
The City's transportation master plan recommends that 28th Street be extended eastward to relieve congestion on 32nd Avenue. The road is scheduled for construction in 1996 at the earliest. The demand for the road, and the exact alignment and the environmental implications require further study.

MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN COMMISSION AREA

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RECOMMENDATION:

Planning Staff support the recommendation of the Director of Community Services as detailed in his May 10 letter.



PAUL MEYETTE, PRINCIPAL PLANNER
CITY SECTION

Copy

Environmental Advisory Committee
Red Deer , Alberta

Dear Chairperson:

April 7/93

I wish to express my concern to the Environmental Advisory Committee regarding what I see as an alarming reduction in the number and quality of natural areas within the city of Red Deer. As a twenty year resident of Red Deer I have monitored the degradation of what I think is Red Deer's finest attraction. I was stimulated to write this letter by the public announcement of the 1996 extension of Molly Banister Drive through the Bower Woods to provide another east/west throughfare. This is another example of where long range public transport planning will compromise the quality of existing parks, reserves and trails. In addition, I am very surprised that this proposal and others like it are not routinely placed on the Cultural Advisory Committee's agenda. Surely, protection of natural areas is one of the committee's mandates.

Some examples of this degradation follow.

- Construction of the truck route in the early 80's destroyed most of a ravine through which Waskasoo Creek used to meander. Subsequent construction of the continuous corridor (Taylor Dr.) finished the job as well as resulted in the straightening of Waskasoo Cr. In cities like Kelowna, planners have jealously protected, preserved and enhanced creeks and ravines running through the city. Here we straighten them, install culverts and line the banks with boulders. There has been no serious attempt at revegetation. This has been no doubt left to organizations like CAGE and not deemed the responsibility and the expense of the road builders.
- Gaetz Lake Sanctuary survived many threats over it's long history but when east/west traffic flow necessitated the construction of the 67 th. St. bridge and road, a portion of the sanctuary was sacrificed. In an attempt to compromise local naturalists proposed wildlife underpasses which were never built. It appears that whenever there is a compromise between natural areas and development, the natural area always loses. Admirable attempts to re-vegetate the 67 th St. right-of-way may be for not if there is ever a plan to widen that road.
- Molly Banister Drive will bisect Bower Woods resulting in the destruction of a significant portion of a spruce forest and another disruption of the Devonian cycle trail. As a very frequent user of this trail I know that the most dangerous part of this trail link is at 55 th. St.,

Ross Street, and Spruce Dr. where the trail crosses busy streets. With Molly Banister we introduce yet another crossing. Wildlife underpasses cost money and in many cases have proven to be of limited effectiveness. In these days of economic restraint we know that they will not be built. Westward continuation of Molly Banister would logically continue past Taylor Drive providing a second access to Red Deer College. The natural area behind the College is a unique educational and recreational resource and the envy of all colleges in Alberta. This second access only becomes viable if Molly Banister becomes a throughway. Preservation of the College Natural Area has had the support of the Recreation, Parks, and Culture Board and support for it has appeared several times in the City's Recreational Masterplan. A road through here would eliminate the area as a wildlife reserve, recreational ski, walking and mountain biking area, and natural science educational resource. It is simply not big enough to absorb a road.

I am disturbed by the rationalization that I have heard from some city officials that even though this "small" area is being destroyed with a road, the city is adding to its natural area inventory with large tracts of land such as Maskapatoon. This reasoning is flawed because the amount of land that is left to be added to the park system is finite (probably all that is left is Spruce Woods) while the growth of the city and the expansion of roads appears infinite. For example, long range plans I saw during the information sessions on 67th St. show an eastward extension of 77th St. which will impact McKenzie Trail area and Three Mile Bend. Plans like these have a habit of becoming reality in Red Deer.

I believe that the long range plans for city growth and public transportation have not adjusted to the increased concern that people now have for a quality of life that is reflected in the number of green areas within the city. I am concerned that when planning roads like Molly Banister that **no road** never seems to be an option. I believe there are alternatives that need to be explored such as widening 32nd St. and improving the traffic light sequencing to facilitate traffic flow. Ringroad routing of traffic around Bower subdivision via the Delburne road to Taylor Drive is another solution. When does the public provide input and when does the Environmental Advisory Committee make recommendations on this proposal?

I believe that Red Deer has one of the strongest and most environmentally aware Parks Department in all of Alberta. I have the greatest respect for the Parks manager, Recreation and Culture Manager, and Director of Community Services who together have a history of making

sound environmental decisions. Unfortunately, it appears that the Engineering department has the highest priority in this City and that input by the Parks staff is often not heard. At best the Parks Dept. is forced to make the best of a bad situation.

I would like the Environmental Advisory Committee to be pro-active in the protection of parks, natural areas and trails in Waskasoo Park and Devonian trails. I believe finding an alternative to extending Molly Banister through Bower Woods is the first step towards a general moratorium on any inappropriate development in any part of our parks. The Red Deer Park system is a priceless resource planned with the input of the people of Red Deer and funded with public money (Heritage Trust Fund) and private donations. The value to the health and wellbeing of Red Deer's citizens is immeasurable.

I would appreciate having the opportunity to discuss this issue with the Committee possibly at the April Meeting.

yours sincerely,



Don Wales

cc. Red Deer Parks, Recreation, and Culture Board
Red Deer River Naturalists
Mayor Gail Surkan
CAGE
Regional Planning Commission

Mayor Gail Surkan
City of Red Deer
Red Deer, Alberta

April 7/93

Dear Gail

I am writing to you because I believe that you appreciate the significance of Red Deer's park and natural area in the general health and well being of the city's residents. I am alarmed by the relentless degradation of these areas over the last 20 years that I have lived in Red Deer. I believe that the engineering master plan for public transportation has not kept pace with the public concern for the protection of green spaces. Red Deer, with the foundation of its parks and trail system, has an opportunity to be a model for the use of alternate forms of public transport (such as cycling) yet we appear destined to repeat the mistakes of cities like Calgary and Los Angeles where the automobile has dictated regional planning. Construction of the 67 th. St. bridge and road at the expense of Gaetz Lake Sanctuary and the proposed extension of Molly Banister Drive through Bower Woods are just two examples of this. I am concerned about the lack of opportunities for public input for projects like these. I am amazed that these proposals are not front and centre on the agenda of the Environmental Advisory Committee. With the Molly Banister road as a starting point I hope to accomplish the following;

1. Work toward a moratorium on development of any portion of the Waskasoo Park system and the Devonian Trail system. Too much public time and money has gone into the planning and construction of these parks to have them eroded by outdated regional planning.
2. Establish a stronger role for the Environmental Advisory Committee. From what I have heard it has not been given the opportunity to be proactive in environmental protection issues. It is my understanding that many of the recommendations that are made by the Committee never make it to Council and that it has been reduced to a rubber stamping agency.
3. I would like to see an integrated program with the Public School System whereby schools adopt portions of Waskasoo Creek and Piper Creek to attempt to restore the health of these creeks through clean-ups, water quality studies and stewardship exercises. Ultimately I would like to see the development of a pride of ownership instilled in children for these areas and other that will make it impossible for developments like Molly Banister Dr. to be considered. This would be an extension of the cities "adopt-a-park" program.

4.. I would like to explore alternatives to new roads through existing green areas. For example, I believe that widening of 32 nd. St. and drastic improvements in traffic light sequencing as well as a ring road concept south of the city are viable alternatives of a new east/west corridor. I believe that NO ROAD needs to be an option in all cases.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this with you at sometime and ,in the spring explore the two areas that I feel will be most impacted by the Molly Banister road; namely the Bower Woods and the Red Deer College Natural area.

yours sincerely



Don Wales

Gail
I have endorsed a very timely issue of Environment Views which deals with the influence of the automobiles on urban design and quality of life.

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RED DEER, ALBERTA
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MARCH 30, 1993

Mrs. Gail Surkan, Mayor
The City of Red Deer
4914- 46 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear Mrs. Surkan:

We have concerns about the proposed Molly Bannister Extension. We disagree with the project because it threatens the sustainability of our community in the long term. We believe there should be a moratorium placed on any "development" in the natural and park areas of our city. Future generations will be much better served by land use policies which do not give the use of motor vehicles the highest priority.

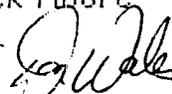
Therefore, we would like very much to ensure that there be well-publicized opportunities for public input on this issue.

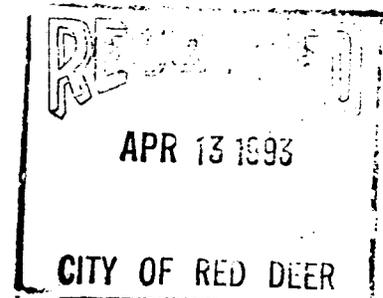
On the recommendation of a member of City Council, we are requesting information on the City's intentions surrounding the consultation process and date(s) of any public meetings. In addition, please indicate the stage at which the Environmental Advisory Board will be involved.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,


Rick Moore


Don Wales



Red Deer River Naturalists

P.O. BOX 785, RED DEER, ALBERTA, T4N 5H2

ANSWERING PHONE: 347-8200

April 27, 1993

THE CITY OF RED DEER
CLERK'S DEPARTMENTMayor and Council
The City of Red Deer
Red Deer, Alberta

RECEIVED
TIME 2:10 pm
DATE April 28/93
BY <i>C. Smith</i>

Re: Proposed Extension to Molly Bannister Drive

The Red Deer River Naturalists have studied press comments, letters, and the City's Engineering Department responses with regards to the planned eastward extension of Molly Bannister Drive through a sensitive area of Waskasoo Park.

We conclude that serious consideration should be given instead to the expansion of the Delburne Road as an alternative to the proposed Bannister Drive extension through Piper Creek. The Delburne Road is close, is widely recognized as being underutilized, is accessible, is linked to the new continuous corridor, and it has already compromised that upper portion of the Piper Creek natural environment when the road was constructed under County jurisdiction. More fully utilizing the existing Delburne Road would serve to divert unwanted automobile through-traffic away from the still intact sensitive natural section of the park system and from present and future quiet residential areas, and would not funnel additional through-traffic into the congestion already caused by an awkwardly placed shopping centre.

Therefore, prior to having the Engineers begin detailed design plans for the extension, we would ask Council to reconsider whether there are alternative routes for a major arterial corridor and whether there is really even a necessity for an additional major arterial route linking the major continuous corridor with the new and proposed residential areas as outlined in the present East Hill Area Structure Plan.

Although we are told that the proposed Molly Bannister extension through Piper Creek has existed as a line on a planning map for some time, the idea certainly has not received public scrutiny nor approval, and it was not even hinted at in the 1982 Waskasoo Park Master Plan when wide public input and discussion was invited and which resulted in many sound, cost saving, and popular ideas being incorporated into City planning philosophy.

An extension of Molly Bannister Drive would not only be environmentally costly. In a time of fiscal restraint, the road's construction cost in dollars would also seem highly questionable, and its maintenance costs would certainly add an additional and continuing tax burden. Both of these costs could be better used.

We suggest shifting those new road planning, construction, and maintenance funds towards additional public transportation and towards the expansion and improvement of existing and future safe bicycle traffic and path linkages. Such a shift

would be more environmentally friendly, more fiscally responsible, and far more appropriate for a community wishing to be known as a "City of Parks".

It is time that the hugely expensive and environmentally damaging subsidies we have in the past given unquestioningly to the automobile industry, be re-thought.

As presently proposed, the Molly Bannister roadway would in essence, bisect an important arm of the park. We would like Council to refer to the Waskasoo Park Master Plan and its commitment to protect and preserve wildlife corridors, and to also remember and relate their recent amendment to the Downtown West Redevelopment Plan "to preserve the environmental integrity of the river and the river banks". The Piper Creek valley is even more sensitive to the intrusion of insensitive engineering projects.

We would ask Council to indicate to the Planning and Engineering Departments that the environmental integrity of the park system along Piper Creek is to be maintained. Much of the wide appeal of Red Deer's park system is dependent on maintaining wildlife movement. The public's enjoyment of the park system is also largely dependent on the bicycle and walking trails remaining safe, quiet and tranquil, and not being interrupted by encounters with noisy, polluting, stress inducing traffic.

Respectfully,



 Sherry Scheunert
 Michael O'Brien
 for the Executive of the RDRN

3 March 1993

Mayor and Aldermen of the
City of Red Deer
4914 - 48 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta T4N 3T3

Re: Botterill Crescent Traffic Situation

Regretfully, I will be unable to attend the upcoming meeting between the Horizon Village Action Committee and the Bower Place Community Association.

However, as a resident of the Bower Place sub-division, I would like to come forward strongly in favour of what the Horizon Village Action Committee is proposing i.e. closing off the south end of Botterill Crescent.

I put forward the following arguments to support this opinion:

- Botterill Crescent is a residential Street which runs, of all places through a retirement village. Other major roads being Bremner Avenue and Molly Bannister Drive, are in place and are more than capable of handling all the traffic in this area. It does not seem right to allow through traffic to short cut through a residential area especially when other non-residential streets are in place to handle this traffic. I don't believe this is a policy the City of Red Deer wants to support.
- The stop signs, installed last year at the south end of Botterill Crescent do not work at all. They do nothing but frustrate the motorist, who after having to stop for nothing, steps on the gas even harder, resulting in even high speeds than before on Barrett Drive and Botterill Crescent.
- I have checked the following quite extensively and it is an absolute fact, that especially on shopping days over 50% of all traffic through Botterill Crescent consists of vehicles that either come from or go to the London Drugs business area via Barrett Drive and Boyce Street. In other words, the majority of traffic through Botterill crescent is not local Bower traffic at all, but pure through traffic which uses this route as a convenient short-cut, to avoid the lights and stress of 32nd Street and Gaetz Avenue, which is the route this traffic should be using to get from east Red Deer to the Gaetz Avenue commercial district.

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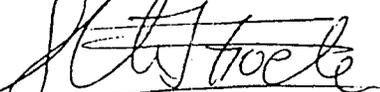
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Again it is all in the spirit of trying to keep through traffic off the residential streets and on the arterial roads.

- I understand that a safety concern by the Fire Department was the previous reason for not closing the south end of Botterill Crescent. It is not up to me to question the validity of this concern, however I firmly believe that our traffic department in conjunction with the fire department can work out a satisfactory solution to alleviate the latter's concerns, while putting regular traffic back on Bremner Avenue and Molly Bannister Drive.

As for the latest rumour that there are plans to extend Molly Bannister east through the Piper Cree Park area, I can only shake my head in disbelief and wait for firmer information. It is high time, that the citizen of Red Deer gets put on par with the motorist! *

Yours truly,



Hans te Stroete

cc to: City of Red Deer Traffic Department
cc to: Horizon Village Action Committee
cc to: Bower Place Community Association

Lorne Daniel column, Red Deer Advocate, Sunday, April 4

If only development were a two-way street

When was the last time you saw a headline which read "New wilderness area planned for north Red Deer," or "New creek added to west country?" Have you ever heard RDTV news open with the announcement, "Realtor plans massive new natural area on former parking lot?"

Development, it seems, is a one way street. A high speed one way street, with three express and double dedicated turn lanes.

It's interesting how our language frames our perceptions. Take the word development. Do forests or grasslands develop? Of course. But development, in our 20th century definition, means roads, factories, houses, and 7-11 stores and (if we're really lucky) a cluster of six or eight nursery-grown evergreens.

We use the term vacant property to describe land without buildings or roads. I don't know about you, but I have yet to see land that was truly vacant.

So in the name of development we merrily tear down an incredibly complex natural environment and replace it with our raw, incredibly simple, designed environment. We relentlessly chip away at a natural world that is, we seem to forget, irreplaceable.

Two recently announced developments continue these trends, albeit in differing ways.

Take the plan to extend Molly Banister Drive (28 St.) east through Piper Creek ravine. This is so ludicrous, I want to laugh. Then cry. The apparent rationale is that the three minute detour to 32 Street or Delburne road will soon be too much for us.

We call this "the city of parks," but if that means sacrificing automotive convenience, forget it. The slogan does not, it seems, indicate a willingness to spend three more minutes getting to work, so that after the working day is done we can walk in a relatively undisturbed natural area.

If we're going to rip through the Bower ravine with asphalt, I think we should do the same on the Grandview and Pines escarpments, Coronation Park, and the natural area south of the college. It's all vacant land, after all,

and we need to be able to drive between any two points in town in four minutes flat, right?

On another front, the new downtown west plan would see the area from Superstore west to the river evolve into a business and residential district. Initially, this has a ring of common sense. Property owners in the area are keen to convert low-rent industrial space to higher revenue office and residential space. The planners don't like the current motley mix of warehouses, gravel piles, stores and apartments. And of course there's the problem of that unsightly vacant land.

But the solution, while satisfying property owners because it will make them money, proposes to dump 5000 people into an area now inhabited by a few hundred in the day, and none at night. To quote the proposal, "a high density housing development at this site would have the effect of opening up the river valley to community and residential use." No kidding. Opening up, as in plundering and trammeling? Do the planners realize that Waskasoo Park in this area is an extremely thin belt featuring a bike path and a couple metres of bush perched on an eroding river bank?

The park, I hate to tell the planners, is already open to community use. I'm there about 200 times a year. So are foxes, who appreciate the quiet of the city storage yards at night, after the civil servants have headed home to Morrisroe or Normadeau. Until the Taylor bridge twinning tore it all apart, herons used to walk the river's islands at dusk.

Having seen what grows on schoolyards, I can imagine what would be left of the river valley corridor after a few years of use by the thousand or so kids who would be stacked in those boring high density high rises.

And what will these new residents' parents do? The planners' answer is a restaurant planted smack in the middle of the city's only continuous wildlife corridor. It would be on stilts, so the animals could walk underneath, I am told. Very Disney, this concept. Eat burgers and watch Bambi walk below.

Let's get serious. This is a plan designed to make a number of business people money. Just don't try to sell it to us under the guise of enhancing the area.

Where is the plan to develop the park, expand it, or create new parks? If we won't or can't build new natural areas, why are we so eager to expose the existing ones to the ravages of cars and kids? Developer's dollars, perhaps?

I must admit, this planning process is admirably open. I attended a public information meeting at the old firehall and pondered the future on color coded planning commission maps. But in an Advocate story headlined "Downtown plans embraced," the most telling sentence read "Most of the visitors had some professional or financial interest in the area." Of course they embraced the plans.

The suits will have their say.

The rest of us, the majority of whom don't wear suits if we can avoid it, are too busy working, taking kids to piano, and watching Home Improvement.

I know developers are, like me, busy earning a living. They happen to earn a living by building warehouses and apartments for the rest of us. But let's hope that the decision makers on the planning commission and city council remember that the trees don't have advocates. The foxes don't have a three piece pin-striped lawyer representing them in council chambers.

When listening to the glorious sales pitches of that small interest group known as the business community, let's remember that there are other interests, and they do not always have voices.

May 18, 1993

Environmental Advisory Board
City of Red Deer

Re: MOLLY BANISTER DRIVE

Further to Mayor Surkan's letter to me on April 29, the following are comments which I believe your Board and City Council should take into consideration regarding the proposed extension of Molly Bannister Drive.

There is no doubt that an extension of Molly Bannister Drive would provide a more direct route between Bower and Anders areas. There is also no doubt it would ease traffic congestion on other east-west routes in south Red Deer.

At the same time, there is no doubt that the construction would cost taxpayers a significant amount of money, disrupt the natural environment, impair recreational use of Bower Woods, and decrease the aesthetic appeal of our city.

The construction of a major artery through a significant arm of Waskasoo Park would call into question our city's priorities, and our commitment to our "City of Parks" reputation. As a natural area, Bower Woods is irreplaceable. Grassed "green spaces" or groves of trees in new suburbs cannot replace the aesthetic and biological diversity of a natural area.

The question, therefore, is largely one of community values. In recent years, more and more citizens of Red Deer have come to value its parks. We recognize that this is a precious resource which can not be duplicated or relocated. Roads, however, can be widened elsewhere.

While the Bannister extension may be attractive from the narrow perspective of traffic flow, that alone would not justify its construction. This community, I believe, is prepared to sacrifice a few minutes of travel time in order to preserve something much more valuable in the long run — the Bower Woods.

I understand that engineering studies have been done of the proposed extension, but I would be surprised if these considered the wide range of environmental and recreational issues involved, or if they included significant community input on such issues. Because this is more than a traffic flow issue, traffic flow studies are only one part of a complete community review.

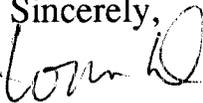
While the Drive has apparently been shown on some previous planning documents, it has not received full public scrutiny on its own merits.

A few weeks ago, I wrote a newspaper column questioning the logic of the Molly Bannister extension. Public response to that column has been consistent: people of all ages and backgrounds have told me they agree with the column's opposition to the Drive extension.

The alternatives seem obvious to the many citizens who have spoken to me: expand and enhance access to the existing corridors — 32 Street and Delburne Road — rather than extending Bannister Drive.

My recommendation would be that the Environmental Committee recommend to Council that Molly Bannister Drive not be extended through Bower Woods. As a bare minimum, a thorough community-based study of the issue should be conducted to seriously examine alternatives and community perspectives.

I appreciate this opportunity to express my views, and those of other community members, regarding this significant issue. My thanks to you and Mayor Surkan for the invitation to participate in this process.

Sincerely,


Lorne Daniel

cc. Mayor Surkan

Citizens Action Group on the
Environment
#1, 6300 45 Ave.
RED DEER, AB.

May 14, 1993

Mayor and Council
The City of Red Deer
RED DEER, AB.

RE: Proposed Extension to Molly Bannister Drive

C.A.G.E. has been following with concern the planned eastward extension of Molly Bannister Drive through Waskasoo Park and Piper Creek. Our concerns are related to the environmental impact of the extension. As I use the bicycle path through that area frequently to travel from my home in Parkvale to my place of employment at Bower Mall I am very familiar with the area. Thus I agreed to make this submission on behalf of C.A.G.E.

The section of Waskasoo Park in question contains some of Red Deer's most beautiful old growth forest. It is home to many species of wildlife; I have had the honour of seeing deer, fox, squirrels, and many species of birds enjoying this habitat. The seasonal rising and falling water levels in Piper Creek help to sustain the native plant material along its banks. If the creek is compromised by more development through it what will be the impact on this ecosystem? What will the effects be on the wildlife? How many thousands of dollars worth of trees and shrubs will be removed and what will this, compounded by increased automobile traffic, do to impact air quality and greenhouse gas emissions? How will the public feel about another serious compromise of their beloved Waskasoo Parks system? These are all questions that need to be addressed with full public participation before any further design plans and engineering dollars are spent.

As you know the Citizens Action Group on the Environment is the coordinating body for the Trees by 2000 project. This past weekend we planted 400 trees along the new bike path adjacent to the continuous corridor. We may never begin to reclaim or undue the environmental damage caused by the road construction in that area or understand its effects on Waskasoo Creek. The value of plant material removed during these developments is not factored into the costs, but if they were we would perhaps consider our developments more carefully. We are very concerned that the city is about to tie into an additional major arterial route through an equally sensitive ecological area. Our Trees by 2000 project means nothing if existing forests are not protected.

We understand that public input will be solicited on this issue and we strongly support that process. C.A.G.E. would suggest that the Planning and Engineering Departments carefully consider all alternatives to extending Molly Bannister Drive eastward.

The City of Red Deer has made a commitment to its citizens through the Waskasoo Parks Master Plan to preserve the integrity of natural areas and wildlife corridors. The public is passionate about their trail system and should be allowed open public process on any decisions affecting the parks system. We would ask that Council give prompt consideration to these concerns.

Respectfully,



Teresa Neuman
for
C.A.G.E.

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Red Deer, Alberta
May 18, 1993

City Environmental Advisory Board
City Hall
Red Deer

Attention : Mr. Don Batchelor

My sister, Ruth Bower, and I, Dorothy Bower, are the owners of the quarter section east of Bower Place and through which the proposed extension of Molly Banister Drive would pass.

In the Advocate we read there is to be an Environmental Advisory Board meeting on Tuesday to give the public an opportunity to voice their concerns about this road. We too have some concerns that we would like to state and would be pleased to have you read our letter to the Board at their meeting.

We know the City has the right to take land for a road. A couple months ago an article in the Advocate stated that the owners of the land east of Molly Banister Drive were in approval of the proposed road. This is not really so. The survey line for the road shows this quarter will be cut in half by the road. We are actively farming so it is understandable that we would not be willing sellers -- just merely telling ourselves to accept the road if it is inevitable.

We wonder about the need for the road. We do not plan to sell, develop or subdivide in the foreseeable future. A road through Bower Woods and across our quarter section would have no need for access or exits for the full distance to 40 Avenue. We were told a major pumping station is required for utility

services to supply the south-east area of the City. Until then the City cannot develop in this direction. With these two concerns in mind the City might consider improving 30 Avenue to the Delburne Road to ease the traffic on 32 Street until such time that it is evident the road will be needed.

We are concerned about the wildlife which we enjoy very much. With city development on all sides of us there is an abundance of wildlife along Piper Creek and on the rest of our farm. It is not unusual to see a dozen deer in our yard. This farm has belonged to our family for 90 years so we have a strong attachment to the land.

Through the years the City has been very fair and considerate to us in all our dealings with them. We know the Council will consider carefully all aspects of the proposed road extension before making a decision.

Yours truly,

Lorothy J. Bower
Ruth C. Bower

23 Selkirk Blvd
Red Deer
May 18, 1993

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Mayor
City of Red Deer

Mayor Surkan,

I am writing this letter to express my deep concern over the proposed eastward extension of Molly Bannister Drive through Piper Creek and the Bower Woods. My concern is based on several factors including:

1. The very negative impact on the wildlife that uses that area to live as well as a corridor for travelling up and down the creek system. I live in Sunnybrook and spend as many hours as possible wandering through this area. I have seen a Great Horned owl on several occasions, many trail signs of deer and even an occasional sighting, pileated woodpeckers and many other birds. I understand that an occasional moose wanders into the area. Red Deer should be proud of this accomplishment and be working diligently to preserve and promote these opportunities, not destroy them. I have lived in many areas of Canada and travelled extensively and I can honestly say that Red Deer is the only city which is, to this point, as wildlife friendly. If this extension goes through I think it is realistic to assume that these animals would move from the area. They can only stand so much intrusion. This would be a great loss for the city of Red Deer.

2. The economics of the proposal. I really must question the need to spend what can only be millions of dollars on a road that will, supposedly, decrease travel time for a relatively very few people living in south east Red Deer. There are many creative alternatives that could be implemented. This extension was initially proposed in the 1970's. We know a lot more about the environment then we did then, we know the detrimental effects of roads and increased car use, we know the importance of access to natural areas for the life and health of the community and its members. What about improving public transportation? What about Delburne Road?

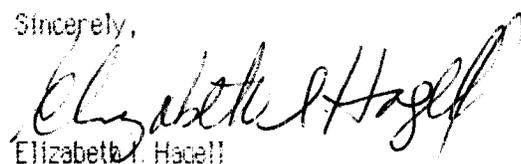
3. If this proposal is approved then the floodgates to ever more road construction will be open. Now is the time to say "no" to more road construction and "yes" to creative cost effective and environmentally friendly alternatives. Red Deer does not need to reinvent the wheel to find alternatives. Many other cities in North America and in Europe have grappled with these issues and found new ways of doing things. Surely Red Deer has the resources and skills to find creative alternatives to knocking down trees and slapping down asphalt. It doesn't take a lot of brains to do that. It does, however, take both intelligence and a commitment to the future to be creative and do things differently and what better time to try then now.

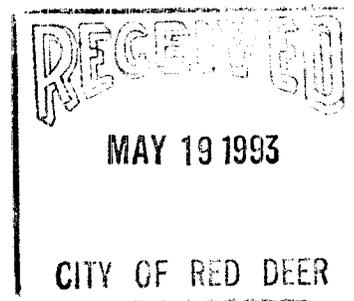
I urge you, Mayor Surkan and the members of City Council to consider a moratorium on any further construction through sensitive natural areas and to examine alternative ways of improving transportation within the city.

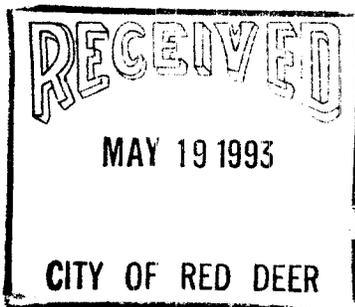
The City of Red Deer does not need an extension to Molly Bannister Drive, it does need a city council with a vision for the future that is environmentally friendly and economically sound and the courage to make that vision a reality.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Elizabeth L. Hagell





April 27, 1993

Mayor and Council
The City of Red Deer
Red Deer, Alberta

Re: Proposed Extension to Molly Bannister Drive

The Red Deer River Naturalists have studied press comments, letters, and the City's Engineering Department responses with regards to the planned eastward extension of Molly Bannister Drive through a sensitive area of Waskasoo Park.

We conclude that serious consideration should be given instead to the expansion of the Delburne Road as an alternative to the proposed Bannister Drive extension through Piper Creek. The Delburne Road is close, is widely recognized as being underutilized most of the time, is accessible, is linked to the new continuous corridor, and it has already compromised that upper portion of the Piper Creek natural environment when the Delburne road was constructed under County jurisdiction. More fully utilizing the existing Delburne Road would serve to divert unwanted automobile through-traffic away from the still intact sensitive natural section of the park system and from present and future quiet residential areas, and would not funnel additional through-traffic into the congestion already caused by an awkwardly placed shopping centre.

Therefore, prior to having the Engineers begin detailed design plans for the extension, we would ask Council to consider the alternatives to building a new major arterial corridor and to decide whether there is really even any necessity at all for an additional major arterial route linking the major continuous corridor with the new and proposed residential areas as outlined in the present East Hill Area Structure Plan. (** see addendum 1)

Although we are told that the proposed Molly Bannister extension through Piper Creek has existed as a line on a planning map for some time, the idea certainly has not received wide public scrutiny nor approval, and it was not even hinted at in the 1982 Waskasoo Park Master Plan when wide public input and discussion was invited and which resulted in many sound, cost saving, popular, and valid ideas being incorporated into City planning philosophy.

An extension of Molly Bannister Drive would not create and unacceptable environmental cost. In a time of fiscal restraint, the road's construction cost in dollars would also seem highly questionable, and the roads maintenance costs would certainly add an additional and continuing tax burden. Both capital and maintenance funds could be better used to maintain and improve the quality of life in Red Deer.

We suggest shifting those new road planning, construction, and ongoing

maintenance funds towards additional public transportation and towards the expansion and improvement of existing and future safe bicycle traffic and path linkages. Such a shift would be more environmentally friendly, more fiscally responsible, and far more appropriate for a community many wish to have known as a "City of Parks". (see addendum 2)

It is time that the hugely expensive and environmentally damaging subsidies we have in the past directed unquestioningly to the automobile industry, be re-thought.

As presently proposed, the Molly Bannister extension would in essence, bisect an important and attractive arm of the park. We would like Council to refer to the thoughtfully developed Waskasoo Park Master Plan and its commitment to protect and preserve wildlife corridors within the City. We would also ask Council to remember and relate their very recent amendment to the Downtown West Redevelopment Plan which was, quote "to preserve the environmental integrity of the river and the river banks". The Piper Creek valley is even more sensitive to the intrusion of insensitive engineering projects.

Much of the wide appeal of Red Deer's park system is dependent on maintaining wildlife movement. The public's enjoyment of the park system is also largely dependent on the bicycle and walking trails remaining safe, quiet and tranquil, and not being interrupted by unnecessary encounters with noisy, polluting, stress-inducing traffic. Therefore, we would ask Council to indicate to the Planning and to the Engineering Departments that the environmental integrity of the park system along Piper Creek is to be maintained.

Respectfully,

Sherry Scheunert
Michael O'Brien
for the Executive of the RDRN

ADDENDUM ONE

We are told that this road plan was open to public input at time of East Hill Structure Plan hearings. The nature of the advertising or publicity for these hearings certainly did not alert our organization to the fact that the regional park was to be compromised. Consequently we did not make an attempt to attend. Was the Environmental Advisory Board specifically invited to attend? This is an environmental matter

It is admitted that 32nd street traffic is often conjected at the Spruce Drive intersection. The addition of a north turning lane onto Spruce Drive should do very little in the way of environmental damage, probably none if a retaining wall were used instead of a shallow

side slope. The creek valley need not be effected at all.

We wish to express our concern that other environmentally sensitive areas might similarly be subject to damage. This might be through the profit objectives of some developer, the need by the City Engineers to seek out a new project to keep themselves busy, or the obliging attitude of some new City staff or Administrator who may not fully appreciate the strong feelings of Red Deer citizens towards continuing the long held attitude of conservation and love of nature that has drawn so many people to this City.

Therefore, we also ask the Environmental Advisory Board to recommend to Council that well publicized invitations for public input should be made mandatory before expensive traffic studies are conducted into any environmentally sensitive area, for example the treed lands to the south of the college, or the newly annexed land south of Heritage Ranch, or other areas where valuable environmentally sensitive land is to be found.

ADDENDUM TWO

Note that in suggesting that no additional east/west route be constructed between Ross Street and the Delburne Road, we are proposing a 3 quarter section gap between major east/west routes. This is about the same distance as between the east/west Ross Street and 67th Street. The distance between Ross Street and 32nd Street is somewhat shorter, as is logical, for it should be remembered that these two routes serve the densely populated downtown business district.

Why, we wonder, should it be necessary to consider spending more public funds for the convenience of people on the south & south east sections of the City than on the north Red Deer business and residential areas?

Traffic studies were used to justify the need for the Molly Bannister extension. However, these traffic movement studies clearly must have been done prior to the construction of the costly new Taylor Way Continuous Corridor. That new corridor obviously makes traffic movement from 32nd Street to the Delburne Road flow more efficiently. In fact, the additional time from the Molly Bannister or 28th Street intersection to the Delburne Road intersection on the new Continuous Corridor is approximately 60 seconds. Would the saving of no more than one minute in travelling time be worth: the environmental damage to wildlife and the park system, plus the inconvenience and danger and annoyance to cyclists and pedestrians using the Piper Creek path system, plus and the hundreds of thousands of dollars the Bannister extension would cost taxpayers. We think not.

ADDENDUM THREE

In an informal traffic study of our own in which we timed and averaged several trips along the new Taylor Drive continuous corridor, the following were typical or average times between the various major east to west roads:

From Ross Street to 32nd Street = 125 seconds ie. 2 min & 5 seconds.
 From 32nd street to 28th Street = 40 seconds ie. 2/3 minute.
 From 32nd street to Delburne Rd = 100 seconds ie. 1 min & 40 seconds.

We also looked at the times involved in the North half of town going from one major east/west roadway to another. From 67th to 55th Street and Ross Street on either Gaetz Avenue or 49th Avenue is difficult to time because traffic lights almost always delayed us, but without stops the time would be about as follows:

	north via 49th	south via Gaetz
Ross to 55th	= 40 seconds	= 40
55th to 67th	= 120 seconds	= 115
67th to 77th	= 150 seconds	= 150

One should note that 55th is not really a major east west corridor since it funnels into Ross Street; it is more similar to Spruce Drive which funnels eastbound traffic on to 32nd.

While lacking the sophistication of a multi-thousand dollar study, our volunteer study taking a half hour and a gallon of gas was successful in measuring the thing which matters most to most motorists: how long does it take to get from here to there.

This informal survey again suggests that the south and east sides of the City would be provided more convenience than afforded the North end of the City if the Bannister (28th Street) is pushed through. More importantly, it shows a very short travelling time for the 4 block interval between 32nd Street and 28th Street, and a quite average travelling time between 32nd and the Delburne Road.

C.C. L. Pimm

4409 Sprengbett Dr
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Dear Mayor Gail Surban,

I am writing regarding the article in Today's Advertiser, "Proposed Road Upsets Max". I agree totally with Don Wales' opinions regarding the extension of the Molly Bonniester road through Bowen Woods. I cannot believe that this proposal is still being considered. I feel too much consideration is given to motorists. Saving a few minutes here or there seems to be so terribly important. We should be encouraged to use our cars less, not encouraged to demand more easy access all the time. Taking a road named after a beautiful person such as Molly Bonniester, through one of our beautiful natural areas seems like a poor way to remember one of our well-known citizens.

Please consider carefully and change this decision before irrevocable damage is done.

Sincerely,
 Norma Martin

Proposed road upsets man

by Nora Dirdrichsen,
Sunday Express Staff

A Red Deer man has submitted a letter to city council condemning plans for the proposed extension of Molly Banister Drive across Piper Creek, scheduled to begin in '96.

Don Wales believes that if extension plans proceed the road will bisect Bower Woods and result in destruction of the forested area.

Wales also opposes the potential encroachment of roads into the natural area behind the college and the McKenzie trail area.

In his letter, Wales cited several previous road extensions over the years which he feels were environmentally unsound projects. "It appears," he said, "that whenever there is a compromise between natural areas and development, the natural area always loses."

In response to Wales letter, Alderman Larry Pimm suggested that Red Deer citizens have a chance to

"formally comment on the Molly Banister extension proposal before it is implemented." The Engineering Department has given their support to including the public in all stages of planning and design.

Bryan Jeffers, director of Engineering Services summarized the Engineering Department's stance in a memo to City Hall.

He explained that the extension of Molly Banister Drive was first proposed in the East Hill Concept Plan in the '70's. "These plans preceded the development of Waskasoo Park and the bicycle/pedestrian network," Jeffers said. "The need for this road has been addressed in four independent transportation studies since 1976.

Notwithstanding..., the Engineering Department is very cognizant of the environmental sensitivities of the project. We recognize that any new roadway must be designed in such a manner that impact on the creek, natural vegetation, and the wildlife are minimized."

The issue will be addressed at a May 18 Special Council meeting.

Patrick.J.Shields
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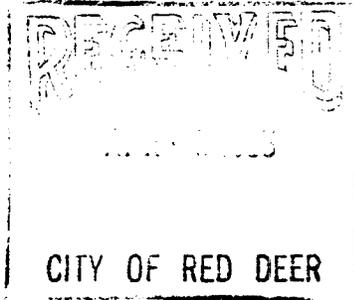
Attention: City Clerks

City of Red Deer

P.O. Box 5008

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To whom it may concern,



I have learned of the city of Red Deer's proposal to extend Molly Banister drive. It is my understanding that the road would extend through a wooded ravine along Piper Creek.

It is in my opinion that the development of this road is damaging to the existing ecosystem in the Spruce and is also not needed. The constant exposure to carbon monoxide could and would seriously damage the creek and surrounding vegetation.

It is quite obvious that the citizens of Red Deer have survived this long without the need of the proposed road. It would also seem that the only need for the road would be for a small minority of Red Deerians to save time reaching certain destinations.

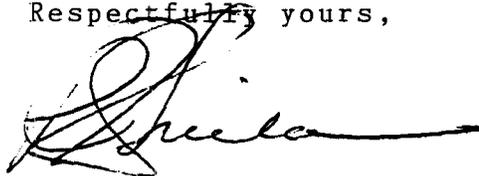
It is also my understanding that the road will destroy the existing cycle trail that I'm sure many families and leisurists use for recreation, not to mention damaging certain wildlife movements of animal that inhabit the forest.

I believe that the citizens of Red Deer and their planning advisors have a moral obligation to the environment and should try to protect as much of it as we can.

Just imagine what kind of example we could set for the young people of Red Deer and other communities.

I am urgently awaiting your reply in the next few weeks on this matter and sincerely thank you for your time.

Respectfully yours,

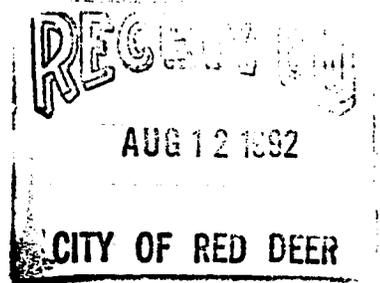
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Patrick J. Shields

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Heather Sturke
36 Brown Close,
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July 31, 1992

Mayor McEhee, City Councillors,
City Hall,
Red Deer, Alberta



Dear sirs and madams,

My husband and I are extremely concerned to hear that Council is entertaining the proposal of an extension of Molly Kanister Drive through to Sunnybrook.

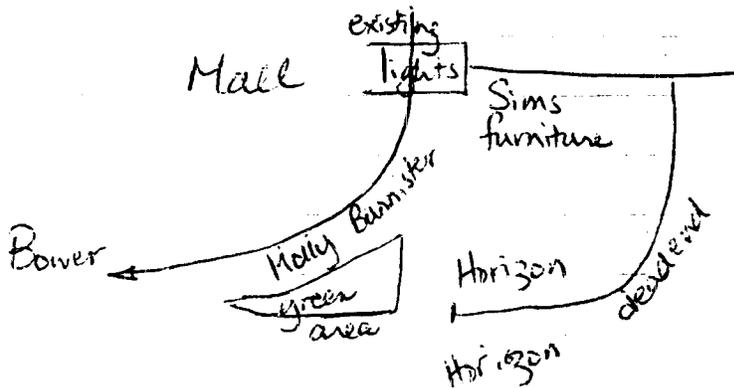
I feel that you may be swayed by a comparatively small minority of vocal Bowser residents should you agree to this. We've already seen this in your decision to place first a yield and then a stop sign on a thoroughfare. I recognize their concerns as to do with speed but it was the developer's decision to build on both sides of that extension of Barrett drive and ~~then~~ the residents decision to locate there.

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We have grave concerns about disrupting our bike path system. It is a safe route for our children and ourselves to cycle, jog, walk. We do not impede traffic in using this system.

Leaving the park system as is provides a green buffer to the Bower Community which is otherwise encircled by major road links.

I would suggest giving the Bower Community back the semi-circle route to the lights on Molly Bannister and sealing off the 'Horizon' Village area as a dead end.



I am sure that you will earnestly consider the wishes of the families of Bower.

I would like notification of a public meeting on discussion of road changes proposed in this area.

Yours truly,
Heather Steinker

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February 17, 1993

Alderman R. E. Schnell
City Hall
4914 - 48 Avenue
RED DEER, Alberta

Dear Mr. Schnell:

I have read with a great deal of alarm, the proposed extension of the Molly Bannister Drive through the Canyon to the East.

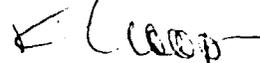
I can't imagine any City Council in its right mind agreeing to a proposal that would route major traffic through the canyon as it now stands.

The canyon area in the heart of Red Deer is a very unique and valuable resource for a city of this size. It is well used by the citizenry and serves as small haven for our wildlife. It is recreationally sound and in my opinion quite fragile.

Surely another way could be found to deal with the traffic problems. How about widening the Delburne road to a four-lane highway for starters.

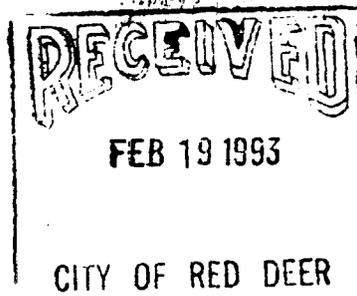
I would urge the mayor and counsellor members to very strongly resist any encroachment upon the canyon throughout its whole length from the Delburne road clear down to the river. There is all kinds of property in this area and there are miles and miles of roads and surely these thoughts can be kept in mind when you're contemplating tinkering with one of the truly valuable assets of this city.

Yours sincerely,


R. C. Cooper M.D.

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cc: Mayor Gail Surkan



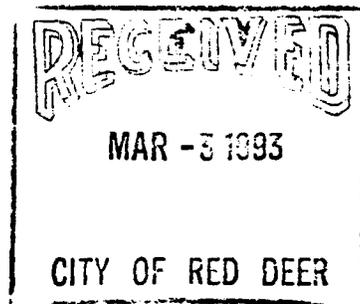
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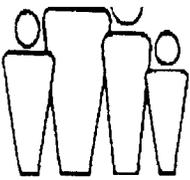
Mayor Gail Surkan & City Councilors
 City Hall
 Red Deer, Alta.

Dear Mrs Surkan & Councilors:

As a resident of Red Deer (and tax payer), I am very concerned about the proposed extension of Molly Bannister Drive. I cannot believe that anyone could condone the destruction of this beautiful natural area for a roadway.

Sincerely,
 Maxine Weston





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Bower Place Community Association

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May 6, 1993

Mayor and Council
The City of Red Deer
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RE: Proposed extension of Molly Bannister Drive

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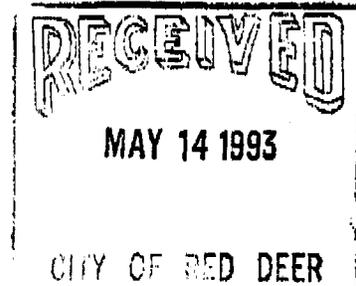
Looking forward to an early reply.

Thanks.

Sincerely,

Marlene Bennett

MARLENE BENNETT
President, Bower Place Community Assoc.
59 Bunn Cres.
Red Deer, Alta T4R 1K9
cc: Ken Haslop, City Engineering Dept.
Paul Meyette, Planning Commission
Michael O'Brien, Red Deer River Naturalists



Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Environmental Advisory Board. The review of the need for the extension of Molly Bannister Drive and possible alternatives could be undertaken in conjunction with the Transportation Study Update which is planned in the next two to three years. This study is a comprehensive review of the City's transportation needs in the short medium and long term. We would anticipate undertaking the update prior to any further planning and design work on this road being undertaken. Council should be aware that this will significantly increase the costs of the Transportation Study Update which would normally not deal at this level of detail or include an evaluation of environmental impact.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

Council
May 25/93

#22 - 2821 Botterill Cr.
Red Deer, Alberta T4R 2E5
June 7, 1993

file

Engineering Department
City of Red Deer

Dear Sir:

I am writing to express my concern over the proposed extension of Molly Bannister Drive through Bower Woods.

Your department is not unaware of the fact, I am sure, that this extension would cut a swath through one of the prettiest wooded areas in Red Deer, It is home to a wide variety of flora and fauna, including deer, foxes, coyotes, owls, etc., all of which we have seen as we walked the trails along Piper Creek. Every evening I see dozens of Red Deer residents, whole families - Father, Mother and children - hiking or biking the trail, It is an important link in a city-wide park system which sets Red Deer above all other Alberta cities.

When we began to think of retiring from the farm, we visited several communities before we made the decision to come to Red Deer, We looked at Stettler, Strathmore, Calgary, Cochrane and Airdrie but when we came to your beautiful city it didn't take us long to decide this was for us, In the four years we have been here my husband and I have walked for miles along the picturesque trails in MacKenzie Park, Bower Ponds and Kin Canyon, Is yet another chunk of this beauty to be sacrificed to accommodate the automobile?

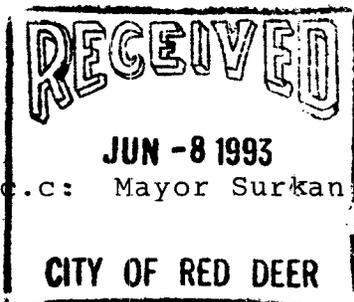
Just one more thought - I understand that Mr, Bower GAVE this land along Piper Creek to the city for a park, to be used and enjoyed by people of all ages, Is the City not under an obligation to keep the land for the purpose he intended?

If Red Deer continues to carve up its beautiful parks to accommodate the automobile, they will lose the #1 drawing card for attracting people to settle here. Please don't continue to squander what other communities wish they had.

Yours truly,

A. E. Crisp

A. E. Crisp



Council file

040-1004K

June 1, 1993

Mrs. Marlene Bennett
Bower Place Community Association
Box 1231
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 0S6

Dear Mrs. Bennett:

RE: PROPOSED EXTENSION OF MOLLY BANISTER DRIVE

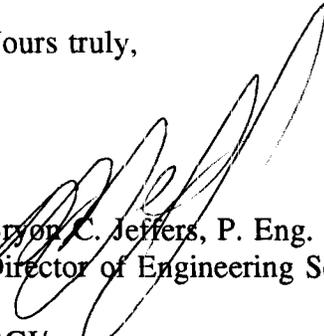
Thank you for your letter of May 6, 1993, relating to the subject topic. As I am sure you are aware, this proposal has caught the attention of several individuals and environmental groups. Many of these groups spoke at a recent Environmental Advisory Board meeting. Subsequent to these presentations, the Environmental Advisory Board passed a number of resolutions for presentation to City Council at their meeting of May 25, 1993.

I have attached a copy of all of these resolutions for your information.

Should the project continue to be considered in the future, extensive public impact will be sought.

I would like to thank you for your generous offer of assistance in this issue. It is quite likely that we will take you up on your offer, if the project continues to develop.

Yours truly,



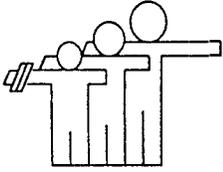
Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Engineering Services

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Att.



Copy to: Council 93/06/16

NORMANDEAU SCHOOL



61 Noble Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta T4P 2C4

342-0727

May 18, 1993

The Mayor and City Council

The City of Red Deer

City Hall

Red Deer AB

file

Dear Mayor Surkan,

Please do not destroy a beautiful forest just to put some road through it. Trees are living things: they breath air, they drink water, they grow. If you cut them down you kill them. What kind of a person could even think of being so cruel?

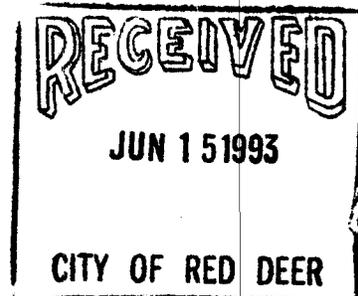
A road through there might be nice if you weren't killing trees.

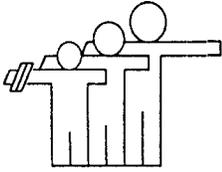
Don't make the road!

Sincerely,

Terence Robinson

Terence Robinson





NORMANDEAU SCHOOL

61 Noble Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta T4P 2C4

342-0727

May 17, 1993

The Mayor and City Council
The City of Red Deer
City Hall
Red Deer AB

Dear Mayor Surkan,

We don't think you should put a street through our forest. No cars should be able to drive through it. Where are the animals we saw when we went orienteering going to live? It is too beautiful to pollute with car fumes and gas. A road really doesn't fit that beautiful piece of land.

Why do you have to have the road there, why couldn't you put it somewhere else? You have good roads all around the college. We don't understand why you need another road.

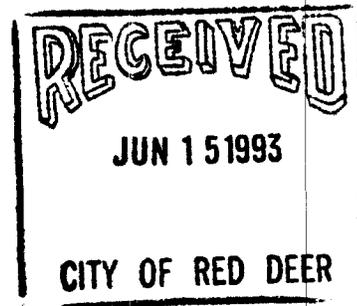
When we went orienteering in the beautiful woods that you want to tear down, we really enjoyed looking at the animals roaming that beautiful piece of land.

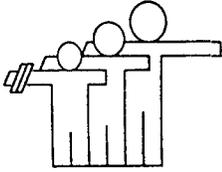
Yours Truly,


Natalie Larkam


Selena Gower

P.S. I hope you have second thoughts.





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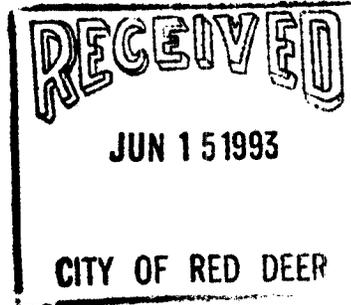
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The Mayor and City Council
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Dear Mayor Gail Surkan,

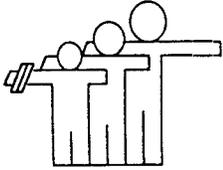


This letter is about the road that is going to go behind the collage. I was orienteering in that area. I saw a deer and two skunks. I liked going orienteering this year, and I'm sure my brother and the grade 4's would like to go orienteering next year in the same area. Please save that area, don't ruin it.

Sincerely,

Adam Morison

Adam Morison
grade 5



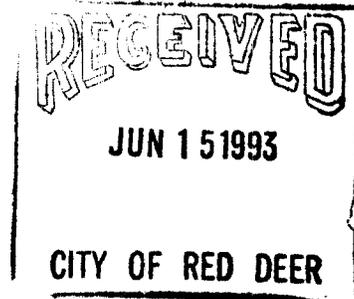
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61 Noble Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta T4P 2C4

342-0727

May 18, 1993

The Mayor and City Council
The City of Red Deer
City Hall
Red Deer AB
Dear Mayor Gail Surkan,



Before you make your decision official, for the building of the road across Piper Creek, we would like to offer some suggestions on why you shouldn't build the road.

There is a lot of wildlife in the park, and a lot of plants. By building this road you will destroy plants and wildlife. You will ruin their habitat, endanger the animals in that area and destroy the scenery.

Last fall all the Normandeau Grade 5 students took an orienteering course by the Piper Creek. We saw a lot of wildlife. The air was fresh and clean, the animals were free and careless. The scenery was breathtaking, but by building the road you will destroy everything that deserves to live.

One thing leads to another. More and more trees will be cut down. Stop the killing of the plants and animals in the Red Deer area.

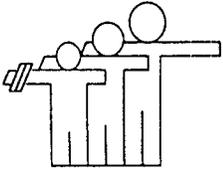
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Sincerely,

Raquel Sara 

Kyla McWade 

Kyla McWade and Raquel Lara



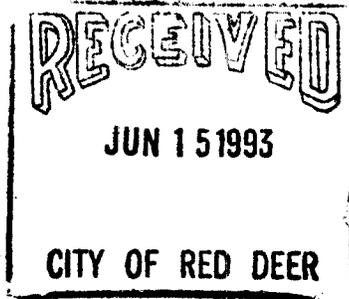
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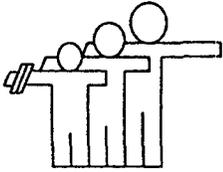


I heard that you are planning to tear down part of the forest in behind the college to build a road. I know its not my decision, but I don't think you should tear down the forest. Early in the school year the grade fives at our school did some orienteering. And when we were there most kids saw some wildlife. Its bad enough that there are bike trails, but now a road? When my mom was in school she used to go to the forest and watch deer, but the trees are going to get cut down and deer won't come to feed in the forest anymore but I will respect your descision, I still think you shouldn't cut down the trees and build a road,

Sincerely,

April Matthias

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NORMANDEAU SCHOOL

61 Noble Avenue, Red Deer, Alberta T4P 2C4

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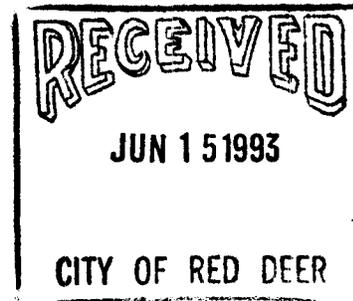
May 17, 1993

Mayor Gail Surkan and Council

The City of Red Deer

City Hall

Red Deer AB



I don't think that you should put a road in the forest area of the Red Deer College. You could make lots of wild life get killed or something else bad might happen. Like deer, skunks, chipmunks, elk and other animals that live in the forest.

Sincerely,

Nick Anderson
Nick Anderson

Copy to: Council 93/06/16

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June 7, 1993.

MAYOR SURKAN & COUNCIL
P.O. Box 5008
RED DEER, AB.
T4N 3T4.

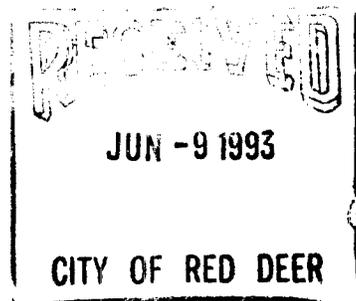
C.A.G.E.
#1, 6300-45 AVE.
Red Deer, AB.
T4N 3M4.

Dear Mayor Surkan & Members of Council,

C.A.G.E. was very pleased to receive the copy of your recommendations and motion passed on May 25, 1993 with regards to the Molly Banister Drive extension. Your commitment to involve the public in this decision making process shows vision and a true sense of community.

Janet Cole and myself recently returned from the First National Urban Forests Conference in Winnipeg. This conference reaffirmed for us how critical it is to a community's self esteem, human health and environmental sustainability that it's forests be protected and enhanced.

C.A.G.E. feels confident that alternatives can be found to the Molly Banister Drive extension thus preserving the integrity of Bower Woods and the College Natural Area. We support Council's decision to reassess the need for this road in its upcoming Transportation Study Update, and to include an evaluation of environmental impact.



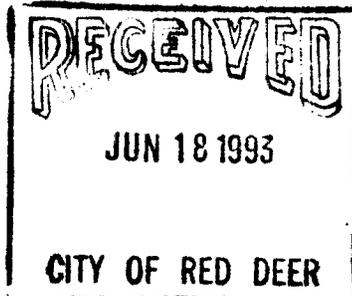
Sincerely,

Jessica Neuman
for
C.A.G.E.

Copy to: Council June 18 '93 ls.

file

#47-2821 Botterill Cr.
Red Deer, Alberta,
June 17, 1993.



City Council,
City of Red Deer.

Dear Sirs,

This letter is an appeal to City Council to abandon the proposal for an eastern extension of Molly Banister Drive.

My main concern is for the preservation of the Bower Woods and adjoining Piper Creek area in their present natural states. This beautiful area, with a magnificent stand of spruces, perhaps one hundred years old, is a source of enjoyment and inspiration to many Red Deer residents and visitors.

The Bower Woods is just one of many areas that make Red Deer a beautiful city of which we all can be proud. I thank many former citizens, councillors and administrators who had the wisdom and foresight to protect and preserve the many unspoiled beauty spots we have inherited. Now it is a civic responsibility of everyone to continue to preserve these valuable natural assets.

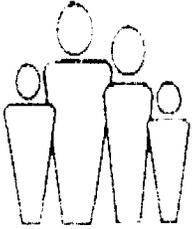
My second concern is for the Bower Woods as a wild-life habitat. The area is home for many animals and birds. Foxes, coyotes, squirrels, deer, beaver and porcupines are frequently seen. Woodpeckers, jays, owls and songbirds are all common. Great blue herons are occasional visitors to Piper Creek. Crows, magpies and skunks are all part of the natural scene, although these are much less appreciated.

Some wild creatures will adapt to the new conditions that a road would impose, but others would just move away in search of the habitat they need to survive. Never the less, every road, highway or development contributes in some small way to the disappearance of a species. I concede that more often than not, this cannot be avoided.

The extension of Molly Banister Drive will doubtless facilitate traffic movement to and from east Red Deer, but it will diminish forever the beauty of Bower Woods, and I urge City Council to seriously consider all possible options.

Sincerely,

John L. Pollock
John Pollock.



Bower Place Community Association

Box 1231
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 6S6

May 6, 1993

Mayor and Council
The City of Red Deer
Box 5008
Red Deer, Alta
T4N 3T4

Proposed extension of Molly Bannister Drive

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Looking forward to an early reply.

Thanks.

Sincerely,

MARLENE BENNETT
President, Bower Place Community Assoc.
59 Bunn Cres.
Red Deer, Alta T4R 1K9
cc: Ken Haslop, City Engineering Dept.
Paul Meyette, Planning Commission
Michael O'Brien, Red Deer River Naturalists

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**IMPORTANT
FAX MESSAGE**

TO C. Curtis

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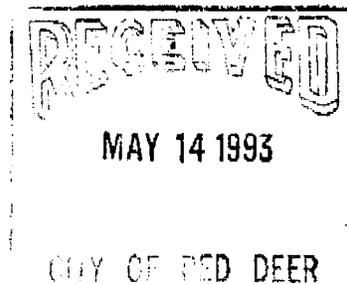
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FROM P. Meyette

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RE Red Deer

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5 May 1993

Mayor Gail D. Surkan
c/o The City of Red Deer
PO Box 5008
Red Deer, Alta.
T4N 3T4

Dear Mayor Surkan:

Re: Extension to Molly Bannister Drive

Thank you for your reply to my earlier letter in regards to the above, and related, topics.

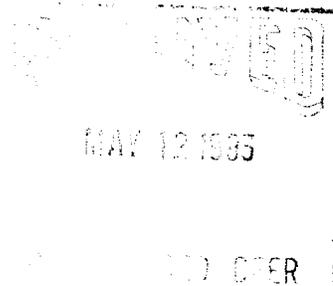
Regretfully I will be away again on May 18th, thus I will be unable to attend the Red Deer Environmental Advisory Board meeting on this day.

However, I will be in contact with Mr. Don Bachelor as well as with the traffic department to express my concerns beforehand.

Also, I will ask Mr. Bachelor to inform me of any future meetings which might deal with this topic.

Regards,

Hans teStroete





THE CITY OF RED DEER

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
(403) 342-8155

April 29, 1993

Red Deer River Naturalists
P. O. Box 785
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 5H2

ATTENTION; SHERRY SCHEUNERT AND MICHAEL O'BRIEN
RDRN ISSUES COMMITTEE

Dear Sherry and Michael:

RE: EXTENSION TO MOLLY BANNISTER DRIVE

Your letter of April 27, 1993, addressed to Council of The City of Red Deer, pertaining to the above topic is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

Please be advised that your letter is being referred to the Red Deer Environmental Advisory Board. It is my understanding that the next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board is to be held on Tuesday, May 18, 1993, commencing at 4:30 p.m. in Committee Room A of City Hall (second floor). You are invited to attend this meeting to elaborate on your concerns and to assist the Board in formulating a recommendation to be forwarded to City Council. The Parks Manager, Mr. Don Bachelor, will be calling you personally to confirm the scheduling of this item and your attendance at said meeting.

Again, we thank you for your letter in this instance and trust you will find this acceptable.

Sincerely,


GAIL D. SURKAN
Mayor

CS/cjd
cc: Parks Manager
City Clerk

Sherry & Michael

We have had several expressions of concern on this issue and felt the best way to handle the issue would be to gather together to discuss it in a more organized way. I look forward to your input.

Gail

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THE CITY OF RED DEER

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
(403) 342-8155

April 29, 1993

Rick Moore
Don Wales
26 Roche Street
Red Deer, Alberta
T4R 3K8

Dear Mr. Moore and Mr. Wales,

RE: EXTENSION TO MOLLY BANNISTER DRIVE

Your letter of March 30, 1993, addressed to Council of The City of Red Deer, pertaining to the above topic is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

Please be advised that your letter is being referred to the Red Deer Environmental Advisory Board. It is my understanding that the next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board is to be held on Tuesday, May 18, 1993, commencing at 4:30 p.m. in Committee Room A of City Hall (second floor). You are invited to attend this meeting to elaborate on your concerns and to assist the Board in formulating a recommendation to be forwarded to City Council. The Parks Manager, Mr. Don Bachelor, will be calling you personally to confirm the scheduling of this item and your attendance at said meeting.

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City Clerk

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P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
(403) 342-8155

April 29, 1993

Hans te Stroete
447 Barrett Drive
Red Deer, Alberta
T4R 1M2

Dear Mr. Hans te Stroete,

RE: EXTENSION TO MOLLY BANNISTER DRIVE

Your letter of March 3, 1993, addressed to Council of The City of Red Deer, pertaining to the above topic is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

Please be advised that your letter is being referred to the Red Deer Environmental Advisory Board. It is my understanding that the next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board is to be held on Tuesday, May 18, 1993, commencing at 4:30 p.m. in Committee Room A of City Hall (second floor). You are invited to attend this meeting to elaborate on your concerns and to assist the Board in formulating a recommendation to be forwarded to City Council. The Parks Manager, Mr. Don Bachelor, will be calling you personally to confirm the scheduling of this item and your attendance at said meeting.

Again, we thank you for your letter in this instance and trust you will find this acceptable.

Sincerely,


GAIL D. SURKAN
Mayor

CS/cjd
cc: Parks Manager
City Clerk

Dear Mr. Hans te Stroete

We thought the next best step might be to gather and discuss this issue in greater detail. Several others have been invited also. I look forward to your input.





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THE CITY OF RED DEER

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
(403) 342-8155

April 29, 1993

Lorne Daniel
69 Welton Crescent
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 6B1

Dear Mr. Daniel,

RE: EXTENSION TO MOLLY BANNISTER DRIVE

Your letter of April 19, 1993, addressed to Council of The City of Red Deer, pertaining to the above topic is hereby acknowledged with thanks.

Please be advised that your letter is being referred to the Red Deer Environmental Advisory Board. It is my understanding that the next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Board is to be held on Tuesday, May 18, 1993, commencing at 4:30 p.m. in Committee Room A of City Hall (second floor). You are invited to attend this meeting to elaborate on your concerns and to assist the Board in formulating a recommendation to be forwarded to City Council. The Parks Manager, Mr. Don Bachelor, will be calling you personally to confirm the scheduling of this item and your attendance at said meeting.

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Sincerely,

Gail
GAIL D. SURKAN
Mayor

CS/cjd
cc: Parks Manager
City Clerk



Lorne
I'm enjoying your column as always and thought the one raising this issue was a particularly good one. Thanks for sharpening our thinking on the railyard & downtown west redevelopment plan.

We have had several expressions of concern on the Molly Bannister issue and felt the next best step would be to gather to discuss it in greater detail. Hope your schedule allows you to give us a hand.

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Cheers!
Gail

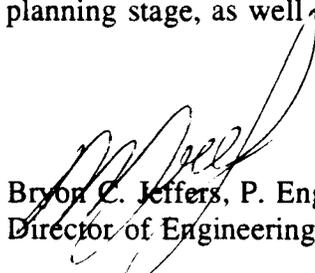
DATE: April 1, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Engineering Services
RE: **EXTENSION OF MOLLY BANISTER DRIVE TO 40 AVENUE**

The subject project is tentatively scheduled for 1996. The actual year of construction may well shift as circumstances change.

This eastward extension of Molly Banister Drive is an essential link in the City's arterial roadway network. The proposal was included in the East Hill Concept Plan in the 1970's. These plans preceded the development of Waskasoo Park and the bicycle/pedestrian network. The need for this road has been addressed in four independent transportation studies since 1976.

Notwithstanding the above, the Engineering Department is very cognizant of the environmental sensitivities of the project. It would be our intent to involve both the general public and interested environmental groups during the various phases of the project through a combination of meetings and open houses. We would also intend to keep the Environmental Advisory Board advised throughout all phases of the project. We recognize that any new roadway must be designed in such a manner that impact on the creek, natural vegetation, and the wildlife are minimized.

We would expect to obtain input from all interested parties during both the feasibility/functional planning stage, as well as the detailed design stage if the project is approved by Council.


Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Engineering Services

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Environmental Advisory Board
May 18 / 93

Red Deer River Naturalists

P.O. BOX 785, RED DEER, ALBERTA, T4N 5H2

ANSWERING PHONE: 347-8200

April 27, 1993

THE CITY OF RED DEER
CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

Mayor and Council
The City of Red Deer
Red Deer, Alberta

RECEIVED	
TIME	2:10 pm
DATE	April 28/93
BY	<i>C. Smith</i>

Re: Proposed Extension to Molly Bannister Drive

The Red Deer River Naturalists have studied press comments, letters, and the City's Engineering Department responses with regards to the planned eastward extension of Molly Bannister Drive through a sensitive area of Waskasoo Park.

We conclude that serious consideration should be given instead to the expansion of the Delburne Road as an alternative to the proposed Bannister Drive extension through Piper Creek. The Delburne Road is close, is widely recognized as being underutilized, is accessible, is linked to the new continuous corridor, and it has already compromised that upper portion of the Piper Creek natural environment when the road was constructed under County jurisdiction. More fully utilizing the existing Delburne Road would serve to divert unwanted automobile through-traffic away from the still intact sensitive natural section of the park system and from present and future quiet residential areas, and would not funnel additional through-traffic into the congestion already caused by an awkwardly placed shopping centre.

Therefore, prior to having the Engineers begin detailed design plans for the extension, we would ask Council to reconsider whether there are alternative routes for a major arterial corridor and whether there is really even a necessity for an additional major arterial route linking the major continuous corridor with the new and proposed residential areas as outlined in the present East Hill Area Structure Plan.

Although we are told that the proposed Molly Bannister extension through Piper Creek has existed as a line on a planning map for some time, the idea certainly has not received public scrutiny nor approval, and it was not even hinted at in the 1982 Waskasoo Park Master Plan when wide public input and discussion was invited and which resulted in many sound, cost saving, and popular ideas being incorporated into City planning philosophy.

An extension of Molly Bannister Drive would not only be environmentally costly. In a time of fiscal restraint, the road's construction cost in dollars would also seem highly questionable, and its maintenance costs would certainly add an additional and continuing tax burden. Both of these costs could be better used.

We suggest shifting those new road planning, construction, and maintenance funds towards additional public transportation and towards the expansion and improvement of existing and future safe bicycle traffic and path linkages. Such a shift

would be more environmentally friendly, more fiscally responsible, and far more appropriate for a community wishing to be known as a "City of Parks".

It is time that the hugely expensive and environmentally damaging subsidies we have in the past given unquestioningly to the automobile industry, be re-thought.

As presently proposed, the Molly Bannister roadway would in essence, bisect an important arm of the park. We would like Council to refer to the Waskasoo Park Master Plan and its commitment to protect and preserve wildlife corridors, and to also remember and relate their recent amendment to the Downtown West Redevelopment Plan "to preserve the environmental integrity of the river and the river banks". The Piper Creek valley is even more sensitive to the intrusion of insensitive engineering projects.

We would ask Council to indicate to the Planning and Engineering Departments that the environmental integrity of the park system along Piper Creek is to be maintained. Much of the wide appeal of Red Deer's park system is dependent on maintaining wildlife movement. The public's enjoyment of the park system is also largely dependent on the bicycle and walking trails remaining safe, quiet and tranquil, and not being interrupted by encounters with noisy, polluting, stress inducing traffic.

Respectfully,



Sherry Scheunert
Michael O'Brien
for the Executive of the RDRN

Mayor Gail Surkan
City of Red Deer
Red Deer, Alberta

April 7/93

Dear Gail

I am writing to you because I believe that you appreciate the significance of Red Deer's park and natural area in the general health and well being of the city's residents. I am alarmed by the relentless degradation of these areas over the last 20 years that I have lived in Red Deer. I believe that the engineering master plan for public transportation has not kept pace with the public concern for the protection of green spaces. Red Deer, with the foundation of its parks and trail system, has an opportunity to be a model for the use of alternate forms of public transport (such as cycling) yet we appear destined to repeat the mistakes of cities like Calgary and Los Angeles where the automobile has dictated regional planning. Construction of the 67 th. St. bridge and road at the expense of Gaetz Lake Sanctuary and the proposed extension of Molly Banister Drive through Bower Woods are just two examples of this. I am concerned about the lack of opportunities for public input for projects like these. I am amazed that these proposals are not front and centre on the agenda of the Environmental Advisory Committee. With the Molly Banister road as a starting point I hope to accomplish the following;

1. Work toward a moratorium on development of any portion of the Waskasoo Park system and the Devonian Trail system. Too much public time and money has gone into the planning and construction of these parks to have them eroded by outdated regional planning.
2. Establish a stronger role for the Environmental Advisory Committee. From what I have heard it has not been given the opportunity to be proactive in environmental protection issues. It is my understanding that many of the recommendations that are made by the Committee never make it to Council and that it has been reduced to a rubber stamping agency.
3. I would like to see an integrated program with the Public School System whereby schools adopt portions of Waskasoo Creek and Piper Creek to attempt to restore the health of these creeks through clean-ups, water quality studies and stewardship exercises. Ultimately I would like to see the development of a pride of ownership instilled in children for these areas and other that will make it impossible for developments like Molly Banister Dr. to be considered. This would be an extension of the cities "adopt-a-park" program.

4.. I would like to explore alternatives to new roads through existing green areas. For example, I believe that widening of 32 nd. St. and drastic improvements in traffic light sequencing as well as a ring road concept south of the city are viable alternatives of a new east/west corridor. I believe that NO ROAD needs to be an option in all cases.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this with you at sometime and ,in the spring explore the two areas that I feel will be most impacted by the Molly Banister road; namely the Bower Woods and the Red Deer College Natural area.

yours sincerely



Don Wales

Gail
I have enclosed a very timely issue of Environment Views
which deals with the influence of the automobiles on urban design and
quality of life.

Environmental Advisory Committee
Red Deer , Alberta

Copy

Dear Chairperson:

April 7/93

I wish to express my concern to the Environmental Advisory Committee regarding what I see as an alarming reduction in the number and quality of natural areas within the city of Red Deer. As a twenty year resident of Red Deer I have monitored the degradation of what I think is Red Deer's finest attraction. I was stimulated to write this letter by the public announcement of the 1996 extension of Molly Banister Drive through the Bower Woods to provide another east/west throughfare. This is another example of where long range public transport planning will compromise the quality of existing parks, reserves and trails. In addition, I am very surprised that this proposal and others like it are not routinely placed on the Cultural Advisory Committee's agenda. Surely, protection of natural areas is one of the committee's mandates.

Some examples of this degradation follow.

- Construction of the truck route in the early 80's destroyed most of a ravine through which Waskasoo Creek used to meander. Subsequent construction of the continuous corridor (Taylor Dr.) finished the job as well as resulted in the straightening of Waskasoo Cr. In cities like Kelowna, planners have jealously protected, preserved and enhanced creeks and ravines running through the city. Here we straighten them, install culverts and line the banks with boulders. There has been no serious attempt at revegetation. This has been no doubt left to organizations like CAGE and not deemed the responsibility and the expense of the road builders.
- Gaetz Lake Sanctuary survived many threats over it's long history but when east/west traffic flow necessitated the construction of the 67 th. St. bridge and road, a portion of the sanctuary was sacrificed. In an attempt to compromise local naturalists proposed wildlife underpasses which were never built. I appears that whenever there is a compromise between natural areas and development, the natural area always loses. Admirable attempts to re-vegetate the 67 th St. right-of-way may be for not if there is ever a plan to widen that road.
- Molly Banister Drive will bisect Bower Woods resulting in the destruction of a significant portion of a spruce forest and another disruption of the Devonian cycle trail. As a very frequent user of this trail I know that the most dangerous part of this trail link is at 55 th. St.,

Ross Street, and Spruce Dr. where the trail crosses busy streets. With Molly Banister we introduce yet another crossing. Wildlife underpasses cost money and in many cases have proven to be of limited effectiveness. In these days of economic restraint we know that they will not be built. Westward continuation of Molly Banister would logically continue past Taylor Drive providing a second access to Red Deer College. The natural area behind the College is a unique educational and recreational resource and the envy of all colleges in Alberta. This second access only becomes viable if Molly Banister becomes a throughway. Preservation of the College Natural Area has had the support of the Recreation, Parks, and Culture Board and support for it has appeared several times in the City's Recreational Masterplan. A road through here would eliminate the area as a wildlife reserve, recreational ski, walking and mountain biking area, and natural science educational resource. It is simply not big enough to absorb a road.

I am disturbed by the rationalization that I have heard from some city officials that even though this "small" area is being destroyed with a road, the city is adding to its natural area inventory with large tracts of land such as Maskapatoon. This reasoning is flawed because the amount of land that is left to be added to the park system is finite (probably all that is left is Spruce Woods) while the growth of the city and the expansion of roads appears infinite. For example, long range plans I saw during the information sessions on 67th St. show an eastward extension of 77th St. which will impact McKenzie Trail area and Three Mile Bend. Plans like these have a habit of becoming reality in Red Deer.

I believe that the long range plans for city growth and public transportation have not adjusted to the increased concern that people now have for a quality of life that is reflected in the number of green areas within the city. I am concerned that when planning roads like Molly Banister that **no road** never seems to be an option. I believe there are alternatives that need to be explored such as widening 32nd St. and improving the traffic light sequencing to facilitate traffic flow. Ringroad routing of traffic around Bower subdivision via the Delburne road to Taylor Drive is another solution. When does the public provide input and when does the Environmental Advisory Committee make recommendations on this proposal?

I believe that Red Deer has one of the strongest and most environmentally aware Parks Department in all of Alberta. I have the greatest respect for the Parks manager, Recreation and Culture Manager, and Director of Community Services who together have a history of making

sound environmental decisions. Unfortunately, it appears that the Engineering department has the highest priority in this City and that input by the Parks staff is often not heard. At best the Parks Dept. is forced to make the best of a bad situation.

I would like the Environmental Advisory Committee to be pro-active in the protection of parks, natural areas and trails in Waskasoo Park and Devonian trails. I believe finding an alternative to extending Molly Banister through Bower Woods is the first step towards a general moratorium on any inappropriate development in any part of our parks. The Red Deer Park system is a priceless resource planned with the input of the people of Red Deer and funded with public money (Heritage Trust Fund) and private donations. The value to the health and wellbeing of Red Deer's citizens is immeasurable.

I would appreciate having the opportunity to discuss this issue with the Committee possibly at the April Meeting.

yours sincerely,



Don Wales

cc. Red Deer Parks, Recreation, and Culture Board
Red Deer River Naturalists
Mayor Gail Suttan
CAGE
Regional Planning Commission

26 ROCHE STREET
RED DEER, ALBERTA
T4P 3K6
MARCH 30, 1993

Mrs. Gail E. Dean, Mayor
The City of Red Deer
4914-43 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta

Dear Mrs. Dean:

We have concerns about the proposed Molly Bannister Extension. We disagree with the project because it threatens the sustainability of our community in the long term. We believe there should be a moratorium placed on any "development" in the natural and park areas of our city. Future generations will be much better served by land use policies which do not give the use of motor vehicles the highest priority.

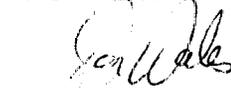
Therefore, we would like very much to ensure that there be well-publicized opportunities for public input on this issue.

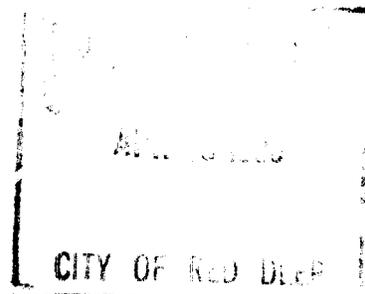
On the next recommendation of a member of City Council, we are requesting information on the City's intentions surrounding the consultation process and dates of any public meetings. In addition, please indicate the stage at which the Environmental Advisory Board will be involved.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,


Rick Moore


Don Wales



3 March 1993

Mayor and Aldermen of the
City of Red Deer
4914 - 48 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta T4N 3T3

Re: Botterill Crescent Traffic Situation

Regretfully, I will be unable to attend the upcoming meeting between the Horizon Village Action Committee and the Bower Place Community Association.

However, as a resident of the Bower Place sub-division, I would like to come forward strongly in favour of what the Horizon Village Action Committee is proposing i.e. closing off the south end of Botterill Crescent.

I put forward the following arguments to support this opinion:

- Botterill Crescent is a residential Street which runs, of all places through a retirement village. Other major roads being Bremner Avenue and Molly Bannister Drive, are in place and are more than capable of handling all the traffic in this area. It does not seem right to allow through traffic to short cut through a residential area especially when other non-residential streets are in place to handle this traffic. I don't believe this is a policy the City of Red Deer wants to support.
- The stop signs, installed last year at the south end of Botterill Crescent do not work at all. They do nothing but frustrate the motorist, who after having to stop for nothing, steps on the gas even harder, resulting in even high speeds than before on Barrett Drive and Botterill Crescent.
- I have checked the following quite extensively and it is an absolute fact, that especially on shopping days over 50% of all traffic through Botterill Crescent consists of vehicles that either come from or go to the London Drugs business area via Barrett Drive and Boyce Street. In other words, the majority of traffic through Botterill crescent is not local Bower traffic at all, but pure through traffic which uses this route as a convenient short-cut, to avoid the lights and stress of 32nd Street and Gaetz Avenue, which is the route this traffic should be using to get from east Red Deer to the Gaetz Avenue commercial district.

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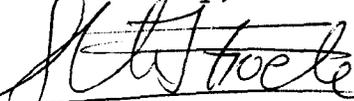
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Again it is all in the spirit of trying to keep through traffic off the residential streets and on the arterial roads.

- I understand that a safety concern by the Fire Department was the previous reason for not closing the south end of Botterill Crescent. It is not up to me to question the validity of this concern, however I firmly believe that our traffic department in conjunction with the fire department can work out a satisfactory solution to alleviate the latter's concerns, while putting regular traffic back on Bremner Avenue and Molly Bannister Drive.

As for the latest rumour that there are plans to extend Molly Bannister east through the Piper Cree Park area, I can only shake my head in disbelief and wait for firmer information. It is high time, that the citizen of Red Deer gets put on par with the motorist! *

Yours truly,



Hans te Stroete

cc to: City of Red Deer Traffic Department
cc to: Horizon Village Action Committee
cc to: Bower Place Community Association

69 Welton Cres.
 Red Deer, AB
 T4N 6B1
 April 19, 1993

THE CITY OF RED DEER
 CLERK'S OFFICE/CLERK

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BY	<i>[Signature]</i>

City Council
 City of Red Deer

Re: Public Hearing, Bylaw 3087 / 93

Your Worship Mayor Surkan and members of Council;

As a property owner whose residence borders on the "Downtown West Area," and as a regular user of Waskasoo Park, I would like to offer the following comments on the Downtown West Area Redevelopment Plan.

First, I would like to commend those involved in the plan for what is, essentially, a reasonable and creative proposal. In many ways the plan provides a good outline for redevelopment of this mixed-use area.

My main concern is that the current plan addresses the defined redevelopment area in too narrow a sense, with limited consideration of its broader impact, especially on parks and natural areas.

My fear is that the present park and natural area (along the riverbank) could not feasibly support use by thousands of new residents on its border, in addition to its current human and animal users.

I believe that the plan should have as one of its key goals to enlarge and enhance the natural area of Waskasoo Park, in order to accommodate the increased usage which residential and commercial redevelopment would entail. The current wording of the plan focuses on the replotting of lots, which is reasonable, but should be supplemented by an overall goal related to the natural environment.

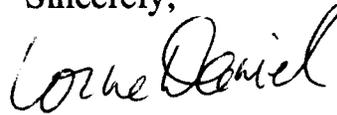
In addition to the general re-focusing of the plan as noted above, I would make the following specific suggestions:

- creating a broader park / natural area as a buffer between residential development and the river;
- eliminating the riverbank restaurant from the plan, or relocating it away from the bank;
- returning natural vegetation to the hillside escarpment at the far western edge of Area 4.

Attached, for your information, is a newspaper column I wrote on the subject.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide input on these matters. I am not sure whether I will be able to attend the public hearing on the bylaw, but would be pleased to clarify or expand upon these comments should Council wish.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lorne Daniel".

Lorne Daniel

346-1871 - no answer April 22-3:05

Lorne Daniel column, Red Deer Advocate, Sunday, April 4

If only development were a two-way street

When was the last time you saw a headline which read "New wilderness area planned for north Red Deer," or "New creek added to west country?" Have you ever heard RDTV news open with the announcement, "Realtor plans massive new natural area on former parking lot?"

Development, it seems, is a one way street. A high speed one way street, with three express and double dedicated turn lanes.

It's interesting how our language frames our perceptions. Take the word development. Do forests or grasslands develop? Of course. But development, in our 20th century definition, means roads, factories, houses, and 7-11 stores and (if we're really lucky) a cluster of six or eight nursery-grown evergreens.

We use the term vacant property to describe land without buildings or roads. I don't know about you, but I have yet to see land that was truly vacant.

So in the name of development we merrily tear down an incredibly complex natural environment and replace it with our raw, incredibly simple, designed environment. We relentlessly chip away at a natural world that is, we seem to forget, irreplaceable.

Two recently announced developments continue these trends, albeit in differing ways.

Take the plan to extend Molly Banister Drive (28 St.) east through Piper Creek ravine. This is so ludicrous, I want to laugh. Then cry. The apparent rationale is that the three minute detour to 32 Street or Delburne road will soon be too much for us.

We call this "the city of parks," but if that means sacrificing automotive convenience, forget it. The slogan does not, it seems, indicate a willingness to spend three more minutes getting to work, so that after the working day is done we can walk in a relatively undisturbed natural area.

If we're going to rip through the Bower ravine with asphalt, I think we should do the same on the Grandview and Pines escarpments, Coronation Park, and the natural area south of the college. It's all vacant land, after all,

and we need to be able to drive between any two points in town in four minutes flat, right?

On another front, the new downtown west plan would see the area from Superstore west to the river evolve into a business and residential district. Initially, this has a ring of common sense. Property owners in the area are keen to convert low-rent industrial space to higher revenue office and residential space. The planners don't like the current motley mix of warehouses, gravel piles, stores and apartments. And of course there's the problem of that unsightly vacant land.

But the solution, while satisfying property owners because it will make them money, proposes to dump 5000 people into an area now inhabited by a few hundred in the day, and none at night. To quote the proposal, "a high density housing development at this site would have the effect of opening up the river valley to community and residential use." No kidding. Opening up, as in plundering and trammeling? Do the planners realize that Waskasoo Park in this area is an extremely thin belt featuring a bike path and a couple metres of bush perched on an eroding river bank?

The park, I hate to tell the planners, is already open to community use. I'm there about 200 times a year. So are foxes, who appreciate the quiet of the city storage yards at night, after the civil servants have headed home to Morrisroe or Normadeau. Until the Taylor bridge twinning tore it all apart, herons used to walk the river's islands at dusk.

Having seen what grows on schoolyards, I can imagine what would be left of the river valley corridor after a few years of use by the thousand or so kids who would be stacked in those boring high density high rises.

And what will these new residents' parents do? The planners' answer is a restaurant planted smack in the middle of the city's only continuous wildlife corridor. It would be on stilts, so the animals could walk underneath, I am told. Very Disney, this concept. Eat burgers and watch Bambi walk below.

Let's get serious. This is a plan designed to make a number of business people money. Just don't try to sell it to us under the guise of enhancing the area.

Where is the plan to develop the park, expand it, or create new parks? If we won't or can't build new natural areas, why are we so eager to expose the existing ones to the ravages of cars and kids? Developer's dollars, perhaps?

I must admit, this planning process is admirably open. I attended a public information meeting at the old firehall and pondered the future on color coded planning commission maps. But in an Advocate story headlined "Downtown plans embraced," the most telling sentence read "Most of the visitors had some professional or financial interest in the area." Of course they embraced the plans.

The suits will have their say.

The rest of us, the majority of whom don't wear suits if we can avoid it, are too busy working, taking kids to piano, and watching Home Improvement.

I know developers are, like me, busy earning a living. They happen to earn a living by building warehouses and apartments for the rest of us. But let's hope that the decision makers on the planning commission and city council remember that the trees don't have advocates. The foxes don't have a three piece pin-striped lawyer representing them in council chambers.

When listening to the glorious sales pitches of that small interest group known as the business community, let's remember that there are other interests, and they do not always have voices.

DATE: MAY 27, 1993
TO: ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: MOLLY BANISTER DRIVE

At the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, recommendations from the Environmental Advisory Board, pertaining to the above topic, received consideration.

Following is the motion passed by Council in accordance with your recommendations:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered report from the Environmental Advisory Board re: Molly Banister Drive, hereby agrees:

1. to reaffirm its support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the College Natural Area with the commitment that the planning of the future access to the College site will be an open process, with opportunities for review by the community and the Environmental Advisory Board,
2. that creative alternatives be sought to replace the Molly Banister Drive extension and that opportunity be given to extensive public involvement on those alternatives,
3. to reaffirm support for the policy in the Community Services Master Plan relating to the Bower Woods area and further agree that the need to extend Molly Banister Drive to the east across Piper Creek be subject to a detailed review and reassessment prior to the commencement of functional design, and further that there be significant opportunity for continued public involvement."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information.

By way of a copy of this memo, we are drawing to the attention of the Director of Engineering Services, the directives contained in this resolution and request that the wishes of Council in this instance be complied with. In this regard, we are enclosing the comments from the City Commissioners, which appeared on the Council Agenda and wherein it is indicated that the review of the need for extending Molly Banister Drive and possible alternatives could be undertaken in conjunction with the transportation study update, which is planned within the next two to three years.

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We thank you for your report in this instance and trust you will find Council's decision satisfactory.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd
Encl.

cc: City Commissioners
Director of Engineering Services
Director of Community Services
Principal Planner

Dan Wales and Rick Moore 26 Roche Street Red Deer, Ab. T4P 3K8

Red Deer River Naturalists P. O. Box 785 Red Deer, Ab. T4N 5H2

ATTENTION: Sherry Scheunert and Michael O'Brien

Hans te Stroete 447 Barrett Drive Red Deer, Ab. T4R 1M2

Lorne Daniel 69 Welton Cres. Red Deer, Ab. T4N 6B1

Citizens Action Group on #1, 6300 - 45 Av. Red Deer, Ab. T4N 3M4

the Environment ATTENTION: Teresa Newman

Dorothy & Ruth Bower 2820 - 40 Avenue Red Deer, Ab. T4R 2G9

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Heather STEinke 36 Brown Close Red Deer, Ab. T4R 1K4

Dr. R. C. Cooper 4705 - 48 Avenue Red Deer, Ab. T4N 3T1

c/o Associate Clinic

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Bower Place Community Assoc. 59 Bunn Cres. Red Deer, Ab. T4R 1K9

ATTENTION: Marlene Bennett

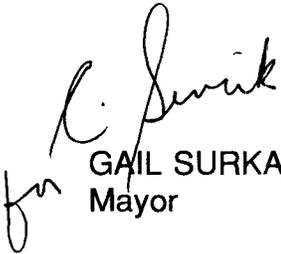
Red Deer College P. O. Box 5005 Red Deer, Ab. T4N 5H5

DATE: May 19, 1993
TO: City Council
FROM: Mayor Surkan
RE: RE: 1993 CITY OF RED DEER CENSUS

The field work for the 1993 City of Red Deer Census has been completed. Red Deer's official population figure is now at 59,826 which represents a 2.0% increase over the 1992 figure of 58,656. An increase of 1170 persons.

The Census Office is in the process of summarizing the data which will be made available to the public in the near future. Each member of Council will receive a copy of the summary when same is available.

As noted the City's population is approaching 60,000 and this year's increase is quite significant and a healthy indication for Red Deer.


for GAIL SURKAN
Mayor

POPULATION
THE CITY OF RED DEER

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE INCREASE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE INCREASE</u>
1898	125		1969	26,924	.7
1901	323		1970	26,907	-.06
1906	1,710		1971	27,431	1.9
1911	2,118		1972	27,571	.5
1921	2,328		1973	28,079	1.8
1931	2,344		1974	28,818	2.6
1936	2,389		1975	30,107	4.5
1941	2,846		1976	31,544	4.8
1946	4,042		1977	33,717	6.9
1951	7,115		1978	36,314	7.7
1955	11,688		1979	39,370	8.4
1956	12,760	9.2	1980	41,371	5.1
1957	13,580	6.4	1981	45,405	9.8
1958	16,501	21.5	1982	48,562	6.9
1959	17,593	6.6	1983	50,257	3.5
1960	18,762	6.7	1984	51,070	1.6
1961	19,615	4.4	1985	52,620	3
1962	21,107	7.6	1986	54,192	3
1963	23,104	9.4	1987	54,309	0.2
1964	24,446	5.8	1988	54,839	1
1965	25,195	3.1	1989	55,947	2
1966	25,752	2.2	1990	56,922	1.7
1967	26,173	1.6	1991	58,252	2.3
1968	26,730	2.08	1992	58,656	0.7
			1993	59,826	2.0

NO. 1

Horst & Tammy Frieburg
52 Norby Crescent,
Red Deer, Alberta, T4P 2C6
Telephone 341 4771

To
The Council of the
City of Red Deer

THE CITY OF RED DEER
CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

RECEIVED	
TIME	1:50
DATE	May 12/93
BY	LJ

Honourable Members of Council.

My wife and I operate a mobile concession truck under
City Licence No. 987 in the Canadian Tire parking lot.

Our product is very well received by the public, which gives
us a lot of encouragement.

we would like to try a few different locations in the city - on
city property - and apply hereby to have the new locations
endorsed on our licence.

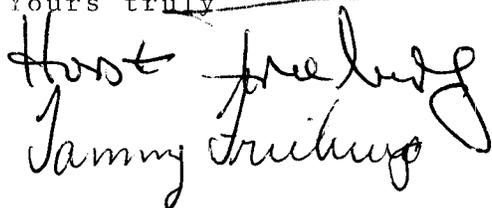
- 1, In the backlane running south of 55 Street and east of
42 A Avenue, weekdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- 2, In the parking lot of Rotary Park at 48 Ave. & 43 St.
daily from 11:00 to dark.
3. On the boulevard on the west side of 48 Ave., where it
intersects with 43 Street from 9:00 p.m. Mondays
through Saturdays until 4:00 a.m. the following day.

All locations are marked on the attached maps.

We are residents of Red Deer trying to establish our own
business and - in the spirit of free enterprise - we are
counting on your support.

We thank you for taking the time to look into this matter
and remain

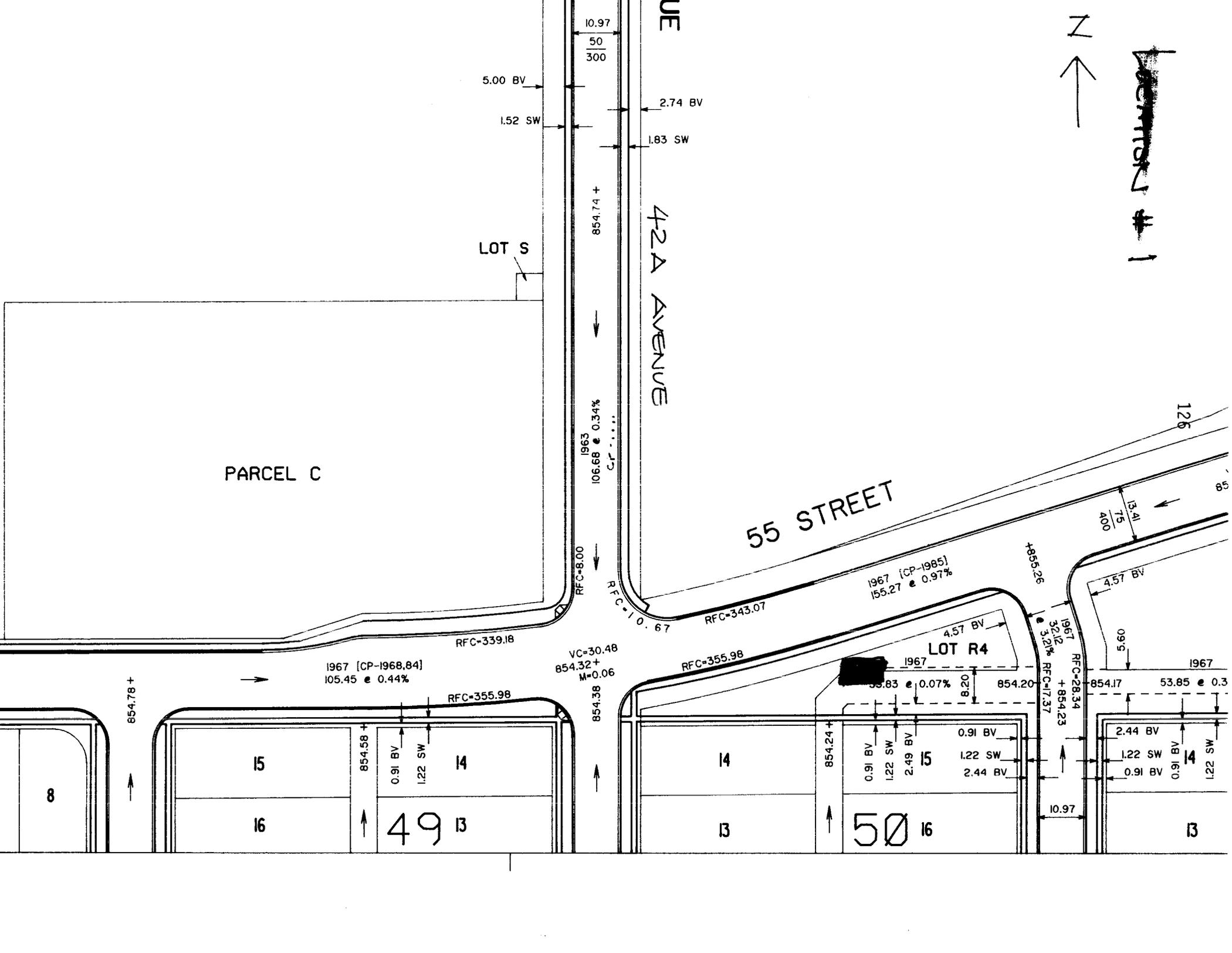
Yours truly


Tammy Frieburg

May 11, 1993



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+857.15

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48 AVENUE

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143.03 @ 1.43%

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VC=50.00
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M=0.12

9.00
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1.20 SW



1982
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CONC. SWALE

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BRIDGE BUILT IN 1957

WASKASOO CREEK

ROTARY
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PARK

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May 13, 1993

Your file Votre référence

Our file Notre référence

City of Red Deer
 4915 - 48 Avenue
 Box 5008
 RED DEER, Alberta
 T4N 3T4

ATTENTION: C. SEVCIK, City Clerk

Dear Sir:

RE: Horst & Tammy FRIEBURG
Mobile Concession Truck Vendor

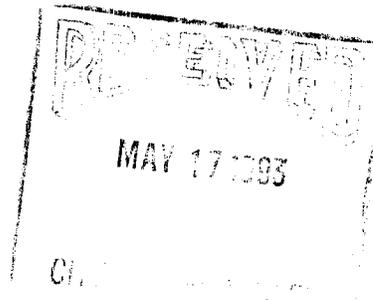
Please be advised that I have no problem with locations #1 and #2. I have some reservation about #3. The area becomes very busy at this time of day, on weekends in particular. There is already limited parking and the obstruction of the mobile unit may cause limited vision for the two exits into the rear of the Red Deer Lodge. We would set a precedent by allowing parking on the boulevard, and parking on the street could cause some traffic congestion and create a hazard to pedestrians attempting to cross at the crosswalk.

Yours truly,

(R.L. BEATON) Insp.
 O.i/c Red Deer City Detachment

MAW/lb

Red Deer City Detachment
 Bag 5033
 Red Deer, Alberta
 T4N 6A1



CS-P-4.263

DATE: May 17, 1993

TO: CITY CLERK

**FROM: CRAIG CURTIS
Community Services Director**

**RE: HORST & TAMMY FRIEBURG -
MOBILE CONCESSION TRUCK VENDOR LOCATIONS
Your memo of May 12, 1993 refers.**

I have reviewed with the Parks and the Recreation & Culture Managers the proposal by Horst and Tammy Frieburg to operate a concession truck on three locations within the city that are all on public land. This proposal should be referred to the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board for comment in that the three locations involve parkland.

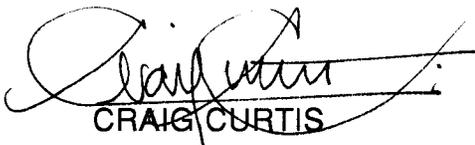
The first location, south of Lindsay Thurber High School, is on a reserve lot; the second location is in Rotary Picnic Park; and the third location is on a boulevard immediately east of the Red Deer Lodge Hotel.

In regard to the second location, an approval should not be considered in that an existing concession agreement exists for Rotary Picnic Park between Mr. Popcorn and The City of Red Deer. This existing agreement provides Mr. Popcorn with exclusive concession rights for the park.

In regard to the first and third locations, these should only be considered in terms similar to other concessions on parkland where a formal agreement, profit sharing, liability insurance, litter control and other issues are addressed.

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council advise the applicant that the Rotary Park location will not be considered for a portable truck concession operation, but other locations may be considered upon this proposal being referred to the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board.



CRAIG CURTIS

DB/ad

DATE: May 17, 1993 FILE NO. 93-1620
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Bylaws & Inspections Manager
RE: **MOBILE CONCESSION TRUCKS**

In response to your memo regarding the above referenced subject, we have the following comments for Council's consideration.

The City License Bylaw requires that mobile vending units be licensed (\$110/year) and that where the unit is to be located on City property, the location must be approved by City Council. The location on 48 Avenue is adjacent to the Lodge Hotel, which has an approved hot dog vendor located on its parking lot. We have received complaints from the management of the Lodge and the hot dog vendor, concerning the applicants operation, as he has located on the Lodge property, without permission. In Rotary Park, Mr. Popcorn has been approved for some time for the sale of popcorn and soft drinks. We understand that he has an exclusive contract with the Parks Department for this location; therefore, this proposed location cannot be approved.

Recommendation: Subject to the comments of the other departments, we have no objections to the proposed location on 55 Street.

Yours truly,



R. Strader
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

RS/vs

Commissioners' Comments

We would have concerns with all three of these proposed locations and recommend that Council deny the request for these particular sites.

Location #1 (55 St.) would not likely be justifiable based on anticipated traffic in the park area. Instead this location would largely service student population at Lindsay Thurber which is currently serviced through existing commercial development on 55 Street.

Location #2 (Rotary Picnic Park) cannot be considered due to an exclusive contract with the existing concessionaire in Rotary Picnic Park.

Location #3 (48 Ave.) cannot be justified given the fact that it is on City Boulevard and the existing area is well serviced already by concessionaires in the Red Deer Lodge Parking Lot and Rotary Recreation Park.

If Council agrees with our recommendation, reference to the Recreation, Parks & Culture Board will not be necessary.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

Mr. Spots - Joyce Boon
Hot Dog Stand
48 Ave by the ~~Lodge~~ Hotel.

John Moca 340-0794.
Hot dog stand in Parking
lot.

If he applies I will
contact John Moca to
advise him so he can come
& object if he wishes.

MAYOR _____

CITY COMMISSIONER _____

TO:

- DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
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FROM:

CITY CLERK

RE: HORST & TAMMY FRIEBURG - MOBILE CONCESSION TRUCK VENDOR
LOCATIONS

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by May 17

for the Council Agenda of May 25


C. SEVCIK
 City Clerk



THE CITY OF RED DEER

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 12, 1993

Mr. & Mrs. H. Frieburg
52 Norby Crescent
Red Deer, Alberta
T4P 2C6

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Frieburg:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 11, 1993, re: Mobile Concession Truck Vendor Locations.

This item will be discussed and possibly a decision made at the Meeting of Red Deer City Council on Tuesday, May 25, 1993. Council meetings begin at 4:30 p.m., and adjourn for the supper hour at 6:00 p.m., reconvening at 7:00 p.m.

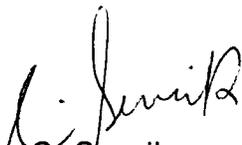
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This request has been circulated to City administration for comments, and should you wish to receive a copy of the administrative comments prior to the Council meeting, they may be picked up at our office on the second floor of City Hall on Friday, May 21.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Yours truly,


E. Sevcik
City Clerk

CS/ds



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**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

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May 26, 1993

Horst and Tammy Frieburg
52 Norby Crescent
Red Deer, Alberta
T4P 2C6

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Frieburg,

RE: MOBILE CONCESSION TRUCK VENDOR LOCATIONS REQUEST

I would advise that your letter requesting three new locations from which to operate your mobile concession truck vendor operation, was placed on the Council Agenda of May 25, 1993.

Following is the resolution which was passed by Council denying your request:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees that the three proposed locations requested by Horst and Tammy Frieburg to operate a mobile home concession truck from said locations, be not approved and as recommended to Council May 25, 1993."

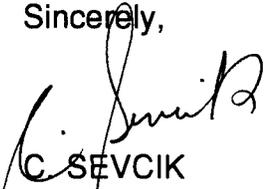
While Council did not approve your specific request in this instance, it was suggested that you contact the Parks Department to determine whether there are any other possibilities for your operations locating within the park system. In this regard it is suggested that you contact the Parks Manager, Mr. Don Bachelor, 342-8165.

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Horst and Tammy Frieberg
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May 26, 1993

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Director of Community Services
Parks Manager
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
Inspector Beaton
Recreation Parks and Culture Board



NO. 2

Red Deer Catholic Schools

ADMINISTRATION OFFICES:
3827 - 39 STREET,
RED DEER, ALBERTA
T4N 0Y6
PHONE: (403) 343-1055 FAX: 347-6410

May 13, 1993

Mr. Charlie Sevcik
City Clerk
City of Red Deer
Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Dear Mr. Sevcik:

The trustees of the Catholic school board are very pleased with the support which the Mayor and City Council have given to the two Red Deer school boards' request to Government regarding a long-term solution to the equity issue in basic education. Our trustees were particularly pleased that City Council has seen fit to bring forward a resolution to the A.U.M.A. on this matter.

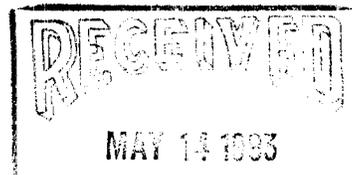
The trustees have asked me to request that you relay to Mayor Surkan and City Council their appreciation of this kind of support.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

J. Docherty
Superintendent of Schools

JD/la



Commissioners' Comments

Submitted for Council's information.

"G. SURKAN", Mayor

"C. CURTIS", Acting City Commissioner

RED DEER CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION, P.O. BOX 5016, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 6R6



THE CITY OF RED DEER

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FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 26, 1993

Red Deer Catholic Board of Education
3827 - 39 Street
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 0Y6

ATTENTION: MR. J. DOCHERTY - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Mr. Docherty,

Your letter of May 13, 1993, requesting that I relate to Mayor Surkan and City Council the Catholic School Board's appreciation for the support given by Council regarding a long range solution to the equity issue in education, was presented on the Council Agenda, May 25, 1993, for Council's information.

We thank you for your letter in this instance and trust that you will find this satisfactory.

Sincerely,


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

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NO. 3

West-Can Art Productions
Original Canadian and European Oil Paintings
Quality Wood Frames, Silk Trees and Plants

MYRIL D. OFFET
 General Manager

April 30, 1993

City Council
 City of Red Deer
 4914 48th Avenue
 Red Deer, Alberta
 T4N 3T3

Dear Councillors:

I am reluctantly writing concerning your proposed changes in you non-resident sellers license requirements. My reluctance relates to the fact that your council obviously perceives that its duty is to protect local businesses (like Zellers, Woolco and perhaps some with local ownership) from competition.

I am the owner of West Can Art Productions Ltd. which is licensed in your city. I have received nothing in writing of the proposed changes. Why is that? I am only aware because of some media attention and by telephone inquiries. Surely some notification would be in order.

As I run shows in most of the cities in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, I am familiar with similar licensing requirements in the prairies. In my opinion as a "transient trader," as we have been stigmatized in some cities, your existing licensing requirements are discriminatory, penalize us for doing business in your community, and are trade protectionist in nature which is ultra vires of your mandate.

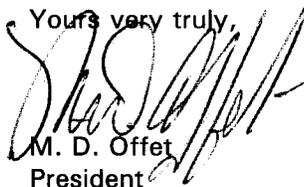
As I understand the mandate of municipal government, it is to assess its costs equitably and reasonably across its rate payers and service users. The perception and application of that duty and mandate varies significantly between cities on the prairies and it is regrettable to see Red Deer adopt even more Draconian laws.

Your requirement of 30 day advance licensing and advertising at my cost clearly segregates this license class from all others, and does not exist anywhere else, penalizing and altering competition. It is clearly discriminatory. Is there any business anywhere that must publicly advertize 30 days in advance its intention to carry out the business for which it is already licensed? Will you so require Zellers? Of course not! Why? Because it destroys competitive edge. Do you see how this will be dealt with in the courts?

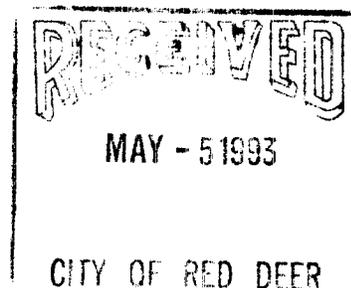
Is there any business in Red Deer that pays \$330 per day as a license fee plus an annual license fee even with multi-million dollar annual sales? Obviously not. Anything like \$110,000 (330 x 365 days)? Of course not! Even with daily sales greater than West Can Arts? No!

Obviously there must be another way to measure equity and reason than is being applied here. Thus my reluctance to write. It is clear that Council sees itself as a regulator of trade. I submit that no municipal government has that mandate and I strenuously object to the proposed changes.

Yours very truly,



M. D. Offet
 President



Bus: 1 (306) 522-3119
 Res: 1 (306) 522-3119

10 Bond Crescent
 Regina, Sask. S4N 1Y7

DATE: May 7, 1993 FILE NO. 93-1610
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Bylaws & Inspections Manager
RE: **WEST CAN ART PRODUCTIONS**

In response to your memo concerning the above, we have the following comments for Council's consideration.

At its meeting of April 26, 1993, Council gave third reading to the changes to the Licensing Bylaw, which incorporated the changes referred to by Mr. Offet. The letter makes several points:

1. That they should have been notified of the proposed changes.
2. That the 30 day waiting period for a license is unfair.
3. That the license fee is excessive.

Our response is that:

1. There is no requirement that anyone be contacted regarding Licensing Bylaw changes, although he was notified by phone, by the Licensing Inspector, prior to final reading. There was a public meeting, open to anyone, advertised in a local newspaper, and Council held several meetings to deal with the issue, at which public comment was given.
2. The City Solicitor has reviewed and approved the form of the bylaw.
3. The license fee change places Red Deer in the middle of the fee scale charged by other Alberta cities.

When Mr. Offet compares a license fee of \$330 for each business day (assuming a business would be open every day of the year), does not take into account that a local business pays business and property taxes, utilities and has a local payroll.

Recommendation: That there be no change to the Bylaw.

Yours truly,



R. Strader
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

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*Not received in time for inclusion
in agenda.*

Received May 19, 1993, 12:20 p.m.

FAX MEMO

Fax No: 346-6195 Pages 1 of 3
To: C. Sevcik Date: May 19/93
City Clerk
City of Red Deer Subject: New "Transient Traders "
Licence requirement
From: Myril D. Offet
West-Can Art Productions
10 Bond Cres.
Regina, Sask.
S4N 1Y7
Phone and fax no. (306) 522-3119

Message: Regarding the attached letter, I will not be appearing at your Council Meeting, May 25. Council's concept of democratic process, that is avoiding input by parties affected before the fact, and this invitation after the fact is consistent with the amoral nature of the new bylaw, Council's creation.

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I'm sure it hasn't escaped the consideration of the local businessmen who must dominate this Council that small businesses such as myself cannot afford to finance such a court challenge. We certainly cannot, unless there is a group of us.

Thus I must request a list of all persons and companies who will fall into the new category of "Transient Traders" from the current non-resident licences list. I imagine this may be quite a stretch for the local democratic process, nevertheless I request this list as soon as possible.

Commissioners' Comments

We would recommend no change to the Bylaw. As Council is aware the increased licensing fee was established primarily to create an "even playing field" between local businesses who pay business and property tax and utilities within the community and non-local business which does not. It is within the legal capability of Council to enact such licensing fees and while we appreciate Mr. Offet's concern, we feel that Council has given due consideration to each of the issues he has raised.

"G. SURKAN"

Mayor

"C. CURTIS"

Acting City Commissioner

DATE May 6, 1993

TO:

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FROM:

CITY CLERK

RE: WEST-CAN ART PRODUCTIONS - NON-RESIDENT LICENSE
REQUIREMENTS

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by May 17

for the Council Agenda of May 25


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 6, 1993

Mr. M.D. Offet, President
West-Can Art Productions
10 Bond Crescent
Regina, Saskatchewan
S4N 1Y7

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 30, 1993, re: Non-Resident License Requirements.

This item will be discussed and possibly a decision made at the Meeting of Red Deer City Council on Tuesday, May 25, 1993. Council meetings begin at 4:30 p.m., and adjourn for the supper hour at 6:00 p.m., reconvening at 7:00 p.m.

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Yours truly,

C. Sevcik
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FAX MEMO

Fax No: 346-6195

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To: C. Sevcik
City Clerk
City of Red Deer

Date: May 19/93

Subject: New "Transient Traders "
Licence requirement

From: Myril D. Offet
West-Can Art Productions
10 Bond Cres.
Regina, Sask.
S4N 1Y7
Phone and fax no. (306) 522-3119

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Fax no.: [403] 346-6195

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To: C. Sencik
City Clerk
City of Red Deer

Date: May 19/93

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West Can APP Productions
10 Bond Cree.
Regina, SASK. S4N 1Y7
Ph. 1 (306) 522-3119

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Signed: over
name

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John P. Pitt
at Home
11 + 1/2 P. Pitt

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**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

P. O. BOX 8008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6196

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 6, 1993

Mr. M.D. Offet, President
West-Can Art Productions
10 Bond Crescent
Regina, Saskatchewan
S4N 1Y7

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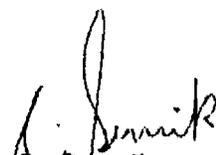
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Yours truly,


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City Clerk
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FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 27, 1993

West-Can Art Productions
10 Bond Crescent
Regina, Saskatchewan
S4N 1Y7

ATTENTION: MR. MYRIL D. OFFET

Dear Sir,

Your letter of April 30, 1993, wherein you expressed concerns regarding changes to The City of Red Deer licensing bylaw, as same applies to "Transient Traders", was presented on the Council Agenda of May 25, 1993. I would further advise that your follow up fax memo, dated May 19, 1993, while not received in time for inclusion on the agenda was made available to all members of Council at the May 25 meeting.

Following is the resolution which was passed by Council at the above noted meeting and in this regard I am also enclosing, herewith, the Administrative comment which appeared on the May 25 agenda.

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered correspondence from Myril D. Offet, regarding recent amendments to the Licensing Bylaw hereby agrees that there be no change to the bylaw."

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I am also enclosing, for your additional information, a copy of amending Bylaw 2846/A-93, which was passed by Council April 26, 1993 and which amending bylaw is the subject of your concerns.

In response to some of your other questions, I would advise as follows:

1. The advertising contemplated under the bylaw will be placed in a local newspaper the first available Friday upon the granting of the license. The advertising will be of a generic nature and will not include the name of the "Transient Trader".



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West-Can Art Productions

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May 27, 1993

2. As noted in the report from the Bylaws and Inspections Manager, there is no requirement for notification with regard to any changes to the licensing bylaw. In deed, it would be very difficult if not impossible to determine future "Transient Traders" in The City of Red Deer. Notwithstanding, it is our understanding that you were notified by phone of the proposed changes, prior to final reading of the bylaw amendment and for whatever reasons, you choose not to make your views known to Council prior to passage of the amending bylaw.
3. While no local business in Red Deer is required to pay a \$330.00 per day license fee, local businesses pay business taxes, property taxes, utilities and contribute substantially to the community through payroll, charitable donations, supporting community events, etc.

With regard to your request for a list of all persons and companies falling under the new category of "Transient Traders" from the current non-resident list, we are not in a position to accommodate your request as such is not public information.

Once again, I wish to thank you for taking the time to express your views on this issue. If you have any further questions, concerns or problems with the bylaw as it currently stands, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or the Bylaws and Inspections Manager, Mr. R. Strader (342-8195).

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

Encl.

cc: City Commissioners
Bylaws and Inspections Manager



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NO. 4

May 4, 1993
City Council,
 City of Red Deer

Dear Mayor Surkan and Council,

As the revitalization partnership between the City and downtown business continues to the year 2000, many of the projects described in the downtown plan require review. One of the key elements in this plan is the landscaping of the core area. This detail contains two important items as described in the plan.

The first is the street landscape. We have a significant start on this project with the completion of Ross and 49 Street between 47 and 51 Ave. Key additional streets include Gaetz Av and 48 Street. Appreciating the financial realities of today, the Association is proceeding to add details to these streets with the Kiosk upgrade program and the new descriptive street signs which were presented to Council at our annual Board/Council meeting in November '92.

Through this project the visual change to downtown will continue and some momentum will be maintained. As any sidewalk repair is required, it is our understanding that the repairs will be completed using the upgrade standard. By this method, the completion of Gaetz and 48 will occur over an extended period of time, but it will never the less occur.

The second detail where some physical change has occurred is the development of the Pedestrian Laneway Mall concept. This concept calls for the same upgrade detail as the streets for specified laneways in the core area. The first obstacle has been the EL&P utility and again progress on burial has begun although the wood poles still exist in most cases.

This particular detail requires a prioritized look at expenditures. It has been our understanding that the first two priority blocks for this program were the Post office Block including the short south leg of the lane that runs beside the Uptown Cinema Centre. Buildings on this block have developed improvements to take advantage of the PLM concept.

The next block identified was the Bay block. Although the concept plan identified four additional blocks that could become part of a laneway mall system, these two blocks were

the priority areas. It appears that portions of several blocks have been started by EL&P, and in these financial times, we encourage the City to review the continued burial of EL&P.

It is likely more realistic to consider progress on the priority blocks without further expansion until the economic climate improves and there is evidence of a growing tax base in the core.

The downtown strategy committee has also discussed this issue and feel that much of the EL&P infrastructure planning has become somewhat redundant in that high density development involving multi-story buildings is highly unlikely in the foreseeable future.

It is felt that what has been completed will meet the power demands from development for some time into the future. Further it is felt that the 100% site coverage requirements for core development have also dramatically changed and that a rethink of the underground electrical program would be prudent.

The Association requests Council confirm the intent to continue the sidewalk upgrade program through use of the new standard in all repairs until such time as the City can identify the financial means to complete the landscape program. At the same time we request Councils endorsement of the Association Kiosk and Sign projects as a way of maintaining the momentum and visual change.

We also request that Council endorse the prioritization of the Post Office and Bay block lanes as the first two areas for Pedestrian Laneway development and that expansion of the downtown underground electrical grid be reviewed with the objective of developing only those areas needed for realistic development in the next 5-10 years.

Sincerely yours,
TOWNE CENTRE ASSOCIATION

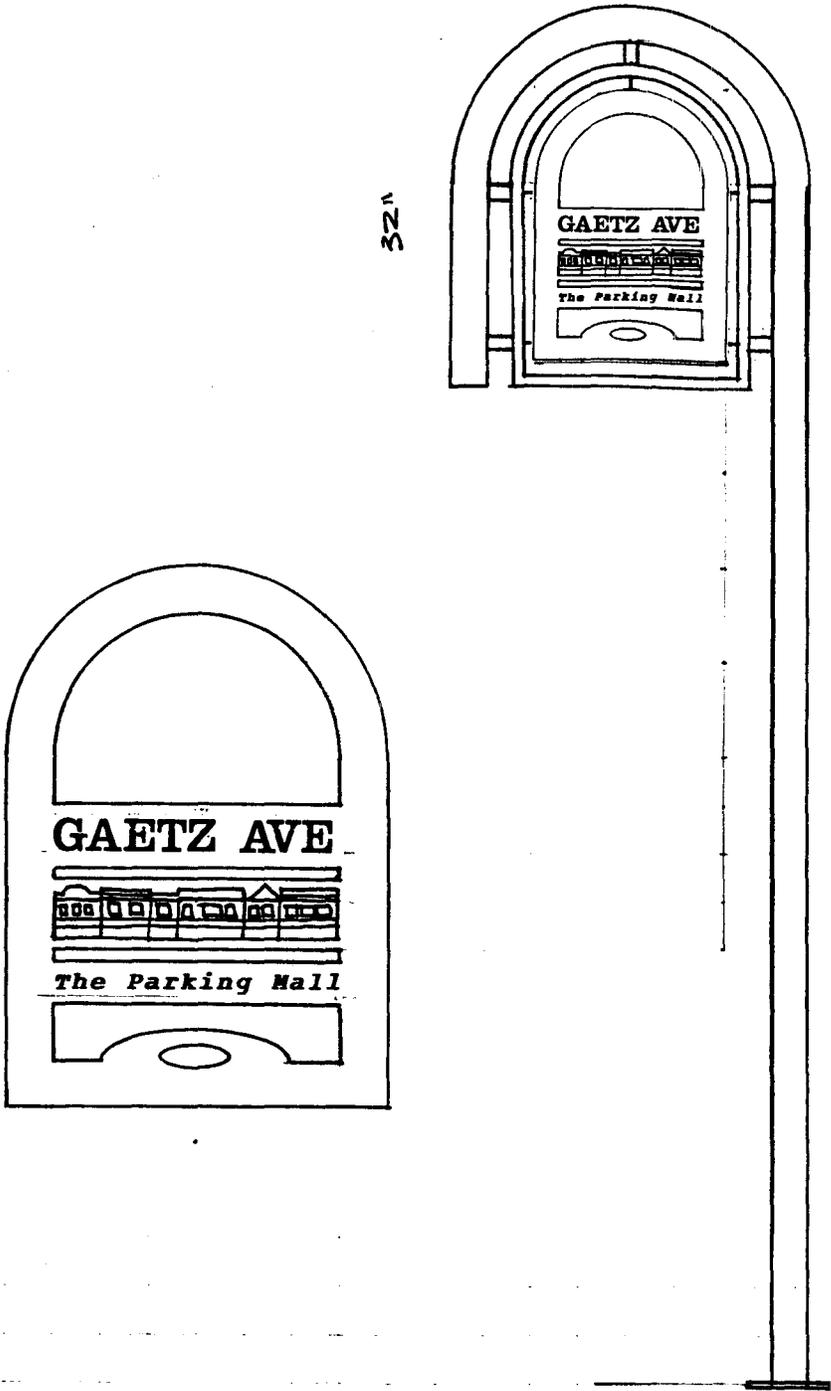


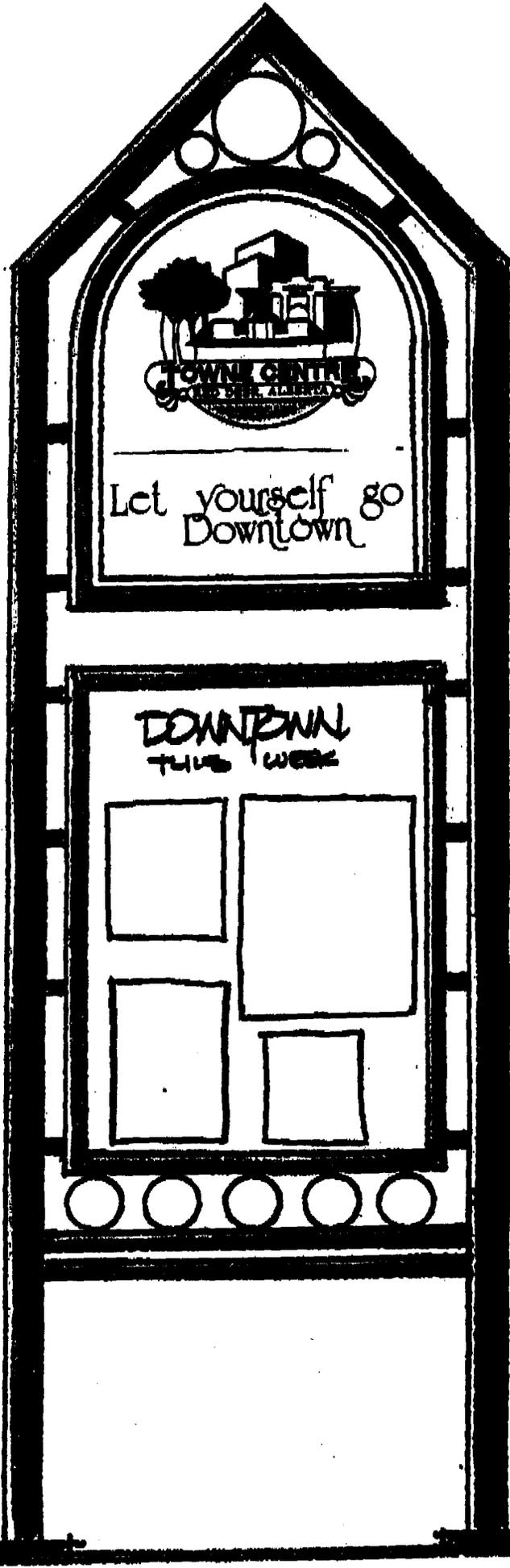
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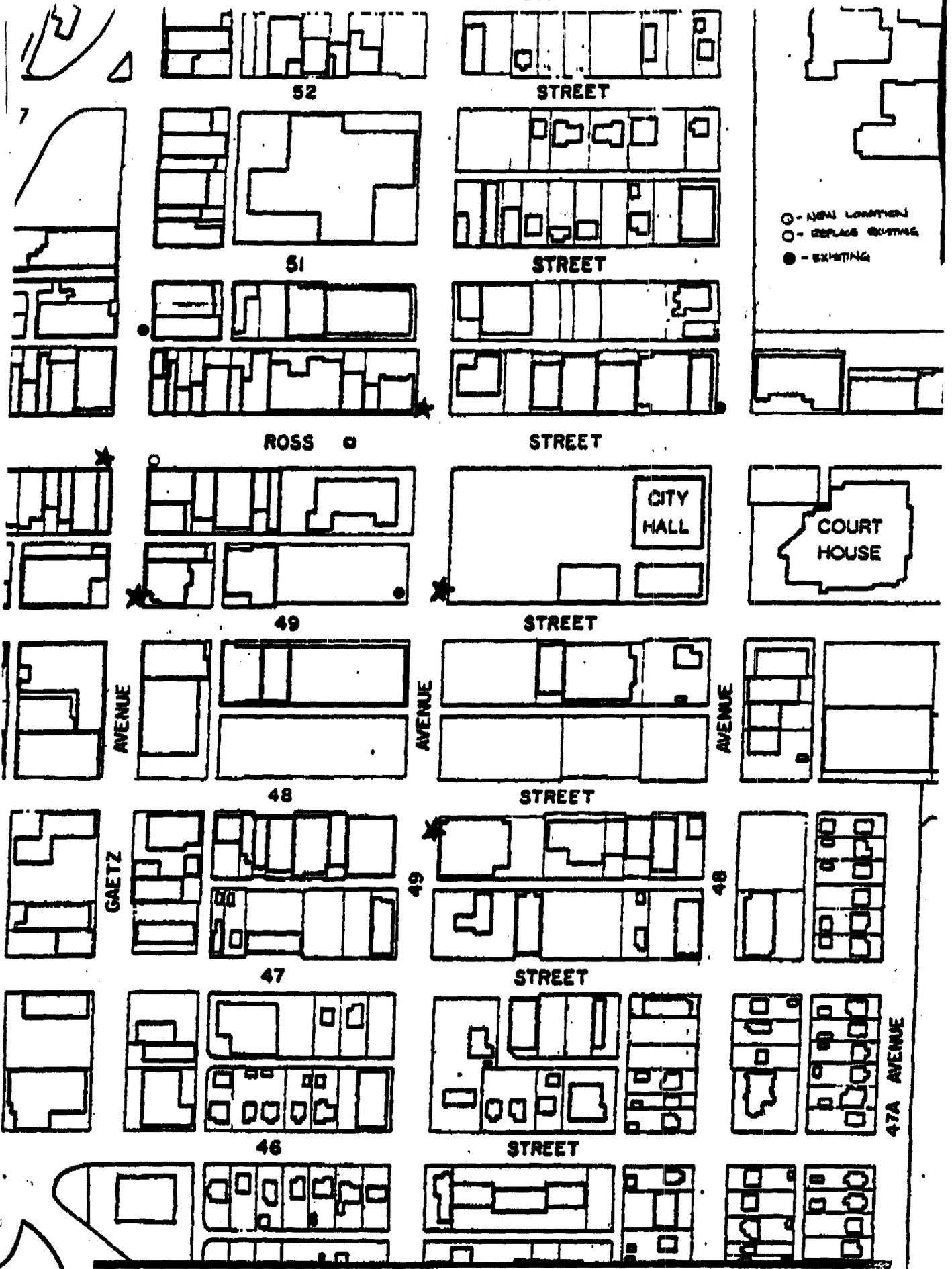
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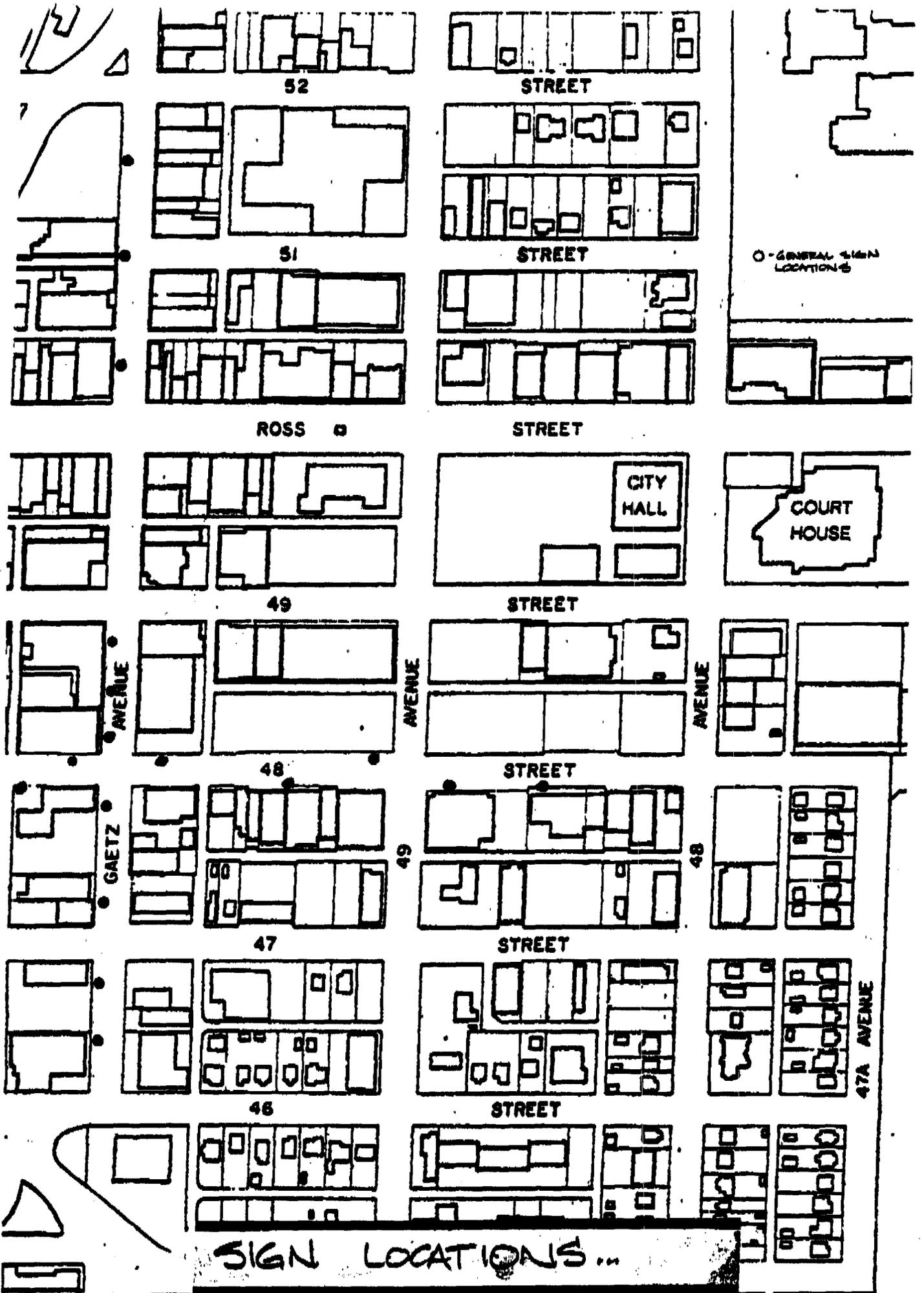




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KIOSK LOCATIONS





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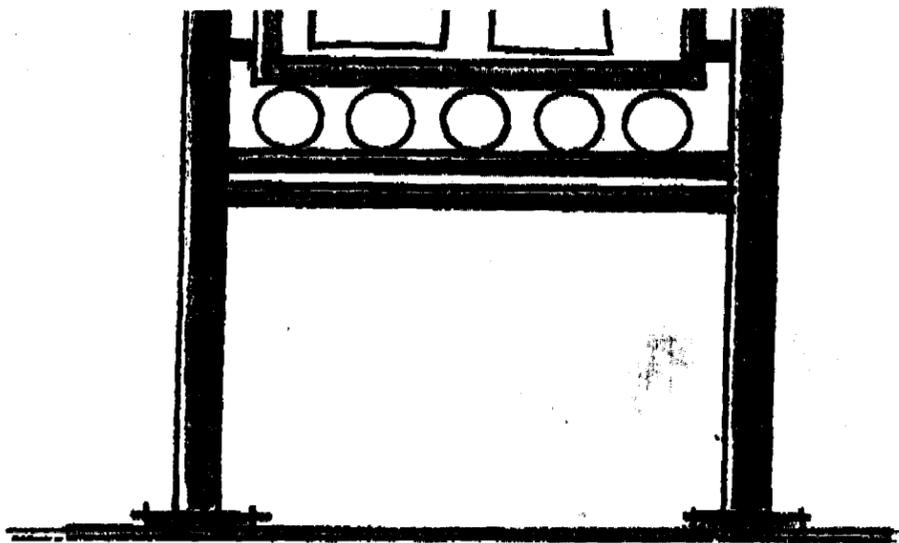
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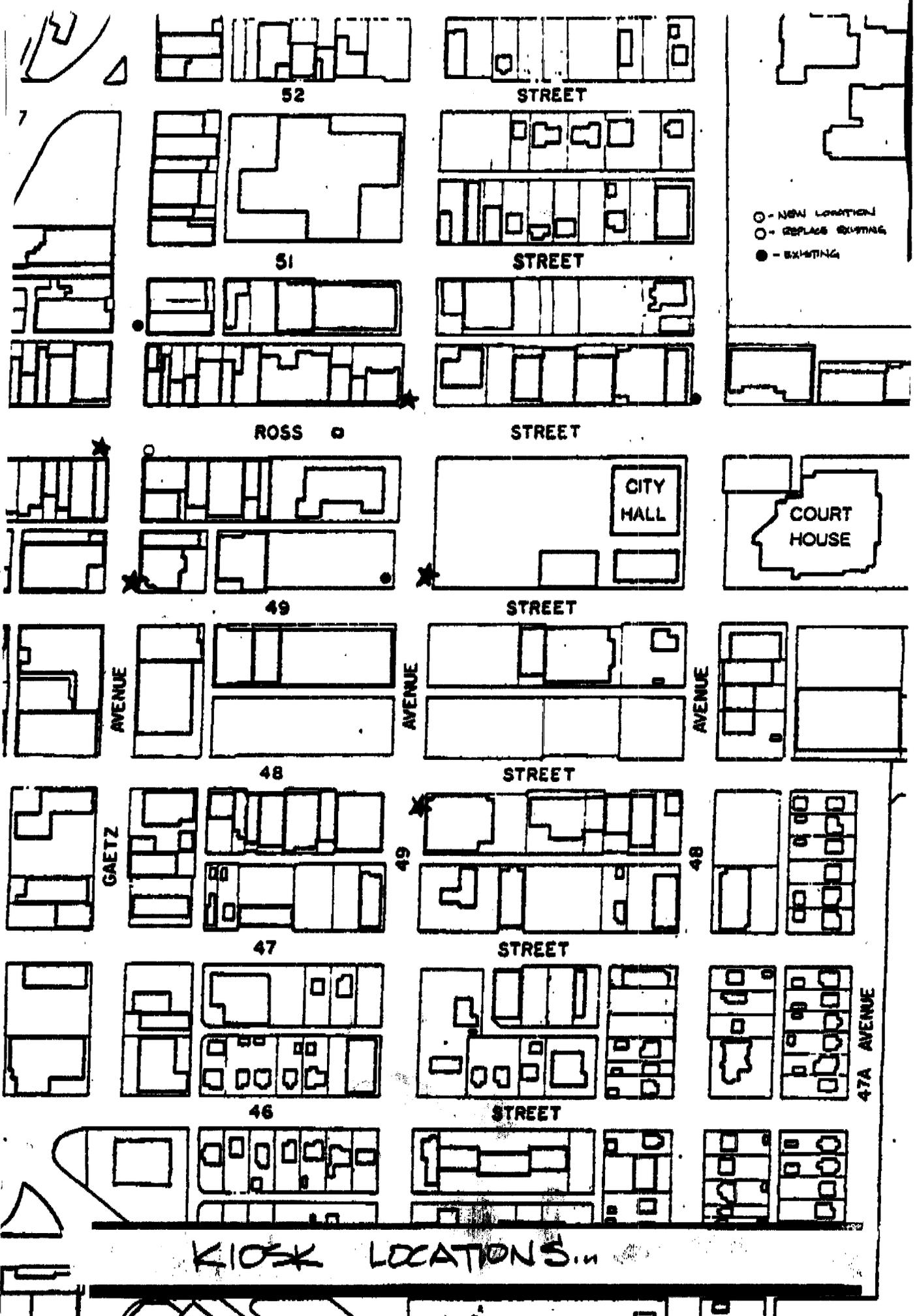
Dear Kelly,

I've just been informed that the City does not have any drawings regarding the KIOSK or SIGN project scheduled for Council on May 25th. Here are the illustrations of the Kiosks and the Signs, as well as maps used for on site tour with EL&P and Engineering last week.

If you require any further information please contact me as soon as possible.

John P. Ferguson, General Manager.



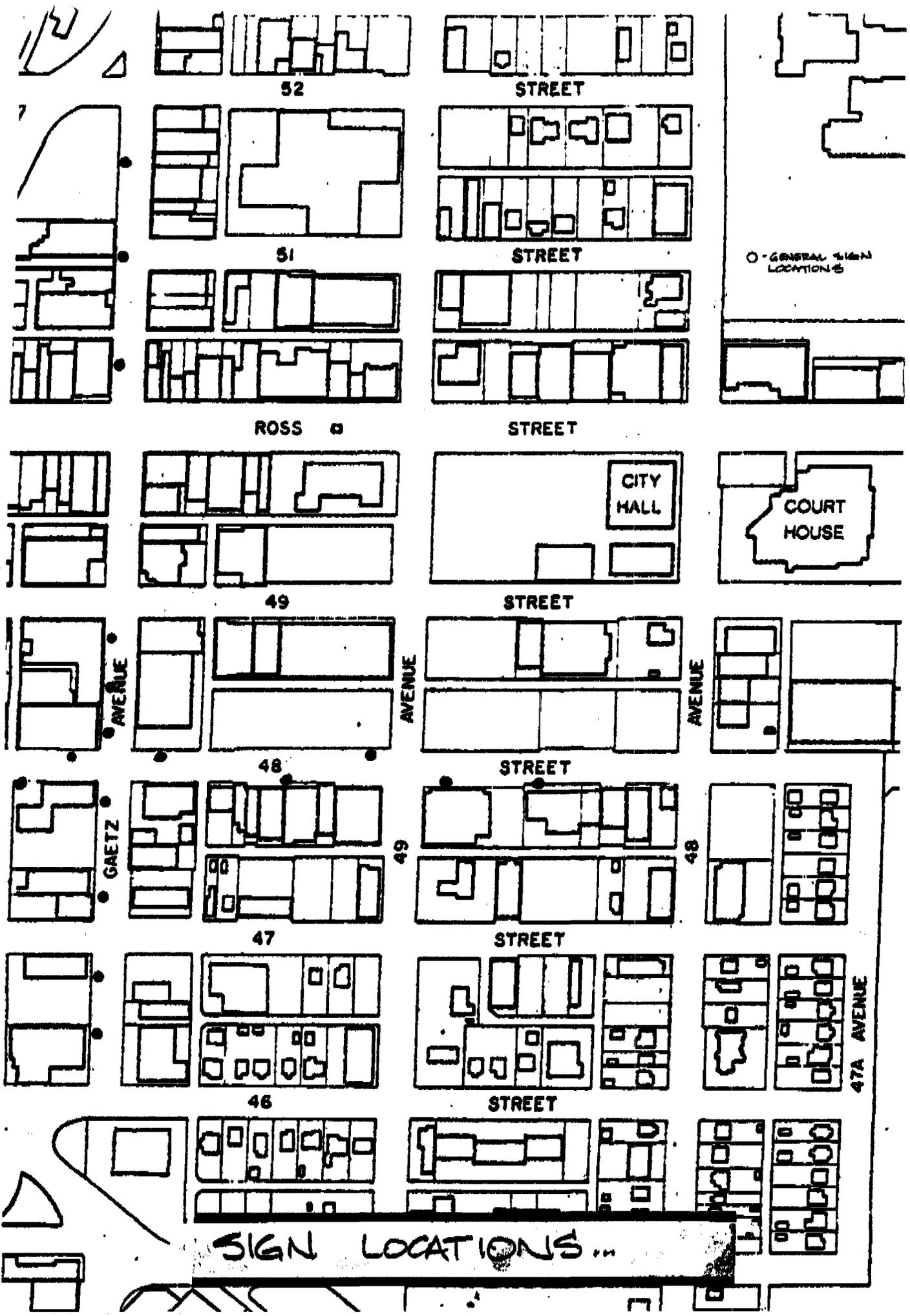


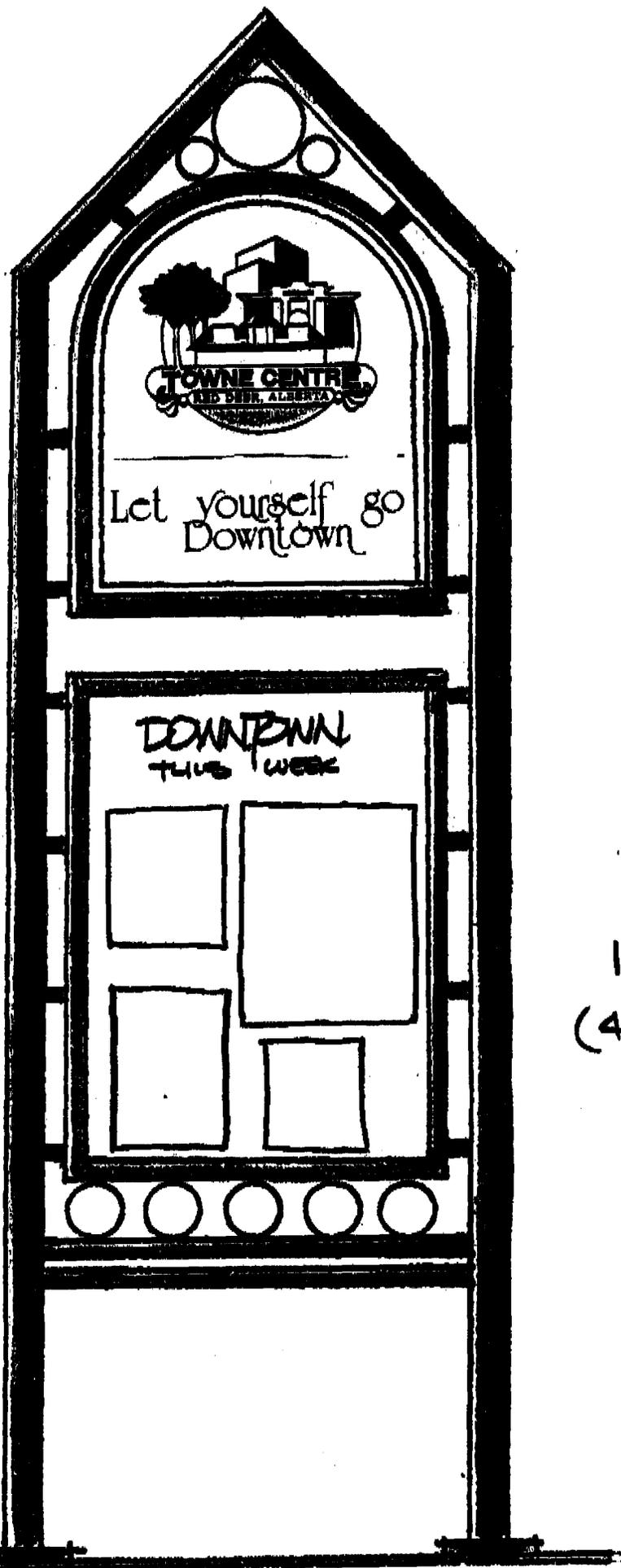
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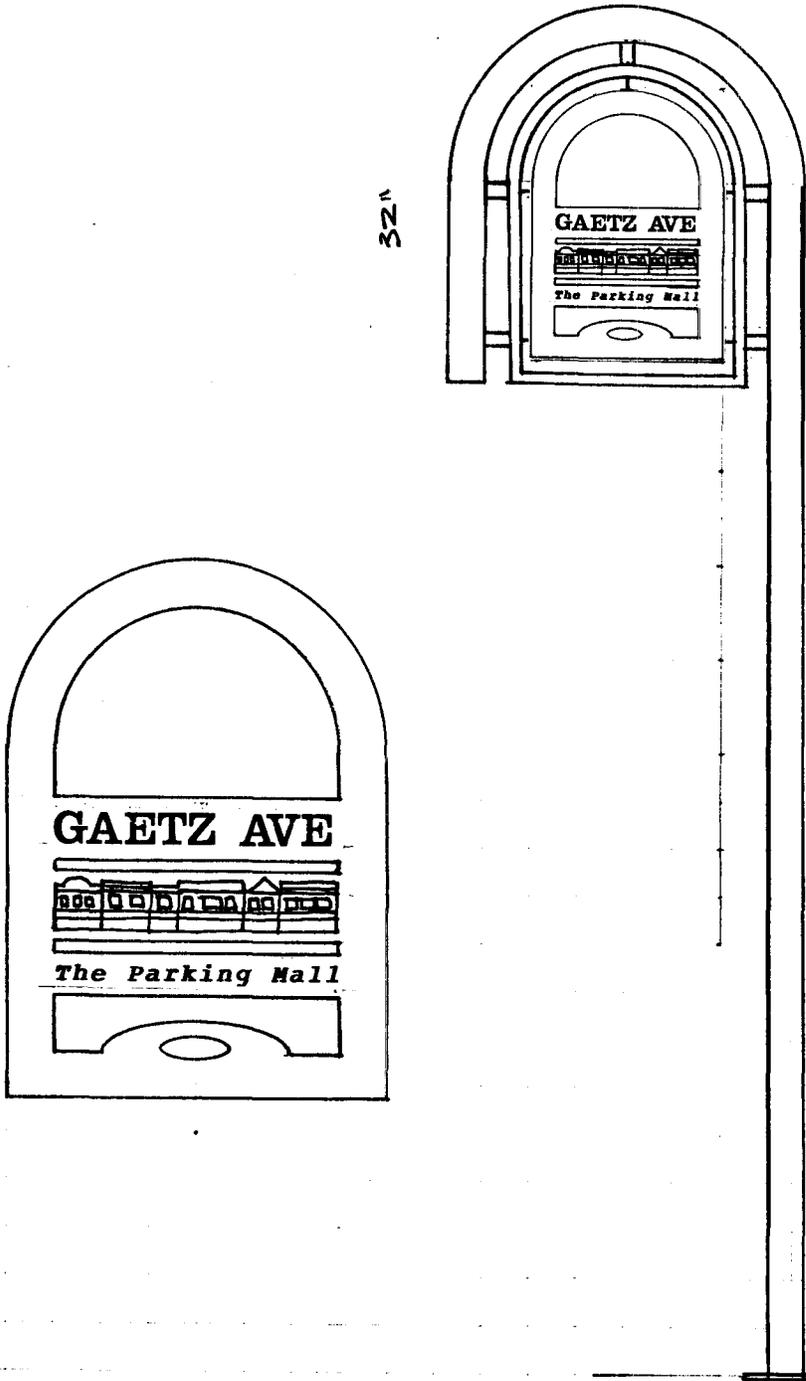


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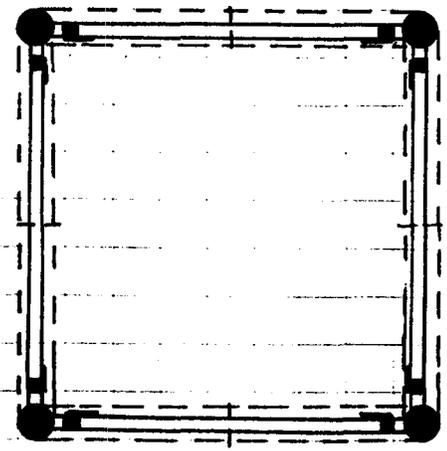
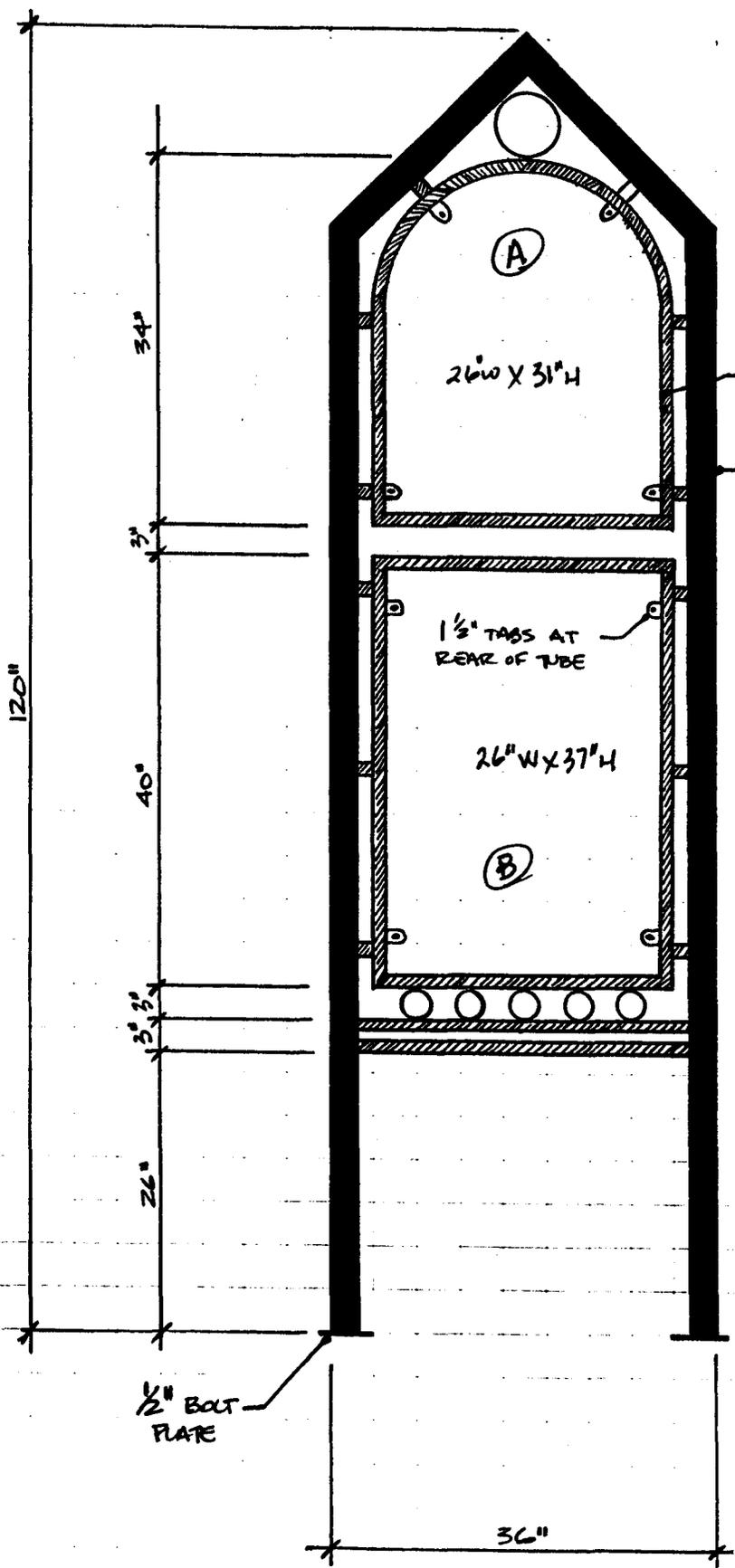
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DATE: May 12, 1993

TO: CHARLIE SEVCIK
City Clerk

FROM: CRAIG CURTIS, Director
Community Services Division

RE: TOWNE CENTRE ASSOCIATION:
DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION ISSUES
Your memo dated May 6, 1993 refers.

1. The Towne Centre Association has written to the City requesting support in the following four areas:
 - Sidewalk upgrading
 - Kiosk and sign project
 - Pedestrian laneway mall development
 - Underground electrical grid

The association's request in each of these areas may be summarized as follows:

1.1 Sidewalk Upgrading

The association notes that a significant start has been made on the street landscaping project, with the completion of Ross Street and 49 Street between 47 and 51 Avenues. Key additional streets include Gaetz Avenue and 48 Street. The association is requesting City Council to confirm its "intent to continue the sidewalk upgrade program through use of the new sidewalk standard in all repairs, until such time as the City can identify the financial means to complete the project".

1.2 Kiosk and Sign Project

The association is proposing to enhance the street landscape program through replacement of its existing advertising kiosks and the installation of new descriptive street signs along the major shopping streets. These are proposed to be brightly coloured and match the style of the recently installed Gaetz Avenue entry sign. The association is requesting City Council's endorsement of the association's kiosk and sign projects as a way of maintaining the momentum of visual change.

1.3 Pedestrian Laneway Mall (PLM) Concept

The association is continuing to pursue the development of a pedestrian laneway mall concept, as outlined in the 1986 Downtown Concept Plan. It is requesting City Council to endorse "the prioritization of the Post Office and Bay block lanes as the first two areas for pedestrian laneway development".

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 Towne Centre Association

1.4 Underground Electrical Grid

The association is requesting the City to "review the expansion of the downtown electrical grid with the objective of developing only those areas needed for realistic development in the next 5-10 years".

2. I have discussed the above issues with the Parks and Recreation & Culture Managers, and our comments are as follows:
- We strongly support the policy of implementing the new sidewalk standard when repairs are undertaken within the area designated in the landscape plan. However, it would not be practical for this to apply to all minor repairs.
 - The Parks Manager has had several discussions with the Towne Centre Manager and the Engineering Department on the kiosk and sign project. We recommend that City Council endorse the project.
 - We support the principle of the pedestrian laneway mall concept. However, it may be desirable to defer a decision on this issue until the new Downtown Concept Plan has been completed.
 - We support a review of the expansion of the downtown electrical grid as part of the downtown planning process.

3. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council:

- Support the policy of implementing the new sidewalk standard when significant repairs are undertaken within the area designated in the landscape plan.
- Endorse the Towne Centre Association's kiosk and sign project.
- Defer consideration of the pedestrian laneway mall concept until the updated Downtown Concept Plan has been completed.
- Support a review of the expansion of the downtown electrical grid as part of the downtown planning process.



CRAIG CURTIS

:dmg

- c Don Batchelor, Parks Manager
 Lowell Hodgson, Recreation & Culture Manager
 Paul Meyette, Principal Planner, R.D.R.P.C.

DATE: 13 May 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: City Assessor
RE: TOWNE CENTRE - DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

Further to a request for comments with regard to the above issue dated May 6, and the supplemental information forwarded with locations of kiosk, etc., and having reviewed said correspondence, it would appear that these developments will be located on public property and be utilized for directional purposes, street naming, etc. Based on the above, from an assessment and tax perspective, these properties and/or structures would not be assessable and taxable.

We have no other comments pertinent to this issue at this time.



Al Knight, A.M.A.A.
City Assessor

AK/ngl

c.c. Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Director of Financial Services
Economic Development Manager
E. L. & P. Manager
Principal Planner

DATE: May 14, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: E. L. & P. Manager
RE: Towne Centre - Downtown Revitalization

The following are comments from the electrical utility perspective relating to the May 4, 1993 letter of the Towne Centre Association to City Council.

A. Pedestrian Laneway Mall - Post Office and Bay Blocks

As stated by the Association, the two priority blocks are the Post Office and The Bay blocks. All overhead electrical facilities on those two blocks have been removed and placed underground with three exceptions:

- 1) One pole has been left on private property at the rear of 4925 Ross Street as mutually agreed upon by the owner and the E. L. & P. Department as there was no other alternative to provide service to the building. The location of the pole, on private property, will not conflict with any lane improvements on public property.
- 2) A pole exists on the edge of the lane, at the back of the Post Office to maintain service to the air raid siren situated on the Post Office. This pole can likely be removed within two months as The Federal Defence Department has indicated that the air raid sirens in Red Deer will be removed.
- 3) A pole exists on the property of the Bay parking lot for the parking attendant booth. From the booth, the customer has an overhead line extending over the parking lot to a sign on 48 Street. The location of this pole on private property will not interfere with any lane improvements on public property.

Poles and overhead Alberta Government Telephones (AGT) lines still exist on both of these blocks. The poles, which are now owned by AGT, are in the laneways and would conflict with any lane improvements. The E. L. & P. Department has advised the AGT of the program to remove overhead electrical line. Current AGT plans for the two priority blocks are to remove their poles and overhead lines in 1994 and 1995.

The E. L. & P. facilities on these two blocks have been discussed with Manager of the Towne Centre Association and he agreed that the E. L. & P. Department does not represent any obstacle to any of their proposed improvements on these two blocks.

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B. Removal of Overhead Electrical Lines

Council Policy #603, "Electrical Upgrading in Downtown Area", has as its purpose the replacement of the old overhead system with a new underground system. This policy was adopted after considerable input from the Downtown merchants and the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission. One of the major objectives of the plan's phasing was to coordinate the E. L. & P. functions with street scape improvements.

By the end of 1993, a total of 9 blocks will have the E. L. & P. overhead lines removed and underground services installed. Progress on the planned removal of the overhead lines has progressed well since its inception and in only one year was no work completed because of budget constraints. It should be noted that overhead AGT lines, and the necessary poles, do still exist on these blocks.

C. Future of Overhead Line Removal Projects

The Towne Centre Association's letter is somewhat confusing and not totally correct, respecting the electric utility, in its references to the future E. L. & P. system work in the Downtown. The following facts relating to the electric utility have no correlation to the type of development, density of development, site coverage or tax base in the Downtown core which the Association seems to imply should govern the electric utility improvements in the Downtown area:

- 1) The existing overhead lines must be replaced or rebuilt due to their poor physical condition. Over the past two years we have had to allocate minimal budget funds to complete some absolutely necessary repairs to the overhead lines. This "band aid" approach is prudent only if large pieces of old overhead lines are removed every year.
- 2) There is not always a choice between rebuilding the overhead lines or placing them underground. Buildings, both old and new, are constructed to the edge of property. Current clearance standards can not be met if overhead lines are to be retained. Pending clearance standards appear to be even greater with respect to safe horizontal clearances between buildings and overhead power lines.
- 3) Because buildings, both old and new, are constructed to the edge of the property line, it will be very difficult, if not impossible, to locate electrical equipment on the surface of the ground with only the cables underground which is the system being constructed on the vacated rail lands. This necessitates a totally underground system.

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- 4) E. L. & P. planning and construction is not redundant, in fact, it attempts to remove redundancy and improve operating safety by completely removing the old 4 kV overhead system and operate only a single system. To rebuild the existing 4 kV system, either as an overhead or underground 4 kV system, would produce a completely new system which is obsolete before it is completed because of capacity limitations, and is not efficient to operate.
- 5) The current program of replacing overhead lines with underground lines is not resulting in any electrical capacity being constructed which is not currently needed to meet the requirements of the existing customers. The only additional facilities being constructed for potential long term use are extra ducts. This is a prudent plan as one would not expect to dig up the same street or lane for duct placement even at 5 year intervals.
- 6) The replacement of overhead lines with underground lines is an expense initially paid for completely by E. L. & P. through its capital maintenance budget. The replacement program is costing existing customers nothing unless they increase their capacity at the same time. Over the long term, only the cost difference between rebuilding an overhead system and building an underground system of the actually required capacity is recovered from new development.

D. Future Downtown Development

The Towne Centre Association made some suggestions which may have an impact on the future development and reliability of the electrical system if they are adopted by Council.

- 1) It has been suggested that continuing with electrical system burial should cease other than on those two blocks which were designated as priority areas for purposes of a laneway mall system. As stated above in C (1), the laneway mall system is not what creates the requirement for burial. Rebuilding of the electrical system must proceed even if the laneway mall system does not proceed.
- 2) It has been suggested that further burial of the electrical system should cease until the economic climate improves. The oldest part of the electrical system is in the Downtown area and this is the highest priority maintenance area at present. The program should therefore be continued as funding is available through the budget process.
- 3) It has been suggested that site coverage in the Downtown may be changing and that high density multi-storey buildings are unlikely in the near future. This may be true and perhaps zoning and development regulations should be changed to reflect the changing development situation. The only sound basis which E. L. & P. has for future planning are the most current development by-laws. If these change, the E. L. & P. plans should, and can, change as well.

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- 4) It has been suggested that a 5-10 year development area should be established by Council. If such an area is to be defined, E. L. & P. will coordinate its rebuild plan with such a development plan. This suggestion by itself does not address the problem unless C1 type development outside of the defined 5 - 10 year designated area is not permitted within that time frame.

E. Recommendations

- 1) The E. L. & P. Department should continue to replace the existing Downtown overhead system with an underground system in accordance with the existing Council Policy.
- 2) The E. L. & P. Department planning should be based upon the most recent revisions of zoning and development by-laws.
- 3) The E. L. & P. Department should be invited to directly and actively participate in Downtown planning matters which relate directly to the electrical system for the purpose of providing the necessary utility expertise.



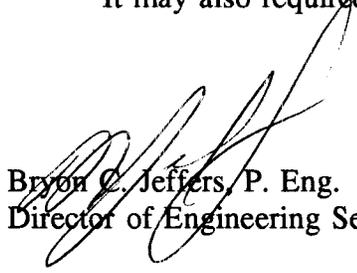
A. Roth,
Manager

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DATE: May 17, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Engineering Department Manager
RE: **TOWNE CENTRE - DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION**

Engineering Services has reviewed the correspondence from the Towne Centre Association. We would offer the following comments:

1. With respect to the sidewalk improvement program, we would indicate that where significant lengths of repair are undertaken, we would look at replacement with the upgraded design. If the repair areas are very small, we would recommend standard concrete repair.
2. We have no concerns with the kiosk and sign program, subject to sight distances and other basic issues being addressed.
3. The laneway mall concept is an issue resting primarily with the E. L. & P. Department. It may also require capital funding for other improvements.



Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Engineering Services

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c.c. City Assessor
c.c. E. L. & P. Manager
c.c. Economic and Land Manager
c.c. Principal Planner



MEMORANDUM

TO: Charlie Sevcik, City Clerk **DATE:** May 14, 1993

FROM: Dennis Shewfelt, Associate Planner

RE: **TOWNE CENTRE ASSOCIATION REVITALIZATION ISSUES
YOUR MEMO MAY 6, 1993 REFERS**

The Towne Centre Association has requested the City's support in the following areas:

Sidewalk upgrading: confirmation of City Council's intent to continue the sidewalk upgrading program through the use of the new standard for all repairs.

Kiosk and sign project: Council's endorsement of the Association's projects.

Pedestrian Laneway development: Council is requested to endorse the prioritization of the Post Office and Bay Blocks lanes as the first two areas for Pedestrian Laneway development.

Underground Electrical: Council is requested to review the expansion plans currently in place.

The sidewalk upgrading program is supported by the RDRPC. In recognition of the tight economic circumstances being faced, the policy of upgrading to the new sidewalk standard as repairs are needed appears the most appropriate approach.

The Kiosk and sign project is a Towne Centre Association initiative and will bring added colour and character to the Downtown area. This initiative is supported by the RDRPC.

The Pedestrian Laneway Mall concept was included in the 1986 Downtown Concept Plan. This plan is currently under review by the Downtown Planning Advisory Committee (appointed in January 1993). In addition the recent take over of Woodward's Department Stores by the Bay/Zellers has raised some serious questions about the future of the Bay/Zellers block. The Bay has already stated its intention to relocate the Bower Mall (perhaps as early as June 93).

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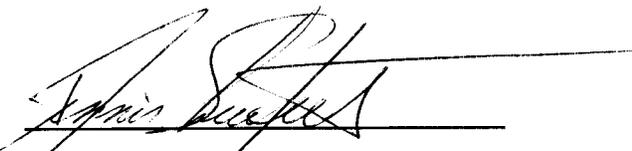
The Pedestrian Laneway Mall concept has been discussed by the Downtown Planning Advisory Committee but no firm resolution has been reached at this time. It will be part of the revised Downtown Concept Plan (1993). Some of the post office block businesses have made improvements to their property in anticipation of the Pedestrian Laneway developments; it would appear logical for this block to receive attention as a first priority. However, setting a priority on the laneway improvements may be premature until it is assessed in the context of other initiatives in the Downtown Concept Plan.

The underground electrical grid system has been under development for several years through a phased development program. The Downtown Planning Advisory Committee has discussed the grid system and future expansion. No firm resolution has been reached at this time. However, cost efficiencies deserve to be considered.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council:

- Support upgrading the sidewalks to the new standards as repairs are required within the area designated by the landscaped plan.
- Endorse the Kiosk and Sign project prepared by the Towne Centre Association.
- Defer the establishment of priorities on specific blocks until the Downtown Concept Plan has been completed.
- Support a review of the expansion of the underground electrical grid as part of the downtown planning process.



Dennis Shewfelt
ASSOCIATE PLANNER

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Commissioners' Comments

We concur with the recommendations of the Director of Community Services. With reference to the first recommendation it is suggested that the Engineering Department review their annual sidewalk repair program with the Towne Centre Association to identify those areas which could legitimately be defined as "significant repairs".

With reference to the question of the electrical grid it is recommended that all the comments be passed on to the Downtown Planning Committee for review and a comprehensive report . Currently the Downtown Planning Committee is involved in discussing several issues related to electrical servicing of the Downtown and recommendations will be forthcoming.

"G. SURKAN"

Mayor

"C. CURTIS"

Acting City Commissioner

TO:

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FROM:

CITY CLERK

RE: TOWNE CENTRE - DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION/ATTACHED IS
SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THE MEMO PREVIOUSLY SENT
DATED MAY 06/93

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by May 17

for the Council Agenda of May 25


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

TO:

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**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 6, 1993

Mr. John Ferguson, General Manager
Towne Centre Association
B3, 4901 - 48 Street
Red Deer, Alberta

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 4, 1993, re: Downtown Revitalization.

This item will be discussed and possibly a decision made at the Meeting of Red Deer City Council on Tuesday, May 25, 1993. Council meetings begin at 4:30 p.m., and adjourn for the supper hour at 6:00 p.m., reconvening at 7:00 p.m.

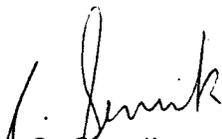
In the event you wish to be present at the Council meeting, would you please telephone our office on Friday, May 21, and we will advise you of the approximate time that Council will be discussing this item.

Would you please enter City Hall on the park side entrance when arriving, and proceed up to the second floor Council Chambers.

This request has been circulated to City administration for comments, and should you wish to receive a copy of the administrative comments prior to the Council meeting, they may be picked up at our office on the second floor of City Hall on Friday, May 21.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Yours truly,


C. Sevcik
City Clerk
CS/ds



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FROM: CITY CLERK

RE: TOWNE CENTRE - DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

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No comments of any relevance. [Signature]

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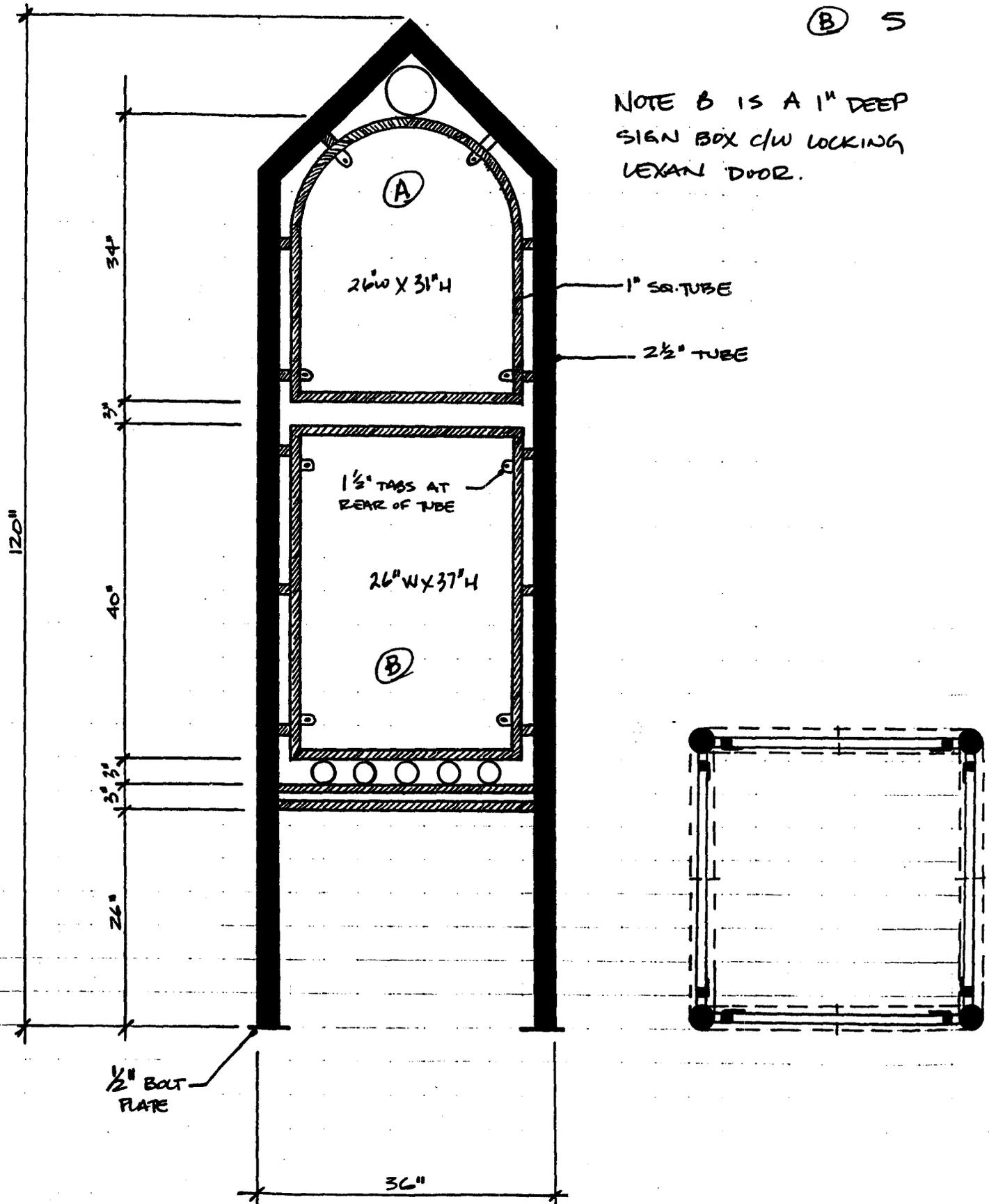
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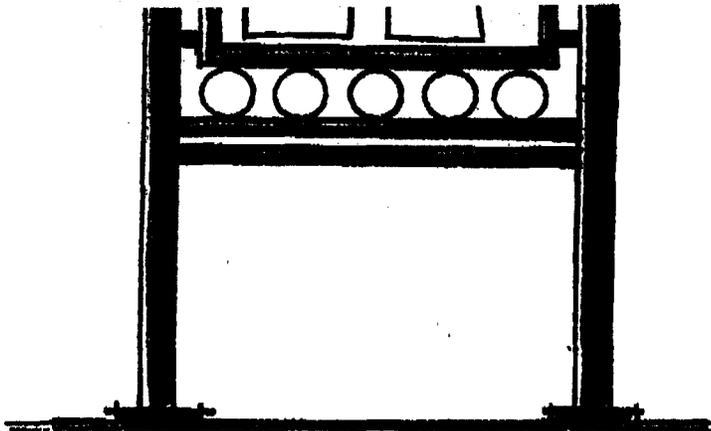
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Dear Kelly,

I've just been informed that the City does not have any drawings regarding the KIOSK or SIGN project scheduled for Council on May 25th. Here are the illustrations of the Kiosks and the Signs, as well as maps used for on site tour with EL&P and Engineering last week.

If you require any further information please contact me as soon as possible.

John P. Ferguson, General Manager.

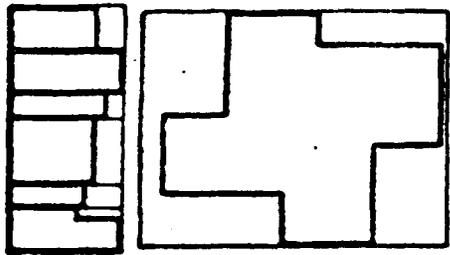
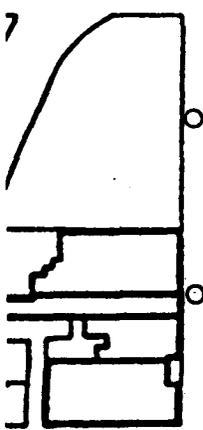
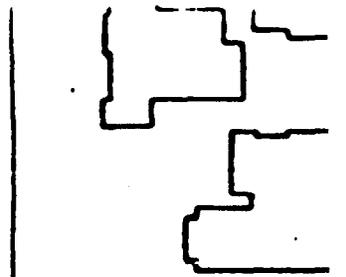




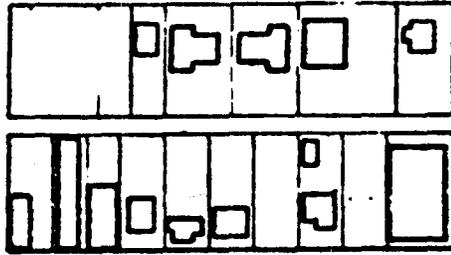
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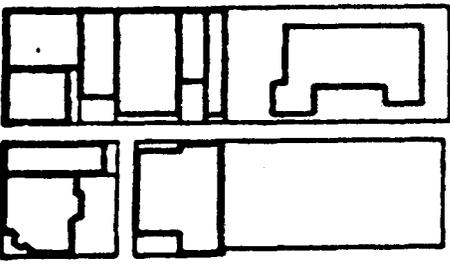
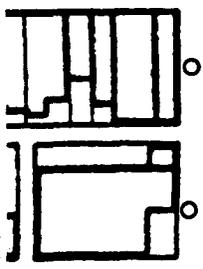
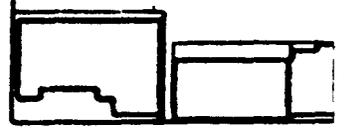
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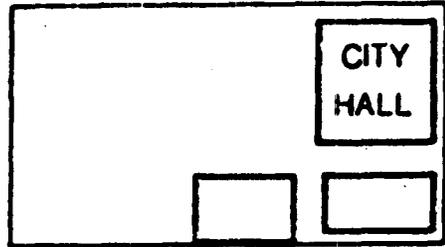
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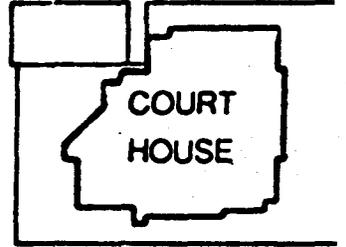
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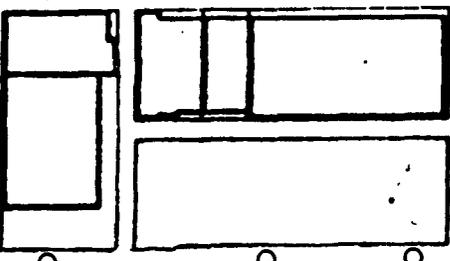
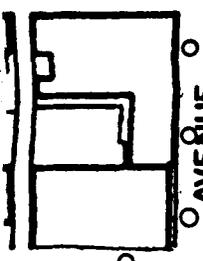


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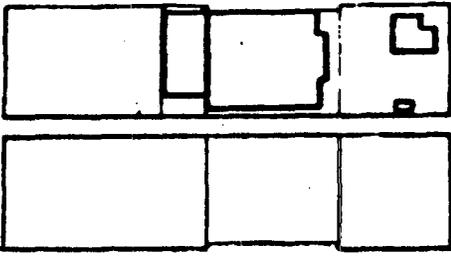
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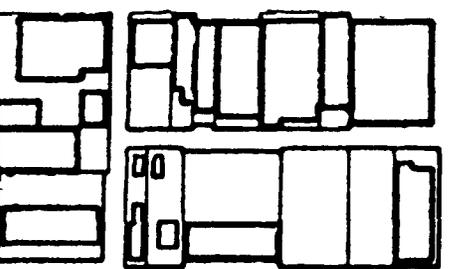
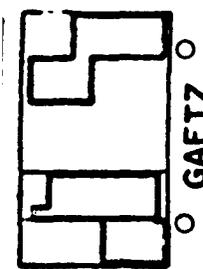
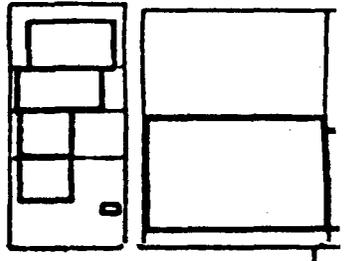
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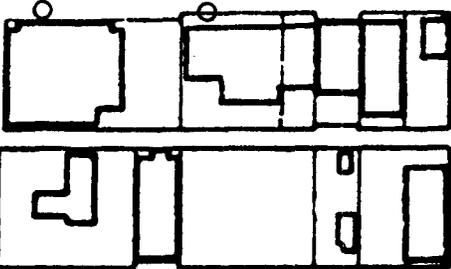
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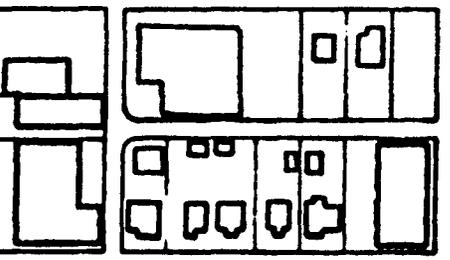
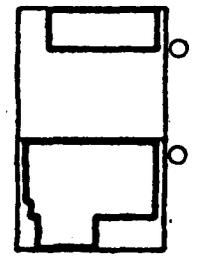
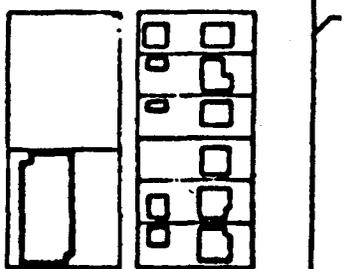
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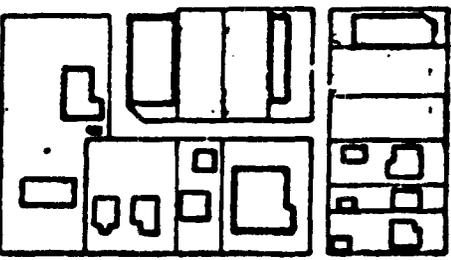


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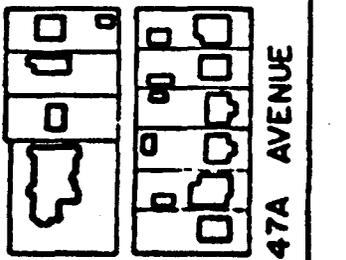
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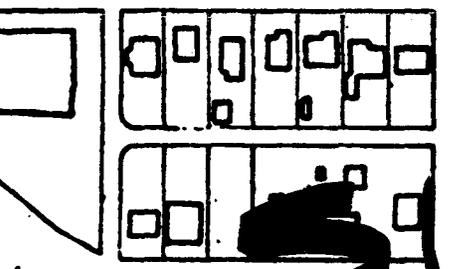
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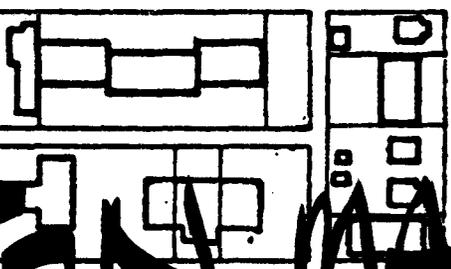
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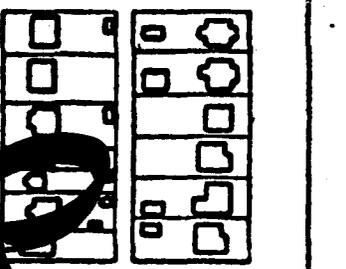
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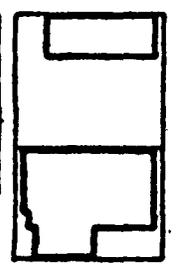
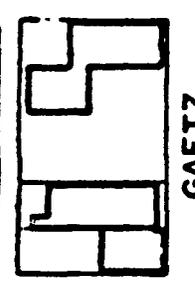
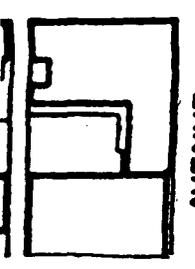
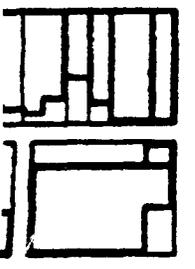
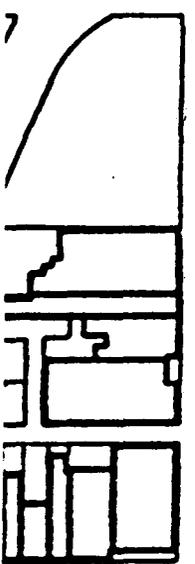
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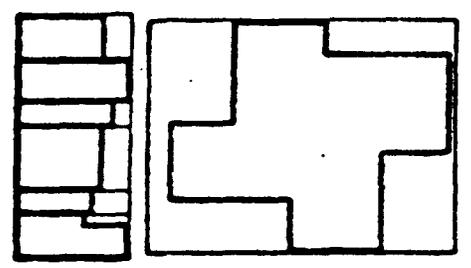
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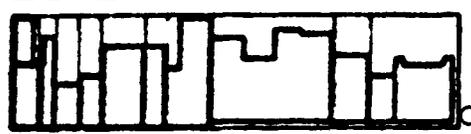
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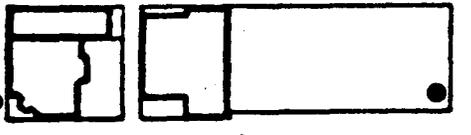
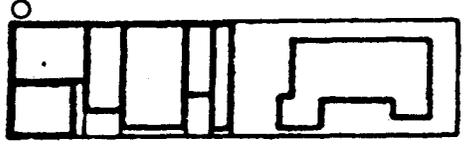
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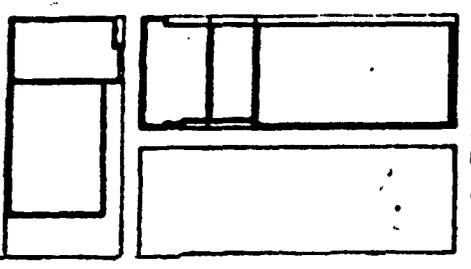
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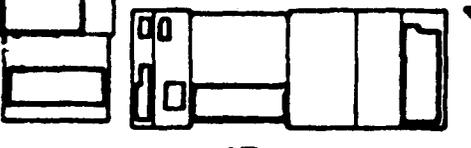
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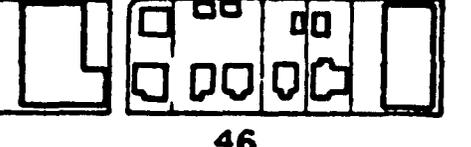
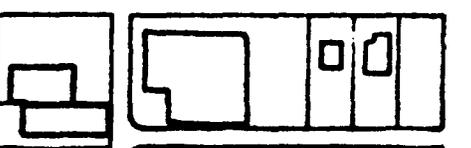
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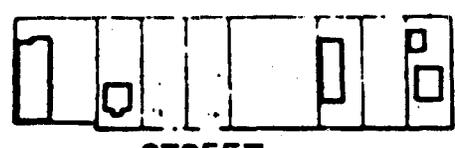
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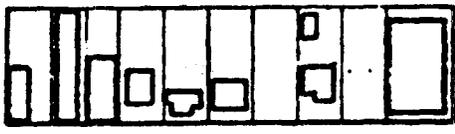
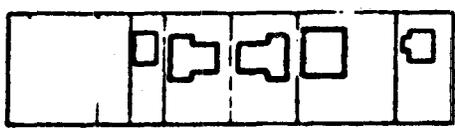
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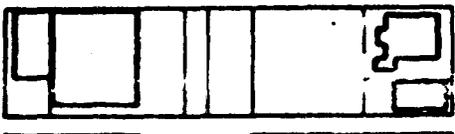
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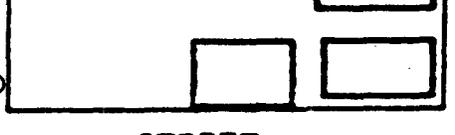
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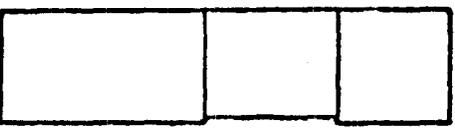
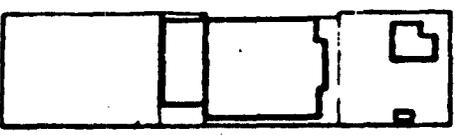
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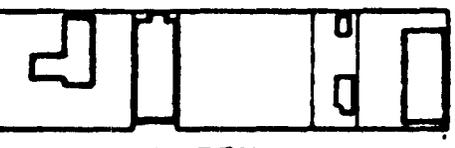
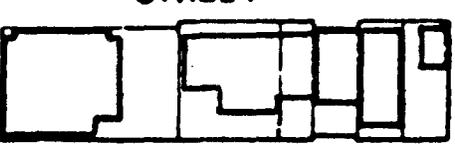
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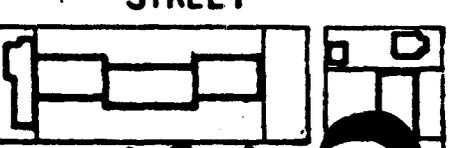
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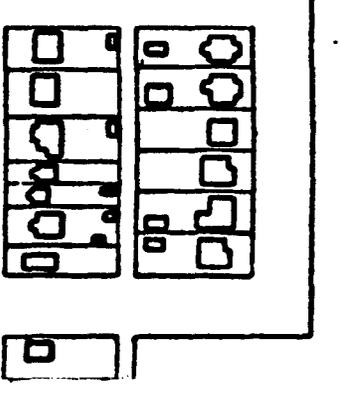
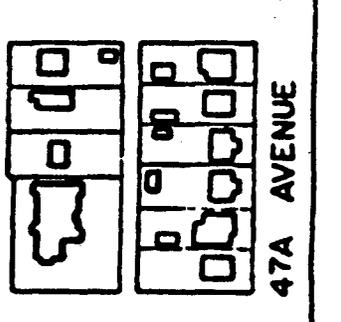
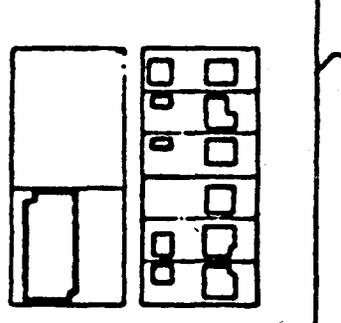
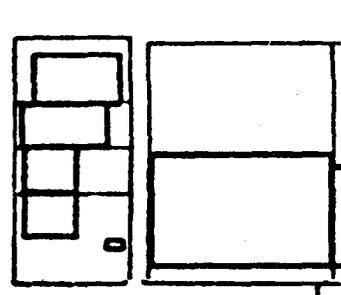
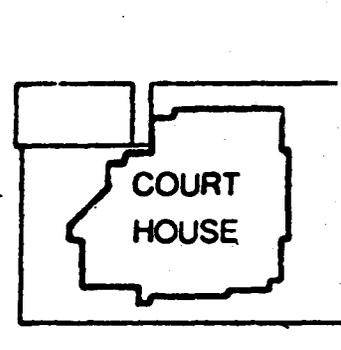
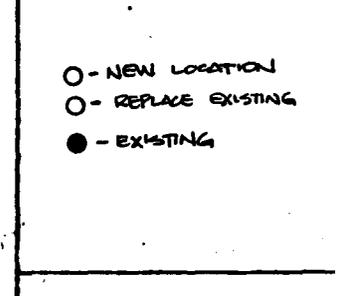
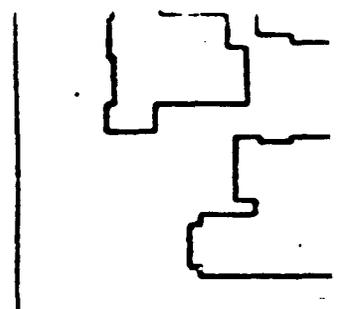
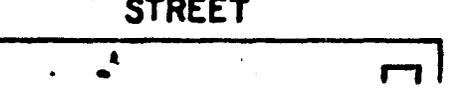
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THE CITY OF RED DEER

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 26, 1993

Towne Centre Association
 B3, 4901 - 48 Street
 Red Deer, Alberta
 T4N 1S8

ATTENTION: MR. JOHN P. FERGUSON - GENERAL MANAGER

Dear Mr. Ferguson,

RE: DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION ISSUES - YOUR CORRESPONDENCE DATED
 MAY 4, 1993, REFERS

I would advise that your correspondence referred to above was presented on the Council Agenda of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting Council passed the following motion:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered correspondence dated May 4, 1993, from the Towne Centre Association re: Downtown Revitalization Issues hereby agrees as follows:

1. to support the policy of implementing the new sidewalk standard when significant repairs are undertaken within the area designated in the landscape plan and that the Engineering Department review their annual repair program with the Towne Centre Association to identify those areas which could legitimately be defined as "significant repairs",
2. to endorse the Towne Centre Association's Kiosk and Sign project,
3. to defer consideration of the pedestrian laneway mall concept until the updated Downtown Plan has been completed,
4. to support a review of the expansion of the down town electrical grid as part of the downtown planning process and that all the comments with reference to this matter be passed on to the Downtown Planning Committee for review and a comprehensive report."



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Towne Centre Association
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May 26, 1993

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I trust you will find same satisfactory.

By way of a copy of this letter we are requesting the Downtown Planning Committee and all relative departments to comply with the intent of this resolution.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: City Commissioner
Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Principal Planner
Downtown Planning Committee
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
City Assessor
Land and Economic Development Manager
E. L. & P. Manager
Fire Chief
Public Works Manager
Parks Manager

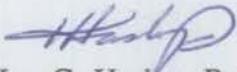
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DATE: June 4, 1993
TO: Public Works Manager
FROM: Engineering Department Manager
RE: **DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION ISSUES
ATTACHED COUNCIL RESOLUTION DATED MAY 25, 1993**

The resolution relates to the Engineering Department in item 1 relative to sidewalk repairs. This was, I am sure, intended to read "Public Works Department", as your department has the sidewalk maintenance responsibility and budget.

I trust you will take the required action during the annual budget preparation.



Ken G. Haslop, P. Eng.
Engineering Department Manager

KGH/emg
Att.

c.c. City Clerk

NO. 5

May 11/1993

City of Red Deer
4914-48 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4
Attention: Charlie Sevick

Dear Mr. Sevick

We would like to request permission to display a standard size sandwich board.

We are a new small business and would like to promote our Red Deer owned company.

The sign would be placed in the south edge of the parking lot at 6874-52 Avenue. This location would not affect traffic. The sign would be displayed only during business hours and removed every night.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



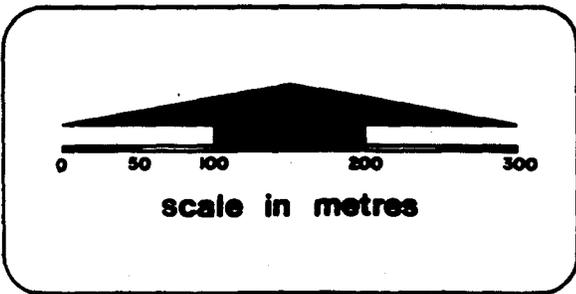
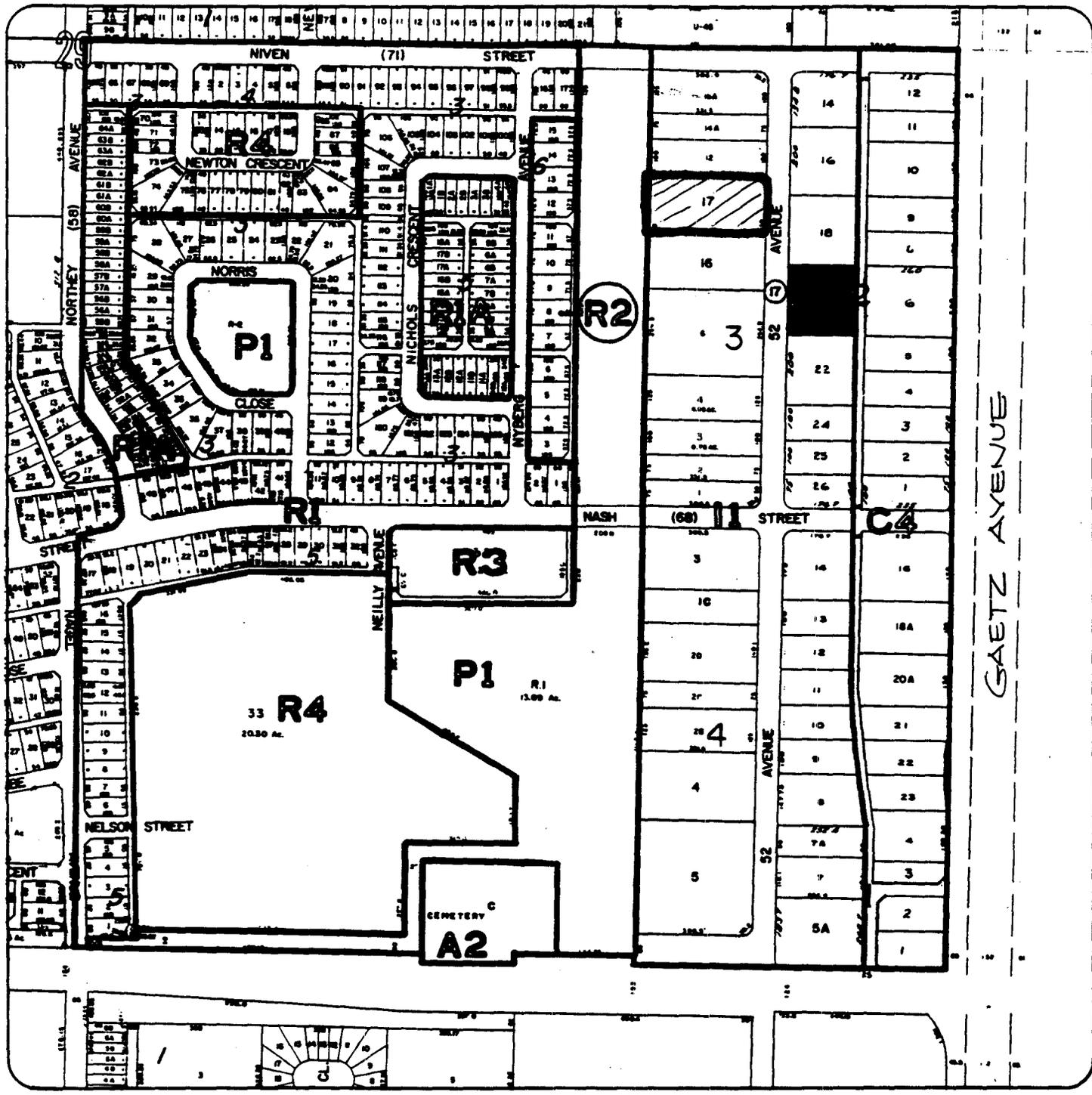
Mike Ryan
Owner
D+M Align and Brake

City of Red Deer --- Land Use Bylaw

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**RED DEER
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

2830 BREMNER AVENUE, RED DEER,
ALBERTA, CANADA T4R 1M9

DIRECTOR: W. G. A. Shaw, ACP, MCIP

Telephone: (403) 343-3394
Fax: (403) 346-1570

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 17, 1993

TO: Mr. C. Sevcik
City Clerk

FROM: D. Rouhi
Senior Planner

SUBJECT: D & M ALIGN AND BRAKE - SANDWICH BOARD SIGN

Mr. Mike Ryan, the owner of D & M Align and Brake, is requesting City Council's permission to display a standard sandwich board sign south of the parking lot at 6874 - 52 Avenue.

The site is located on the west side of 52nd Avenue south of 71st Street (Lot 17, Block 3, Plan 8522456) designated as I1 under the provisions of the Land Use Bylaw.

A-board signs have been defined as a self supporting A-shaped sign which is set upon the ground and has no external supporting structure. Its size should not exceed 0.61 meters in width and 0.92 meters in height. An A-board is only permitted in the C1 district under the Land Use Bylaw subject to the conditions outlined in the Sign Bylaw No. 2995/89.

The building, located on the above property, contains a number of businesses occupying various bays facing south and therefore is not visible from 52nd Avenue. We feel the problem can be resolved by erecting a free standing sign identifying all of the businesses located on the site rather than having an A-board sign of 3 feet in height.

We can not support the request and recommend the request be denied.

D. ROUHI, ACP, MCIP
SENIOR PLANNER

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D & M

ALIGN & BRAKE

"A RED DEER COMPANY"

#4 6874 52 Avenue

MIKE RYAN

343-2992

DATE: May 18, 1993

FILE NO. 93-1610

TO: City Clerk

FROM: Bylaws & Inspections Manager

RE: **D & M ALIGN BRAKE**

In response to your memo regarding the above subject, we have the following comments for Council's consideration.

The City Sign Bylaw does not permit temporary signs to be located on property other than in the downtown area. If these signs are allowed, control is virtually impossible and in other cities they are found on boulevards, medians, as well as private property.

We appreciate the concerns of the applicant; however, the problems associated with these signs are such that we cannot support this request.

Recommendation: That the application be denied.

Yours truly,



R. Strader
Bylaws and Inspections Manager
BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

RS/vs

Commissioners' Comments

Under current policy sandwich board signs of this type are only allowed in the C1 District due to their effectiveness for pedestrian traffic and the lack of opportunity in that district for free standing signs. In all other areas free standing signs are used to prevent a proliferation of signage which would be ineffective in an area primarily serviced by vehicular traffic and would detrimentally affect the aesthetics of the neighborhood generally.

We would recommend that Council retain its existing policy and deny this request.

We would encourage Mr. Ryan to work with his landlord in the development of a free standing sign identifying all businesses located on the site.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

TO:

- DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
- DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES
- DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
- BYLAWS & INSPECTIONS MANAGER
- CITY ASSESSOR
- COMPUTER SERVICES MANAGER
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
- E.L. & P. MANAGER
- ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT MANAGER
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- PARKS MANAGER
- PERSONNEL MANAGER
- PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER
- R.C.M.P. INSPECTOR
- RECREATION & CULTURE MANAGER
- SOCIAL PLANNING MANAGER
- TRANSIT MANAGER
- TREASURY SERVICES MANAGER
- PRINCIPAL PLANNER
- CITY SOLICITOR
- _____

FROM:

CITY CLERK

RE: D & M ALIGN AND BRAKE - SANDWICH BOARD SIGN

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by May 17

for the Council Agenda of May 25/93


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 14, 1993

Mr. Mike Ryan, Owner
D & M Align and Brake
4, 6874 - 52 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 4L1

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 11, 1993, re: Sandwich Board Sign.

This item will be discussed and possibly a decision made at the Meeting of Red Deer City Council on Tuesday, May 25, 1993. Council meetings begin at 4:30 p.m., and adjourn for the supper hour at 6:00 p.m., reconvening at 7:00 p.m.

In the event you wish to be present at the Council meeting, would you please telephone our office on Friday, May 21, and we will advise you of the approximate time that Council will be discussing this item.

Would you please enter City Hall on the park side entrance when arriving, and proceed up to the second floor Council Chambers.

This request has been circulated to City administration for comments, and should you wish to receive a copy of the administrative comments prior to the Council meeting, they may be picked up at our office on the second floor of City Hall on Friday, May 21.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Yours truly,

G. Sevcik
City Clerk
CS/ds



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May 13, 1993

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Our file Notre référence

City of Red Deer
4915 - 48 Avenue
Box 5008
RED DEER, Alberta
T4N 3T4

ATTENTION: C. SEVCIK, City Clerk

Dear Sir:

RE: D & M Align and Brake
Sandwich Board Sign

With reference to the above request, I have no adverse comments.

Yours truly,


(R.L. BEATON) Insp.
O.i/c Red Deer City Detachment

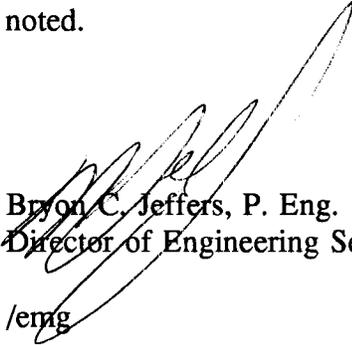
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Red Deer City Detachment
Bag 5033
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 6A1

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DATE: May 17, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Engineering Services
RE: **D & M ALIGN AND BRAKE
SANDWICH BOARD SIGN**

Please be advised that the Engineering Department has no comments with respect to the above noted.



Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Engineering Services

/emg

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: BYLAWS AND INSPECTIONS MANAGER
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: D & M ALIGN AND BRAKE - SANDWICH BOARD SIGN REQUEST

Further to our correspondence to D & M Align and Brake, a copy of which is attached herewith, we would request that you prepare a bylaw amendment for Council's consideration June 7.

As noted in the correspondence to D & M Align and Brake, Council passed a resolution agreeing that a bylaw amendment be brought for consideration to allow sandwich board signs in 11 areas.

Trusting you will bring forward an amending bylaw as requested.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd
Encl.

cc: City Solicitor
Senior Planner

DATE: MAY 26, 1993
TO: CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: D & M ALIGN AND BRAKE - SANDWICH BOARD SIGN REQUEST

At the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, an application from D & M Align and Brake, to locate a sandwich board sign on the southern edge of the parking lot at 6874 - 52 Avenue, received consideration.

At the aforesaid meeting the following motion was introduced:

Moved by Alderman Pimm

Second by Alderman Schnell

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered request from D & M Align and Brake to locate a sandwich board sign on the southern edge of the parking lot at 6874 - 52 Avenue, hereby agrees that said request be not approved.

Council further agrees that Mr. Ryan, owner of D & M Align and Brake, be encouraged to work with his landlord in the development of a free standing sign identifying all businesses located on the site, and as recommended to Council May 25, 1993."

Prior to voting on the above motion, however, the matter was tabled in order that the Administration might bring an amending bylaw which would allow sandwich board signs to be placed in I1 areas. As requested by Council, a draft amending bylaw is submitted herewith.


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

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FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 26, 1993

D & M Align and Brake
#4, 6874 - 52 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 4L1

ATTENTION: MR. MIKE RYAN - OWNER

Dear Sir:

Your request for a sandwich board sign to be placed on the south edge of the parking lot at 6874 - 52 Avenue, received consideration at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting the following motion was introduced:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered request from D & M Align and Brake to locate a sandwich board sign on the southern edge of the parking lot at 6874 - 52 Avenue, hereby agrees that said request be not approved.

Council further agrees that Mr. Ryan, owner of D & M Align and Brake, be encouraged to work with his landlord in the development of a free standing sign identifying all businesses located on the site, and as recommended to Council May 25, 1993."

Prior to voting on the above motion, the said matter was tabled to enable the Administration to bring forward a bylaw amendment which would allow sandwich board signs in I1 areas.

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I would advise that a bylaw amendment will be brought forward for consideration at the next meeting of Council which is scheduled to be held on June 7, 1993. This office will advise you of the approximate time this matter will be reconsidered in order that you might be present.

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D & M Align and Brake
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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Bylaws and Inspections Manager

**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
(403) 342-8323

May 14, 1993

Mr. Paul Meyette, Chairman
Red Deer College Board of Governors
Box 5005
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 5H5

Dear Paul:

**RE: Red Deer College Arts Centre:
Review of Proposed 1993/94 Operating and Capital Budget**

I am writing to inform you that the proposed 1993/94 operating and capital budget for the Arts Centre was reviewed by the College Fine Arts Centre Advisory Committee at its meeting on May 11, 1993. The committee unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"THAT the College Fine Arts Centre Advisory Committee recommend approval of the proposed Arts Centre 1993/94 budget, subject to the necessary amendment of Schedule 4 in re booking clerk."

The amended budget is submitted for your consideration. The committee is generally pleased that the budget maintains the same general level of service and support as last year. It is worth noting that the introduction of the comprehensive ticketing system has had significant financial benefits for the College and the City.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Don Haldane for his cooperation. We have continued to work well together and overcome potentially contentious issues as they arise.

Yours sincerely,

CRAIG CURTIS, Chairman
College Fine Arts Centre Advisory Committee

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Commissioners' Comments

The College Fine Arts Centre Advisory Committee reviews the budget for the Red Deer College Arts Centre prior to its consideration by the Red Deer College Board of Governors. The comprehensive ticketing system referenced in the letter to the College Board of Governors was implemented through a partnership between the College, the Westerner Exposition Association and the City and is totally funded through user pay.

"G. SURKAN"

Mayor

"C. CURTIS"

Acting City Commissioner

RED DEER COLLEGE
ARTS CENTRE - FACILITY OPERATIONS

SUMMARY OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES

	Projected Actual <u>1992/93</u>	Budget <u>1993/94</u>
Revenue		
Facility Grant (Schedule 1)	\$514,700	\$514,700
Facility Rental (Schedule 1)	<u>40,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>
Total Revenue	<u>554,700</u>	<u>554,700</u>
Expenses		
Facility (Schedule 2)	384,735	331,500
College Serv. and Admin. (Schedule 3)	186,910	196,480
Theatre Technical Support (Schedule 4)	<u>271,540</u>	<u>266,682</u>
Total Expenses	<u>843,185</u>	<u>794,662</u>
Red Deer College Subsidy *	<u>\$288,485</u>	<u>\$239,962</u>

* Note: The College does not charge its Academic Programs for use of the Art Centre when the usage is related to a credit course.

May 11, 1993

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SCHEDULE 1

RED DEER COLLEGE
ARTS CENTRE - FACILITY OPERATIONS

SCHEDULE OF REVENUE

	Projected Actual <u>1992/93</u>	Budget <u>1993/94</u>
Revenue		
Facility Grant		
1984/85	\$ 40,000	
1985/86	219,840	
1986/87	<u>183,200</u>	
	<u>\$443,040</u>	
in 1992/93 dollars	\$514,700	
in 1993/94 dollars		\$514,700
Facility Rental	<u>40,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$554,700</u>	<u>\$554,700</u>

May 5, 1993

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SCHEDULE 2

RED DEER COLLEGE:
ARTS CENTRE - FACILITY OPERATIONSSCHEDULE OF FACILITY EXPENSES

	Projected Actual <u>1992/93</u>	Budget <u>1993/94</u>
Facility (allocated on a per sq. ft. basis)		
- utilities	\$169,668	\$147,700
- janitorial	130,810	112,000
- heating, vent., air conditioning	63,097	54,000
- security	15,389	13,000
- other	<u>5,771</u>	<u>4,800</u>
Total	<u>\$384,735</u>	<u>\$331,500</u>

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SCHEDULE 3

RED DEER COLLEGE:
ARTS CENTRE - FACILITY OPERATIONS

SCHEDULE OF COLLEGE SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

	Projected Actual <u>1992/93</u>	Budget <u>1993/94</u>
President/Board/Public Relations/ Finance/Human Resources	\$1,865,790	\$1,932,310
Academic Vice President	172,281	176,937
Registrar	624,408	697,799
Administrative Vice President	506,875	458,561
Reprographics	183,198	197,143
Computer Services	757,538	840,308
Student Services	<u>682,477</u>	<u>734,853</u>
 Total	 <u>\$4,792,567</u>	 <u>\$5,037,911</u>
 Portion of Administrative Expense pertaining to:		
Program Activities - 70%	\$3,354,797	\$3,526,538
Non-Program Activities - 30%	<u>1,437,770</u>	<u>1,511,373</u>
	<u>\$4,792,567</u>	<u>\$5,037,911</u>
 Non-program activity costs allocated on a sq. footage basis:	 <u>\$186,910</u>	 <u>\$196,480</u>
<u>69,800</u> sq. ft. - Arts Centre		
539,700 sq. ft. - Red Deer College		

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SCHEDULE 4

RED DEER COLLEGE
ARTS CENTRE - FACILITY OPERATIONS

SCHEDULE OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT

	Projected Actual <u>1992/93</u>	Budget <u>1993/94</u>
Manpower Costs:		
Technical Director	\$45,180	\$48,140
Lighting Technician	38,105	38,662
Sound Technician	34,562	35,068
Stage Technician	38,105	38,662
Booking Clerk	26,628	17,300
Front of House & Stage Mgr.	40,960	41,000
Benefits	<u>32,000</u>	<u>32,000</u>
Sub-Total Manpower	<u>255,540</u>	<u>250,832</u>
Non-Manpower Costs:	<u>16,000</u>	<u>15,850</u>
Total Costs	<u>\$271,540</u>	<u>\$266,682</u>

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NO. 7



May 10, 1993

Mayor Surkan and Members of Council
City of Red Deer

Dear Mayor Surkan and Members of Council:

In 1987, \$500,000 was allocated to Red Deer through the lottery funded Community Tourism Action Program (CTAP). This funding is for capital projects which will attract more visitors to the community. Projects must be identified as priorities in the community's Tourism Action Plan, and endorsed by the municipal Council.

A number of projects have already been approved to be undertaken with this funding, as indicated in the attached list. Approximately \$127,460 of the Red Deer's CTAP allocation is currently uncommitted. The deadline for submission of applications for the remaining funds is March 31, 1994, with project completion by December 31, 1994.

The Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau is currently revising Red Deer's tourism action plan. As part of this process, earlier this spring the Visitor Bureau placed an ad in the newspaper, requesting submission of projects to be considered for CTAP funding by April 15, 1993. Eight applications were received, with the funding requested totalling \$308,337.

The Visitor Bureau's Board of Directors has now completed its review of these projects, and is making recommendations to Council on allocation of the CTAP funding. Following approval of these recommendations by Council, the Visitor Bureau would proceed to amend the Tourism Action Plan to reflect this priorities.

We would be happy to answer any questions Council may have about these recommendations at your May 25, 1993 meeting.

Yours truly,

Bernard Papp
Chairman

RED DEER VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU
VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE, HERITAGE RANCH

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**APPROVED
COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM
PROJECTS**

PROJECT	CTAP FUNDS COMMITTED	PROJECT STATUS
Lions Campground Upgrading	\$ 53,865	Completed
Hwy 2 Introductory Signs	\$ 30,000	Application pending Alberta Transportation approval
Feasibility Study, The Crossing at Red Deer	\$ 15,000	Completed
Visitor Information Centre Renovations, Heritage Ranch	\$ 67,425	85% Complete
Site Servicing Study, Heritage Ranch (Alberta Sports Hall of Fame)	\$ 18,750	90% Complete
Site Servicing, Heritage Ranch (Alberta Sports Hall of Fame)	\$ 187,500	Application pending completion of site servicing study
	<hr/> \$ 372,540	

**RECOMMENDATIONS
COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM
FUNDING**

Project	Proposed by	Total Project Cost	CTAP Funding Requested	CTAP Funding Recommended	Recommended Conditions/Comments
Canyon Ski Area Expansion	Canyon Ski Area	\$1,000,000	\$100,000	\$50,000	Completion of campground. Agreement with City to protect public investment; may involve joint use or revenue sharing, free public use of day use facilities.
Slo-Pitch Park	Central Alberta Slo-Pitch Association	180,000	135,000	50,000	Agreement with City for development of slow pitch facilities at Maskepetoon Park in place by October 31, 1993. Required cash equity in place, segregated and earmarked for project.
Interpretive Signs, Cultural and Natural Historical Walking Tours	Normandeau History Society	19,950	14,962	0	Will not attract new visitors to Red Deer. Funding available from other sources.
Retrofit of Fort Fort Normandeau	Historical Preservation Committee	25,000	18,750	10,000	Information gathered on original of visitors, role of Fort in attracting visitors.
Feasibility Study, - Low Power Radio Transmitter	Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau	3,500	2,625	Tabled	Tabled in order to obtain further information.

Feasibility Study, Campground Expansion	City of Red Deer Recreation Department	20,000	15,000	0	Feasibility studies not a a priority. Canyon project includes campground.
Visitor Information Centre Renovations - revision of current application to include air conditioning	Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau	20,000	15,000	0	Will not attract new visitors to Red Deer.
Horse Drawn Carriage and and Cutter, Heritage Ranch	Rocky Mountain Retreats Ltd.	11,748	7,000	8,811	Purchase of carriage and cutter by City or Visitor Bureau; agreement to lease back to Heritage Ranch equestrian service contractor for duration of contract.
Total			<u>\$308,337</u>	<u>\$ 118,811</u>	

DATE: May 13, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Land and Economic Development Manager
RE: **RED DEER VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU
COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PLAN FUNDING**

The Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau undertook an extensive review of the proposals for funding under the Community Tourism Action Plan. After careful consideration of all factors, their final decision was made.

I would support the report of the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau, and recommend that Council approve the recommendations.



Alan V. Scott

AVS/mm

DATE: May 17, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Engineering Department Manager
RE: **RED DEER VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU
COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM (CTAP)**

It is our understanding that the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau is recommending a grant from CTAP of \$50,000 to initiate some development of Maskepetoon Park. We are told that this would allow for the development of two or perhaps three ball diamonds.

Council should be aware that access to this site is substandard and would require a considerable expenditure to upgrade to an acceptable level. A preliminary cost estimate indicates the cost to be in the order of \$800,000, not all of which would be attributable to Maskepetoon Park.

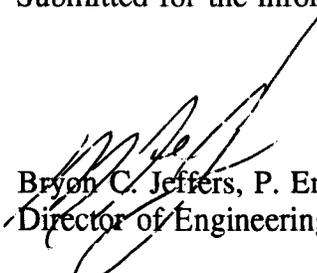
It is possible that for this initial phase of development (3-4 diamonds with no spectator capacity), the present access may suffice. Council should, however, be aware of several issues.

First, the existing road is a gravel surface with poor base construction. The road will not stand up well to heavy traffic (volume or weight). Inclement weather could under the roadway almost impassable.

Second, as it is a gravel surface, we may get dust complaints from Oriole Park, the new Fairways development, and The Red Deer Golf and Country Club.

Third, the roadway is not lighted.

Submitted for the information of Council.


Bryon C. Jeffers, P. Eng.
Director of Engineering Services

BCJ/emg

c.c. Economic Development Manager

DATE: May 17, 1993 **FILE NO. R-40424**

TO: Charlie Sevcik
City Clerk

FROM: Lowell R. Hodgson, Manager
Recreation & Culture Department

RE: C.A.S.P.A--C.T.A.P. FUNDING FOR MASKEPETOON PARK DEVELOPMENT

The economic benefit for The City of Red Deer from the development of a cluster of slo-pitch facilities is significant. This fact has been documented in other centres that have these facilities, and are hosting regional, provincial, or national tournaments.

In Red Deer we have a site that is ideal for this development, and The City already has a major investment in this facility, which is intended for this type of use. I would recommend that The City lease a portion of Maskepetoon Park to the Central Alberta Slo-pitch Association for the development of slo-pitch tournament facilities. I further recommend that the lease be at a minimal cost and be long term. I see this as the contribution of The City towards this development, with the remaining responsibility being that of C.A.S.P.A.'s. In exchange for this agreement, the Association would be required to develop facilities to an agreed-to standard and to operate them at their own expense.

I consider the above to be a win-win situation for The City and for the Association. If the Community Tourism Action Program is supportive of a contribution of \$50,000 towards this development, I support this recommendation on the clear understanding that the Association raises the matching requirement in cash for this program. This contribution would be raised and set aside, apart from the Association's ongoing operating costs. A time frame should be set for this so that construction could begin in 1994.

The issue of access to this site is one that goes beyond the jurisdiction of my department, as access to other developments would also be served. However, with respect to the development of this slo-pitch facility, I believe that access could be staged over several years and could be first offered at a gravel level of development. Then as resources are available, and the use of the site is seen to warrant it, this might be upgraded in the future.

I am certain that there will be interest in this site from one or two other associations as quickly as there is access to it, as I know the Soccer Association and the Minor Baseball Association are in need of additional facilities. It is my recommendation that we consider lease agreements with these associations as well, in order to allow them flexibility in their development and in their operation, and to relieve The City of this responsibility for ongoing operating costs. I believe that the development of C.A.S.P.A. facilities on this site will be the catalyst for other developments, assuming some better access can be given.

LOWELL R. HODGSON

/mm

DATE: May 17, 1993

TO: CHARLIE SEVCIK
City Clerk

FROM: CRAIG CURTIS, Director
Community Services Division

RE: RED DEER VISITOR & CONVENTION BUREAU:
COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM (CTAP)
Your memo dated May 12, 1993 refers.

1. In 1987, the Province allocated \$500,000 to The City of Red Deer through the Community Tourism Action Program (CTAP). This funding is for capital projects that will attract more visitors to the community and are identified as priorities in the Community Tourism Action Plan.
2. A number of CTAP projects have already been approved by City Council and approximately \$127,460 remains uncommitted. The deadline for submission of applications is March 31, 1994, with project completion by December 31, 1994.

The Visitor & Convention Bureau recently advertised for project submissions and eight applications were received, with the funding requested totalling \$308,337. The board reviewed the applications and is recommending funding to the following four projects:

▪ Canyon Ski Area Expansion (incl. campground)	\$ 50,000
▪ Slo-Pitch Park: Maskepetoon Athletic Park	50,000
▪ Fort Normandeau: (Retrofit of Fort)	10,000
▪ Heritage Ranch: (acquisition of horse-drawn carriage and cutter)	8,811

▪ Total	\$ 118,811

3. I have reviewed the above recommendations with the Parks and Recreation & Culture Managers. We generally support the recommendations of the Visitor & Convention Bureau, and our specific comments are as follows:
 - We support the grant to the Central Alberta Slo-Pitch Association in the sum of \$50,000 for the development of slo-pitch diamonds in Maskepetoon Athletic Park. However, there is a need to resolve the problems related to the overall planning of the site and providing satisfactory access. The problems related to vehicular access

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C.T.A.P.

are outlined in a memo from the Director of Engineering Services, dated May 17, 1993.

- We consider that the feasibility study for the expansion of Lions Campground could have been given a higher priority.
- We have concerns regarding the cost/benefit of the bureau acquiring a horse-drawn carriage and cutter on behalf of the equestrian operator.

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that City Council endorse the recommendations of the Visitor & Convention Bureau and approve four grants in the sum of \$118,811 through the provincial Community Tourism Action Program (CTAP).



CRAIG CURTIS

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- c Don Batchelor, Parks Manager
- Lowell Hodgson, Recreation & Culture Manager
- Wendy Martindale, Manager, Visitor & Convention Bureau
- Bernie Papp, Chairman, Visitor & Convention Bureau
- Al Scott, Land & Economic Development Manager

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

1. We recommend that City Council endorse the recommendations of the Visitor and Convention Bureau relating to the C.T.A.P. grants for the expansion of the Canyon Ski Area and the retrofit of Fort Normandeau.
2. We support the grant to the Central Alberta Slo-Pitch Association (C.A.S.P.A.), as it will provide seed money for the development of a much needed facility in the community. However, a number of issues need to be resolved in relation to the development of Maskepetoon Athletic Park. As Council will be aware from the comments, several sports groups are now interested in developing at this site. We see the need to address the early development of the facility by all parties, even if it involves accepting a lower than traditional standard of development. It is necessary, however, to reach agreement on the issues related to the overall planning of the site and the provision of acceptable access. We recommend that the grant be approved for submission to the Province, subject to the following conditions being met:
 - That a development plan be prepared for Maskepetoon Athletic Park showing how the slo-pitch park would relate to other sports facilities and surrounding development. The cost of preparing this plan could be shared between potential user groups. The City does not have adequate resources to prepare this plan, but would assist in an advisory capacity and help initiate the plan.
 - That a lease agreement for the site be concluded between the City and C.A.S.P.A. by October 31, 1993, when the present agricultural lease expires.
 - That an agreement be concluded between the City and user groups for the use, maintenance and upgrading of the access road. The issues related to this road are outlined in the report from the Director of Engineering Services.
 - That C.A.S.P.A. match the grant with a direct cash contribution.
3. With regard to the grant for the purchase of a carriage and cutter, we have some reservations about proceeding without a clear sense of the feasibility of the project. It is recommended that the Visitor and Convention Bureau and the operator further explore the option of leasing these items from existing owners on a pilot basis. Should no other options be available, the grant could be reconsidered.

G. SURKAN
Mayor

C. CURTIS
Acting City Commissioner

TO:

- DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
- DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES
- DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
- BYLAWS & INSPECTIONS MANAGER
- CITY ASSESSOR
- COMPUTER SERVICES MANAGER
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
- E.L. & P. MANAGER
- ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT MANAGER
- FIRE CHIEF
- PARKS MANAGER
- PERSONNEL MANAGER
- PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER
- R.C.M.P. INSPECTOR
- RECREATION & CULTURE MANAGER
- SOCIAL PLANNING MANAGER
- TRANSIT MANAGER
- TREASURY SERVICES MANAGER
- PRINCIPAL PLANNER
- CITY SOLICITOR
- _____

FROM:

CITY CLERK

RE: RED DEER VISITOR & CONVENTION BUREAU - CTAP

Please submit comments on the attached to this office by May 17

for the Council Agenda of May 25/93


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

**THE CITY OF RED DEER**

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

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May 14, 1993

Red Deer Visitor & Convention Bureau
P.O. Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

Attention: Bernard Papp, Chairman

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 10, 1993, re: CTAP.

This item will be discussed and possibly a decision made at the Meeting of Red Deer City Council on Tuesday, May 25, 1993. Council meetings begin at 4:30 p.m., and adjourn for the supper hour at 6:00 p.m., reconvening at 7:00 p.m.

In the event you wish to be present at the Council meeting, would you please telephone our office on Friday, May 21, and we will advise you of the approximate time that Council will be discussing this item.

Would you please enter City Hall on the park side entrance when arriving, and proceed up to the second floor Council Chambers.

This request has been circulated to City administration for comments, and should you wish to receive a copy of the administrative comments prior to the Council meeting, they may be picked up at our office on the second floor of City Hall on Friday, May 21.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Yours truly,

C. Sevcik
City Clerk
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May 26, 1993

Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau
P. O. Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

ATTENTION: MR. BERNARD PAPP - CHAIRMAN

Dear Mr. Papp,

RE: COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM (CTAP)

I would advise that the recommendations of the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau pertaining to allocation of the CTAP funding, received consideration at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993.

Following are the resolutions which were considered by Council at the aforesaid meeting:

1. Canyon Ski Area Expansion

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby approves the CTAP Grant in the amount of \$50,000 for the Canyon Ski Area Expansion subject to the conditions as recommended to Council May 25, 1993, by the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau."

MOTION CARRIED

2. Retrofit of Fort Normandeau

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby approves the CTAP Grant in the amount of \$10,000 for the Retrofit of Fort Normandeau as recommended to Council May 25, 1993, by the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau."

MOTION CARRIED



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3. Horse drawn carriage and cutter, Heritage Ranch

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees that the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau and Rocky Mountain Retreats Limited further explore the option of leasing a horse drawn carriage and cutter from existing owners on a pilot basis and should no other options be available the C. T. A. P. Grant request could be reconsidered and as recommended to Council May 25, 1993 by the City Commissioners."

MOTION CARRIED

4. Slo-pitch Park

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees that the C. T. A. P. Grant to the Central Alberta Slo-pitch Association (C.A.S.P.A.), in the amount of \$50,000, be approved for submission to the Province subject to the following conditions being met:

1. That a development plan be prepared for Maskepetoon Athletic Park showing how the slo-pitch park would relate to other sport facilities and surrounding development. The cost of preparing this plan could be shared between potential user groups. The City does not have adequate resources to prepare this plan, but would assist in an advisory capacity and help initiate the plan.
2. That a lease agreement for the site be concluded between The City and C.A.S.P.A. by October 31, 1993, when the present agricultural lease expires.
3. That an agreement be concluded between The City and user groups for the use, maintenance and upgrading of the access road. The issues related to this road are outlined in the report from the Director of Engineering Services dated May 17, 1993, (page 165, Council Agenda, May 25, 1993).
4. That C.A.S.P.A. match the grant with a direct cash contribution of \$16,667.

MOTION TABLED

Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau
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May 26, 1993

As noted the last resolution, pertaining to the Slo-pitch Park, was tabled for two weeks at the request of Mr. McKay, who was present at the Council Meeting representing the Central Alberta Slo-pitch Association. We anticipate receipt of a response from C.A.S.P.A. regarding the tabled resolution for consideration at the next meeting of Council June 7, 1993.

The above decisions of Council in this instance are submitted for your information and appropriate action.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory. Should you require any clarification, do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



G. SEVCIK
City Clerk

cc: Director of Community Services
Director of Engineering Services
Land and Economic Development Manager
Recreation and Culture Manager
Parks Manager
C.A.S.P.A.
ATTENTION: Ms. Sherry Kells - President



THE CITY OF RED DEER

P. O. BOX 5008, RED DEER, ALBERTA T4N 3T4

FAX: (403) 346-6195

City Clerk's Department (403) 342-8132

May 27, 1993

Central Alberta Slo-pitch Association
 c/o Ms. Sherry Kells
 26 - 66 Street Close
 Red Deer, Alberta
 T4N 6V2

Dear Ms. Kells,

RE: COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM FUNDING - SLO-PITCH PARK

At the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, recommendations from the Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau pertaining to Community Tourism Action Program Funding, received consideration.

The following resolution was introduced with regard to the grant request submitted by the Central Alberta Slo-pitch Association pertaining to development of slo-pitch facilities at Maskepetoon Park:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer hereby agrees that the C. T. A. P. Grant to the Central Alberta Slo-pitch Association (C.A.S.P.A.), in the amount of \$50,000, be approved for submission to the Province subject to the following conditions being met:

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to discover!*

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Prior to voting on the resolution, however, Council agreed to table the said resolution for two weeks at the request of Mr. Darcy McKay. The reason for the requested tabling was to allow C.A.S.P.A. an opportunity to respond back to Council with its comments prior to voting on the said resolution.

The next meeting of Council is June 7, and we would appreciate receipt of your comments in writing by no later than Tuesday, June 1. If you have problems with this deadline, please advise.

Trusting you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

cc: Director of Community Services
Recreation and Culture Manager
Red Deer Visitor and Convention Bureau
Director of Engineering Services
Land and Economic Development Manager

NO. 1

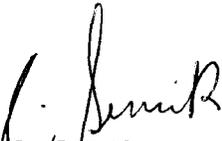
DATE: MAY 12, 1993
TO: CITY COUNCIL
FROM: CITY CLERK
**RE: ALDERMAN CAMPBELL-CARDWELL - NOTICE OF MOTION
CITIZENS' SUGGESTIONS - DEDICATED PHONE LINE**

The following notice of motion was submitted by Alderman Campbell-Cardwell at the Council Meeting of May 10, 1993:

"WHEREAS many Citizens of Red Deer have valuable suggestions on how City operations might be improved and where tax dollars might be saved, and;

WHEREAS currently there does not seem to be a convenient channel through which Citizens can offer such suggestions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The City investigate the feasibility and costs of installing one dedicated phone line for this purpose, including staff and time involvement."


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd

Commissioners' Comments

Council's direction is requested.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

NOTICE OF MOTION - ALDERMAN CAMPBELL CARDWELL

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DATE: MAY 27, 1993
TO: EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
FROM: CITY CLERK
**RE: ALDERMAN CAMPBELL-CARDWELL - NOTICE OF MOTION
CITIZENS SUGGESTIONS - DEDICATED PHONE LINE**

At the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, the following motion introduced by Alderman Campbell-Cardwell was considered, however, the motion was not passed:

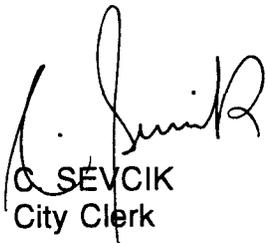
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MOTION DEFEATED

This is submitted for your information, however, no further action is necessary.


C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd
cc: Bylaws and Inspections Manager
Pat Grainger

BYLAW NO.2672/G-93

Being a Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2672/80, the Land Use Bylaw of the City of Red Deer.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 The "Use District Map" as referred to in Section 1.4 is hereby amended in accordance with the Use District Map No. 5/93 attached hereto and forming part of the Bylaw.
- 2 This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect upon the passage of third reading.

READ A FIRST TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this day of A.D. 1993.

READ A SECOND TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL this day of A.D. 1993.

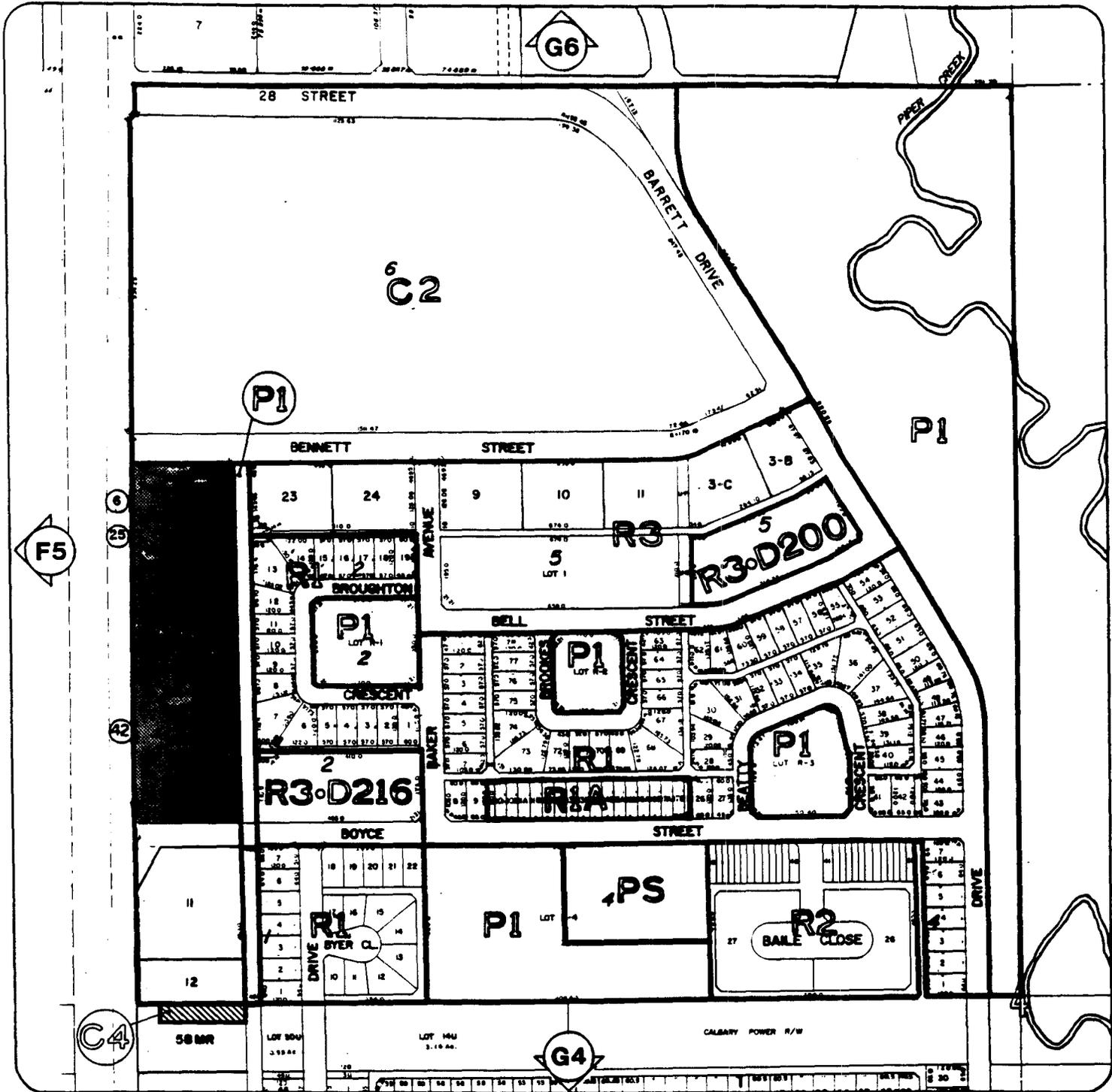
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MAYOR

CITY CLERK

City of Red Deer --- Land Use Bylaw Land Use Districts

G5



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Revisions :

MAP NO. 5/93
(BYLAW No. 2672/G-93)

Change from P1 to C4 

BYLAW 3092/93

Being a Bylaw to establish a Court of Revision for the year 1993.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED DEER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, DULY ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1 There is hereby established a Court of Revision consisting of five (5) members, namely:

2 The members hereby appointed to The Court of Revision shall hold office until the 31st day of December, 1993.

3 The said members shall be remunerated for their services on The Court of Revision as follows:

 \$100.00 per member per day for each day attending The Court of Revision.

 \$125.00 for the Chairman per day for each day attending The Court of Revision.

4 (1) The City Clerk of The City of Red Deer, or his designate, is hereby appointed Clerk of The Court of Revision.

 (a) The said Clerk shall, when required to do so, issue a summons to any person to attend as a witness at The Court of Revision.

 (b) The said Clerk shall keep in summary form a record of the proceedings of The Court of Revision, and shall perform such other duties as The Court of Revision may direct.

 (c) The said Clerk shall be remunerated for his services to The Court of Revision as follows: NIL.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF RED DEER
CITY COUNCIL TO BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, MAY 25, 1993**
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL,
RED DEER, COMMENCING AT 4:30 P.M.

1. R.D.R.P.C. - Budget
- Commission Services for 1993/94

2. Director of Financial Services -
Unallocated 1993 Budget Funds
- Additional RCMP Member



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DIRECTOR: W. G. A. Shaw, ACP, MCIP

-- U R G E N T --

May 25, 1993

Mayor & Council
City of Red Deer
P.O. Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 3T4

ATTENTION: MR. CHARLIE SEVCIK, CITY CLERK

Last Tuesday, this Commission received notice that its funding is being reduced by 21.6%, or nearly \$340,000, retroactive to April 1, 1993. The Executive Committee of the Commission met on May 20, 1993 and has generally agreed that funding reductions of this magnitude will require a 30 to 40% cut in our operational budget and a loss of 4 or 5 staff (20%).

These reductions stem from the Province decreasing its contribution to the Alberta Planning Fund by 20% and a surprise announcement that the Minister of Municipal Affairs has decreased municipal requisitions to the Fund by the same amount.

Recognizing the **urgency** of this matter, the Executive Committee directed that I contact all Municipalities within the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission requesting Councils consider the following actions:

1. that Municipal requisitions be maintained the same as last year to soften the negative impact of cuts in Provincial contributions, and the Minister of Municipal Affairs be informed immediately of this local preference (note: this still allows a review of requisitions for 1994);
2. that if the requisition remains reduced by 20% for 1993, your Municipality will forward funds equivalent to the 20% reduction directly to the Commission to help ensure the required level of Commission services for 1993/94.

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MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN COMMISSION AREA

CITY OF RED DEER • MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CLEARWATER No. 99 • COUNTY OF STETTLER No. 6 • COUNTY OF LACOMBE No. 14 • COUNTY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW No. 17 • COUNTY OF PAINEARTH No. 18 • COUNTY OF RED DEER No. 23 • TOWN OF BLACKFALDS • TOWN OF BOWDEN • TOWN OF CARSTAIRS • TOWN OF CASTOR • TOWN OF CORONATION • TOWN OF DIDSBURY • TOWN OF ECKVILLE • TOWN OF INNISFAIL • TOWN OF LACOMBE • TOWN OF OLDS • TOWN OF PENHOLD • TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE • TOWN OF STETTLER • TOWN OF SUNDRE • TOWN OF SYLVAN LAKE • VILLAGE OF ALIX • VILLAGE OF BENTLEY • VILLAGE OF BIG VALLEY • VILLAGE OF BOTHA • VILLAGE OF CAROLINE • VILLAGE OF CLIVE • VILLAGE OF CREMONA • VILLAGE OF DELBURNE • VILLAGE OF DONALDA • VILLAGE OF ELNORA • VILLAGE OF GADSBY • VILLAGE OF HALKIRK • VILLAGE OF MIRROR • SUMMER VILLAGE OF BIRCHCLIFF • SUMMER VILLAGE OF GULL LAKE • SUMMER VILLAGE OF HALF MOON BAY • SUMMER VILLAGE OF JARVIS BAY • SUMMER VILLAGE OF NORGLLENWOLD • SUMMER VILLAGE OF ROCHON SANDS • SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNBREAKER COVE • SUMMER VILLAGE OF WHITE SANDS • SUMMER VILLAGE OF BURNSTICK LAKE

MAY 25, 1993
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I wish to assure you that the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission recognizes the seriousness of the Provincial debt. To assist in deficit reductions, the Commission has and continues to undertake responsible actions to further the cost effectiveness of the Commission's operations. We are also examining ways to reduce funding levels from the Alberta Planning Fund, yet keep the same level of services to our member Municipalities. In part, this could be accomplished by generating revenues through our role as a Subdivision Approving Authority, whereby costs would be recovered from users (i.e. applicants) of the system paying the total costs. This Commission has suggested this to the Minister but no action appears imminent.

The Executive Committee requests that Council consider this matter as soon as possible and inform the Director, by means of a FAX letter, of the Council's decisions pursuant to the two specific actions mentioned above.

Yours truly,



W.G.A. SHAW, ACP, MCIP,
DIRECTOR

WGAS/js

cc: Executive Committee Members

cc. Mayor Gail Surkan
City Commissioner

Commissioners' Comments:

We would recommend that City Council support the following actions in regard to the RDRPC budget:

- * That City Council inform the Minister of Municipal affairs that it supports the planning requisitions from Municipalities in 1993 remaining the same as in 1992.
- * That if this request is denied, City Council approve the payment of the reduced portion of the requisition directly to the RDRPC in 1993 to enable essential planning services to be retained.
- * That City Council inform the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it supports permitting planning commissions to increase subdivision fees and recover costs through a user pay system, and requests that steps be taken immediately to initiate the legislative and regulatory changes required to effect the change

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner



M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: May 25, 1993

TO: Municipal Administrators
Red Deer Regional Planning Commission

FROM: Bill Shaw, Director
Red Deer Regional Planning Commission

SUBJECT: COMMISSION SERVICES FOR 1993/94

This memorandum should be considered together with the letter of today's date to your Municipal Council concerning the finances of this Commission for 1993/94.

In light of the retroactive funding reductions to this Commission and uncertainty related to increased revenues from subdivision approval fees and direct municipal contributions to the Commission (in lieu of 20% fund requisition reductions), it is necessary to announce effective immediately:

- (a) Commission staff overtime is to be reduced,
- (b) staff attendance at meetings may be reduced (with guidelines forthcoming),
- (c) municipalities will be asked to pay 100% of all printing costs for plans, bylaws and studies (i.e. commercial printing, major in-house xeroxing),
- (d) most new projects approved in April and some long standing projects must now be postponed (see attached),
- (e) projects involving a substantial amount of private lands will be cancelled (see attached),
- (f) the 39 projects previously deferred to 1994/95 will be set back further in time (see attached).

Therefore, until Commission funding for 1993/94 is clarified, service priorities will be:

- 1. subdivision processing and approval,
- 2. day to day (current) planning advice,
- 3. complete outstanding projects (i.e. plans, bylaws, studies),
- 4. regional liaison/coordination (only high priority matters).

As soon as possible, all postponed projects will be reviewed as to their priority in terms of availability of funding and staff resources. Following this review some projects may be reinstated.

I very deeply regret having to inform you of these actions but the severity of the funding reductions to this Commission necessitates such immediate direction. Other cost cutting and service measures will be forthcoming.

MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN COMMISSION AREA

POSTPONED NEW PROJECTS

BOTHA LAND USE BYLAW
CARSTAIRS CONSUMER EXPENDITURE SURVEY
CLEARWATER M.D. LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW
CREMONA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY
DIDSBURY DOWNTOWN STREETScape PLAN
ELNORA CAPITAL WORKS PLAN
GULL LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW
LACOMBE 50TH AVENUE AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN
MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW
NORGLLENWOLD SUMMER VILLAGE GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN
ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
STETTTLER GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
STETTTLER COUNTY TOWER ROAD AREA STRUCTURE PLAN/ANDERSON SUBDIVISION
DESIGN
SYLVAN LAKE GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
RED DEER CITY LANDFILL SITE AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN
RED DEER CITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS REVIEW
RED DEER CITY HIGHLAND GREEN OUTLINE PLAN

OUTSTANDING PROJECTS DEFERRED

SYLVAN LAKE DOWNTOWN BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT
STANDARDIZED URBAN LAND USE BYLAW
RED DEER CITY DOWNTOWN CONCEPT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

CANCELLED PROJECTS (INVOLVING SUBSTANTIALLY PRIVATE LANDS)

CLEARWATER M.D. GARRETT AREA STRUCTURE PLAN
PENHOLD RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT PLAN
(S.E. 36-36-28-W4)
RED DEER CITY BOWER/COLLEGE OUTLINE PLAN

DEFERRED PROJECTS TO BE SET BACK FURTHER

ALIX CAPITAL WORKS PLAN
BLACKFALDS GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
BOTH A CAPITAL WORKS PLAN
BOWDEN CAPITAL WORKS PLAN
BOWDEN LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW
BURNSTICK LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN
CLEARWATER GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
CLIVE GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN
CREMONA GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
DIDSBURY GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
INNISFAIL NAPOLEON LAKE RESIDENTIAL DESIGN
LACOMBE COUNTY GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
LACOMBE COUNTY TRAIL DEVELOPMENT STUDY
MIRROR GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN REVIEW
MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY GORE STRIP ROAD DESIGN
MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY WATER VALLEY AREA STRUCTURE PLAN REVIEW
RED DEER CITY HEAVY INDUSTRIAL SITES STUDY
RED DEER CITY BALANCE OF COMMERCIAL USE NORTH/SOUTH
RED DEER CITY ANALYSIS OF CITY CENSUS
RED DEER CITY MICHENER CENTER - FUTURE USE
ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE OPEN SPACE PLAN
ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE NORTHEAST AREA STRUCTURE PLAN
STETTLER COUNTY GENERAL MUNICIPAL PLAN
SUNDRE LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW
SYLVAN LAKE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT PLAN
POTENTIALLY OTHERS

Commissioners' Comments

We are concerned that the reductions in planning service will severely compromise the effective planning of The City, including the timely completion of projects already underway.

We understand the need to defer the projects as listed. However, we have concern regarding the cancellation of the Bower/College Outline Plan, which addresses a number of environmental issues referred to elsewhere in the agenda. If Council supports the recommendation that The City's contribution remain at the budgeted level, such support should be made conditional on the commissions review of all deferred or cancelled City projects on a priority basis, once their overall financial position becomes clearer.

Attached is the status of the proposed 1993/94 work program as revised.

"G. SURKAN"
Mayor

"C. CURTIS"
Acting City Commissioner

**CITY PLANNING DIVISION
Proposed Work Program 1993/94**

The following represents a potential work program for 1993/94.

- *1 (a) Cronquist and Area Redevelopment Plan
- (b) 45th Street Area Redevelopment Plan
- (c) Review of Remnant Parcels (created by MCC)

- *2 (a) Commercial District Study
- (b) High Volume/Free Standing Retail Use Study

- * D *3 Downtown Concept Plan - finalize and implement

- 4 Land Use By-law Review - Annexed Areas

- *5 Joint General Municipal Plan

- * D *6 Area Redevelopment Plan - Landfill Site

- * D *7 Review of Land Use Bylaw Residential Districts

- * C *8 Bower/College Outline Plan

- * D *9 Highland Green Outline Plan

Studies commenced; will be completed in 1993/94

* D . DEFERRED
* C . CANCELLED

DATE: May 25, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Financial Services
RE: UNALLOCATED 1993 BUDGET FUNDS

During the 1993 budget deliberations Council agreed to defer consideration of two items until the 1993 Provincial grants were announced. The two items were:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Funding</u>
• consideration of a second additional RCMP member	\$ 57,300
• unallocated funds	<u>106,700</u>
Total Funds	<u>\$ 164,000</u>

The following 1993 Provincial grant shortfalls have now been identified from what was provided for in the 1993 Budget documents:

<u>Provincial Grant</u>	<u>Shortfall</u>
Unconditional Grants	\$ 58,800
Social Planning	15,000
Mosquito Control (approximate)	<u>20,000</u>
Provincial Grant Shortfall	<u>\$ 93,800</u>

There have been two additional budget funding considerations by Council since the 1993 budget was approved by Council:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
• lost investment interest due to deferring payment of property tax increase in excess of 5% to December 31, 1993	\$ 35,325
• additional funding for special transportation	<u>10,950</u>
Total Additional Items	<u>\$ 46,275</u>

It is recommended the funds available of \$164,000 be allocated as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
• Shortfall in Provincial grants	\$ 93,800
• Additional RCMP member (assume September 1st start)	23,925
• Additional items as detailed in this report	<u>46,275</u>
	<u>\$ 164,000</u>

It should be noted the start date for the second additional RCMP member is deferred to September 1, 1993. The additional funding for this required in 1994 will be mostly offset by not requiring funding for lost investment interest in 1994.

Recommendation

That Council approve the allocation of the \$164,000 as detailed in the report.



A. Wilcock, B. Comm., C.A.
Director of Financial Services

AW/jt

c. Director of Community Services
O/C RCMP City Detail

Moved by Alderman Volk, seconded by Alderman Pimm

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered report from the F.C.S.S. Board, re: Special Transportation 1993 Budget, hereby agrees to implement the cuts as recommended by the F.C.S.S. Board namely:

1. Reduced staff increases from 2.1% to .8% (cost saving \$6,300).
2. Purchase the senior's taxi rather than pay the \$500. per month lease cost (cost saving \$4,000.)."

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Alderman Volk, seconded by Alderman Pimm

"Council further agrees to allocate the sum of \$10,950 to the Special Transportation Budget and that the additional cost be funded through the unallocated contingency fund in the approved 1993 budget." 

Prior to voting on the above motion, the following tabling motion was introduced and passed.

Moved by Alderman Pimm, seconded by Alderman Schnell

"RESOLVED that the motion relative to the allocation of funds for the Special Transportation Budget be tabled until the exact allocation of all Provincial Grants to the City are known."

Alderman Lawrence and Alderman Volk registered dissenting votes.

MOTION CARRIED

ADDITIONAL AGENDA

Consideration was given to the report from the City Assessor dated March 10, 1993, re: **1993 Business Assessment/Tax**. Following discussion, the motion as set out hereunder was introduced and passed.

DATE: March 2, 1993

TO: F.C.S.S. BOARD

FROM: CRAIG CURTIS
Director of Community Services

RE: 1993 SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION BUDGET
A memo from the Social Planning Manager dated February 23, 1993 refers

1. As indicated from the report from the Social Planning Manager, the 1993 Special Transportation Budget shows a \$20,000 recovery from Canada Assistance Plan (CAP) cost sharing. However, the Federal Cost Shared Programs Directorate has since concluded that specialized transportation in Edmonton is not cost-shareable, because it is delivered as part of the public transportation service. This decision appears to be based on saving expenditures rather than any inherent logic. However, it clearly emphasizes that Red Deer cannot rely on income from this source.
2. Following receipt of the above decision the Social Planning Manager advised City Council and requested the Red Deer Action Group to provide options as to how the \$20,000 shortfall might be accommodated within the Special Transportation budget. The Board has provided the following options:

OPTION	COST SAVING
1. Reduce staff increases from 2.1% to .8%	\$ 6,300.00
2. Cut back second van for the scheduled 5 hours on Saturday (this was the approved addition in 1992)	2,700.00
3. Cut back Senior's Taxi from 25 hours to 15 hours per week	4,500.00
4. Purchase the Senior's Taxi rather than pay \$500/month lease cost	4,000.00
5. Increase fares on Citizen's Action Bus from \$1.75 to \$2.00/trip	<u>3,750.00</u>
Total	\$ 21,250.00
Less lost revenue from cutbacks	<u>- 1,250.00</u>
Net Saving	\$ 20,000.00

F.C.S.S. BOARD

March 2, 1993

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3. I have reviewed the above cutback options with the Social Planning Manager. We have major concerns regarding Items #2 and #5 which relate to the cutback of service hours and the potential increase in fares for the Citizen's Action Bus.

I believe that this service should be given a very high priority in the budget process, as it serves persons who are often on a fixed income with no alternatives for transportation.

I would therefore propose:

- that the F.C.S.S. Board recommend to City Council that the Special Transportation budget be reduced by \$13,550 by the implementation of cutbacks #1, #3 and #4, as a partial solution to the anticipated \$20,000 shortfall.
- that the F.C.S.S. Board recommend to City Council that the Special Transportation budget be increased by \$6,450 to prevent a reduction in service and a potential increase in fare for the Citizen's Action Bus.

It should be noted that City Council retained an unallocated contingency fund of \$164,000 in the 1993 budget to meet any unanticipated changes in Provincial grants. It is considered that the unanticipated decision on federal CAP funding falls within this category and that the additional expenditure of \$6,450 should be funded from this source.

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is proposed that the F.C.S.S. Board recommend to City Council:

- that the Special Transportation be reduced by \$13,550, as outlined in the report from the Director of Community Services.
- that the Special Transportation budget be increased by \$6,450 to prevent a reduction in service and potential fare increase for the Citizen's Action Bus.
- that the additional cost be funded through the unallocated contingency fund in the approved 1993 budget.



CRAIG CURTIS
Director of Community Services

CC/kb

cc - Colleen Jensen, Social Planning Manager
- Roger Clarke, Chairman, F.C.S.S. Board



June 1, 1993

The Honourable Dr. Stephen West
Minister of Municipal Affairs
319 Legislature Building
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2B6

Dear Dr. West: *Steve*

On Tuesday, May 18, 1993, the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission received notice that its funding is being reduced by 21.6 percent (nearly \$340,000) retroactive to April 1, 1993. These reductions stem from the Province decreasing its contribution to the Alberta Planning Fund by 20 percent, and a surprise announcement that the Minister of Municipal Affairs has decreased Municipal requisitions to the fund by the same amount.

Funding reductions of this magnitude will severely impact the Commission's operational budget and its ability to provide services to participating municipalities, specifically, The City of Red Deer. At the Council meeting of May 25, 1993, the following motion was unanimously passed:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered correspondence dated May 25, 1993, from the Director of the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission in regard to the RDRPC budget, hereby agrees to the following:

1. That City Council inform the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it supports the planning requisitions from Municipalities in 1993 remaining the same as in 1992.
2. That City Council inform the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it supports permitting planning commissions to increase subdivision fees and recover costs through a user pay system, and requests that steps be taken immediately to initiate the legislative and regulatory changes required to effect the change."

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THE CITY OF RED DEER

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The Honourable Dr. Stephen West
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June 1, 1993

Recognizing the seriousness of the Provincial debt and in an effort to assist in deficit reduction, the Commission has, and continues to undertake responsible actions to further the cost effectiveness of its operations. The Commission is also examining ways to reduce the level of funding from the Alberta Planning Fund, and at the same time is attempting to maintain the same level of service to its member municipalities. This could be accomplished, in part, by generating greater revenues through the Commission's role as a subdivision approving authority, whereby costs would be recovered from the subdivision applicants. As noted in the above resolution, we urge you to take immediate steps to enable commissions to increase subdivision fees and recover costs through a user pay system.

The other major concern, of course, is the perennial problem which we have experienced with this government. As I'm sure you are aware, it is extremely difficult to budget for a year's operation when you are dependent upon unknown sources of funding. It is one thing to be advised by the Province at the eleventh hour; however, in this case the notice of a reduction is retroactive to April 1. Once again, it seems that our expressions of concern to the Province regarding the timeliness of announcements are for naught.

We ask you to hear our concerns and to take appropriate action to

- 1) maintain the municipal planning requisitions for 1993, at the 1992 level, and
- 2) set in place the necessary legislation and regulatory changes to allow planning commissions to increase subdivision fees and recover costs through a user pay system.

Sincerely,


GAIL D. SURKAN
Mayor

/cjm

- c. Premier Ralph Klein
Red Deer MLA North, The Honourable Stockwell Day
Red Deer MLA South, Mr. John Oldring
Alberta Urban Municipalities Association
Red Deer Regional Planning Commission
City Clerk, Mr. Charlie Sevcik



THE CITY OF RED DEER

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May 27, 1993

Red Deer Regional Planning Commission
2830 Bremner Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4R 1M9

ATTENTION: MR. W. G. A. SHAW, ASP MCIP - DIRECTOR

Dear Mr. Shaw:

RE: COMMISSION FUNDING
COMMISSION SERVICES FOR 1993/94

At the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, your memos dated May 25, 1993, pertaining to the above topics, received consideration.

Following are the motions which were passed by Council at the aforesaid meeting:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered correspondence dated May 25, 1993, from the Director of the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission in regard to the RDRPC budget, hereby agrees to the following:

1. That City Council inform the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it supports the planning requisitions from Municipalities in 1992 remaining the same as in 1993.
2. That City Council inform the Minister of Municipal Affairs that it supports permitting planning commissions to increase subdivision fees and recover costs through a user pay system, and requests that steps be taken immediately to initiate the legislative and regulatory changes required to effect the change."



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"WHEREAS Council of The City of Red Deer supports the recommendation that the City's 1993 contribution for planning services remain at the budgeted level.

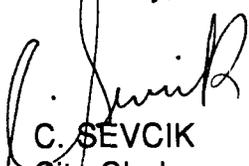
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that such support be conditional on the Commission's review of all deferred or cancelled City projects on a priority basis, once their overall financial position becomes clearer."

With regard to clause 1 in the first resolution, Council did consider the recommendation to approve payment of the reduced portion of the requisition directly to the RDRPC in the event same is denied by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. However, this recommendation was tabled for consideration at the next meeting of Council pending legal clarification. In this regard, the Director of Financial Services will be submitting a report to Council for the June 7 agenda.

The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and I trust you will find same satisfactory. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

A copy of the letter from the Mayor to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, as directed in the first resolution, will be sent to you under separate cover.

Sincerely,



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

cc: City Commissioners



**RED DEER
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

*Council
May 25/93*

2830 BREMNER AVENUE, RED DEER,
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DIRECTOR: W. G. A. Shaw, ACP, MCIP

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 4, 1993
TO: All Municipal Administrators
CC: A. Wilcock, Executive Committee
FROM: Bill Shaw, Director
SUBJECT: COMMISSION FINANCING

In the May 25, 1993 letter to Council regarding Commission financing, Council was requested to consider two actions, the second being:

2. "That if the requisition remains reduced by 20% for 1993, your Municipality will forward funds equivalent to the 20% reduction directly to the Commission to help ensure the required level of Commission services for 1993/94."

PLEASE NOTE the City of Red Deer's Director of Financial Service's response to the City Clerk on this matter, which is attached hereto with the permission of Mr. Wilcock.

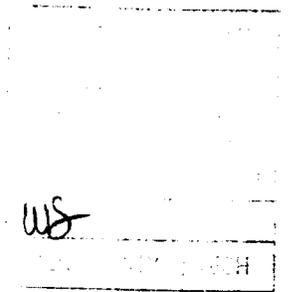
Please be assured that it was neither the Executive's or my intention or wish that your municipality contravene the Municipal Taxation Act. We have thanked Mr. Wilcock for bringing procedures to our attention and for his advice to Council as to how the intended financial support of the Commission can be achieved, while staying within the provisions of the Municipal Taxation Act.

We very much appreciate your attention to this matter.

MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN COMMISSION AREA

CITY OF RED DEER • MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CLEARWATER No. 99 • COUNTY OF STETTLETT No. 6 • COUNTY OF LACOMBE No. 14 • COUNTY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW No. 17 • COUNTY OF PAINT EARTH No. 18 • COUNTY OF RED DEER No. 23 • TOWN OF BLACKFALDS • TOWN OF BOWDEN • TOWN OF CARSTAIRS • TOWN OF CASTOR • TOWN OF CORONATION • TOWN OF DIDSBURY • TOWN OF ECKVILLE • TOWN OF INNISFAIL • TOWN OF LACOMBE • TOWN OF OLDS • TOWN OF PENHOLD • TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE • TOWN OF STETTLETT • TOWN OF SUNDRE • TOWN OF SYLVAN LAKE • VILLAGE OF ALIX • VILLAGE OF BENTLEY • VILLAGE OF BIG VALLEY • VILLAGE OF BOTHA • VILLAGE OF CAROLINE • VILLAGE OF CLIVE • VILLAGE OF CREMONA • VILLAGE OF DELBURNE • VILLAGE OF DONALDA • VILLAGE OF ELNORA • VILLAGE OF GADSBY • VILLAGE OF HALKIRK • VILLAGE OF MIRROR • SUMMER VILLAGE OF BIRCHCLIFF • SUMMER VILLAGE OF GULL LAKE • SUMMER VILLAGE OF HALF MOON BAY • SUMMER VILLAGE OF JARVIS BAY • SUMMER VILLAGE OF NORGLIEWOLD • SUMMER VILLAGE OF ROCHON SANDS • SUMMER VILLAGE OF SUNBREAKER COVE • SUMMER VILLAGE OF WHITE SANDS
SUMMER VILLAGE OF BURNSTICK LAKE

DATE: May 26, 1993
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Financial Services
RE: PLANNING FUND REQUISITIONS



At the May 25, 1993 Council meeting, concerns were brought to Council by the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission regarding a reduction in Provincial funding of 21.6%.

The 21.6% funding reduction was caused by:

- a reduction of 20% in the Provincial contribution to the Planning Fund
- a reduction of 20% in the Province requisition to municipalities for the Planning Fund.

The funds received by the Planning Fund are used to provide funding for the various regional planning commissions.

The Red Deer Regional Planning Commission asked for Council's support by:

- asking the Minister of Municipal Affairs to maintain the municipal requisitions the same as in 1992 to soften the negative impact of the contribution cuts
- agreeing if the requisition is reduced by 20% for 1993 that the City would forward funds equivalent to the 20% reduction directly to the Commission.

The Commissioners had recommended to Council approval of payment of the reduced portion of the requisition directly to the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission for 1993 to enable essential planning services to be retained. My understanding is the Commissioners were recommending the extra taxes collected for the 1993 requisitions, no longer required because of the 20% reduction, could be submitted directly to the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission. I indicated this recommendation should be tabled to determine if the proposal was allowed under Provincial legislation.

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Section 95(1) of the Municipal Taxation Act states the municipality shall, in determining a levy of taxes to pay a requisition, deduct from the amount of the requisition the amount the taxes levied by the municipality in the previous year exceeded the requisition for the previous year. This means that in 1994 the City, in determining the levy of taxes to meet the 1994 Planning Fund requisition, will have to deduct from the taxes required any overcollection for the 1993 requisition. As a result, the City cannot turn over any excess 1993 taxes collected to pay the 1993 Planning Fund requisition to the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission.

If the 20% reduction in the requisition does occur, the requisition reduction will be:

1992 Requisition	\$ 324,225
1993 Requisition	<u>262,699</u>
Requisition Reduction	<u>\$ 61,526</u>

If Council wants to reimburse the \$61,526 to the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission, the funds would have to be provided from the 1993 Municipal Budget and would represent an overexpenditure. The overexpenditure could be offset by a transfer from accumulated surplus. In 1994 a special tax levy could be made for "Planning Purposes" to reimburse surplus for its contribution in 1993. The special levy would be offset by the 1993 overcollection brought forward to fund the 1994 Planning Fund requisition.



A. Wilcock, B. Comm., C.A.
Director of Financial Services

AW/jt

c. Director of Community Services
Red Deer Regional Planning Commission

DATE: MAY 27, 1993
TO: DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
FROM: CITY CLERK
RE: UN-ALLOCATED 1993 BUDGET FUNDS

Your report dated May 25, 1993, regarding 1993 un-allocated budget funds, was considered at the Council Meeting of May 25, 1993, and at which meeting Council passed motions as follows:

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered report dated May 25, 1993 from the Director of Financial Services re: un-allocated 1993 budget funds, hereby agrees that the funds available in the amount of \$164,000 be allocated as follows:

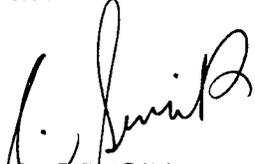
<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
* Shortfall in Provincial grants	\$ 93,800
* Additional items as detailed in this report	<u>46,275</u>
	<u>\$ 140,075</u>

"RESOLVED that Council of The City of Red Deer having considered report dated May 25, 1993, from the Director of Financial Services, re: un-allocated 1993 budget funds, hereby approves the following:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
* Additional RCMP member (assume September 1st start)."	\$ 23,925.00

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The decision of Council in this instance is submitted for your information and appropriate action.



C. SEVCIK
City Clerk

CS/cjd
cc: City Commissioner
Director of Community Services
Parks Manager
Social Planning Manager
Inspector Beaton



May 31, 1993

The Honourable Doug Lewis
Solicitor General of Canada
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Lewis:

RE: R.C.M.P. REQUIREMENTS - CITY OF RED DEER

At the Council meeting of May 25, 1993, Council approved the addition of one new member for the City R.C.M.P. detachment. The approval was on the understanding that the new member would be in place effective September 1, 1993. This will bring the total regular member establishment from 80 to 81 members.

Please arrange to have the additional member stationed in Red Deer by September 1, 1993.

We thank you for your co-operation in this matter and trust you will take appropriate action.

Sincerely,


GAIL D. SURKAN
Mayor

CS/dh

c.c. "K" Division, R.C.M.P., Alberta Planning Branch, Box 1320, Edmonton, Ab. T5J 2N1
Inspector Roy Beaton
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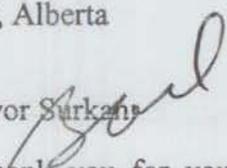


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MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Office of the Minister
Minister responsible for Native Affairs

June 23 1993

Her Worship Gail D. Surkan
Mayor of the City of Red Deer
Box 5008
Red Deer, Alberta
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Dear Mayor Surkan 

Thank you for your letter dated June 1, 1993, forwarding your council's resolution relevant to the reduction in the contribution to the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission's operating contributions. The City of Red Deer's concerns are acknowledged and appreciated.

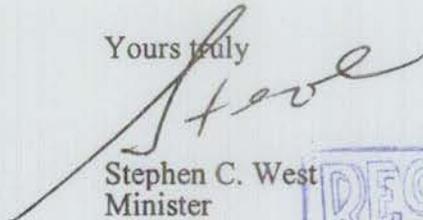
The reductions to the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission are typical of the funding cuts most service organizations are undergoing. In order to alleviate the shortage of funds, it is imperative that the methodology of providing services is re-assessed and that alternatives be examined.

I have initiated a review of the planning process in Alberta in response to the request which was raised at the meeting of the Alberta Planning Board with the Chairmen and Directors of the Regional Planning Commissions held on May 18, 1993. The Alberta Planning Board, in conjunction with Alberta Municipal Affairs, is presently working on a strategy by which the review can be undertaken. The regional planning commissions will be asked to participate in the review as well.

Item 2 of the City Council's resolution indicating the City of Red Deer's support in initiating legislative changes which would permit regional planning commissions to increase subdivision fees and to recover costs through a user-pay system is especially appreciated as the effect of such changes on the system will be an integral part of the review.

Thank you for bringing the City Council's important resolution to my attention.

Yours truly


Stephen C. West
Minister

c.c. Hon. Ralph Klein
Hon. S. Day
Alberta Urban Municipalities Association
Red Deer Regional Planning Commission
Mr. C. Sevcik, City Clerk, City of Red Deer



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