

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee was held in City Hall on Tuesday, May 19th, 1987, at 4:45 p.m.

In attendance were Alderman George Laking and Alderman Mike Gates.

Also in attendance were K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director and Larry Wheeler, Recreation Manager. Tom Webster, Dan O'Connell, Harley Ewing and Glenn MacDonald, Royal Canadian Legion (Item No. 1).

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee held on Tuesday, May 5th, 1987, be taken as read and adopted.

Item No. 1

Legion

Representatives from the Legion were in attendance to discuss the possible concept of the Legion sponsoring some kind of park. Mr. Webster outlined all the activities in which the Legion were involved and indicated that the Legion was interested in possibly putting monies into a park over the next five years. The attached report was presented to the Committee for information. Alderman Gates outlined the possibility of developing the linear park north of Lions Park along Shaughnessy Street up to the footbridge. The Legion indicated that they would be amenable to any kind of park area.

Recommendation:

1. That Janna Taylor would contact the Legion and view various possible park sites.
2. That a recommendation would be brought back to the Committee at a future date.


CARRIED

Item No. 2

Lions Park Conceptual Plan

The attached report was presented to the Committee for information.

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Recommendation:

That the report be received and that the recommendation contained in the report be approved.

CARRIED

Item No. 3

PoCo Marlins - Early Opening of Centennial Pool

The attached report was presented to Committee for information.

Recommendation:

1. That an early opening of Centennial Pool not be approved for this year.
2. That a letter be sent to the PoCo Marlins indicating the Committee's decision.
3. That Larry Wheeler work in conjunction with PoCo Marlins for the 1988 swim season.

CARRIED

Item No. 4

1994 Commonwealth Games - Richmond

The attached report was presented to Committee for information.

Recommendation:

That the report be received and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.

CARRIED

Item No. 5


Wellington Park

Please see attached report.

Recommendation:

1. That the report be received and the recommendations therein be approved.

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2. That the meeting would be slated for June 25th, 1987.

CARRIED

Item No. 6

Thompson Park

It was brought to the attention of the Committee that the residents would like to meet with staff to discuss the kind of trees that will be planted along Connaught Avenue.

Recommendation:

That the Parks & Recreation Director set up a meeting with the residents along Connaught Avenue to discuss the landscaping along this avenue.

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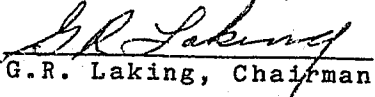
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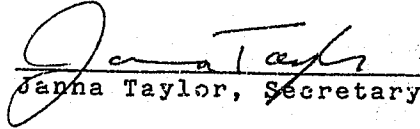
Alder Trees


The Committee would like a memo sent to Mayor and Council to have a look at the trees in order for them to have an understanding of the situation. Please see attached letter.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 9th, 1987, at 4:45 p.m.


G.R. Laking, Chairman


Jenna Taylor, Secretary


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MEMORANDUM TO: Parks & Recreation Committee
MEMORANDUM FROM: K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director
SUBJECT: Legion - Delegation

Background

The Legion has written to the Council wishing to "sponsor" a park in the city.

A letter has been sent out to them requesting what kind of support they are prepared to give. They will be coming to the May 19th committee meeting.

Possible Park Sites

There are several parks in Port Coquitlam which require various degrees of work; whether it be the need for playground equipment, park benches, signs, barbecue pits, etc. Outlined below are some sites:


1. Wellington Park
2. Cameron Park
3. Birchwood Park
4. Kilmer Park

Areas to be Considered

There are several points which need to be addressed prior to deciding on a site for the Legion:

1. Money
2. Overall park design
3. Long term commitments
4. Active or passive park site

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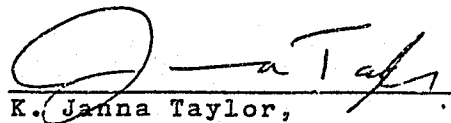

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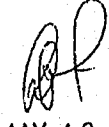
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Recommendation

1. That we listen to their presentation, that a committee be struck to further work with the Legion on a proposal. Committee to include the Parks and Recreation Director and the Parks Superintendent and two persons from the Legion.
2. That a progress report be brought forth to committee by June 30th, 1987.


K. Janna Taylor,
Parks & Recreation Director.

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Royal Canadian Legion
Port Coquitlam Branch 133
2675 Shaughnessy Street
Port Coquitlam, B.C.
V3C 3G7

Attention: Tom Webster, President.

Dear Mr. Webster:

Your letter of April 22nd, 1987, to Mayor & Council in regard to the possible adoption of a park for the 75th Anniversary is of great interest to the Parks & Recreation Department. Prior to the Parks & Recreation Department looking at possible sites for a park, certain information is needed from the Legion. We need to know to what extent the Legion wishes to be involved, i.e. would you be giving the city money for park purchase, playground equipment, picnic benches, barbecue pits, tennis courts or other related items which could be part of a park?

The aforementioned concerns need to be addressed before any thought can be given to a park site; the concept, however, is wonderful! I would like to suggest that the Legion give some thought to the questions outlined earlier in the letter and that representatives meet with the Parks & Recreation Committee on Tuesday, May 19th at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

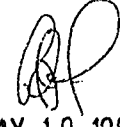
Thanking you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours truly,

K. Janna Taylor,
Parks & Recreation Director.

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c.c. Alderman George Laking
Alderman Mike Gates
B.R. Kirk, City Administrator
Bram Hoogendoorn, Parks Superintendent


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ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
PORT COQUITLAM BRANCH 133

2875 Shaughnessy Street
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April 22nd, 1987

Mayor and Council
2272 McAllister Ave
Port Coquitlam, B.C.
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Dear Sirs,

The Legion would like to adopt a park for the 75th Anniversary of Port Coquitlam. We would appreciate any suggestions that you may have regarding our endeavor. We would like to call it the Legion Park.

Yours Fraternally

Tom Webster
President.

C. C. ALDERMEN
K. J. TAYLOR.
B. R. KIRK
F. E. PETERS, P. ENG.
T. M. CHONG, P. ENG.

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MEMORANDUM TO: Alderman George Laking
Alderman Mike Gates

MEMORANDUM FROM: K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director

SUBJECT: Lions Park Conceptual Plan

Background

Lions Park is designated as a community park and has, over the years had various pieces of land added to its size. The park size is now approximately ten acres.

Playground Development

Over the past four years we have developed the playground equipment in the park to a significant degree. Included in the capital improvement program is the construction of a waterpark.

Presently the park is extremely well used by all the residents in the community.

Traffic Flow Implications

One of our major concerns in the past has been the road that presently goes through the park. Not only is this an extreme safety hazard but it also prevents the natural development of a very beautiful park.

We now have purchased the land to the S.E. of the park and this now should be part of the park.


It is important that we look at a new configuration of traffic flow.

Design & Cost Implications

It is extremely important at this stage of development, that the traffic flow and placement of the waterpark be done in a proper manner.

The design of the waterpark needs also to be addressed in order to determine a costing for the overall park.

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Other Factors Affecting the Development of Lions Park

As the Committee is aware, a waterpark is also slated for Sun Valley Park. However, the one slated for Sun Valley Park would be on a much smaller scale and would attract neighbourhood residents. A waterpark at Lions Park would attract residents from further afield and people would drive to the park for such things as picnics.

Presently we have picnics booked into this park from May through to September. By including a waterpark, eliminating the road through the middle of the park, we would enhance the park to its fullest extent.


Park Design & Costing

That the Parks & Recreation Department be authorized to hire a consultant to:

1. Design an overall conceptual park plan to include:
 - a) Waterpark and costing
 - b) Traffic re-alignment through park
2. That the cost not exceed \$1,000 and that the monies be taken from the Parks Unallocated Account.

K. Janna Taylor,
Parks & Recreation Director.

KJT/bh


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MEMORANDUM TO: K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director
MEMORANDUM FROM: Larry J. Wheeler, Recreation Manager
SUBJECT: Request for the Early Opening of Centennial
Outdoor Pool

Purpose/Problem:

The Port Coquitlam Marlins Swim Club have requested that the City of Port Coquitlam open Centennial Pool one or more weeks earlier than scheduled. This report will review this request and provide a recommendation on how to deal with the situation.

History/Background:

The Port Coquitlam Marlins are what is known as a Summer Swim Club. That is, they train and compete only during the summer months (May thru August). The Marlins have experienced a growth in membership to approximately 100 individuals. The Marlins goal is to obtain a minimum of approximately 10 hours pool time per week for each of their two age groups; a total of 20 hours per week. They have presently been allocated the equivalent of approximately 12 hours of pool time at Hyde Creek per week; most of which is during non prime-time hours (ie early morning). As a result of their request, we were able to increase their original pool allocation by a couple of additional hours per week. However, the total allocation at Hyde Creek does not nearly fulfill the Marlins total request. Once the outdoor pools are open, the Marlins request can be met.

The view that the Marlins executive have taken concerning this matter is that if they are going to develop a quality program for approximately 100 youth, they need additional pool time during the preparation phase of their program (May and June) rather than during their competitive season (July and August). As a result of this, they have requested that we open one of the outdoor pools one or more weeks earlier than scheduled. They have arranged access at outdoor pools in other communities, if necessary, but would prefer to train in facilities located in Port Coquitlam. In return for this early opening, they are prepared to pay for additional operating costs or provide assistance for repairs for pool facilities we have not been able to complete through the regular budget process. As the club coaches are qualified lifeguards, we do not need to staff the facility while the Port Coquitlam Marlins are using it.

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Alternatives:

At this point in the Club's season, we basically have two options available to us; either we can accommodate their request or we can turn down their request.

Financial Implications:

Although the actual additional costs are very difficult to identify, they are not expected to be that great. The additional costs would probably be in the range of \$550.00 to \$600.00 per week. The Club has guaranteed that there would be no loss of revenues at Hyde Creek. They would continue to pay rent for the times allocated to them.

Citizen/Public Relations Implementation/Implications:

This area is where the real impact of the request is realized. Because the swim club would only be using the outdoor pool four or five hours per day, the pool would sit empty and unused the rest of the day. This would be fine until the first sunny, warm day at which time it would be very difficult to convince the citizens that we do not have the staff available to operate the outdoor pool. This action would not likely be received well, and would create disharmony in the community.

If we were able to hire additional staff for a week or two and pull together a public program, then costs would become a factor. Public programs in the outdoor pools under our present system run a net loss. We have not budgeted these additional costs. And this does not address the cost related to hiring and training new staff for a short period of employment, since most would be laid off once Hyde Creek closes for the season.

Other:

It is important to note that the outdoor pools will be operational by mid-June.

It is also important to note that we opened a few days early in 1986 to accommodate an extra swim meet so that we could minimize the amount of time the pool is closed to the public for swim competitions. This summer, the Marlins have added an additional swim meet, which means the public will potentially be further inconvenienced.

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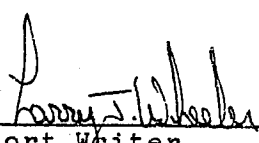
Over the last month we have been working with the Marlins on their request. Our suggestion to them was that they not pursue the request any further in 1987 and that we would review the whole situation during 1988 budget preparations and before their 1988 season.

Conclusion/Summary:


The Port Coquitlam Marlins identified a need for additional pool time during May and June for their swimmers. After reviewing our current indoor pool schedule, we were able to identify some additional practice time for the club. This was still not adequate and the Club has asked that we consider opening an outdoor pool one or more weeks early. They feel that the public would not object if it was announced as an experiment being conducted between the City of Port Coquitlam and the Marlins. Even though the Marlins are prepared to pay extra operating costs, it is the feeling of administration that the public would not understand the experiment on the first sunny, warm day. In addition, at this late date, we would not be able to identify or staff a profitable public program.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Port Coquitlam Marlins request for the early opening of an outdoor pool be turned down and that they be requested to work with administration to explore options for a more viable solution for the 1988 season.


Report Writer
Larry J. Wheeler
Recreation Manager

Concurrence
K. Janna Taylor
Parks and Recreation Director


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MEMORANDUM TO: Parks & Recreation Committee
MEMORANDUM FROM: K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director
SUBJECT: 1994 Commonwealth Games

Background

As identified in the letter from Richmond (see attached) they are preparing a bid for the 1994 Commonwealth Games.

Council has asked the Parks & Recreation Committee to deal with Richmond's request for a letter of support from the City.

Benefits to B.C.

To have the Commonwealth Games in the Lower Mainland would indeed be exciting for all the surrounding municipalities. It would provide the citizens an opportunity to see world class athletes competing. No doubt spectators will be coming to the Lower Mainland from world wide and this would help the tourist industry in B.C.

Possible Benefits to Port Coquitlam


An area where our citizens could get involved would be as volunteers. No doubt the number of volunteers required will be significant.

Recommendation:

That the City of Port Coquitlam fully endorse Richmond's bid to host the 1994 Commonwealth Games.

K. Janna Taylor,
Parks & Recreation Director.

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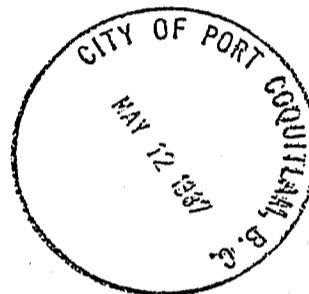
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His Worship, Mayor L. M. Traboulay
The Corporation of the City of
Port Coquitlam
2272 McAllister Avenue
Port Coquitlam, B. C.
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Dear Mayor Traboulay:

Re: 1994 Commonwealth Games
Richmond B.C.
July - August 1994



As you know, Richmond Municipal Council is preparing a bid for the 1994 Commonwealth Games.

Building on the well-known "Friendly Games" theme, Richmond's objectives in making this bid are:

- to spearhead a B.C. effort to host the 1994 Commonwealth Games to celebrate the Fortieth Anniversary of the 1954 Games 'Miracle Mile';
- to strengthen the Commonwealth by encouraging as many countries to participate as possible;
- to make this a B.C. wide event by involving several municipalities in the hosting of events;
- to provide a legacy of high-level training facilities on the West Coast;
- to improve the level and accessibility of sports facilities for the disabled in Richmond and throughout the Province.

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Mayor L. M. Traboulay
Port Coquitlam, B. C.

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One example of how we plan to achieve these objectives is to introduce soccer as a demonstration sport. We anticipate over 36 countries would participate in this event. We would have six divisions in the tournament, each taking place in a different community with the final being held in the second week in the Lower Mainland.

The reasons for our excitement and optimism are many, beginning with a very positive preliminary feasibility study.

Richmond has an excellent site as shown in the enclosed brochure which will provide the focus of the 1994 Games. The site has excellent transportation access. A large population nearby coupled with a substantial room inventory to house the competitors, officials and visitors will ensure the success of the Games. The early financial picture is very encouraging.

Not only is Richmond well known across CANADA for its reputation of producing many top-flight athletes, but is seen as a leader in North America in the development of accessible facilities and activities for young people in both the sports and cultural areas.

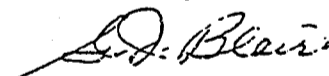
Underpinning all these positive factors is probably Richmond's greatest strength of all and that is, the support of a very large and active group of volunteers in the sports area.

Even though Richmond is spearheading the Games, the participation and involvement of the Mayors, local Councils, citizens and volunteers in the region is critical to the success of an event of this magnitude.

We would request Port Coquitlam Council's endorsement of Richmond's bid to host the 1994 Commonwealth Games as it will be a critical factor in the success of the bid.


As we are in the final stages of preparing our bid, a letter of support or telephone confirmation that a letter is on its way would be very helpful.

Yours truly,



G. J. Blair
MAYOR

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MEMORANDUM TO: Parks & Recreation Committee
MEMORANDUM FROM: K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director
SUBJECT: Wellington Park

Background

At the Council meeting of March 30th, 1987, approval was given to the placement of equipment in Wellington Park. Part of the process prior to the placing of the playground equipment in the park was that a letter was sent to the residents in the surrounding area informing them of what was taking place.

Resident Response

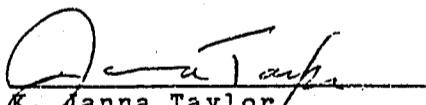
Since the letter was sent out I have received several telephone calls and one letter; indicating either concern or support for the project.

Recommendation


Due to the fact that residents are concerned about issues such as location, vandalism, trees, etc., it is recommended that a community meeting be called.

The purpose of such a meeting would be to indicate why the equipment was considered necessary, and then to open up the meeting for input from the residents.

It is obvious from the response that it is important for us to go out into the community and work with them so that they will feel more comfortable with the proposed playground equipment.


K. Janna Taylor
Parks & Recreation Director.

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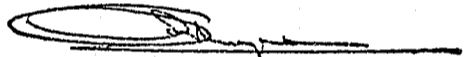
MEMORANDUM TO: K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director
MEMORANDUM FROM: Bram Hoogendoorn, Parks & Facilities Superintendent
SUBJECT: Trees on Boulevard

Mr. Richard Goodman at 2446 Mary Hill Road would like to have eleven alder trees removed from behind his house. They are on lane allowance but are part of the landscaping for the west side of the arena parking lot. Mr. Goodman claims that his six year old daughter cannot go out into the backyard to play because pollen drops at this time of year and she suffers with asthma and is allergic to pollen.


The cost to have these eleven trees removed (some are overhanging his backyard) is \$600. They are not included in the plan of B. Guzzi as drawn up recently for the department future vision of this area.

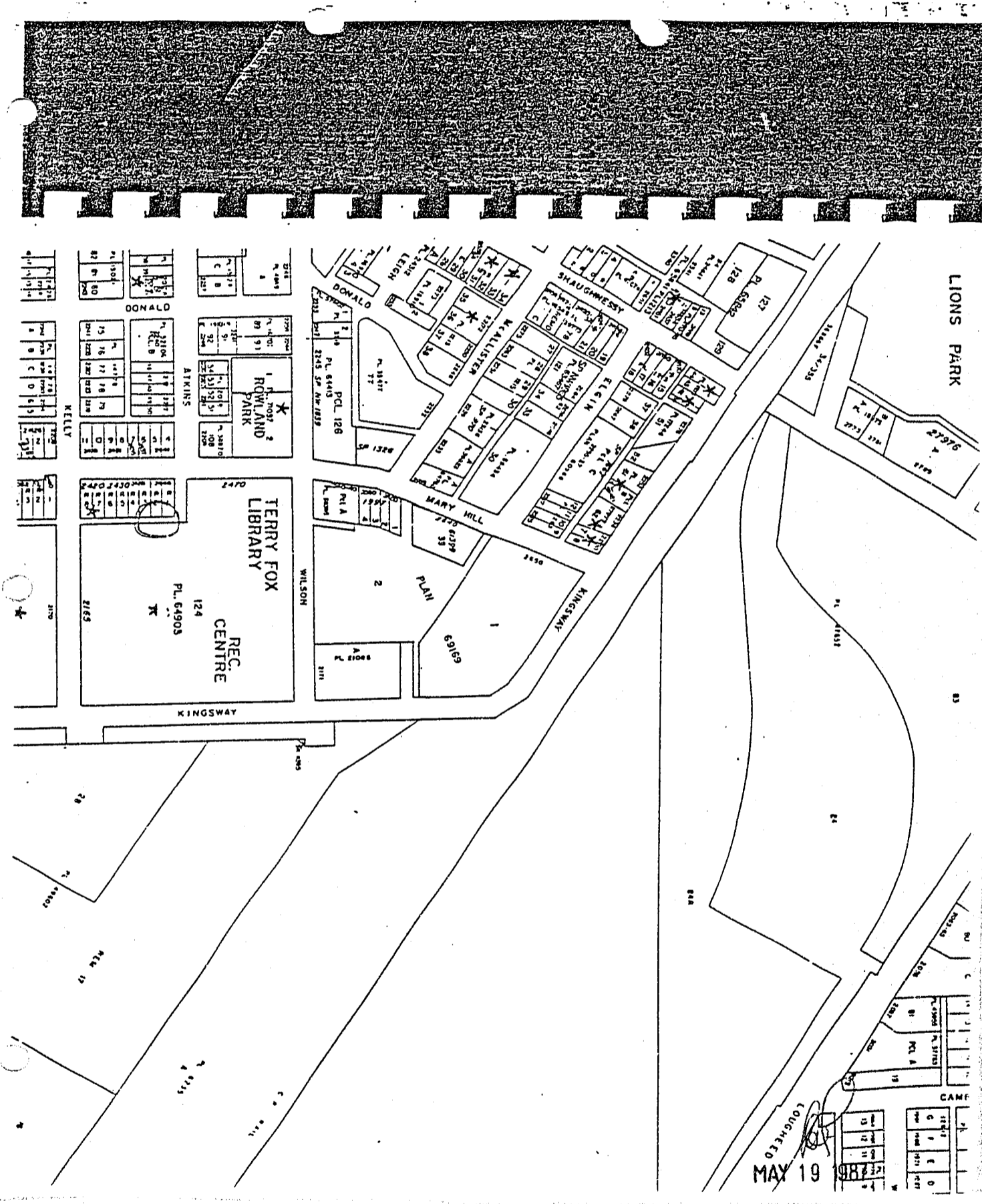
The trees could be replaced by cultured trees as was previously done on the boulevard (please see enclosed picture).

Could we please have Committee's decision on this matter?



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Mr. R. Goodman
2446 Mary Hill Road
Port Coquitlam, B.C.

Dear Mr. Goodman:

re: Alder Trees - Road Allowance

The Parks & Recreation Committee discussed your request to have the alder trees removed from behind your house. The reason for your request was that your daughter was allergic to the pollen drops at this time of year. The Committee understands that during the Spring, many residents are allergic to various pollens in the area. However, I am sure that you can appreciate that a city without trees, grass or flowers would be unrealistic. Many of our citizens are faced with similar problems, especially those who are close to our parks, flower areas, etc.


The Committee is sorry that your daughter is allergic; however, we are not prepared to cut the trees down as they are part of the landscaping for the west side of the arena parking lot.

Yours sincerely,

K. Janna Taylor,
Parks & Recreation Director.

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c.c. Alderman George Laking, Chairman Parks & Recreation
Committee
Alderman Mike Gates, Parks & Recreation Committee


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Mr. Rick Goodman
2446 Mary Hill Road,
Port Coquitlam, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of 1987-04-15. I have spoken to Alderman
G.R. Laking concerning the alder trees and he will be in touch
with you in due course.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L.M. Traboulay".

L.M. Traboulay,
Mayor

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c.c. Alderman G.R. Laking
Alderman M.D. Gates
Ms. Janna Taylor

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "JP".
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