

CITY COUNCIL #13-79

April 17, 1979.
7 p.m.

A Special Meeting of City Council was held this evening when the following members were present - His Worship Mayor G. Parisien, Aldermen D. Armstrong, R. Aubry, F. Guindon, L. Keen, R. Lalonde, A. Lebano, A. LeBlanc, B. Lynch, J. Pescod, G. Samson and G. Williamson.

Brookdale Avenue Reconstruction

A public meeting was held with abutting property owners and business operators. The Director of Engineering Services, Mr. W. Knight, briefed everyone on the final details related to this project and displayed drawings to explain the proposed reconstruction. The public was then afforded the opportunity to question or comment on any aspect of the project.

R. Earle - 15 Brookdale

Mr. Earle's comments were that the road at present is higher than surrounding properties. He suggested that the road be lowered to prevent excess flooding and that proper drainage be provided.

Miss M. McIntosh

She suggested that a sidewalk be constructed going through the Brookdale circle. This comment was made after a lady questioned how pedestrians who will be provided with a sidewalk on the east side of Brookdale Avenue will negotiate crossing Brookdale to go to Wodco.

P. Cote - 305 Brookdale

He asked if the laneway between Third and Fifth Sts. would be used by heavy equipment during construction. He was advised that it would not.

H. Kennedy

Mr. Kennedy was interested in knowing the date of commencement and completion. He was informed that the work is expected to start during the first or second week of May and completion date is scheduled for June, 1980.

MacMillan Wholesale

Mr. MacMillan indicated that on June 5, 1978 he received a letter from the City wanting to negotiate the purchase of his property. He was told not to do anything with the building that it would not add to its value. It is now April, 1979 and no firm commitment has been made. This long delay

has had severe adverse effects on his business and he hopes this matter can be resolved as soon as possible. The Chief Administrator informed Council and the public that 4 or 5 meetings have been held between both solicitors and that at last week's meeting the MacMillans never showed up.

Mr. Lusignan

His concern was how close the bridge pillars were to Brookdale. He was answered that the closest ones (1 or 2) were 3 to 3½ feet which was an acceptable distance with MTC.

C. Robertson

Why would there not be 5 lanes between Thirteenth and Fourteenth Sts. Mr. Knight explained that a fifth lane is being used strictly for left turn movement only.

G. Cameron

Expressed interest in meeting Mr. Knight and other City officials if necessary to relocate Woolco Mall entrance and discuss future relocation of Ninth St.

35 Smith Ave.

The owner expressed concern with losing a tree in front of his house and load limits on Brookdale. He was advised that the tree could be saved and that there would be no load limits on Brookdale Ave.

Mr. Knight advised the audience that the proposed barriers along part of Brookdale south were acceptable to MTC and as such had ruled out guard rails. He also explained that mud and dust problems during construction would be handled as best as possible by the contractor under the supervision of the consulting engineers.

A comment was made by someone that all houses facing Brookdale between Water and Fifth Streets should be acquired because they are so close to the street and an unsafe distance because of the numerous children who reside there and play along Brookdale.

A. Tothfaluse

- Mr. Tothfaluse expressed several concerns, namely:
- a) tourists during peak season (July & August) may not be able to get to commercial establishments
 - b) during winter olympics in 1980 will roads still be gravel
 - c) what about swimming pools and dust problems
 - d) snow removal in winter

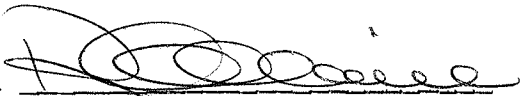
Mr. Tothfaluse was answered as follows:

- a) access ramps will be installed, if necessary, to ensure that tourists can obtain accommodations
- b) by November, 1979 road will be black topped
- c) every effort will be made to minimize dust problems
- d) snow removal strategy may have to be changed to accommodate new road

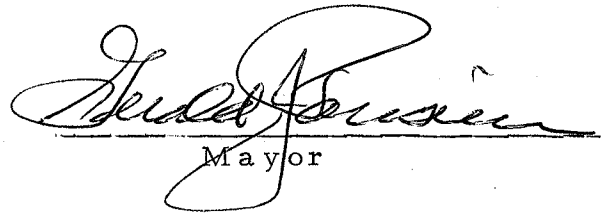
Tom Kaneb

Mr. Kaneb questioned why the medians at Brookdale and Second St. were so long. Mr. Knight explained that the length was to permit left turns at the intersections only.

Alderman Guindon read a petition submitted to him by residents on Brookdale between Second and Fifth Streets. The letter was filed with the Clerk.



Clerk



Mayor