

# Freeze slapped on large lots

Council has placed a freeze on new home building applications on oversized lots pending a public hearing.

The freeze, which went into effect May 17, affects lots designated R1a, R2a, R3a, R4a, R5a and R9a.

In the meantime, the planning department is drafting a new bylaw which

will go to public hearing within two months, according to Ald. Derek Corrigan.

The present formula for oversized lots regulates new home size according to a ratio of building to land with some flexibility allowed for special applications.

But council discovered that under that bylaw, too

many new residential applications — 47.5 per cent — qualified for larger homes.

"These lots we are referring to are huge," Ald. Egon Nikolai said, "so if you put a house on them according to the formula, the houses are enormous."

"What's been happening," Corrigan said, "is

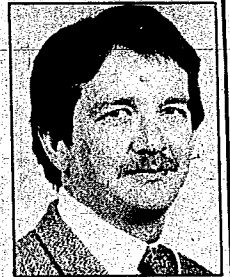
that people will tear down an old house on one of the Ra lots and up a huge dwelling on a block of small houses."

The new formula, recommended by the planning department, would keep new houses built on Ra lots more in line with surrounding neighborhoods.

All applications filed

before the May 17 freeze will be assessed under the old formula. However, no new applications will be accepted until the public hearing is held and a new bylaw is in place.

Anyone wishing a copy of the new policy report can call the Burnaby planning department.



Derek Corrigan ... new bylaw

## Who in blazes won at Edmonds?

When a fire in the home economics room broke out during the Edmonds Homecoming celebration just over a week ago, 2,500 people had to be evacuated from the building before the Homecoming Contest winners could be announced.

So, as promised, here they are:

The ping-pong contest winner is Lynn Brown (1965-68) and for 578 hits — Gail Fellardeau (1963-66).

Men's basketball trophies go to Elgin Reid (1960's) and Bill Bradford (1985) who hit nine out of 10. Dirk Botsford (1980's) and Derek P. (1980's) came in third and fourth.

First prize in women's basketball goes to A. J. Hollinger (1983) who hit 10 out of 10. Debbie Sorenson (1977-80) came in second and Rita Mikk (1972-74) was third.

The best Edmonds cheer came from Penny Marteland and the ex-B.C. Lions (1970's) with Paula and Rhonda Jeschke (1970's) coming second.

Retired Edmonds principal Charlie Archibald sang the best school song. Roy Hicks (1983-87) was second and Team Botely (1985) third.

Pat Yeardon won first prize for her Michael J. Fox imitation with Stacy Echstein (1980's) coming in second.

Homecoming king is Jack Simms and Pat Rollins was chosen queen. Both were students from the 1950's.

Favorite teacher was Mr. Magus, and Mr. Davy who watched over Edmonds for 25 years (1941-66) was the favorite principal.

Dolores Johnson (1939-44) won first prize for the best Edmonds limerick while Dave Brown (1970) came in second.

Because of the fire, many guests left the homecoming without their yearbooks and souvenirs. These are available at the school. The trophies will be held at the school until June 5.

## Edmonds 'triangle' reviewed

Edmonds area residents got what they came for last week, as council agreed to an immediate review of the proposed Edmonds Station "triangle."

A hundred residents of the Barkerview and Beresford condominiums want council

By HANNAH DIAMOND

to down-zone 10 highrise sites between Beresford and 17th to low-rise housing.

The "triangle" includes four highrise sites bounded by Beresford on the north, Edmonds on the south, and Griffith and Nineteenth on the west. The remaining six sites are on the south side of Edmonds.

"I'm happy because it got

the ball rolling again," said Craig T. Wilson, founder of the Edmonds Citizen Coalition. "When one-third of the people who live in the area turn up at a council meeting, they have to listen."

Wilson appeared before council last July to request a review of the plan, but was turned down.

The coalition wants the proposed 29 highrises for the area reduced to 19 highrises, with the remaining 10 sites downgraded to allow low-rise development.


"We are adamantly opposed to 29 highrises in the neighborhood that right now has none," Wilson said. "Asking them to downsize from 29 to 19 isn't asking much. We want anything but (highrises)."

Wilson said the proposed zoning for the area is "all wrong." "Highrises should be built at the top of the hill with lower buildings on the slope, he said. "We have a beautiful view. Everyone has south exposure. I can see the San Juan Islands. If they go through with the present plan we'd be surrounded by concrete."

The area, established in 1892, is the oldest in Burnaby. "It's very run down, with open ditches, poor lighting, and no sidewalks," Wilson said. "The sidewalks were paid for 11 years ago and we're still waiting for them."

Wilson said the group hopes the area is developed as quickly as possible.

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