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REGULAR COUNCIL			
TO:	Mayor & Council	DATE:	April 24, 2001
FROM:	General Manager, Engineering	FILE:	0541-105
SUBJECT:	Lease of 13455 - 72 Avenue (Page 51)		

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the lease of 13455 - 72 Avenue for a term of five years (April 1, 2001 to March 31, 2006) to Options; Services to the Communities Society.

BACKGROUND

The $\pm 1,349 \text{ m}^2$ ($\pm 14,520 \text{ s.f.}$) City owned property located at 13455 - 72 Avenue is improved with a $\pm 1,335 \text{ s.f.}$ single storey, wood frame, commercial building. This lot and building have been leased to Options; Services to the Communities Society (Options) since 1973 for the operation of the Surrey HandyDART bus service. The site is zoned CHI (Highway Commercial Industrial) and is designated Commercial in the Official Community Plan.

DISCUSSION

The current lease agreement between Options and the City expired on March 31, 2001. Options has now requested that the City provide a new five year lease of the premises. As TransLink provides the annual operational funding for the HandyDART service, including lease payments, the lease agreement will have a cancellation clause for Options if Translink's funding is discontinued.

The HandyDART Service provides rides for handicapped residents of Surrey who, for reasons of physical or mental health, are unable to use conventional transit. All users of HandyDART have been medically confirmed to meet eligibility criteria established by TransLink.

CONCLUSION

The City currently leases the premises at 13455 - 72 Avenue to Options for the operation of the Surrey HandyDART bus service. The lease expired on March 31, 2001 and Options has requested that the City grant them a new five year lease of the premises. It

is recommended that Council approve a new five year lease of the premises at 13455 - 72 Avenue to Options; Services to the Communities Society.

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Appendices:

- I. Location Map
- II. Site Map
- III. Aerial Photograph