REPORTS

Minute No. 7 Requests from the Sikh Society of Manitoba
File SC-3.14 (34) (Vol. 1)

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE DECISION:

The Executive Policy Committee referred the request for the City of Winnipeg to provide a graded approach to the Gurdwara from Pipeline Road to the Administration for review and report back to Executive Policy Committee.

DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Eadie,

That the request for the City of Winnipeg to provide a graded approach to the Gurdwara from Pipeline Road be referred to the Administration for review and report back to Executive Policy Committee.

Carried

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the future extension of Storie Road from Pipleline Road to Mollard Road be named Sikh Marg.

2. That the following request be referred to Executive Policy Committee for consideration:

   That the City of Winnipeg provide a graded approach to the Gurdwara from Pipleline Road.

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Presentation to Lord Selkirk- West Kildonan Community Committee

Dear Councillors,

On behalf of the Sikh Society of Manitoba, we would like to respectfully request the following items for our community.

History and background of the Sikh Society of Manitoba:

The Sikh Society of Manitoba is the oldest organization in Winnipeg that services the Sikh community. Since 1968, the Society has been operating to provide various services to it's members. As the membership grew over the years, so did the need to build a facility as the Society was using community centres in the north of the city to operate from. In 1984, the Society purchased land on Mollard Road , just west of Pipeline Road, to build the first Gurdwara at the cost of 3 million dollars.

Over the years, there has been development heading out to the land and more recently Amber Trails has been established just south of the Society. There has been a further increase in membership and the Society requires some consideration to improve safety, service and recognition for the members who attend.

1) **Re-naming the future extension of Storie Road to Sikh Marg.**

The Sikh Society of Manitoba would like to respectfully request the future naming of Storie Road from Pipeline Road west to Mollard to be called Sikh Marg. (please see attached map). The word Sikh in punjabi means a student of spiritual learning and Marg means way. This would be a very appropriate name as the road would be heading to the Gurdwara, our spiritual building. It would also be a special recognition to the Society's members and the length that the Society has been established on the property.

LORD SELKIRK – WEST KILDONAN
COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

March 19, 2002 - DISPOSITION
SEE MINUTE NO. 313

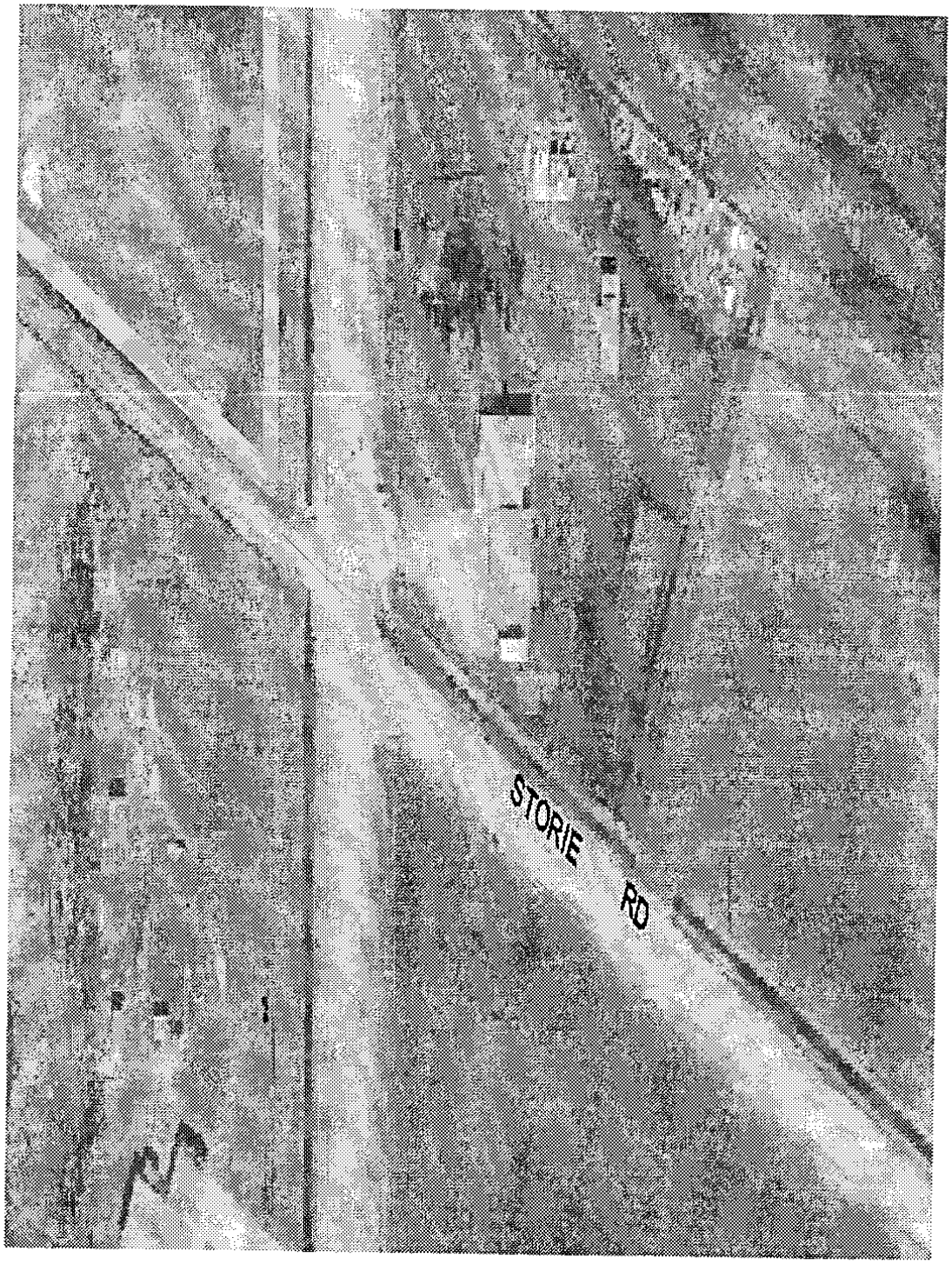
2) **Driveway Approach from Pipeline**

The Society would like to request that the City provide a graded approach on it's property for a future driveway to the Society from Pipeline. (please see attached maps). This driveway would accomplish two objectives for the members.

A) This would provide the Society with an additional exit from the building. The current exit is very limited and during events where there are over 1500 members in attendance, it poses a safety risk. Our members must drive to the location as there is no bus service within several miles. We also have many members who are elderly and should an emergency arise, this would be an alternate route from the building.
B) During the winter, Pipeline Road is cleared regularly, whereas Mollard Road is not. This exit would provide a better exit during times when snow removal is not consistent on Mollard. We have actually had members trapped in the building for a few days because of lack of snow removal on Mollard.

Thank you for your consideration of our requests

President Sawant Singh Sidhu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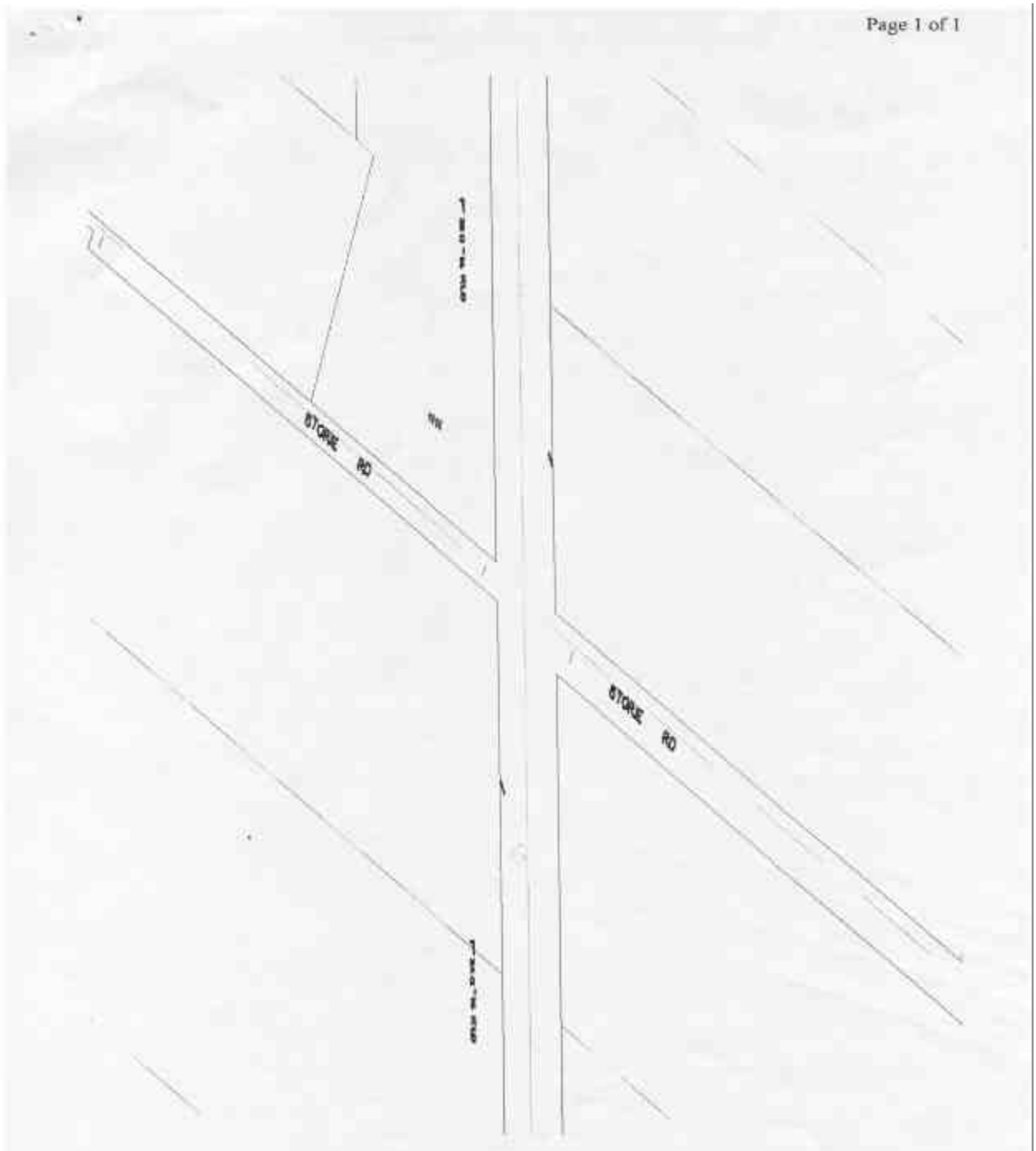
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