

Metro Allows N.K. Industrial Zoning

Metro council was split 6 to 3 Thursday in favor of allowing an industry zoning in North Kildonan. It was opposed by 707 residents in the area.

"Industry could be the source of a serious problem of objectionable smoke, noxious fumes and gases as well as unfavorable noises, especially in the event that industry could operate more than one regular shift," said a spokesman for the residents.

But Councillor L. E. Ostrander, chairman of metro's planning committee, said that it was good planning as well as a wise financial move to provide increased taxes for the municipality.

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The area is about 75 acres bounded by the CPR tracks, McLeod Avenue, Gateway Road and the westerly division on the pro-

posed extension of Besant Avenue.

North Kildonan council approved the zoning. It is negotiating an agreement with Bridge and Tank (Western) Ltd. for the sale of about 25 acres.

Metro council decided to restrict the type of industry that can go in by rezoning the agricultural land to M2 with 40-foot setbacks on Gateway Road and McLeod Avenue for screen planting and landscaping.

The developers had asked for M3 zoning for heavy industrial development.

Metro Planning Director George Rich said the area was planned for industry by North Kildonan several years ago and he would not recommend changing local plans unless there was something "obviously wrong."

He said that under the M2 classification metro could assure that "highly nuisance industry" could not be built.

Councillors Art Coulter, Jack Willis and Saul Cherniak voted against the rezoning. Councillor Coulter said he lives near the company's existing plant and that the noise was a nuisance.

East Kildonan council also objected to the rezoning on the grounds that it would be next to a residential area.

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city finance committee Thursday that with the advent of metro the city no longer makes a direct cash grant, but the auditorium commission wants \$4,000 this