



Regular Council Meeting

Monday, January 28th, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Councillor Linda Barnes
Councillor Cynthia Chen
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Rob Howard
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Harold Steves

Director, City Clerk's Office – David Weber

Call to Order: Mayor Brodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

R08/2-1 1. It was moved and seconded
That:

- (1) *the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, January 14th, 2008; and*
- (2) *the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for Public Hearings held on Monday, January 21st, 2008,*
each be adopted as circulated, and that the GVRD "Board in Brief" dated November 30th, 2008, be received for information.

CARRIED



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PRESENTATION

The General Manager, Planning & Development, Joe Erceg, accompanied by the Manager, Policy Planning, Terry Crowe, provided supplementary information to Council regarding Item No. 17 – The City’s Comments on the Metro Vancouver’s Regional Growth Management Strategy Options and the recommendations being considered this evening. A copy of the memorandum (dated January 28th, 2008) referred to by Mr. Erceg during his presentation is on file in the City Clerk’s Office. Also on file in the City Clerk’s Office is a copy of the memorandum (dated January 28th, 2008) by Cllr. Harold Steves which refers to the same matter. Discussion then ensued among staff and Council on Metro Vancouver’s Regional Growth Management Strategy Options.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- R08/2-2 2. It was moved and seconded
That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:38 p.m.).

CARRIED

3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items –
Item No. 17 – Richmond’s Recommendations on Metro Vancouver’s Discussion Paper for a New Regional Growth Management Strategy
Ms. Jennifer Larsen, a resident of Richmond, voiced concern about (i) the lack of public knowledge about the “Green Zone” and the possible removal of agricultural land from this zone; (ii) the fact that the Garden City Lands had not been given “Green Zone” protection, and (iii) the fact that City Council would be voting on the proposals being put forward by Metro Vancouver as part of the new Regional Growth Strategy. She also expressed concern about the lack of public input into the Strategy which she felt had been prepared without taking into consideration the view of Richmond residents.



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Ms. Deedra Whalen, a Richmond resident, voiced concern about three areas of the report being considered this evening, the first being “Green Zones” and the lack of general public knowledge about this term. Her second area of concern dealt with the proposal contained in the Metro Vancouver Strategy about the Garden City lands: (i) the fact that the lands were not included in a “Green Zone” and were being recommended for development, despite public opposition to the development of these lands, and (ii) the City’s persistence in removing the Garden City lands from the Agricultural Land Commission. Ms. Whalen’s third area of concern dealt with the need for an industrial land bank, which she felt would stop the expansion of industrial land into the Agricultural Land Reserve.

Gordon Kibble, 11171 Fourth Avenue, requested that (i) the report in question be referred to the Advisory Committee on the Environment (ACE), and (ii) staff make a similar presentation to that Committee at their next meeting as had been made earlier this evening. Mr. Kibble, as a member of ACE, stated that the Committee should be given the opportunity to review and report on the Metro Vancouver Strategy prior to Council making any decision on this matter. He noted that ACE did not currently have a staff liaison assigned to that Committee which he felt had resulted in a lack of continuity and communication between ACE and the City. Mr. Kibble also suggested that all agricultural land in Richmond should be designated as a ‘red zone’ until such time as a decision was made on the future of farmland.

Item No. 13 – Tree Protection Bylaw No. 8057, Amendment Bylaw 8328; and Item No. 17 – Richmond’s Recommendations on Metro Vancouver’s Discussion Paper for a New Regional Growth Management Strategy

Michael Wolfe, 9731 Odlin Road, indicated that he wished to comment on two matters. With regard to Item No. 13, Mr. Wolfe indicated that he had been advised by City staff that a stop work order had been issued with respect to the removal of trees from a specific property. He questioned, however, whether staff had been forced to wait to issue the stop work order until the adoption of the bylaw amendment which was on this evening’s agenda.



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With reference to Item No. 17, Mr. Wolfe stated that (i) the report being considered later in the evening should be abandoned, and (ii) Council should not forward any recommendations relating to the Growth Management Strategy to Metro Vancouver. He suggested that the proposals contained in the report were not sustainable, and voiced concern about Richmond's ability to feed its population in the future. Mr. Wolfe added that he did not recognize any public input being considered in the staff report, and further stated that the Garden City lands should be designated as a "Green Zone". He then voiced concerns on other aspects of the report, including population growth.

Item No. 17 – Richmond's Recommendations on Metro Vancouver's Discussion Paper for a New Regional Growth Management Strategy

Peter Mitchell, 6271 Nanika Crescent, spoke about the many opportunities which had been available from December 1st, 2007, for the public and the Advisory Committee on the Environment to examine the proposed Regional Growth Management Strategy. He stated that City Council should send in its response to Metro Vancouver and ask for additional time to allow further review. Mr. Mitchell also urged ACE to review and comment on the proposed Strategy as quickly as possible.

- R08/2-3 4. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (8:25 p.m.).

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

- R08/2-4 5. It was moved and seconded
That Items 6 through 16 be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED



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6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Community Safety Committee meeting held on Tuesday, January 15th, 2008;*
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday, January 21st, 2008;*
- (3) the Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008; and*
- (4) the Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, January 23rd, 2008,*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. LOWER MAINLAND DISTRICT - IHIT AND ERT 2006 ANNUAL REPORTS

(Report: December 12, 2007, File No.: 09-5350-12, File Xr.: 09-5350-09) (REDMS No. 2314187, 2331622)

That:

- (1) the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team and Emergency Response Team 2006 Annual Report be received for information; and*
- (2) the LMD be requested to provide statistics regarding average response time and general patrol time per municipality immediately and in the next ERT annual report.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. PURCHASE OF RESCUE / PUMPER TRUCK

(Report: Jan. 21/08, File No.: 03-1000-20-T.3106) (REDMS No. 2246644)

- (1) That the tender for a Rescue/Pumper Truck at the cost of \$695,000 plus applicable taxes be awarded to Super Vacuum Manufacturing Company, Inc.; and*
- (2) That the General Manager of Law and Community Safety be authorized to execute the contract.*

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9. **SISTER CITY PROGRAM – FRIENDSHIP CITY IN CHINA**

(Report: Jan. 18, 2007, File No.: 01-0135-04-04) (REDMS 2326129No.)

That an invitation to Xiamen, Fujian Province, People's Republic of China to enter into a formal, friendly, co-operative relationship with the City of Richmond, be approved.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

10. **APPLICATIONS FOR REZONING**

(A) **MALHI CONSTRUCTION LTD. AND AJIT THALIWAL**

(RZ 07-377838 - Report: December 18, 2007, File No.: 12-8060-20-8321) (REDMS No. 2313560, 2316492)

(B) **MICHAEL TILBE**

(RZ 07-380230 - Report: December 19, 2007, File No.: 12-8060-20-8323) (REDMS No. 2317163, 2317247)

(C) **JIWAN S. BIR**

(RZ 06-339825 - Report: December 21, 2007, File No.: 12-8060-20-8324) (REDMS No. 2317876, 2317928)

That the following bylaws each be introduced and given first reading:

- (1) *Bylaw No. 8321, for the rezoning of 8571 Ash Street from "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area B (R1/B)" to "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area K (R1/K)";*
- (2) *Bylaw No. 8323, for the rezoning of 10531 No. 1 Road from "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area E (R1/E)" to "Coach House District (R9)"; and*
- (3) *Bylaw No. 8324, for the rezoning of 11691 Williams Road from "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area E (R1/E)" to "Single-Family Housing District (R1-0.6)".*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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11. **RICHMOND COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY (RCD) REQUEST TO AMEND RICHMOND INTERCULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RIAC) TERMS OF REFERENCE**

(Report: January 7, 2008, File No.: 01-0100-20-RIAD1-01) (REDMS No. 2323742, 1230469, 2323744)

That as per the Richmond Committee on Disability (RCD) request, the Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee (RIAC) Terms of Reference be amended to include one RCD representative by replacing the existing RIAC Terms of Reference with Attachment 3 (to the report dated January 7th, 2008, from the General Manager, Planning & Development).

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. **2007 ANNUAL REPORT AND 2008 WORK PROGRAM: RICHMOND INTERCULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

(Report: December 17, 2007, File No.: 01-0100-20-RIAD1-01) (REDMS No. 2315723, 2310008, 2332789)

(1) That the 2007 Annual Report for the Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee be received for information, and the 2008 Work Program be approved.

(2) That with the Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee, the City explore issues related to Richmond's festivals and activities leading up to the 2010 Olympics to ensure that: (i) there is inclusivity, and (ii) volunteer opportunities are available to all citizens of Richmond.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

13. **TREE PROTECTION BYLAW NO. 8057, AMENDMENT BYLAW 8328**

(Report: January 14, 2008 File No.: 12-8060-20-8328) (REDMS No. 2327574, 2334534)

That Tree Protection Bylaw No. 8057, Amendment Bylaw No. 8328, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

14. **TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – PROPOSED 2008 INITIATIVES**

(Report: Dec. 14/07, File No.: 0100-20-TSAD1-01) (REDMS No. 2305518)

(1) That the proposed 2008 initiatives for the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee, (as outlined in the report dated December 14th, 2007, from the Director, Transportation), be endorsed.



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- (2) *That a copy of the above report be forwarded to the Council-School Board Liaison Committee for information.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

15. **RICHMOND COMMUNITY CYCLING COMMITTEE – PROPOSED 2008 INITIATIVES**

(Report: Dec. 14/07, File No.: 01-0100-20-RCYC1/2007-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2304655)

That the proposed 2008 initiatives of the Richmond Community Cycling Committee regarding cycling-related engineering and education initiatives (as described in the report dated December 14th, 2007, from the Director, Transportation), be endorsed.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

16. **BELL CANADA SUPPLEMENTARY ACCESS AGREEMENT**

(Report: Jan. 10/08, File No.: 03-1000-21-005) (REDMS No. 2326558)

That the General Manager, Engineering & Public Works be authorized to enter into and execute a Supplementary Access Agreement with Bell Canada.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

PLANNING COMMITTEE –

Councillor Harold Steves, Chair

17. **RICHMOND'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON METRO VANCOUVER'S DISCUSSION PAPER FOR A NEW REGIONAL GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

(Report: January 16, 2008, File No.: 0157-20-RGST1) (REDMS No. 2326112, 2332645)

R08/2-5

It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) *the “Staff Recommendations” contained in the report entitled: “Richmond’s Recommendations on Metro Vancouver’s Discussion Paper For A New Regional Growth Management Strategy”, dated January 16, 2008, be approved;*
- (2) *the report and staff recommendations be forwarded to Metro Vancouver staff for consideration in the preparation of a regional Growth Management Strategy and Growth Management Strategy Implementation Program; and*



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- (3) *the Metro Vancouver Board be requested to establish a Work Program which clarifies all the steps required to prepare, review and approve the Growth Management Strategy and Growth Management Strategy Implementation Program.*
- (4) *where, in the City of Richmond staff report, options are recommended to be further explored, Metro Vancouver staff be asked to: (i) explore those options, (ii) compare them to other options with pros and cons, and (iii) consult with municipalities on their preferences and implications, prior to preparing the Draft Regional Growth Management Strategy.*

The question on Resolution No. R08/2-5 was not called, as the following **amendments** were introduced:

R08/2-6

It was moved and seconded

That Resolution No. R08/2-5 be amended by adding the following as Part (5):

- “(5) *staff advise Metro Vancouver that given the irregular schedule, comments from City advisory committees, namely the Advisory Committee on the Environment and the Agricultural Advisory Committee, along with comments from City Council based on the advisory committee reviews, may follow once the advisory committees have had the opportunity to review and comment to Council, but not later than March 31, 2008.*

CARRIED

R08/2-7

It was moved and seconded

That Resolution No. R08/2-5, as amended by Resolution No. R08/2-6, be amended by adding the following as Parts (6), (7) and (8) respectively:

- “(6) *Richmond City Council recommends that the agricultural land presently in the ‘Green Zone’ remain in the ‘Green Zone’;*
- (7) *Richmond City Council supports the continued requirement for a two-thirds majority vote of the Metro Vancouver Board for the removal of farmland from the ‘Green Zone’ and/or an ‘agricultural zone’, should one be created; and*



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(8) *the three basic principles of Food Security, Climate Stability, and Reduced Ecological Footprint be major considerations in the final draft of the New Regional Growth Management Strategy.*"

The question on Resolution No. R08/2-7 was not called, as the request was made that the three parts be dealt with separately.

The question on Parts (6) and (7) of Resolution No. R08/2-7 was called, and it was **CARRIED**.

The question on Part (8) of Resolution No. R08/2-7 was called, and it was **CARRIED** with Cllr. Howard opposed.

The question on Resolution No. R08/2-5, as amended by Resolution Nos. R08/2-6 and R08/2-7 was not called, as a further **amendment** was introduced:

R08/2-8

It was moved and seconded

That Resolution No. R08/2-5, as amended by Resolution Nos. R08/2-6 and R08/2-7, be amended by adding the following as Part (9):

"(9) the Metro Vancouver Board be requested to extend the deadline for submissions to March 31st, 2008 for all municipalities and the general public."

The question on Resolution No. R08/2-8, was not called, as a **sub-amendment** was introduced:

R08/2-9

It was moved and seconded

That Resolution No. R08/2-8 be amended by adding the following, "and that a copy of the City's resolution be sent to the twenty-two member municipalities of Metro Vancouver."

CARRIED

The question on Resolution No. R08/2-8, as amended by Resolution No. R08-2-9, was called, and it was **CARRIED**.

The question on Resolution No. R08/2-5, as amended by Resolution Nos. R08/2-6, R08/2-7 and R08/2-8, which now reads as follows:

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- (3) *the Metro Vancouver Board be requested to establish a Work Program which clarifies all the steps required to prepare, review and approve the Growth Management Strategy and Growth Management Strategy Implementation Program.*
- (4) *where, in the City of Richmond staff report, options are recommended to be further explored, Metro Vancouver staff be asked to: (i) explore those options, (ii) compare them to other options with pros and cons, and (iii) consult with municipalities on their preferences and implications, prior to preparing the Draft Regional Growth Management Strategy.*
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- (6) *Richmond City Council recommends that the agricultural land presently in the ‘Green Zone’ remain in the ‘Green Zone’.*
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- (9) *the Metro Vancouver Board be requested to extend the deadline for submissions to March 31st, 2008 for all municipalities and the general public, and that a copy of the City's resolution be sent to the twenty-two member municipalities of Metro Vancouver,*

was then called, and it was **CARRIED**.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Mayor Brodie announced the appointment of the following individuals to the Oval Stakeholders Advisory Committee: Ron Adams, Roger Barnes (Chair), Bonnie Beaman, Henry Beh, Ben Branscombe, Frank Claassen, Denise Coutts, Kathryn D'Angelo, Lawrie Johns, Jim Kew, Jim Lamond, Dr. James Lu, Janet Miller, Cheryl Taunton and Debbie Tobin.

Mayor Brodie then referred to the upcoming retirement of Executive Assistant, City Clerk's Office, Fran Ashton, after 37 years of employment with the City. He then provided highlights and comments on her career with the City. On behalf of Council, Mayor Brodie then presented Fran with flowers and a photograph of City Hall. Members of Council then offered their congratulations and best wishes to Fran, and thanked her for her professionalism in taking minutes and dealing with Council.

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

R08/2-10

It was moved and seconded

That the following bylaws be adopted:

Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 7100, Amendment Bylaw No. 8121 (7511 Bridge Street, RZ 04-276082)

Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 7955 (7511 Bridge Street, RZ 04-276082)

Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8141 (8400/8440 Cook Road and 6571 Eckersley Road, RZ 04-267994)



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*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8166
(To establish Comprehensive Development District (CD/178),
RZ 04-267994).*

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

- R08/2-11 18. It was moved and seconded
- (1) *That the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meeting held on December 12th, 2007, be received for information.*
 - (2) *That the recommendation of the Panel to authorize the issuance of Development Permits for properties at:*
 - (a) *8400/8440 Cook Road and 6571 Eckersley Road (DP 07-360243), and*
 - (b) *9628 Ferndale Road (DP 07-363023);**be endorsed, and the Permits so issued.*

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

- R08/2-12 It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (10:18 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Monday, January 28th, 2008.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (David Weber)