

## Community Services Committee

Date: Tuesday, January 25, 2000

Place: W.H. Anderson Committee Room  
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Harold Steves, Chair  
Mayor Greg Halsey-Brandt  
Councillor Malcolm Brodie  
Councillor Ken Johnston  
Councillor Linda Barnes

Absent: Councillor Derek Dang

Also Present: Councillor Lyn Greenhill

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### **MINUTES**

1. It was moved and seconded

***That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee held on Tuesday, January 11, 2000 be adopted.***

**CARRIED**

<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION</b>
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2. **RCMP MONTHLY REPORT – NOVEMBER 1999**  
(Report: Jan. 12/00, File No: 5375-02, REDMS 128915)

Inspector Allan Speevak reviewed the staff report. He advised that statistics show a general decrease in crime throughout the year, other than for armed robberies. He noted that traffic enforcement was down slightly and that there have been four vacancies in the traffic section for the last portion of the year. He commented on the solution of several bank robberies at the end of the year.

Inspector Speevak noted that a member of his force has a strong computer background and provides the expertise to deal with issues involving computers and the Internet. He gave a brief review of the local and regional resources available to support working on Internet fraud.

Reference was made to the success of the mobile patrol project at Silver City in Riverport. It was noted that over \$250,000 had been saved in prevented thefts over the year.

It was moved and seconded

***That the RCMP Monthly Report for the month of November, 1999 be received for information.***

**CARRIED**

3. **PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION BYLAW NO. 6989 and  
MUNICIPAL TICKET INFORMATION AUTHORIZATION BYLAW NO. 7027**

(Report: Jan/12/00, File No: 8060-20-6989/7027, REDMS: 88795, 126691, 79248, 87693)

City Clerk, Richard McKenna, and the Chief Public Health Inspector, Kelvin Higo, reviewed the staff report. Mr. McKenna gave a contextual overview for these bylaws and Mr. Higo, in regard to the smoking regulation sections, advised that the responsibility to ensure compliance with the bylaw rested with the operator of each facility. It was noted that Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) regulations allow for designated smoking rooms. The City of Vancouver allows for designated smoking rooms, restricted in size to 5 m and restricted to underage children.

Pool halls have been excluded from the smoking regulations upon the direction of Council. The interpretation of "a private social event" was discussed.

Extensive discussion took place on whether or not the bylaw should provide for designated smoking rooms in restaurants. It was generally agreed that this issue should be addressed if, and when, needed.

Mr. Higo referred to the change in time for construction starts in the noise regulation sections of the bylaw.

It was moved and seconded

***That:***

**(1) *Public Health Protection Bylaw No. 6989 and***

***Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7027,***

***each be introduced and given first, second and third readings.***

**(2) *Noise Control Bylaw No. 5401, Amendment Bylaw No. 6954, dealing with construction noise, be brought back to Committee as the original referral.***

**CARRIED**

4. **GENERAL MANAGER'S UPDATE**

- a) Dave Semple, Director, Parks, advised that he will be attending a sports association meeting to discuss issues on policy.
- b) Jane Fernyhough, Manager, Cultural Services, reported that work crews from the Fishers' Alliance are currently building scaffolding at the Chinese Bunkhouse to make repairs to the roof.
- c) Ms. Fernyhough provided a brief update on the Leisure Services Fee Subsidy Program.
- d) Chuck Gale, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works, referred to a letter addressed to Mayor and Council from Geoff Lake, President of the IAFF, regarding the issue of Fire/Rescue staff accepting tokens of appreciation from the City and other organizations. He commented that this will be a topic for discussion at an upcoming management meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

- 5 It was moved and seconded  
***That the meeting be adjourned at 5:00 p.m.***

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, January 25, 2000.

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Councillor Harold Steves  
Chair

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Susan Kopeschny  
Administrative Assistant