



To:	Richmond City Council	Date:	February 16 th , 2005
From:	Councillor Linda Barnes Chair, Community Safety Committee	File:	12-8060-20- 7891/2005-Vol 01
Re:	PARKING PROGRAM – OFF-STREET – VETERANS’ PLATES, CELLULAR PAYMENT AND ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS		

The Community Safety Committee, at its meeting held on Tuesday, February 15th, 2005, considered the attached report, and recommends as follows:

Committee Recommendation

That Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 7891, as amended to delete in Clause (1) of Bylaw No. 7891, the proposed subsection 5.2.2, the figure ‘15’ and substituting the figure ‘30’, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

Councillor Linda Barnes, Chair
Community Safety Committee

Attach.

VARIANCE

Please note that staff recommended the following:

‘.....the period November 1 to 15 inclusive.....’

Staff Report

Origin

Amendments to the City's Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403 are required to address the following:

1. the success of the Veterans' Plate complimentary parking program from November 1 to 15, 2004;
2. the planned implementation of a cellular payment option for patrons at off-street parking lots and the applicable enforcement procedures; and
3. the addition of two existing parking facilities for potential pay parking operations.

Analysis

1. On November 1, 2004, Council passed Amendment Bylaw # 7829, which granted complimentary off-street parking in City-owned parking facilities to vehicles displaying veterans' licence plates specifically for the period from November 1 to 15, 2004. Given the success of the program and the resulting goodwill, staff believes that this should be an annual program to run from November 1 to 15 inclusive.
2. The establishment of a cellular payment system for transient parking in off-street parking lots will provide an alternative payment option to the existing coin and credit card options and increased convenience for users. Drivers can park their vehicles, call a central phone number and purchase parking based on the same terms as they would at the on-site parking meter. This will facilitate enhanced parking arrangements for programs such as the season ticket holders at the Gateway Theatre, events at the Minoru Chapel, sports programs at Brighthouse Park, etc. to address the limitations of the programming options for the parking meters. This payment option is especially convenient and secure for transactions after dark or in inclement weather.
3. There are two potential pay parking locations, which need to be added to Schedule of the Bylaw to facilitate their management and enforcement by the City's Parking Program staff. These would be expected to partially offset the loss of the pay parking lot at Westminster Hwy & Alderbridge Way, which faces private development commencing later this year.
 - a. The City is presently considering a proposal by the UBC Rowing Club to establish a Clubhouse and Floating Dock complex Adjacent to the existing parking facility at 7411 River Road. Part of the arrangements for this development would see the City retaining control of the parking resources to ensure consistent management and enforcement for this off-street site and the on-street parking resources along River Road. While the off-street inventory of spaces would accommodate normal daily activity, it is forecast that there would

be major events and seasonal demand that would require the use of on-street spaces.

- b. There is an unsigned, partially-paved surface parking lot on City property at 4320 Moncton Street, which is presently being used for transient parking by numerous employees and residents in the neighbourhood. With this unofficial use and the obvious demand, staff must have the ability to address safety and liability issues that arise from this daily usage and will be implementing pay parking at this site on the periphery of the Steveston retail business sector. Upon approval by Council of this proposal the matter will be referred to the Richmond Parking Advisory Committee on Parking for ongoing monitoring.

Financial Impact

1. The implementation of the complimentary parking for vehicles displaying the unique Veterans' Plates would appear to have had negligible impact on the Parking Program's revenue while providing significant benefit for a number of drivers and goodwill for the City of Richmond.
2. The cellular payment option would involve an up-front cost of approximately \$500.00 to the Parking Program for off-street signage and system set-up with the provider. The individual transactions involve a premium of \$0.25 paid by the user to the provider and the normal transaction fees paid by the City for a credit card transaction.
3. The initial inclusion of these two properties in the Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw involves no cost to the program and any proposed pay parking operations would be based on a mutually beneficial business plan for the users and the City. In the interim, we would be able to address any usage issues under the terms of the Bylaw. Staff will be preparing the applicable business plans within the next couple of months in conjunction with development plans and seasonal demand.

Conclusion

Staff would recommend the following changes:

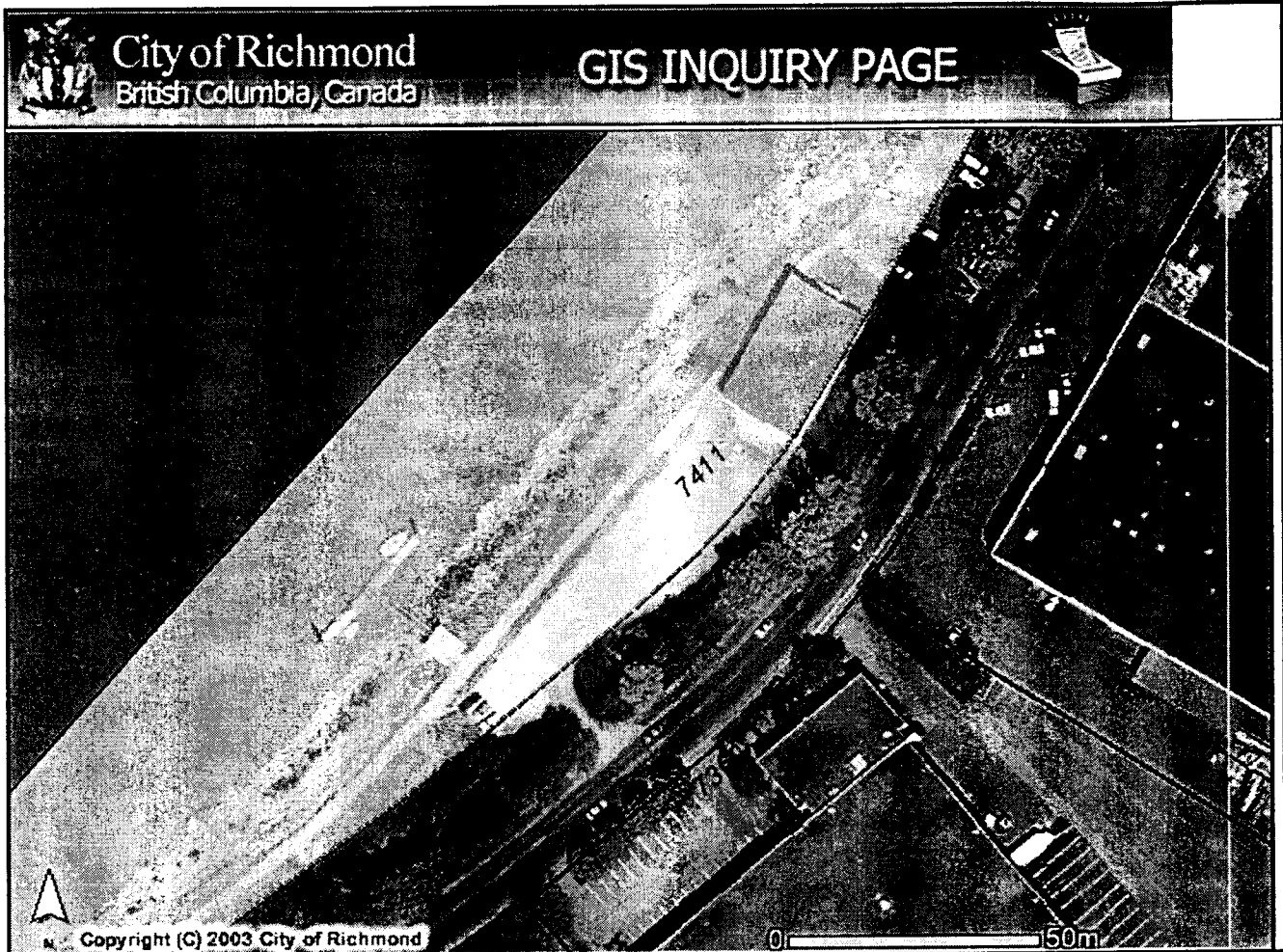
1. remove the reference to the specific year of 2004 for the exclusion of vehicles displaying Veterans' Plates as stated in Subsection 5.2.2 of the Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw
2. amend Section 5.1 to reflect the requirements for payment either at the meter or by cellular phone and allow for the enforcement in situations where payment has not been made

3. add the locations at 7411 River Road and 4320 Moncton Street to facilitate basic management and enforcement in preparation for future pay parking operations



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City of Richmond Property Information

Address: 7411 River Rd

Richmond Key: 20345

Zoning: SPU

OCP SCH: 2.10

DPA: Yes **ALR:** No **Heritage:** Yes **ESA:** Yes **NEF:** Yes

BCAA Legal: N SEC BLK RG6W PL 23828 Block 4N, 5N, Section 5, 6, 7, 8, Except Plan 35001, 2.26 AC PTN OF LOT N
- SEE R-083-466-000, R-083-467-000, R-083-467-505, R-083-468-000 FOR REMAINDER.

Roll: 083465000

BER-C: 3.5m

PID: 007-206-518

BER-P: 3.5m

Recycling Pick up Day: Tuesday

Assessments

Gross Taxes: \$0.00

Gross Land: \$643,000.00

Net Land: \$0.00

Parcel Area: 40213 sq.m.

Gross Improvement: \$106,000.00

Net Improvement: \$0.00

Gross Total: \$749,000.00

Net Total: \$0.00

Owners

City of Richmond

6911 No 3 Rd

RICHMOND BC V6Y 2C1

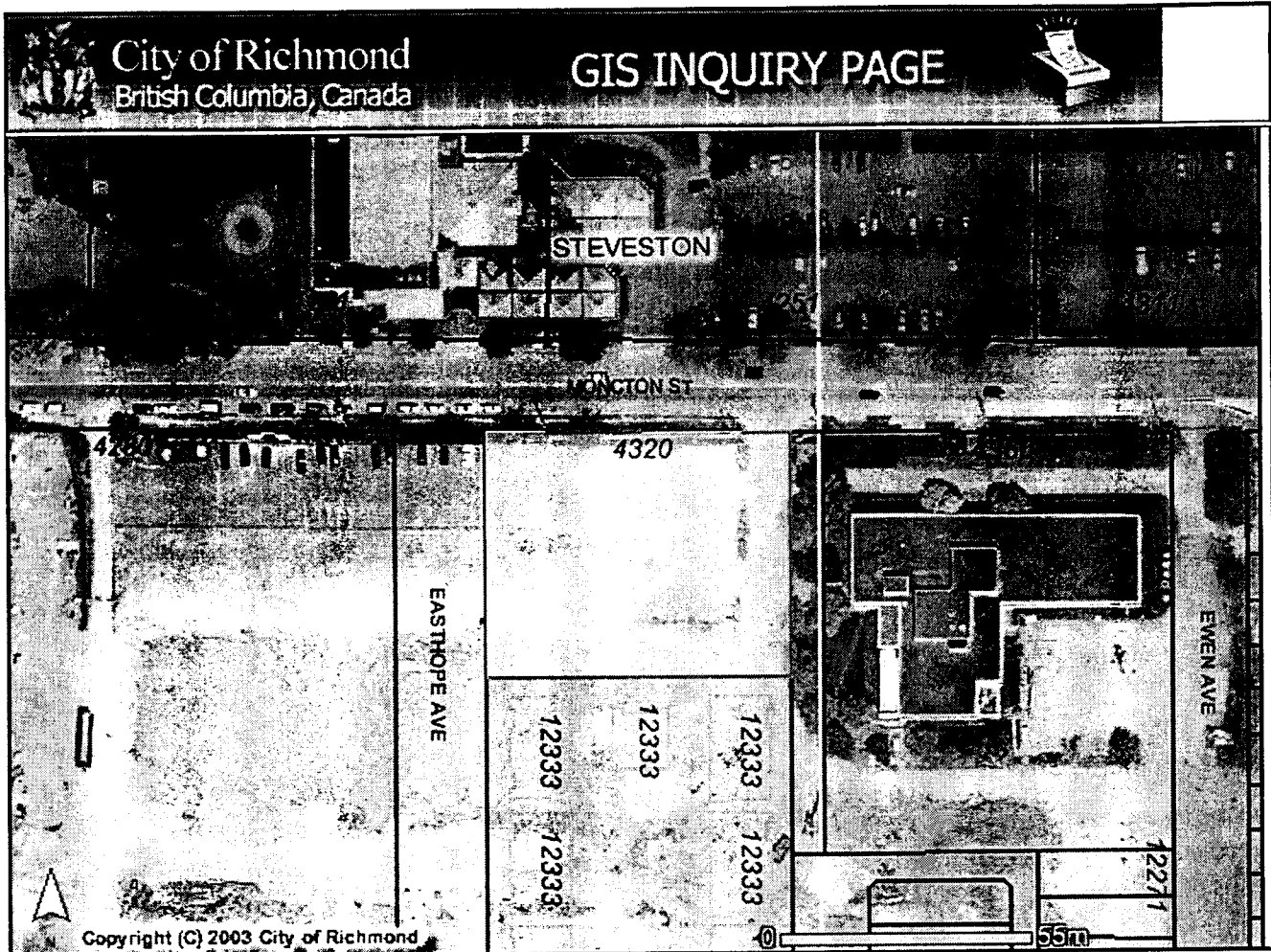
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Address: 4320 Moncton St
Richmond Key: 87470
Zoning: SPU
OCP SCH: 2.4
Rights of Way: 50060 Bcp2968
DPA: Yes **ALR:** No **Heritage:** No **ESA:** No **NEF:** No
BCAA Legal: C SEC 11 BLK3N RG7W PL LMP49897

Roll: 089300003
BER-C: 0.9m

PID: 025-077-872
BER-P: 2.6m
Sewer Area: 50060 Bcp2968
Recycling Pick up Day: Monday

Assessments

Gross Taxes: \$0.00
Gross Land: \$854,000.00
Net Land: \$0.00

Parcel Area: 3617 sq.m.
Gross Improvement: \$0.00
Net Improvement: \$0.00

Gross Total: \$854,000.00
Net Total: \$0.00

Owners

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Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 7891

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. Bylaw No. 7403 is amended by deleting subsection 5.2.2 and substituting the following:

5.2.2 On an annual basis, during the period November 1 to 30 inclusive, the provisions of subsection 5.1.2 do not apply to any **vehicle** displaying a British Columbia veteran's specialty licence plate.

2. Bylaw No. 7403 is amended by deleting **parking lot meter** and **parking permit** and substituting the following interpretations in subsection 8.1:

parking lot meter

means an automatic, electronic or mechanical device installed to regulate and control the **parking** of **vehicles** in a **pay parking lot** as designated in Schedule C by accepting payment and issuing a **parking receipt**.

parking permit

means a time-limited identification hanger issued under the direction of the **Manager, Community Bylaws** which authorizes **parking** within a **pay parking lot**.

3. Bylaw No. 7403 is amended by adding the following interpretations in subsection 8.1:

cellular enforcement system

means a cellular communication system for confirming that the required parking fee has been paid based on the **number plate** of a **parked vehicle** and confirming that the period of time purchased has not expired.

cellular payment system

means a cellular communication system for accepting the payment of the required parking fee for a pre-determined period of time based on the **number plate** of a **parked vehicle**.

parking receipt	means a paper receipt issued by a parking lot meter showing the date and time of purchase, the fee paid and the date and time when the purchased period expires.
pay parking lot	means any property or portion of a property as designated in Schedule C in which a parking lot meter , a cellular payment system or a parking permit program will be used to collect a fee for the use or occupation of a parking stall for vehicles .
permit decal	means a colour-coded plastic sticker which is attached to a parking permit in a designated manner in order to validate the parking permit and to indicate the last month for which the fees have been paid.

4. Bylaw No. 7403 is amended by deleting subsections 5.1.1 and 5.1.2 and substituting the following:
- 5.1.1 The properties or portions of the properties identified in Schedule C, which is attached and forms part of this Bylaw, are designated as **pay parking lots**.
- 5.1.2 Subject to section 5.2, a person may only **park** a **vehicle** in any of the **pay parking lots**, as identified in Schedule C, if:
- (a) (i) payment has been inserted and a **parking receipt** obtained from the **parking lot meter**;
 - (ii) the **parking receipt** has been placed inside the windshield of the **vehicle** such that the writing on the face of the **parking receipt** is clearly visible from outside the **vehicle** showing amount paid, time and date purchased and expiry time and date; and
 - (iii) the time period for which a fee has been paid, as indicated on the **parking receipt** issued by the **parking lot meter**, has not expired; or
 - (b) (i) payment for a pre-determined period of time has been made through a designated **cellular payment system** based on the **number plate** of the parked **vehicle**; and
 - (ii) the time period for which a fee has been paid, as indicated by the **number plate** on the **cellular enforcement system**, has not expired; or
 - (c) (i) payment pursuant to subsection 6.1.1 has been made to the City of Richmond for a **permit decal** indicating the expiry date of the relative **parking permit**; and

(ii) the **permit decal** has been securely affixed to the face of the **parking permit** in the proper location; and

(iii) the **parking permit** has been placed inside the windshield of the **vehicle** so that both the **parking permit** and **permit decal** are clearly visible from outside the **vehicle**.

5. Schedule A to Bylaw No. 7403 is amended by adding the following:

24. **7411 River Road**, North Section, Block RG6W, Plan 23828 Block 4N, 5N, Section 5, 6, 7, 8, Except Plan 35001, 2.26 AC Portion of Lot N – See R-083-466-000, R-083-467-505, R-083-468-000 for Remainder

25. **4320 Moncton Street**, Lot C, Section 11, Block 3N, Plan LMP49897

6. This Bylaw is cited as **“Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 7891”**.

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

ADOPTED

CITY OF RICHMOND
APPROVED for content by originating dept.
APPROVED for legality by Solicitor

MAYOR

CITY CLERK