

## MayorandCouncillors

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**From:** Peter Mitchell [petermitchell@shaw.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, 29 April 2005 11:01 AM  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion  
**Attachments:** Letter to Mayor 05.doc

Dear Mayor Brodie and Councillors:

Attached please find a letter requesting that June 12, 2005 be named "Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Day in Richmond", and outlining a few facts about spinal cord injury and our Richmond event.

The Richmond Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion committee also request permission for a small delegation to speak briefly about the June event at an upcoming council meeting, May 9 (as suits Councils workload).

Our delegation would consist of perhaps 4 likely including Vince Miele, Samantha Siu, Ron Bordeleau, and myself.

We would briefly outline the success of the 2004 RHWIM event, the support it will provide for research and wheelchair curling and other items, and the 2005 Wheels in Motion event at Britannia, and future Richmond opportunities.

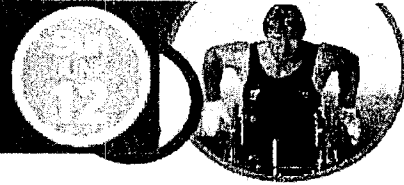
We would also consider playing a minute or so of Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion professional promotional video (much of it captured in Richmond.) if your AV system can broadcast VHS?

Finally, we would be pleased to invite Council members to attend at historic Britannia Shipyard 9 AM Sunday June 12, and we have routes as short as 1 KM so all can participate and enjoy beautiful Richmond scenery. (Participants on the 1 Km route would be finished at approximately 10 AM. Multifest commences at noon that day.).

Peter Mitchell

# Rick Hansen

## WHEELS IN MOTION



April 29, 2005

Malcom Brodie, Mayor  
City of Richmond  
6911 No. 3 Road  
Richmond, BC, V6Y 2C1

Dear Mayor Brodie:

We would like to extend an invitation to you and all city employees, their family and friends to participate on **Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2005** at our local Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion event, along the Steveston waterfront commencing from the **Britannia Historic Shipyard at 9 AM**.

In 2003 *Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion* was launched in Canada. Thousands of Canadians came out to wheel, bike, skate run or walk on a designated course in communities across the country to help raise awareness and funds of over \$600,000 to help improve the quality of life of people with spinal cord injury. I am proud to report that a team of volunteers and local sponsors from our community came together and created a Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion event in Richmond to help make a difference.

20 years ago Rick Hansen wheeled around the world for 2 years, 2 months and two days through 34 countries and four continents to raise awareness and funds for spinal cord injury. Since that time, he has continued to live the dream, that one-day people with spinal cord injury will have the chance at full recovery and the opportunity to walk again.

Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion provides the opportunity for our community to come together to help support Rick's dream. Half of the net proceeds from Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion will be directed to priority needs identified to improve the quality of life of people living with spinal cord injury in event communities. The other half is directed to research.

We are currently in the planning stages for our event however we would be grateful if City Council could support us with any event logistics required and request consideration be given to Proclaim, **Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** as "**Rick Hansen Wheels In Motion Day**" in Richmond.

Mayor Brodie, your support will make a tremendous difference to ensure we have a well-attended, successful event in our community. In advance, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your consideration. I will call you office in the next few days to confirm you have received this letter and to discuss how we can work together towards Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Mitchell  
Event Leader  
"Rick's Hometown"  
Wheels in Motion

**Ashton, Fran**

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**From:** Ashton, Fran  
**Sent:** Monday, 2 May 2005 3:10 PM  
**To:** 'petermitchell@shaw.ca'  
**Cc:** Weber, David  
**Subject:** Request to appear as a delegation at the May 9th, 2005 Regular Open Council Meeting

Mr. Mitchell

In response to your letter dated April 29th, 2005, this is to confirm that arrangements have been made for you to appear as a delegation at the Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, May 9th, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Richmond City Hall, regarding the upcoming "Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion" event, and to request that June 12, 2005 be proclaimed "Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Day in Richmond". Because this item is not on the agenda you will be heard at or near the end of the Council meeting.

Council procedures allow five minutes for you to make your presentation, not including any questions which Council members may ask. It is noted that you wish to play a portion of the "Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion" promotional video, and this can be accommodated on the Council Chambers equipment, however, the showing of this video will comprise part of your five minute presentation limit. This five minute limit is strictly enforced to ensure that all business for the meeting is dealt with.

If you have any questions please contact either the undersigned or David Weber, Director, City Clerk's Office, at 604-276-4098 or by email at [dweber@richmond.ca](mailto:dweber@richmond.ca).

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