



## Public Works & Transportation Committee

Date: Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2004

Place: Anderson Room  
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Kiichi Kumagai, Vice-Chair  
Councillor Linda Barnes  
Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie

Absent: Councillor Rob Howard, Chair  
Councillor Derek Dang

Call to Order: The Vice-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 Public Works & Transportation Committee held on Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2004, be adopted as circulated.*  
**CARRIED**

### POLICIES / STRATEGIES (0 ITEMS)

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### DECISIONS / ACTIONS (6 ITEMS)

#### ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

2. **LOCAL AREA SERVICE CONSTRUCTION – EAST SIDE OF HEATHER STREET BETWEEN DAYTON AVENUE AND DIXON AVENUE - BYLAW NO. 7706**  
(Report: Apr. 27/04, File No.: 12-8060-20-7706; xr 10-6190-20-018/Vol 01) (REDMS No. 1219764, 1215568)

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the Local Improvement Project for Basic Ditch Elimination on the East Side of Heather Street, between Dayton Avenue and Dixon Avenue, be adopted in accordance with the Community Charter; and*

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- (2) *That Bylaw No. 7706 (Attachment 1 to the report dated April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004, from the Director, Engineering), which establishes local area service construction at Heather Street from Dayton Avenue to Dixon Avenue, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.*

**CARRIED**

3. **PROPOSED 2004 CAPITAL PROGRAM PROJECT BY CITY FORCES**

(Report: May 6/04, File No.: 6340-20-P.04401) (REDMS No. 139054, 1249054)

It was moved and seconded

*That City forces be authorized to construct the 2004 Broadmoor Watermain replacement project with the approved 2004 Capital Budget of \$612,000.*

**CARRIED**

## URBAN DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

4. **DRAFT TRANSLINK 3-YEAR TRANSIT PROGRAM (2005 – 2007)**

(Report: Apr. 27/04, File No.: 6480-03-01) (REDMS No. 1232543)

It was moved and seconded

(1) *That the submission of the list of prioritized transit service improvements in Richmond, (as described in the report dated April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004, from the Director, Transportation), to TransLink for consideration in the finalization of its 3-Year Transit Program Plan for 2005-2007, be endorsed.*

(2) *That staff report on the evaluation by TransLink of Richmond's submission of transit service improvements for inclusion in the Three-Year Transit Program Plan and the final 3-Year Transit Program Plan for 2005-2007.*

5. **CRESTWOOD COMMUNITY SHUTTLE SERVICE – PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS**

(Report: Apr. 26/04, File No.: 10-6480-03-01/2004 – Vol 01) (REDMS No. 1230807)

It was moved and seconded

*That the proposed implementation and public consultation process for the new Crestwood Community Shuttle service, (as described in the report dated April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004, from the Director, Transportation), be endorsed.*

**CARRIED**

6. **BIKE MONTH AND COMMUTER CHALLENGE – JUNE 2004**

(Report: Apr. 22/04, File No.: 10-6460-10/2004 –01) (REDMS No. 1230306)

It was moved and seconded

(1) *That the overall objectives of the Bike Month 2004 campaign, (as outlined in the report dated April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2004, from the Director, Transportation), be endorsed.*

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- (2) *That the City participate in various regional and local activities during the Bike Month 2004 campaign by registering in the annual Commuter Challenge to encourage cycling as a sustainable form of transportation and reduce the use of single occupant vehicles.*
- (3) *That staff co-ordinate the undertaking of the proposed activities with various campaign participants and other municipalities in the region (as outlined in the report dated April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2004, from the Director, Engineering).*

7. **BARNARD DRIVE – PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES**  
(Report: Apr. 29/04, File No.: 6450-09) (REDMS No. 1154313)

It was moved and seconded

*That the proposed traffic calming measures on Barnard Drive, (as described in the report dated April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004, from the Director, Transportation), be endorsed for implementation as part of the approved City's 2004 Capital Program.*

**CARRIED**

A brief discussion ensued, during which advice was given in response to questions, that the comments received from residents in areas where traffic calming measures had been installed, had all been favourable.

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## INFORMATION / AWARENESS (1 ITEM)

### ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

8. **POTENTIAL DRAINAGE PROBLEM**  
(Report: May 3/04, File No.: 10-6360-07-01; xr: 10-6045-08-01) (REDMS No. 1230456, 1247566)

It was moved and seconded

*That the report (dated May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004, from the Director, Engineering), regarding a Potential Drainage Problem related to raised lots and lanes, be receive for information.*

Prior to the question on the motion being called, the Manager, Engineering, Design & Construction, Jim Young, advised that with the introduction of the City's new Lane Standards Policy, the problem referred to in the report would eventually 'take care of itself'.

The question on the motion was then called, and it was **CARRIED**.

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## 9. MANAGER'S REPORT

- (a) Mr. Young advised that the Engineering & Public Work Department's open house, which was held on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2004 to showcase the 2004 capital projects, was attended by approximately 100 people, and had proven to be very successful.

Reference was also made to the recent Open House held at the Works Yard on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004. A brief discussion ensued on the need to better advertise the event to encourage more residents to attend, during which staff provided information on various options which were being considered, including advertising in local newspapers.

Staff were also congratulated by Councillor Barnes for their participation in the event.

- (b) The Director, Transportation, Gordon Chan provided information on the award of a Federal grant to the City in the amount of \$250,000 to develop an 'Emergency Vehicle Traffic Signal Pre-Emption Program'.
- (c) Councillor Barnes referred to the staff reports approved by Committee this afternoon regarding the TransLink 3-Year Transit Program and the Crestwood Community Shuttle Service, and to statements in the reports about the lack of availability of hybrid technology for the shuttle vehicles.

In response, Mr. Chan provided information on a 'Hybrid Bus Pilot Project' which was soon to be initiated by TransLink, and he indicated that he had advised TransLink representatives of Richmond's interest in being part of that program. He also provided information on a 'Truck Movement Project' in which Richmond could possibly participate.

Discussion continued on the use of alternate fuel types, and information was provided by the Director, Operations, Eric Gilfillan, on the results of the 'bio-diesel' report initiated by the Manager, Fleet Operations, Ken Fryer. He advised that the results had indicated that at the present time costs were prohibitive, but that when the costs to purchase bio-diesel were more reasonable, the City would consider fuelling its vehicles with the alternate fuel.

- (d) Councillor Barnes referred to the City's water metering program, and suggested that consideration should be given to the use of water barrels. As a result, the following **referral** motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

*That staff examine the possibility of allowing Richmond residents to purchase water barrels, and report to Committee on the feasibility of this proposal, including suggestions on process and the implementation of a program.*

**CARRIED**

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## ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

*That the meeting adjourn (4:16 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

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Councillor Kiichi Kumagai  
Vice Chair

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