



## Council/Board Liaison Committee Public Minutes

Wednesday, April 10, 2013  
9:00 a.m.

School District Administration Offices  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room

Present: Trustee Donna Sargent, Chair  
Trustee Norm Goldstein, Co-Representative, SD 38  
Councillor Linda Barnes  
Councillor Linda McPhail

Also Present: M. Pamer, Superintendent of Schools, SD 38  
M. De Mello, Secretary Treasurer, SD 38  
C. Mason, Director, Facilities and Operations, SD 38  
D. Semple, General Manager, Community Services, City Of  
Richmond  
V. Jacques, Senior Manager, Recreation Services, City Of  
Richmond  
J. Foster, Manager, Community Social Development  
S. Lusk, Manager, Parks Programs \*  
Donna Chan, Manager, Transportation Planning  
Wayne Craig, Director of Development\*\*  
W. Plante, Executive Assistant, SD 38

Regrêts: Trustee R. Belleza, Co-Representative, SD 38

\* present for a portion of the meeting

\*\* joined the meeting in progress

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Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

**1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Add Item 4.0 Working Together for the Benefit of the community,  
Add Item 4.7 King George Master Plan  
Add Item 4.8 Information Item

It was moved and seconded

**That the agenda for the meeting of Wednesday, April 10, 2013 be approved as amended.**

## 2. MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

**That the minutes of the meeting of the Council/Board Liaison Committee held on Wednesday, February 13, 2013 be adopted as circulated.**

## 3. STANDING ITEMS

### 3.1 Joint School District / City Management Committee

The General Manager, Community Services distributed draft minutes from the April 8, 2013 meeting.

He also provided brief summaries on some of the programs, provided updates on land issues and spoke on the history of the working relationship of the city and school district.

### 3.2 Programs

The Senior Manager, Recreation Services circulated minutes from the March 12, 2013 Joint Program Committee.

Although no update was provided, it was noted that this Committee meets four times a year.

He also echoed that there is a positive working relationship between the City of Richmond and the School District.

The Superintendent advised that the Healthy Richmond Survey Final Report was presented to the school district's Executive Team.

Councillor McPhail added that this survey is available on the city website and is the first of its kind to give community specific data.

### 3.3 Traffic Safety Advisory Committee

The Manager of Transportation/Planning reported that the last traffic safety meeting was held March 7, 2013.

Initiatives Highlighted:

- Staff are planning on installing raised crosswalks Tweedsmuir within the school zone area; speeding has been detected;
- Staff are planning on constructing 2 speed humps on Georgia by Lord Byng Elementary; On Second Ave. a proposed speed bump was not supported by area residents;

Proposed Projects

- Staff are proposing 2 speed humps Maddocks north of Thomas Kidd school between Ainsworth and Shell; subject to resident feedback;
- Staff are considering 4 speed humps by Whiteside and McRoberts, south of Southarm on Ryan Road; subject to resident feedback;

- Staff are considering putting in speed reader boards on Moresby by Quilchena.

It was also reported that there are driver behavior issues at Garden City and Williams such as cars dropping students off on the road, stopping in the no stopping zone and driving through in the right turn only lane. The RCMP has been made aware of this situation.

The Chair stressed that this is not only a safety issue but an educational issue.

The Chair requested an update on the Garden City school traffic mitigation initiatives.

**ACTION:** This item to be forwarded to ET for awareness.

**ACTION:** Director of Transportation to provide an update on the traffic calming initiatives at Garden City School to the Superintendent of Schools.

### **3.4 School Planning and Construction Schedule**

The Director of Facilities and Operations provided an update on the Steveston site.

Following Ministry approval to sell the property, a public announcement of an expression of interest was made March 15, 2013.

The school district is excited to search for developers through the public process who are well qualified to work within the needs of the community.

A closing date for building application is April 18, 2013.

It was reported that phase 3 of building remediation is underway at Hugh Boyd school.

Discussion ensued on other remediation work at the West Richmond Community Centre being done as well as other opportunities for the city and school board to co-ordinate project timing.

The Secretary Treasurer was happy to report on Ministry approval for seismic funding for Gilmore school.

The district is pushing hard to make a good viable project as this was our highest priority.

The Chair reiterated the importance of student safety and stated that a public announcement will be made following the April 15, 2013 Board meeting.

#### **4. BUSINESS ARISING & NEW BUSINESS**

##### **4.0 Draft Working Together Presentation – Working together for the benefit of the community**

The General Manager, Community Services spoke to his draft presentation “Working Together for the Benefit of the Community” paper and stressed the importance of the positive working relationship the city and the school district has experienced for the past 50 years.

He touched on points from the early vision of joint park sites in the 1950’s.

Information sharing and collaboration on mutually beneficial programming opportunities was also raised.

He also noted that in 1984, a Master Joint Use Agreement was formed whereby both parties work towards goals of resource sharing, community involvement, consultation along with optimum use of land and facilities was implemented.

Discussion followed on where we are now and how this document raises awareness.

Other important areas to include are involvement from a union perspective as well as the health department. Traffic safety and childcare were highlighted as well.

Our successes should be celebrated along with recognition of a relationship that is unique.

**ACTION:** That we disseminate this draft for feedback from the city and the district. To be forwarded to ET and then on to the Board.

##### **4.1 ICBC/City of Richmond Road Improvement Program – Proposed Projects of 2013**

The Manager Transportation Planning updated the Committee by advising that the City is moving forward to the completion of walkway on Ash St. despite waiting for ICBC contribution.

The importance of a good working relationship with ICBC was highlighted, as well as noting the many projects that have already been funded by them.

##### **4.2 Richmond Community Cycling Committee – Proposed 2013 Initiatives**

The Manager Transportation Planning announced the renaming of Richmond cycling to Richmond Active Transportation Committee (RATC) to broaden the focus to other users besides cycling. This will enable the city to include staff liaison from parks to address skateboarders on park areas where they are not legally allowed on roadways or sidewalks. She also advised the former Vancouver cycling coalition Hub, is working with city staff on the bike to work

week which occurs at the end of May and end of October and the annual bike tour June 9th.

Through city funding, Hub is working to establish a bike to school program and will be attending the Summit conduct class instruction and testing through a bike rodeo on the city parking lot. The target audience will be at the grade 5-6 level. As part of the parkside route, the city will improve the walkway around Walter Lee school this summer by widening the walkway from 1.5 m to 3m.

Trustees learned that there are many volunteers who submit input to infrastructure planning.

#### **4.4 Richmond Community Services Advisory Committee (RCSAC) Youth Sub-Committee Feedback on "Current Issues That May Be Impacting Richmond Adolescents"**

The Chair requested the attached report be added to the In-Camera meeting.

Superintendent of Schools reported that the report was not forwarded to the district but was sent directly to council. She stressed the district is interested in moving forward to build a better system to provide support to students in high risk categories or in difficult home situations. Due to budget cutbacks we're working towards to help bridge the gap of where we are and what still can be done.

Trustees and Councillors had comments and questions on the reporting process in support, filling gaps, vulnerable students at risk and working within our budget.

#### **4.5 Child Poverty Issues & Initiatives In the Richmond School District**

The Manager, Community Social Development advised the report will be completed for the next meeting.

Superintendent of Schools noted that RCSAC will be presenting our internal report. Next steps will be to combine our assets and work together

#### **4.6 ME TOO Magazine**

The Chair advised that April 25 is public education day. Trustees are working on a social media campaign regarding public education.

#### **4.7 King George Master Park Plan.**

**ACTION:** This item to be added to next meeting for discussion.

The Director of Development joined the meeting at 10:24.

#### **4.3 Development Update**

The General Manager, Community Services introduced the Director of Development to provide an update.

An aerial map of the city center area was reviewed showing current and future development action activity.

He spoke on the addition of a new Canada Line station, funded by dwelling surcharges and noted that development by investors remains cautious.

Trustees had comments and questions on housing developments, schools and non-residential development.

The Senior Manager, Recreation Services advised a city center communication facility will be open to the public in 2015.

**ACTION:** Bring this item back to next council board meeting.

#### **4.8 INFORMATION ITEM**

Councillor Barnes announced the city is holding a Capital Project Open House, April 17<sup>th</sup> and suggested that the district advertise this on our website.

The Director, Facilities and Planning noted that this information has already been received and distributed to managers in Maintenance, Operations and Transportation.

The Secretary Treasurer suggested that we be included next year in a joint event.

**ACTION:** Bring this back to staff for information and discussion for joint open house next year.

#### **5. NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, June 5, 2013, at 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.