

## Council/Board Liaison Committee

### Public Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 – 9:30 am  
via Zoom Webinar

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**Present:**

Chairperson, School District #38	D. Tablotney
Vice Chairperson, School District #38	H. Larson
Councillor, City of Richmond	A. Hobbs
Councillor, City of Richmond	A. Loo
Superintendent, School District #38	C. Usih
Deputy Superintendent, School District #38	R. Ryan
Secretary Treasurer, School District #38	C. Wang*
Trustee, School District #38	R. Belleza
Trustee, School District #38	A. Wong
Assistant Superintendent, School District #38	J. MacMillan
Assistant Superintendent, School District #38	C. Stanger*
Director, Richmond Project Team, School District #38	S. Ahluwalia
Director, Facilities Services, School District #38	K. Wilkins
Director of Instruction, Student Services & Data Analytics, School District #38	R. Johal
District Administrator Early Learning, School District #38	C. Jule
Director, Parks Services, City of Richmond	T. Gross
Director, Recreation & Sports Services, City of Richmond	K. Miller
General Manager, Community Services, City of Richmond	E. Ayers
Acting Manager, Community Social Development	C. Duggan
Senior Engineer, Transportation Department, City of Richmond	S. Hingorani
Supervisor, Traffic Operations, City of Richmond	B. Dhaliwal*
Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary), School District #38	T. Lee

\*Present for a portion of the meeting

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:33 am.

The Richmond Board of Education acknowledged and thanked the First Peoples of the hən̓q̓əmiñəm language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

**1. Adopt Agenda**

***IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:***

That the Council/School Board Liaison Committee Public Meeting Agenda for Wednesday, September 13, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

## **2. Adopt Minutes**

### ***IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:***

That the Public Minutes of the Council/School Board Liaison Committee meeting held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

## **3. Standing Items**

### **3.1 Traffic Safety Advisory Committee**

City staff provided updates relating to traffic safety improvements implemented around schools including a speed reader board, raised crosswalks, speed humps, curb extensions, speed cushions, and in-street delineator signs.

City staff then responded to questions from trustees' regarding the improvement of traffic and pick up and drop off safety at Burnett Secondary.

### **3.2 Child Care Update**

City staff highlighted the 2022 update to the Richmond Child Care Needs Assessment and Strategy is complete and posted on the City website. The development of a new 10-year Child Care Strategy is underway and the process of preparing for public engagement will occur in fall.

City staff then responded to Trustee Belleza's question regarding child care space availability and affordability and ways the City and District are working together on projects.

### **3.3 Joint City and District Program Committee**

Deputy Superintendent Ryan provided an update noting he will resume representing the district at the Joint City and District Program Committee meeting as Assistant Superintendent Stanger has moved into a role in human resources, and the next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2023.

Director Miller then highlighted programs and initiatives including the Neighbourhood Celebration grants, Grade 5 Active Pass, and Summer Active Pass.

Assistant Superintendent Stanger and General Manager Ayers provided further details regarding facilities for the Richmond Delta Youth Orchestra and Richmond Community Band Society following a question from the Chairperson.

### **3.4 Future Agenda Items**

Prior to discussing future agenda items, the Chairperson introduced the Superintendent to the Committee.

Councillor Loo noted Sport Council Priorities is an upcoming item on the agenda, however the topic could be further discussed at a future Council/Board Liaison Committee meeting.

#### **4. Business Arising and New Business**

##### **4.1 Transportation Update**

The item was addressed in standing item 3.1 and Senior Engineer Hingorani had no further comments.

##### **4.2 2022-2032 Richmond Youth Strategy**

City Staff presented a PowerPoint presentation and highlighted the ways the City supports youth in the community, including the strategic priorities and key actions to the City's initiatives.

Following a question from Councillor Loo, Director of Instruction Johal responded school district data regarding student learning survey results are publicly available, and further discussions with city staff can be arranged.

Acting Manager Duggan then responded to trustees' questions regarding youth not attending school and the distribution of information. Director of Instruction Johal also highlighted the United Way British Columbia funding for Community Schools programs, secondary alternate programs youth workers, and the youth peer support workers from the Integrated Child and Youth teams.

##### **4.3 School District Staffing Update**

Assistant Superintendent Stanger provided an update on enrollment, highlighting the increase of elementary and international student enrollments. He noted the space pressures at elementary sites and space capacity at secondary sites. District staff are ensuring to find spaces for students as close to their neighbourhood school as possible. He concluded by noting all new students have been accommodated.

##### **4.4 Sport Council Priorities**

Councillor Loo highlighted the Sport Facility and Infrastructure Prioritized List and the priorities of the Richmond Sports Council. She noted a possible partnership between the City and the School District to work on sports facilities. City staff noted the list will be brought to a future Joint City and District Program Committee meeting for further discussion.

#### **5. Next Meeting Date: November 15, 2023 at 9:30 am**

The School District will be hosting the committee meetings in 2023. The next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2023.

**6. Adjournment**

***IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:***

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:30 am.

**CARRIED**