General Purposes Committee

Anderson Room, City Hall 6911 No. 3 Road Monday, November 17, 2008 4:00 p.m.

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MINUTES

1. Motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on Monday, October 20, 2008.

BUSINESS & FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

5 2. ROKAPA MANAGEMENT LTD., DOING BUSINESS AS WELL PUB 6511 BUSWELL STREET - RE-LOCATION OF LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENCE

(Report: October 15, 2008, File No.:) (REDMS No. 2514674)

Designated Speaker: Amarjeet Rattan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the application by Rokapa Management Ltd., doing business as Well Pub, for relocation of the Liquor Primary Licence from 8220 Lansdowne Road to 6511 Buswell Street, in order to operate a 100 seat capacity Liquor Primary establishment with proposed operating hours of Sunday to Thursday 10:00 a.m. to Midnight and Friday and Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., not be supported and that a letter be sent to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch advising that:

(1) Council does not recommend the relocation of the licence as, based on the community responses received, it would have a negative impact on the community.

- (2) Council's comments on the prescribed considerations are as follows:
 - (a) There is potential for additional noise and traffic in the area if the application is approved.
 - (b) There is a potential that the application could pose a negative impact on the community, based on the comments received from residents living in the area.
 - (c) That the proposed location is in close proximity to residential districts that may be impacted by the application.
 - (d) That the schools and public parks within a 500 metre radius of the proposed location are not anticipated to be impacted by the application.
 - (e) That the zoning of the proposed location, Downtown Commercial District (C7), and parking requirements were reviewed and conform to the regulations.
 - (f) That the 2007 population figure of 42,600 for the City Centre area with a projected growth to 90,000 by 2031 was considered.
- (3) Council comments on the views of residents are as follows:
 - (a) As per City Policy, residents, property owners and businesses within a 100 metre radius of the subject property were contacted by letter detailing the application and providing instruction on how comments or concerns could be submitted.
 - (b) In addition, signage was posted at the subject property and three public notices were published in a local newspaper. This notice provided information on the application and instructions on how comments or concerns could be submitted.
 - (c) There were ten letters received from residents living in the area that strongly opposed the application and one letter of opposition from a similar business located 2 Km away.

31	3.	BUSINESS	LICENCE	BYLAW	NO.	7360,	AMENDMENT	BYLAW
		8443						

(Report: November 6, 2008, File No.: 12-8060-20-8443) (REDMS No. 2514528)

Designated Speaker: Amarjeet Rattan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Bylaw 8443, which amends Business Licence Bylaw 7360 to create revised fee schedules, be given first, second and third readings.

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38 4. UBCM TOURISM FUNDING - PHASE II APPLICATION

(Report: November 7, 2008, File No.:) (REDMS No. 2525423)

Designated Speaker: Andrew Nazareth

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the City of Richmond make use of Phase II funds available through UBCM to implement the development of a comprehensive tourism marketing program in support of corporate and community strategies that will position Richmond as a tourism destination.

5. THE GARDEN CITY LANDS "BLOCK APPLICATION" FOR EXCLUSION FROM THE AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE – STATUS UPDATE

(Report: November 12, 2008, File No.: 01-0185-01/2008-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2527527)

Designated Speaker: Joe Erceg

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- (1) approve a modification to the Agreement of Purchase and Sale to extend the date limited for satisfaction of the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) Release Condition from December 31, 2008 to June 30, 2009;
- (2) authorize staff to provide additional information to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) on measures the City is prepared to undertake in Richmond to further benefit agriculture in the remainder of the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) in support of the "Block Application" submitted in April 2007 to exclude the "Garden City Lands" from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) on behalf of the Musqueam Indian Band (Musqueam), the City of Richmond and the Canada Lands Company (CLC); and
- (3) advise the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) that the City, subject to detailed review and discussion with the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC), is prepared to negotiate and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding, or equivalent documentation with similar legal standing, with the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) to commit the City to carry out the proposed initiatives outlined in this report as part of the "Block Application".

ADJOURNMENT