Schedule 1 to the Minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting of Richmond City Council held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Re: Supervised Consumption Site

I am writing to clarify the events of February 12-13 at City Council when a resolution was adopted by a 7-2 vote to study the feasibility of a supervised consumption site located at the hospital in Richmond. The issue came forward to Council after 26 residents died from drug overdoses in 2023. Sadly, more will likely die this year.

The resolution did not propose that a site be established by the City, because Council has no legal ability to do that. However, Council wanted to investigate the viability of such a site located at the hospital and see if it would assist in mitigating our growing overdose crisis. If such a site was eventually approved, it would be the responsibility of Vancouver Coastal Health, which has now stated it will not open a supervised consumption site in Richmond.

There was much interest on the matter shown by residents – some against and some in support. In the end, seven members of Council supported the Motion to study the feasibility of such a site.

Regrettably, drug use is a reality in every community in B.C., especially following drug decriminalization by senior government. However, the discussion is closed on the investigation of whether a supervised consumption site is viable here. There will be no more investigation. In the broader perspective, I believe that by working together as a community, we can find solutions to keep Richmond the safe, vibrant, inclusive city we are proud to call home.

Yours truly,

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致總編輯的信

總編輯您好：

關於：　　監管注射站

此封信是為了說明 2 月 12 日至 13 日市議會發生的事件，當時市議會以 7 比 2 票數通過動議，建議研究位於列治文醫院的監管注射站之可行性。因為在 2023 年有 26 名列治文居民因服藥過量致死，這個問題因此被提至市議會。遺憾的是，今年可能還會有更多人因服藥過量致命。

這項決議並非提議由市政府設立監管注射站，因為市議會無該法律權力。而當時市議會希望調查在醫院設立注射站的可行性，了解注射站的設立是否有助於緩解本市日益嚴重的服藥過量危機。如果設立注射站最終獲得批准，則將由溫哥華沿岸衛生局負責，但衛生局現已表示不會在列治文設立監管注射站。

居民們對此議題非常之關注 - 有人反對、有人支持。最終有七名市議員支持研究設立注射站可行性之議案。

令人遺憾的是，藥物使用在 BC 省的每個社區已經是個實際狀況，特別是在政府將毒品合法化之後。 不過，關於調查監管注射站可行性的討論已經結束， 將不會採取進一步的調查。從更廣泛的角度來看，我深信在透過社區的共同努力下，我們可以找到解決之道，為這座個我們能引以為傲地稱之為家的城市，保持其安全、活力及包容性。

Yours truly,

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