



## Council/School Board Liaison Committee

- Date: March 30, 2016
- Place: Anderson Room  
Richmond City Hall
- Present: Councillor Linda McPhail, Chair  
Councillor Alexa Loo  
Trustee Debbie Tablotney  
Trustee Donna Sargent  
Trustee Alice Wong
- Also Present: Clive Mason, Director, Facilities Planning, SD38  
Mark De Mello, Secretary Treasurer, SD38  
Sherry Elwood, Superintendent, SD38  
Mike Redpath, Senior Manager, Parks  
Kim Somerville, Manager, Community Social Development  
Cathryn Volkering Carlile, General Manager, Community Services  
Donna Chan, P. Eng., PTOE, Manager, Transportation Planning  
Lesley Sherlock, Planner 2  
Jane Fernyhough, Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services  
Serena Lusk, Senior Manager, Recreation and Sport Services
- Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### AGENDA

It was moved and seconded

***That the Council/School Board Liaison Committee agenda for the meeting of March 30, 2016, be adopted as amended:***

The Chair advised that the order of the agenda would be varied to add:

- (1) Changes noted on Schedule 1 (attached to and forming part of the minutes)
- (2) Item No. 12A. Rideau– Traffic
- (3) Item No. 12B. Rideau – Playground
- (4) Item No. 13. Council Term Goals

**CARRIED**

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## MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Council/School Board Liaison Committee held on January 20, 2016, be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

1. **JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT / CITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

No Discussion.

2. **PROGRAMS**

Serena Lusk, Senior Manager, Recreation and Sport Services, updated the Committee on the Avenues of Change project, an initiative which encourages residents in the City Centre to connect with others and enables them to learn about different resources to support families with young children.

3. **TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Donna Chan, Manager, Transportation Planning, noted that pedestrian zone markers have been successful. Recently, there has been theft of the pedestrian zone markers – new items are being ordered. Initiatives for 2016 include the school zone traffic safety measures and the school zone travel planning project.

4. **CANADA 150 CELEBRATION**

Jane Fernyhough, Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, discussed the incorporation of the Canada 150 celebration into various events throughout the year, which included the: Richmond Maritime Festival, Children's Art Festival, and others outlined in the staff report. Ms. Fernyhough also noted that grants are to be made available to those from a neighbourhood level to local businesses etc.

In reply to questions from the Committee, Ms. Fernyhough confirmed that the steering committee is anticipated to be created in the upcoming months and that one of the goals of the Canada 150 Celebration would be to make the activities and events memorable to all students.

The Committee supported the ideas included in the staff report and suggested that it might be a good idea for staff to present the information at an SD38 Board Meeting, or even in elementary schools, in order to spread the word and make people aware of what the City is planning.

5. **SCHOOL PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE**

Clive Mason, Director, Facilities Planning, SD38, updated the Committee on the 2015/ 2016 capital plan and confirmed that correspondence from the ministry is still yet to be received.

Mr. Mason also briefly touched upon the projects in process, which included: site acquisition at the City Centre, seismic upgrades at Hugh Boyd Secondary and Cook Elementary, boiler upgrades at McMath Secondary and General Currie Elementary, a roof replacement at Tait Elementary, along with the progression of construction at Anderson Elementary.

6. **RICHMOND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – PROPOSED 2016 INITIATIVES**

Donna Chan, Manager, Transportation Planning, commented on the success of the bike to school program, highlighting that hundreds of students participated in the bike safety and learning to bike programs. It is anticipated that similar amounts of students will be engaged in the program this year as compared to last year.

Concerns were brought up by the Committee regarding the security of the bikes which were being brought to school along with the safety of students riding their bikes on playground areas. Sherry Elwood, Superintendent, SD38, responded to the Committee and explained that the issues arising from the theft of bikes is being caused by members outside of the school. Bike theft from bike racks arises when the students are in class. Ms. Elwood also explained that all students have been informed that they are to dismount from bike when on playground areas.

In reply to questions from the Committee, Ms. Chan confirmed that according to the bylaws people are not required to wear their helmets on trails and that currently, elementary schools have shown the most interest with regards to the bike to school program.

7. **CITY OF RICHMOND – TRANSLINK TRAVELSMART PARTNERSHIP – UPDATE**

Donna Chan, Manager, Transportation Planning, briefly summarized the staff report and confirmed that the pilot will last for the duration of 18 months.

8. **ADULT BASIC EDUCATION – PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Lesley Sherlock, Planner 2, commented on the handout provided to the Committee (attached to and forming Schedule 2 of the minutes) outlining the decline in the numbers of students entering into the Richmond Continuing Education Program.

Ms. Sherlock hopes to gather feedback from the Richmond School District No. 38 regarding potential action resulting from the funding changes to the Adult Basic Education Program and report back to the Planning Committee.

Sherry Elwood, Superintendent, SD38, agreed that it would be necessary to discuss the changes with the staff and with the Richmond School Board in order to gain more insight into the topic.

**ACTION:** *City staff and School District No. 38 staff to communicate with the RCSAC regarding the funding changes to the Adult Basic Education Program and report back to the next Council / School Board Liaison Meeting.*

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9. **SWIS ADVOCACY**

Trustee Debbie Tablotney, SD38, remarked that there have been funding cuts in the SWIS (Settlement Workers in Schools) programs. Councillor McPhail suggested that the City has sent a letter of support in the past and could do so again.

As a result of the discussion, it was moved and seconded

*That the City of Richmond / School Board be requested to consider:*

*That City staff investigate the issues regarding funding for the SWIS program and report back to the General Purposes Committee meeting.*

**CARRIED**

10. **PROPOSED TRIP TO PIERREFONDS – LATE MAY 2016**

The Committee discussed the benefits of cultivating a relationship between School District No. 38 and the local schools in Pierrefonds and considered a program in which students from Richmond could have the option to visit Pierrefonds through the school curriculum.

Sherry Elwood, Superintendent, SD38, responded to the discussion from the Committee and mentioned that there is currently an extracurricular option in place for French immersion students to visit Quebec City. This option is most desirable to students because Quebec City markets itself as fully bilingual and therefore appeals to those who want to familiarize themselves with the French language.

Committee emphasized that the relationship with Pierrefonds was significant to City Council and any support from the School District No. 38 would complement the Canada 150 Celebrations. Ideas surrounding a combination trip to Quebec City and Pierrefonds were suggested as an option.

11. **SISTER-FRIENDSHIP CITIES YOUTH TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

No Discussion.

12A. **RIDEAU SCHOOL - TRAFFIC**

Councillor McPhail informed the Committee that there was a complaint received from the public regarding speeding in the Rideau area. City staff has been assigned to assess the area by conducting a speed study using automatic counters and also by studying the site surroundings.

12B. **RIDEAU SCHOOL - PLAYGROUND**

Councillor McPhail mentioned that at the City Council meeting on March 29, 2016, Mayor Brodie announced that the Rideau Neighbourhood School park would be placed into the 2017 budget for the replacement of the playground.

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### 13. COUNCIL TERM GOALS

Councillor McPhail briefly touched upon the previous achievements of Council and made the committee aware of the Council Term Goals report on the City's website.

### NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

May 25, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Anderson Room.

### ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

*That the meeting adjourn (9:56 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the City of Richmond Council/School Board Liaison Committee held on Wednesday, March 30, 2016.

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Councillor Linda McPhail  
Chair

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Shaun Divecha  
Legislative Services Coordinator  
City Clerk's Office

- CNSB-26** 4. **CANADA 150 CELEBRATION**  
 (COR – Jane Fernyhough)
- (a) *Richmond Celebrates Canada 150- Proposed Program, report dated February 11, 2016.*
5. **SCHOOL PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE**  
 (RSD – Clive Mason)

### BUSINESS ARISING & NEW BUSINESS

- CNSB-61** 6. **RICHMOND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – PROPOSED 2016 INITIATIVES**  
 (COR – Victor Wei)
- (a) *Richmond Active Transportation Committee – Proposed 2016 Initiatives, report dated December 18, 2015.*
- CNSB-75** 7. **CITY OF RICHMOND – TRANSLINK TRAVELSMART PARTNERSHIP – UPDATE**  
 (COR – Donna Chan)
- (a) *City of Richmond-Translink TravelSmart Partnership – Update, report dated January 25, 2016.*
- CNSB-72** 8. **ADULT BASIC EDUCATION – PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
 (COR – Lesley Sherlock)
- That the matter be referred to staff and to the Council/School Board Liaison Committee and that information be provided on:*
- (1) *funding changes to the Adult Basic Education Program; and*
- (2) *action taken by Richmond School District No. 38 to address funding changes to the Adult Basic Education Program;*
- and report back to Planning Committee.*
- CNSB-73** 9. **SWIS ADVOCACY**  
 (RSD –Debbie Tablotney)
- (a) *Letter to The Honourable John McCallum, P.C., M.P. Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship*
- CNSB-80** 10. **PROPOSED TRIP TO PIERREFONDS – LATE MAY 2016**  
 (Councillor Linda McPhail)
- Whereas Richmond City Council strongly believes that the Sister-city relationship with Pierrefonds is still viable and relevant, and wishes to consider future Sister-city activities between the two cities;*

*Therefore, be it resolved that:*

- (1) the updated report on Pierrefonds be received for information; and*
- (2) a Richmond School Board representative be invited to join the delegation to Pierrefonds (at their expense).*

**CNSB-82 11. SISTER-FRIENDSHIP CITIES YOUTH TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

(Councillor Linda McPhail)

- (a) Sister-Friendship Cities Youth Table Tennis Tournament report dated February 22, 2016*

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE**

May 25, 2016, (tentative date) at 9:00 a.m. in the Anderson Room

**ADJOURNMENT**





### Planning Committee

Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2015

Place: Anderson Room  
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Linda McPhail, Chair  
Councillor Bill McNulty  
Councillor Carol Day  
Councillor Harold Steves

Absent: Councillor Chak Au

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### MINUTES

It was moved and seconded  
*That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on October 20, 2015, be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

### NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

November 17, 2015, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

### DELEGATION

Daylene Marshall and De Whalen, representing the Richmond Community Services Advisory Committee (RCSAC), and Michael Khoo, representing Richmond School District No. 38, spoke of the Provincial Government's decision to eliminate funding covering Adult Basic Education (ABE) for graduated adults and made a request for Committee to write a letter to the Premier of British Columbia to consider reinstating the funding for the ABE program.



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Discussion ensued with regard to (i) potential action that City and Richmond School District No. 38 can take to address the changes to the ABE program, (ii) the relationship between education advancement and poverty reduction, and (iii) the potential impact of the funding changes to low-income and new immigrants utilizing the ABE program to transition into post-secondary education.

In reply to queries from Committee regarding action taken by Richmond School District No. 38, Mr. Khoo noted that the District has not taken an advocacy role with respect to the elimination of Provincial funding for the ABE program. He added that the ABE program was introduced in 2008 as a way for adults to upgrade skills and increase skilled workers in the province.

Discussion ensued regarding the role of Richmond School District No. 38 on addressing the issues related to funding changes to the ABE program.

Discussion further ensued with regard to addressing related issues such as poverty in conjunction with adult education.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Khoo noted that there has been a noticeable reduction in Richmond Continuing Education Program enrollment to six graduated adult students in 2015 from 26 graduated adult students in the year preceding the funding changes. He added that some students may qualify for financial assistance at post-secondary institutions, however; it is difficult to determine what percentage of graduated adult students enrolled in the Continuing Education Program are considered to be low-income individuals.

Discussion took place regarding immigrant settlement programs, and in reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Khoo advised that Richmond School District No. 38 partners with the Federal Government to provide programs to assist new immigrants with settlement in Canada and language training.

Discussion then ensued with respect to (i) action taken by Richmond School District No. 38 on the matter, (ii) alternative options to address funding changes to the ABE program, and (iii) the need for more information on the matter.

As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

*That the matter be referred to staff and to the Council/School Board Liaison Committee and that information be provided on:*

- (1) funding changes to the Adult Basic Education Program; and*
- (2) action taken by Richmond School District No. 38 to address funding changes to the Adult Basic Education Program; and*

*report back to Planning Committee.*

**CARRIED**

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**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**

1. **APPLICATION BY CITY OF RICHMOND FOR A ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS PARK (IB1, IB2) ZONE TO PERMIT AN INDOOR SHOOTING RANGE AT 7400 RIVER ROAD**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009500; ZT 15-710092) (REDMS No. 4731741 v. 4)

Wayne Craig, Director, Development, briefed Committee on the proposed application, noting that the proposed zoning text amendment would facilitate the relocation of Richmond Rod and Gun Club into a City-owned building and would restrict the proposed indoor shooting range to utilize only air pistols.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Craig advised that the Richmond RCMP has expressed no concerns with respect to the proposed application.

Discussion ensued with regard to a business license application submitted earlier in the year for an airsoft facility that was not approved by the City. Mr. Craig noted that the proposed indoor shooting range would have activities related to target practice using air pistols, compared to the previously proposed airsoft facility that would have activities related to combat simulation. Mr. Craig further noted that the proposed airsoft facility operator was advised they could submit a rezoning application for their proposed facility but the applicant has not pursued a rezoning application to date.

In reply to queries from Committee, Serena Lusk, Senior Manager, Recreation and Sport Services, noted that the Richmond Rod and Gun Club is still working towards the development of their property on Mitchell Island and could potentially utilize the site once their proposed lease of 7400 River Road has expired.

Discussion ensued regarding the safety precautions taken and the equipment used by the Richmond Rod and Gun Club.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Craig noted that the Richmond Rod and Gun Club's site on Mitchell Island was zoned industrial but a rezoning application for the site was considered by Council and has cleared the Public Hearing stage. He added that the Richmond Rod and Gun Club intends to pursue development of the Mitchell Island site once funding issues are resolved.

It was moved and seconded

***(1) That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9500, for a Zoning Text Amendment to the "Industrial Business Park (IB1, IB2)" zone to permit an indoor shooting range at 7400 River Road, be introduced and given first reading; and***

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- (2) *That Council, subject to adoption of Zoning Text Amendment Bylaw No. 9500, approve a Permit to operate an Indoor Shooting Range at 7400 River Road, in accordance with Bylaw 4183.*

**CARRIED**

2. **APPLICATION BY ANWER KAMAL FOR REZONING AT 6571/6573 NO. 4 ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F) TO TOWN HOUSING (ZT60) – NORTH MCLENNAN (CITY CENTRE)**  
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009491; RZ 11-578758) (REDMS No. 4643140)

Edwin Lee, Planning Technician – Design, briefed Committee on the proposed application, noting that (i) the site of the proposed development is on a single orphaned lot along No. 4 Road, (ii) vehicle access will be from the adjacent property north of the subject site, (iii) the applicant has notified surrounding property owners of the proposed development, (iv) the proposed development will consist of two and three storey townhomes, and (v) the proposed development will be designed to achieve EnerGuide 82 standards and provide pre-ducting for solar hot water.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Craig noted that vehicle access will be from the adjacent property to the north through an access easement arrangement. Also, he noted that the proposed development will have a stand-alone amenities area. He added that a shared amenity area would require legal agreements to secure a share arrangement and could introduce liability concerns related to the use of play equipment.

It was moved and seconded

*That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9491, for the rezoning of 6571/6573 No. 4 Road from “Single Detached (RS1/F)” to “Town Housing (ZT60) – North McLennan (City Centre),” be introduced and given first reading.*

**CARRIED**

3. **APPLICATION BY LANDCRAFT HOMES LTD. FOR REZONING AT 7180 RAILWAY AVENUE FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO COACH HOUSES (RCH1)**  
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009291; RZ 14-674043) (REDMS No. 4740452)

Cynthia Lussier, Planning Technician, briefed Committee on the proposed application, noting that (i) the proposed rezoning application would allow for a coach house on-site with vehicle access from the rear lane, (ii) the proposed application would require a lot size policy amendment, and (iii) the proposed application will include a servicing agreement for off-site improvements to the boulevard on Railway Avenue.

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In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Craig advised that the proposed coach house will not include sundecks facing the rear lane. Also, he noted that staff are recommending that a cherry tree on-site be removed and replaced as the condition and species of the existing tree do not make it an ideal candidate for retention.

It was moved and seconded

*That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9291, for the rezoning of 7180 Railway Avenue from "Single Detached (RS1/E)" to "Coach Houses (RCH1)," be introduced and given first reading.*

**CARRIED**

4. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

*(i) Row Houses*

Discussion ensued with regard to the popularity of row houses in other municipalities.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Craig noted that row houses appear similar to the design of townhouses, however; each row house would have individual service connections and would require a different fire rating for the shared walls. As a result of the different requirements, row houses would be built at an additional cost compared to townhouses. He added that row houses would be individually owned and that the row house development would not stratified.

Discussion then ensued with regard to alternative developments, such as split-level townhomes, to increase ownership opportunities.

*(ii) Land Use Contract Information Meeting*

Mr. Craig briefed Committee on the upcoming Land Use Contract Information Meeting scheduled for November 5, 2015 at City Hall, noting that staff will be available at the event to answer public queries and that information displays and a frequently asked questions brochure will be available to the public. He added that staff will update Council regarding the outcome of the Land Use Contract Information Meeting.

Discussion ensued with regard to the ownership of houses and the levels of poverty in the City.

In reply to queries from Committee, Cathryn Volkering Carlile, General Manager, Community Services, noted that current data is insufficient to accurately gauge the number of individuals living below the poverty line in the city, however; staff can continue reviewing available data and report findings to Council.

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Discussion ensued with regard to newspaper reports claiming that some owners of high-value properties and businesses declare to be low-income. Joe Erceg, General Manager, Planning and Development, advised that the said newspaper reports can be circulated to Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded  
*That the meeting adjourn (4:38 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

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Councillor Linda McPhail  
Chair

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Evangel Biason  
Legislative Services Coordinator (Aux.)



**Richmond Community Services  
Advisory Committee**

To: Mayor Brodie and Councillors  
 From: Daylene Marshall and Alex Nixon, Co-Chairs, RCSAC  
 CC: Cathy Carille and Lesley Sherlock  
 Date: September 10, 2015  
 Re: Adult Basic Education Courses No Longer Free

Issue	Potential impact	Agency or individuals affected	Suggested action
<p>The BC government advised school districts that effective May 1, 2015 they would no longer cover Adult Basic Education (ABE) courses for Grades 10, 11 and 12 for graduated adults. SD 38 now charges \$550 per course. For a graduated adult (from anywhere in the world) to upgrade in order to enrol in university/ college courses in sciences, engineering, nursing, etc. it will cost up to \$3000 per year. SD 38 Adult Education advises that from 2010-2014, they enrolled 793 graduated adults (avg 198/yr) or about 12% of the total ABE student head count. <a href="http://www.RichmondCE.ca">www.RichmondCE.ca</a></p>	<p>Richmond community services agencies deal with numerous low-income and/or immigrant clients that do not have the credentials to enter a Canadian university or college. In the past, agencies could counsel and assist clients to enrol in necessary grade school courses and they were free of charge. Now, low-income and/or immigrant adults must pay up to \$3000/year, which brings a substantial financial burden on clients and their families and in turn, a need for longer-term community services. The impact is community agencies will be requesting increased community grant funding from the City of Richmond to provide their services to an expanding client base.</p>	<p>Any Richmond Community Service Agency dealing with clients that are low-income, immigrant and/or refugee individuals and families.</p>	<p>That Richmond City Council take a position and advocate for Richmond community service agencies and urge the government to rollback the ABE directive for graduated adults by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing a letter to Premier Christy Clark and the minister of Education on their position;</li> <li>• Engaging and meeting with SD 38 Board of Education Trustees in the meantime to explore alternatives.</li> </ul>

Updated in Schedule 2

Date: Mon, 22 Jun 2015 12:23:57 -0700  
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 To: de\_whalen@hotmail.com  
 From: mpamer@sd38.bc.ca

Hi De,

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Michael Khoo  
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## Richmond Continuing Education

### Adult Graduation Program – MoEd funding academic program

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2014-2015	112	1,390 (84)	1,502
2015-2016	90 + Spring term	952 (31) + Spring term	1,042 + Spring term

**NOTES:**

1. Since May 2015, the BC Ministry of Education stopped funding Grade 10-12 courses for Graduated Adults. The BC Ministry of Education defines an “adult” as any student who is 19 years old or older during the school year.
2. Since May 2015, Richmond Continuing Education has been charging \$550 per Grade 10-12 course for Graduated Adults.
3. However, Graduated Adults who enroll in Foundation Literacy course (e.g. Foundations Language Arts ... equivalent to Grade 9 or lower) continue to be funded through the BC Ministry of Education and therefore, no tuition is charged to these learners.
4. Of the 31 Graduated Adults enrolled in 2015-2016, most of these students paid \$550 per Grade 10-12 course. Very few of our Graduated Adults were enrolled in our Foundation Literacy courses.
5. There is a Spring term which begins in mid-April. This will add to our current 2015-2016 figures. I would estimate that by the end of June, our Graduated Adult enrollment will be 50%-60% of last year’s (2014-2015) Graduated Adult enrollment.