



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee

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From: Phyllis L. Carlyle
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Re: Expansion of On-Street Pay Parking Program
Richmond Oval Neighbourhood

Staff Recommendation

THAT Council accept the attached report for information.

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Encl: Map of Pay Parking Areas

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Staff Report

Origin

The Richmond Oval, which is nearing completion southwest of the intersection of River Road and Hollybridge Way, is expected to have a significant influence on the parking resources in the surrounding neighbourhood. There are already a number of major events being planned for the Oval starting in the Fall of 2008 and, while those attending will be encouraged to use public transit, many are realistically expected to use personal vehicles. This demand will be in addition to the number of vehicles which already use sections of River Road for parking east of the Dinsmore Bridge for events and functions at the John M.S. Lecky UBC Boathouse located on the north arm of the Fraser River.

Analysis

In order to effectively manage the influx of vehicles for both of these major venues and to encourage the use of public transit, the City's present on-street pay parking program should be expanded before the opening of the Richmond Oval and to address the increasing parking demands of the UBC Boathouse patrons.

Transportation staff has already identified a total of 193 on-street parking spaces in the immediate neighbourhood of the Oval and the UBC Boathouse (see attached map):

- 7000 to 7300 blks of River Road - 90 spaces surrounding the UBC Boathouse
- 6100 blk River Road - 36 spaces fronting the Oval
- 5200 to 5400 blks of Hollybridge Way - 25 spaces subject to future traffic flow
- 6600 to 6800 blks of Elmbridge Way - 42 spaces

The proposed on-street pay parking will expand the City's existing inventory of parking spaces by 45% and will require 20 pay stations which will control approximately 10 parking spaces each. Staff will be proceeding with the process of acquiring the pay stations at a cost of \$300,000 to ensure their supply and installation in time for the official opening of the Richmond Oval.

In addition, there will be approximately 150 spaces available in the area from 7400 to 8000 blks of River Road which will be controlled using the City's parking permit program. These spaces are normally used by the businesses in the area for their employee parking. An accommodation will also be provided for complimentary, short term parking for those users of the dyke trail along the Fraser River.

The necessary amendments to the Traffic Bylaw No. 5870 will be presented to Council to coincide with the actual physical expansion of the pay parking program. All of the proposed pay parking spaces are contained within the City Centre Parking Management Zone as adopted by Council within the City's Traffic Bylaw No. 5870.

Financial Impact

Based on the City's existing pay parking rates, the following chart shows a recap of the forecast gross revenue, expenses and net revenue for the 2009 to 2012 period based on known events at the Richmond Oval and the UBC Boathouse. The nine months shown in 2010 accounts for the closure from January to March inclusive for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games. It should also be noted that revenue projections for the balance of 2010, 2011 and 2012 are less than 2009 due to a smaller number of confirmed events as of the date of this report. These projections will be updated as more information is available and in preparation for the relative budget cycles.

Period	12 mos - 2009	9 mos - 2010	12 mos - 2011	12 mos - 2012
Gross Revenue	\$ 554,769	\$ 293,253	\$ 418,773	\$ 423,697
Expenses	\$ 194,366	\$ 182,813	\$ 188,713	\$ 194,255
Net Revenue	\$ 360,403	\$ 110,440	\$ 230,060	\$ 229,442

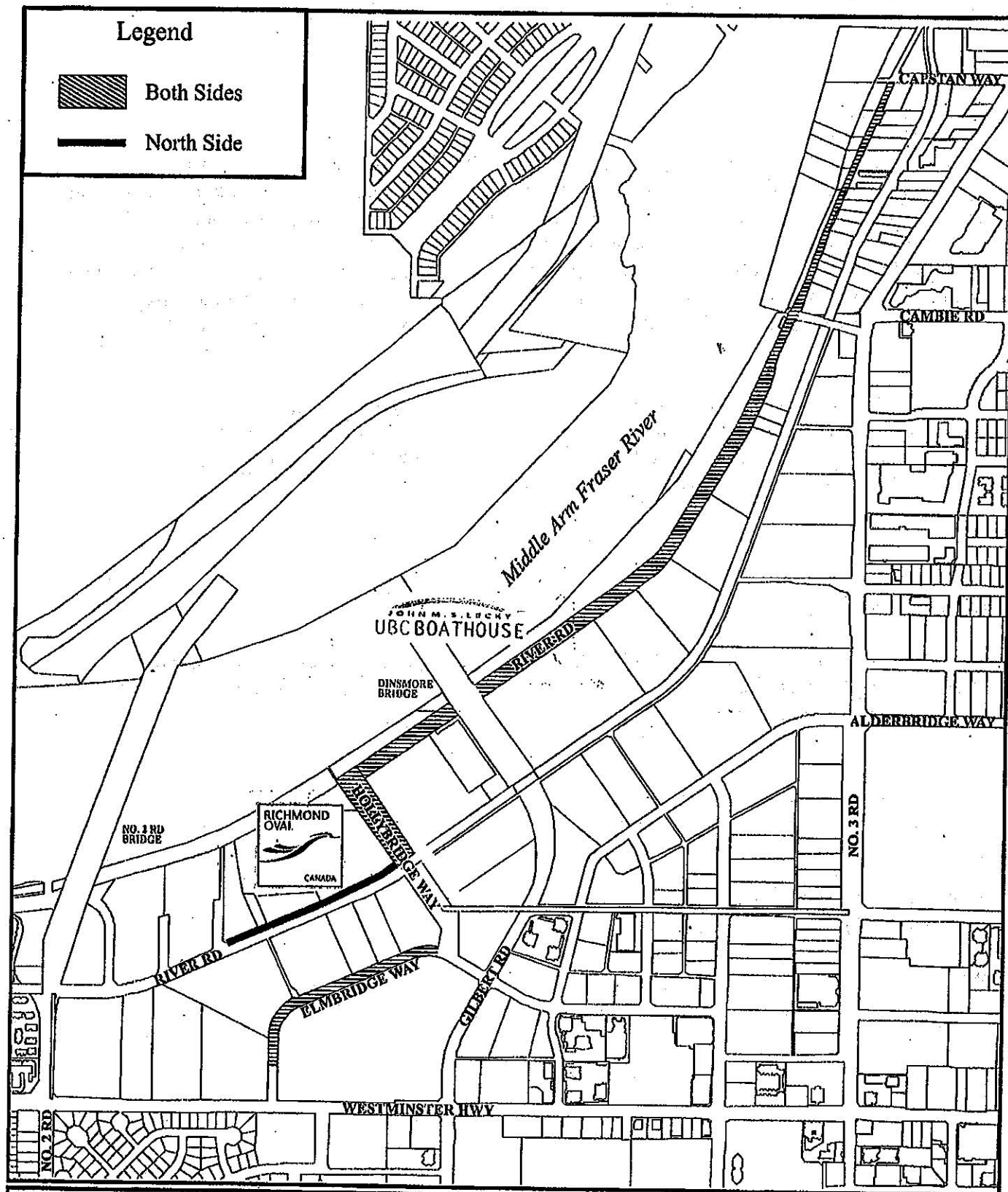
Conclusion

The expansion of the City's On-Street Pay Parking Program will provide an organized and effective way of managing the City's on-street parking resources as traffic demands increase in this high-profile neighbourhood.



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Additional Pay Parking Oval & UBC Neighbourhood

Original Date: 09/04/08

Amended Date:

Note: Dimensions are in METRES