General Purposes Committee

Anderson Room, City Hall 6911 No. 3 Road Monday, October 20, 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 6, 2008.

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

2. SCHOOL COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS FUNDING (Report: October 7, 2008, File No.: 11-7200-00/Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2511771)

Designated Speaker: Dave Semple

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the joint application by the Richmond School Board and the City of Richmond for a grant in the amount of \$8000 from the UBCM's School Community Connections Program "Strengthening the Connections", to undertake a school community garden at Richmond Secondary School, be approved.

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BUSINESS & FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

3. EMPRESS LOUNGE LTD. – 8711 ALEXANDRA ROAD, RICHMOND, BC

(Report: October 2, 2008, File No.:) (REDMS No. 2510707)

Designated Speaker: Amarjeet Rattan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the application by Empress Lounge Ltd., to amend the hours of liquor service from 2:00 pm to midnight, Monday through Sunday to 2:00 pm to 2:00 am, Monday through Sunday, be supported, and that a letter be sent to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch advising that:

- (1) Council recommends the amendment of the license as no substantive negative comments have been received from the public or from internal and external agencies consulted, and the amendment would not pose a negative impact on the community.
- (2) Council's comments on the prescribed considerations are as follows:
 - (a) There is little potential for additional noise if the application is approved; and
 - (b) The amendment would not pose a negative impact on the community, based on the lack of comments received from the public.
- (3) Council's 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 amendments and providing instructions 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 amendments and instructions on how comments or concerns could be submitted. No comments were received from residents, property owners or businesses within a 100 metre radius of the subject property. One letter of objection was received from a similar business located 400 metres (0.4 km) from the applicant's business.

ADJOURNMENT