



Regular Council

Monday, April 27, 2015

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Linda McPhail
Councillor Harold Steves

Corporate Officer – David Weber

Absent: Councillor Bill McNulty

Call to Order: Mayor Brodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

- R15/8-1 1. It was moved and seconded
That:
- (1) *the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on Monday, April 13, 2015, be adopted as circulated;*
 - (2) *the minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Public Hearings held on Monday, April 20, 2015, be adopted as circulated; and*
 - (3) *the Metro Vancouver 'Board in Brief' dated Friday, April 17, 2015, be received for information.*

CARRIED



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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- R15/8-2 2. It was moved and seconded
That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:01 p.m.).

CARRIED

3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items.

Item No. 7 – Soil Management in the Agricultural Land Reserve

Item No. 9 – Examining Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing Options

Item No. 10 – Application by Yamamoto Architecture Inc. for Rezoning at 9560 Alexandra Road from "Single Detached (RS1/F)" to "Town Housing (ZT67) - Alexandra Neighbourhood (West Cambie)"

Jim Wright, 8300 Osgoode Drive, spoke in favour of Items No. 7, 9, and 10 and read from his submission (attached to and forming part of these Minutes as Schedule 1).

Bylaws for Adoption – Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771

Eduardo Fritis, 12500 McNeely Drive, spoke in opposition to Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 as it relates to banning radio controlled planes in parks. Mr. Fritis read from his submission (attached to and forming part of these Minutes as Schedule 2).

Item No. 9 – Examining Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing Options

Jennifer Larsen, 7688 Acheson Road, spoke in favour of emergency shelter and transitional housing options, noting that consulting with various stakeholder groups regarding this matter is appreciated.



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David Rogers, owner of Emax Hobby Distributions, spoke on the various models of radio controlled products and their respective ranges, noting that the most suitable term for such products is quadcopters. Mr. Rogers highlighted positive uses for quadcopters, and spoke to their various safety features. He requested that Council delay adopting Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 until staff can work with the radio controlled hobbyists in an effort to seek a solution that is both safe and practical for the community.

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Debbie Yeung, Richmond resident, stated that her son enjoys participating in traction kiting at Gary Point Park, and she wishes for him to continue to do so in a safe and considerate manner. She requested that a designated time and area be established for traction kiting in an effort to share park space with other users.

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Trevor Yeung, Richmond resident, stated that he enjoys traction kiting and is happy to do so at a designated time and area.

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Ben Baker, 3246 Regent Street, noted that Gary Point Park has been unofficially utilized for power kiting for approximately 17 years and the activity has played a role in attracting tourism to Steveston. Mr. Baker described the power kiting community as a family that takes care of incoming participants to instil safe and respectful kiting behaviours. He then commented that the size of kite utilized on any given day is determined by the amount of wind, with a smaller kite used on days with stronger winds. Mr. Baker suggested that meetings with City staff be established, whereby discussion on both successes and areas that require further attention take place in an effort to ensure park space is safely shared with other users.



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Ron Hardie, 3231 Springfield Drive, stated that he has been kite bugging for approximately 10 years, and while kite bugging, he averages approximately 12 kilometres per hour. He noted that the North American Power Kiting Association has a set of safety guidelines for the safe operation of power kites, noting that participants do not have the right of way. Mr. Hardie spoke of conditions at Garry Point Park that make it ideal for said activity, and stated that the community would like to work with the City to continue using the Park.

Cllr. Au left the meeting (7:57 p.m.) and returned (7:59 p.m.).

Item No. 17 – Release of Province of British Columbia 10-Year Transportation Plan: BC on the Move

Michael Wolfe, 9731 Odlin Road, was not in favour of the Council-approved objective of an iconic bridge for the George Massey Tunnel replacement project, stating that the removal of the Tunnel will lead to the industrialization of the Fraser River.

Item No. 10 – Application by Yamamoto Architecture Inc. for Rezoning at 9560 Alexandra Road from "Single Detached (RS1/F)" to "Town Housing (ZT67) – Alexandra Neighbourhood (West Cambie)"

Mr. Wolfe spoke to the proposed application's environmental assessment, and was of the opinion that the consultant's findings for wildlife habitat connectivity were inaccurate. Also, in referencing that the proposed site is covered in 60% Environmentally Sensitive Area, he queried the rationale to develop the site as oppose to utilize it for park space.

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Iggy Fritis, 12500 McNeely Drive, was of the opinion that to ban flying of radio controlled products in parks would only increase privacy concerns as users would then fly their devices elsewhere, likely in closer proximity to residences. Mr. Fritis then stated that he believed that Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 was premature and that the City should partner with radio controlled hobbyists to seek a mutually beneficial solution for both parties.



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Edward Tu, 10760 Springmont Drive, stated that he was happy to work with the City to reach an equitable solution to permit radio controlled hobbyists to continue using park space, and noted that designated times and days may be worthwhile. He suggested that a neighbourhood watch be created to look out for unsafe behaviours, and advised that training users is key in ensuring radio controlled devices are flown in a safe and respectful manner.

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Rick Vigario, 7351 Anvil Crescent, read a submission from Jack Wolman, (attached to forming part of these Minutes as Schedule 3).

Mr. Vigario then spoke in opposition to Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 as it relates to banning radio controlled planes in parks. He was agreeable to the notion of a designated area and time to permit said activity to continue and remarked that it is in the hobbyists' best interest to fly radio controlled planes in a safe and respectful manner.

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Shawn Williams, 130 North Garden Drive, Vancouver, was of the opinion that most kite buggy hobbyists are skilled pilots; however, new hobbyists could benefit from training. Also, he remarked that experienced hobbyists also follow the adage "you are in a pedestrian's way" and not that pedestrians are in your way. Mr. Williams then recounted his past experiences interacting with spectators of kite bugging, highlighting their fascination with the activity.

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

R15/8-3

It was moved and seconded

That staff make comments on the viability of regulations for the use and area for those items listed in section 3.1.1 (c) of Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 and report back.

CARRIED



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- R15/8-4 4. It was moved and seconded
 That Committee rise and report (8:41 p.m.).

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

- R15/8-5 5. It was moved and seconded
 *That Items No. 6 through No. 21, with the removal of Item No. 17, be
 adopted by general consent.*

CARRIED

6. **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

That the minutes of:

- (1) *the Community Safety Committee meeting held on Tuesday, April 14,
 2015;*
- (2) *the General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday, April 20,
 2015;*
- (3) *the Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015;*
- (4) *the Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting held on
 Wednesday, April 22, 2015;*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. **SOIL MANAGEMENT IN THE AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE**
 (File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009002/9003, 01-0100-20-AADV1-01) (REDMS No. 4118531 v. 17,
 4132579, 4122005)

*That the staff report titled Soil Management in the Agricultural Land
Reserve, dated April 16, 2015, from the General Manager, Law and
Community Safety, and the proposed Soil Removal and Fill Deposit
Regulation Bylaw No. 8094, Amendment Bylaw No. 9002 and Notice of
Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw
No. 9003 be provided to the Agricultural Advisory Committee for comment.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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8. NAME SELECTION FOR THE CITY'S NEW MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

(File Ref. No. 11-7400-01) (REDMS No. 4553283)

That the name, Richmond World Festival, be approved as the name for the new City multicultural festival scheduled for September 5, 2015 at Minoru Park.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. EXAMINING EMERGENCY SHELTER AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING OPTIONS

(File Ref. No. 08-4057-05, 01-0150-01, 01-0151-01, 01-0150-20-CFAM1) (REDMS No. 4540813 v. 4, 4544844)

- (1) That, in accordance with the approach outlined in the staff report titled Examining Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing Options, dated March 24, 2015, from the General Manager of Community Services, staff be directed to advance dialogue with BC Housing, Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, Ministry of Social Innovation, Ministry of Children and Family Development and community stakeholders about partnership opportunities to:*
- (a) identify a host agency that would enter into rental agreements on behalf of an individual with private landlords, which would include a commitment by the agency to coordinate and/or delivery wrap-around supports, life skills, housing stabilization transition support, and community support connections;*
 - (b) pursue the potential development of a Cooperation Agreement to support a pilot project for low-income, at risk Richmond individuals to access adequate amounts of combined subsidies to cover monthly shelter costs in the private rental market for an extended period of time to support housing stabilization and self-sufficiency (e.g.; up to 3 years);*



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- (c) *investigate options for securing a property through partnerships with the appropriate zoning to utilize as an interim shelter option, to be staffed and operated by a non-profit housing provider experienced in working with the targeted population and supported through a network of health and community service providers;*
 - (d) *develop a sustainable operating model and funding rationale for emergency and transitional housing options; and*
 - (e) *explore the joint development of an Expression of Interest to be issued by the City, BC Housing and Vancouver Coastal Health for the construction of an integrated housing development that includes a continuum of emergency, transitional and supportive housing with programmed community and health service spaces for individuals who are experiencing or who are at-risk of homelessness; and*
- (2) *That the report be sent to the appropriate Ministers, Members of Parliament (MPs), Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs), Vancouver Coastal Health, BC Housing, Richmond Community Services Advisory Committee, and the Richmond Homelessness Coalition.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

10. APPLICATION BY YAMAMOTO ARCHITECTURE INC. FOR REZONING AT 9560 ALEXANDRA ROAD FROM "SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F)" TO "TOWN HOUSING (ZT67) - ALEXANDRA NEIGHBOURHOOD (WEST CAMBIE)"

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009240; RZ 14-669511) (REDMS No. 4340284 v. 6, 4416076)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9240, for the rezoning of 9560 Alexandra Road from "Single Detached (RS1/F)" to "Town Housing (ZT67) - Alexandra Neighbourhood (West Cambie)", be introduced and given first reading.

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11. **APPLICATION BY CASA MIA PROJECTS LTD. FOR REZONING AT 8491 WILLIAMS ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO LOW DENSITY TOWNHOUSES (RTL4)**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009242; RZ 14-673732) (REDMS No. 4497990, 4543801)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9242, for the rezoning of 8491 Williams Road from "Single Detached (RS1/E)" to "Low Density Townhouses (RTL4)", be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. **APPLICATION BY SUKINDER MANGAT FOR REZONING AT 9840 SEATON COURT FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/B)**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009244; RZ 14-665401) (REDMS No. 4547543, 4550207)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9244, for the rezoning of 9840 Seaton Court from "Single Detached (RS1/E)" to "Single Detached (RS2/B)", be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

13. **APPLICATION BY 1015553 B.C. LTD. FOR REZONING AT 4760/4780 FORTUNE AVENUE FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/B)**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009201; RZ 14-677417) (REDMS No. 4527353, 4456731)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9201, for the rezoning of 4760/4780 Fortune Avenue from "Single Detached (RS1/E)" to "Single Detached (RS2/B)", be introduced and given first reading.

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14. **APPLICATION BY LW AND CHEN DEVELOPMENT LTD. FOR REZONING AT 6731, 6751 ECKERSLEY ROAD AND 6740 COONEY ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO MID RISE APARTMENT AND TOWNHOUSE (ZLR16) – BRIGHOUSE VILLAGE (CITY CENTRE)**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009241; RZ 10-516067) (REDMS No. 4408991 v. 5, 4440193)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9241 to:

- (1) Create the “Mid Rise Apartment & Townhouse (ZLR26) – Brighthouse Village (City Centre)” zone and to rezone 6731, 6751 Eckersley Road and 6740 Cooney Road from “Single Detached (RS1/E)” to “Mid Rise Apartment & Townhouse (ZLR26) – Brighthouse Village (City Centre)”;* and
- (2) Amend Section 5.15.1 (Affordable Housing) to include the “ZLR26” zone and a density bonusing cash in lieu sum in accordance with the Affordable Housing Strategy;*

be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

15. **APPLICATION BY PENTA BUILDER'S GROUP FOR A ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE “COMMERCIAL MIXED USE (ZMU22) - STEVESTON COMMERCIAL” ZONE**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009235; ZT 15-694251) (REDMS No. 4537641, 4537608)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9235, to amend the “Commercial Mixed Use (ZMU22) - Steveston Commercial” zone by adding “animal grooming” as a permitted use, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

16. **PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE “COACH HOUSES (RCH, RCH1)” ZONE USED ALONG ARTERIAL ROADS**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009233) (REDMS No. 4531312, 4535912)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9233 to amend the “Coach Houses (RCH, RCH1)” zone, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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**17. RELEASE OF PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA 10-YEAR
TRANSPORTATION PLAN: BC ON THE MOVE**

(File Ref. No. 01-0150-20-THIG1) (REDMS No. 4537163)

Please see Page 12 for action on this matter.

18. PROVINCIAL 2014-2015 BIKEBC PROGRAM SUBMISSION

(File Ref. No. 03-1000-18-071, Xr: 01-0150-20-THIG1) (REDMS No. 4543539)

- (1) That the submission for cost-sharing to the Province's 2014-2015 BikeBC Program for Phase 1 of the Crosstown Neighbourhood Bike Route, as described in the staff report titled Provincial 2014-2015 BikeBC Program Submission, dated March 27, 2015, from the Director, Transportation, be endorsed; and*
- (2) That should the above applications be successful, the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Planning and Development, be authorized to execute the funding agreement.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**19. REPORT 2014: RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT -
LEADERSHIP AND EXCELLENCE TO ACHIEVE GOALS**

(File Ref. No. 10-6375-05-01) (REDMS No. 4544434)

That the annual staff report titled Report 2014: Recycling and Solid Waste Management - Leadership and Excellence to Achieve Goals, dated March 30, 2015, from the Director, Public Works Operations, be endorsed and made available to the community through the City's website and through various communication tools including social media channels and as part of community outreach initiatives.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

20. 2015 LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN BIENNIAL REPORT

(File Ref. No. 10-6060-03-01, 01-0157-01) (REDMS No. 4539736, 4499799)

That the "2015 Liquid Waste Management Plan Biennial Report," presented as Attachment 1 to the staff report titled 2015 Liquid Waste Management Plan Biennial Report, dated March 23, 2015, from the Director, Engineering, be submitted to Metro Vancouver.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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**21. RIVER GREEN DISTRICT ENERGY UTILITY BYLAW NO. 9134,
AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 9239**

(File Ref. No. 10-6600-10-03; 12-8060-20-009239) (REDMS No. 4540591 v. 8, 4545232, 4539529)

- (1) *That the name for the River Green District Energy Utility be re-named to the Oval Village District Energy Utility; and*
- (2) *That the River Green District Energy Utility Bylaw No. 9134, Amendment Bylaw No. 9239 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE
CONSENT AGENDA**

**17. RELEASE OF PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA 10-YEAR
TRANSPORTATION PLAN: BC ON THE MOVE**

(File Ref. No. 01-0150-20-THIG1) (REDMS No. 4537163)

R15/8-6

It was moved and seconded

That staff be directed to continue to liaise with the provincial Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to:

- (1) *identify any provincial highway and cycling improvement projects within Richmond to be funded as part of the 10-Year Transportation Plan;*
- (2) *analyze the George Massey Tunnel Replacement Project in accordance with the previously Council-approved project objectives; and*
- (3) *pursue any cost-share opportunities for new cycling infrastructure projects or other local road improvements in Richmond.*

The question on the motion was not called as there was agreement to separate Resolution R15/8-6 for voting purposes.

The question on Parts (1) and (3) of Resolution R15/8-6 was then called and it was **CARRIED**.



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The question on Part (2) of Resolution R15/8-6 was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllrs. Au, Day, and Steves opposed.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Brodie announced that Richmond City Council has approved a process to consider early termination of Land Use Contracts within the city.

He noted that the Province of BC adopted new legislation in 2014, which requires municipalities to adopt underlying zoning bylaws for Land Use Contracts by June 30, 2022, two years before all Land Use Contracts expire on June 30, 2024. The new legislation also establishes a process that enables municipalities to undertake optional early termination of Land Use Contracts prior to those deadlines.

Over the next few months, staff will bring forward a process for dealing with this issue, including proposed zoning and other bylaw changes to enable the early termination of Land Use Contracts. It is anticipated that a special Public Hearing will be scheduled in late 2015 to consider the proposed changes. A comprehensive public information campaign is planned to help inform residents and other stakeholders of the proposed changes.

Also, Mayor Brodie recognized the passing of two iconic Richmond figures.

Mayor Brodie spoke of Joe Sequeira, the first Chief Librarian of the Richmond Public Library, noting that he was instrumental in creating the modern and progressive library enjoyed today.

Mayor Brodie then commented on Frances Clark's extensive history of volunteerism for those with disabilities, highlighting that she received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Prime Minister in 2014 and many other recognitions for her exemplary volunteer work.

R15/8-7

As a result, the following **referral** was introduced:

That staff consider an appropriate recognition to memorialize Frances Clark.

CARRIED



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BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

It was moved and seconded

That the following bylaws be adopted:

Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771

Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7321, Bylaw No. 9139

Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 9140

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued regarding the potential to delay the date in which the proposed bylaws would take effect. Also, staff was directed to address the definition of various types of unmanned aerial vehicles as part of Resolution R15/8-3.

The Mayor advised that if Council's view was to delay the effective date of the bylaws, then he would propose the appropriate amendments.

As a result, the motion to adopt Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771, Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7321, Bylaw No. 9139, and Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 9140 was **WITHDRAWN**.

R15/8-8

It was moved and seconded

That third reading of Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 be rescinded.

CARRIED

R15/8-9

It was moved and seconded

That Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 be amended by adding the following at the end of section 10.2:

"and is effective August 1, 2015."

CARRIED



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- R15/8-10 It was moved and seconded
That Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation Bylaw No. 8771 be given third reading as amended on this day.
CARRIED
- R15/8-11 It was moved and seconded
That third reading of Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7321, Bylaw No. 9139 be rescinded.
CARRIED
- R15/8-12 It was moved and seconded
That Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7321, Bylaw No. 9139 be amended by adding the following at the end of section 3:
“and is effective August 1, 2015.”
CARRIED
- R15/8-13 It was moved and seconded
That Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7321, Bylaw No. 9139 be given third reading as amended on this day.
CARRIED
- R15/8-14 It was moved and seconded
That third reading of Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 9140 be rescinded.
CARRIED
- R15/8-15 It was moved and seconded
That Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 9140 be amended by adding the following at the end of section 3:
“and is effective August 1, 2015.”
CARRIED



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- R15/8-16 It was moved and seconded
That Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 9140 be given third reading as amended on this day.

CARRIED

- R15/8-17 It was moved and seconded
That the following bylaws be adopted:
Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2015) Bylaw No. 9226
Annual Property Tax Rates (2015) Bylaw No. 9231
Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8422
(8364 Ruskin Place, RZ 08-423764)
Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9010
(5831 Moncton Street, RZ 13-629294)
Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9138
(3471 Chatham Street, RZ 13-643436)
Richmond Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 9000, Amendment Bylaw No. 9085
(9051 and 9055 Dayton Avenue, RZ 11-589989)
Richmond Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 7100, Amendment Bylaw No. 9086
(9051 and 9055 Dayton Avenue, RZ 11-589989)

CARRIED

- R15/8-18 It was moved and seconded
That Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9087 (9051 and 9055 Dayton Avenue, RZ 11-589989) be adopted.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. Steves



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DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

- R15/8-19 22. It was moved and seconded
- (1) *That the minutes of the Development Permit Panel meeting held on Wednesday, April 15, 2015, and the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meetings held on December 10, 2014, January 14, 2015, March 10, 2015 and April 15, 2015, be received for information; and*
 - (2) *That the recommendations of the Panel to authorize the issuance of:*
 - (a) *a Development Permit (DP 14-672823) for the property at 3471 Chatham Street;*
 - (b) *a Development Permit (DP 14-657872) for the property at 9055 Dayton Avenue (formerly 9051 and 9055 Dayton Avenue); and*
 - (c) *a Heritage Alteration Permit (HA 14-672825) for the property at 3471 Chatham Street;**be endorsed, and the Permits so issued.*

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

- R15/8-20 It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (10:04 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Monday, April 27, 2015.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (David Weber)

Jim Wright, 8300 Osgoode Drive, Richmond

Mayor Brodie and Councillors, I'm speaking for the Garden City Conservation Society, mainly about Item 10.

First, though, some quick comments on Items 7 and 9.

In Item 7, it's good to see progress toward efficient control of soil dumping on farmland.

Item 9 is Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing Options. From our beginnings eight years ago, Garden City Conservation has always valued respect for our less advantaged citizens, which goes hand-in-hand with respect for our natural legacies. The thorough Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing report in Item 9 is consistent with that value, and we hope it will move full-speed ahead.

Item 10 is rezoning for 9560 Alexandra Road, which also borders on Alderbridge Way (it's right across Alderbridge from the Garden City Lands). For time reasons, I'll have to just focus on the screening aspect of the environmental conservation package in the report. Essentially it is good, especially if the same package applies widely to the many properties lining the north side of Alderbridge. If it is put into action promptly and thoughtfully, the natural screening effect could even become *amazing*.

From the south, which means the Garden City Lands area of the City Centre, the legacy of the natural panoramic viewscape has been lost. However, the Item 10 rezoning provisions could

significantly restore it and even benefit the developments at the same time. I just hope the promising intents for natural screening can be implemented with a focus on *excellent* results.

The rezoning provisions for 9560 Alexandra include a 4-metre-wide strip of trees and shrubs within a wider setback along the south edge of Alderbridge Way. The need is for stable, fast-growing and long-living evergreens that grow tall enough to generally screen the Alexandra developments when citizens look north toward the mountains from the area on and around the Garden City Lands. Lots of kinds of trees are tall enough for that without being so tall that they block out the mountains.

I hope that the stated intent of *native* trees will be interpreted broadly. For instance, the trees there shouldn't have to be shore pines and crabapples, which can be saved elsewhere—like on the Garden City Lands if the surviving ones get flagged so that the annual mowing starts avoiding them instead of butchering them every year.

The rezoning provisions for 9560 Alexandra also include infill trees added to the treed median of Alderbridge Way. That's good in principle, but I see the *median* trees as supplementary. Since the legacy of the mixed urban forest on the north edge of Alderbridge is lost, let's at least do a great job of making the new treed buffer *there* as effective as possible—including for natural screening that could make a big difference, mainly for community wellness but also, as a big bonus, for tourism.

Richmond, April 27, 2015

Dear Mayor and Council,

I wonder how many people fly remote controlled planes in Richmond parks. Does Council know that number? I know that there are not many, the parks are usually empty. In all the years that I've been flying remote controlled planes I have not ever met another hobbyist at a Richmond park and the people I have met at the parks have enjoyed watching the planes and been interested in learning about the hobby.

I was told that this initiative of having designated areas to fly remote controlled planes comes after public concern and complaints from neighbours of the parks. I am curious how many people have been injured or killed by a remote controlled plane in Richmond. If we want to talk about public concerns, what is Council going to do about the 140 ton plus planes that fly over top of my house every day and night with loud noise? What if one of these planes falls out of the sky before making it to the airport? I bet it would be much more dramatic than a ball or a remote controlled plane going over a fence into a resident's backyard? Has a window ever been ever broken by a stray ball from lively ball game? Are these things dangerous to Richmond residents?

I had the opportunity on Saturday to meet with the Richmond RC Flying Club that gathers at Manoah Steves Park. A bunch of nice, respectful guys that enjoy building, flying and socializing around RC planes. On a good day, 6 pilots gathered at the park to fly their foamies. These guys have rules, all of them based on

common sense! They have applied to have this park designated for flying remote controlled planes. I'm all for it.

In North Vancouver there is a park that people can use during designated times to practise and enjoy the hobby, and the pilots are organized! Can't we do this in Richmond too?

I am totally in favour of having organized and designated areas in parks to fly remote controlled planes, with accountable bodies to warrant the safety and good manners at all times. In the years flying at the parks I have always yielded the park to other activities. Me and my kids feel that way.

Changes in product technology is big now, controls are second to none, no interference resulting on a loss of the plane like years ago. Now we can fly more than 30 people at the same time without any control interference. Planes are much lighter, made out of foam and use small quiet electric engines to propel them.

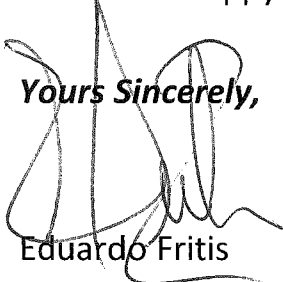
This hobby is moving into the future. Just like 20 years ago nobody imagined that everybody would carry a cell phone/computer in their pocket. Remote controlled planes are also propelling us into the future. For example, in New Brunswick there is a high school that has launched a pilot course in drone flying. In Toronto, the city is debating giving permits for flying drones. And in Europe there are a thousand commercial companies operating drones for doing things like delivering mail, delivering packages, aerial photography and precision agriculture among others. Today's forecast is that 10% of commercial aviation by 2025 is going to be remote controlled.

There is a designated area to fly at Rice Mill Road, although, in this location, you see people flying loud gas powered planes from 1952 that are governed by lines. This is not suitable for radio controlled airplanes and since Council has shown interest on this subject I would like to request the City to build a suitable runway

for us to play with our toys. Other cities here in Canada, the US, Mexico etc build runways for remote controlled planes.

I would be happy to participate and contribute to this discussion and initiative.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eduardo Fritis', written over the printed name.

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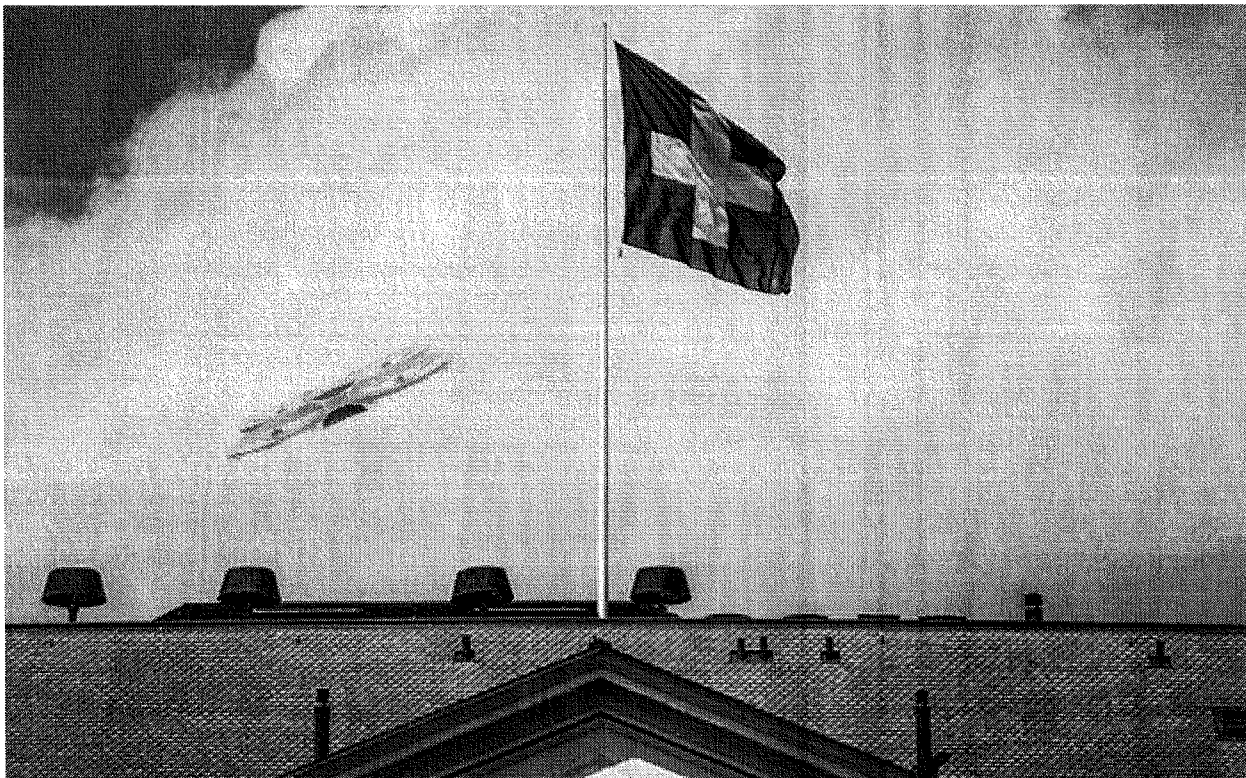
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Drones will deliver mail in Switzerland this summer



by Mariella Moon | @mariella_moon | April 24th 2015 at 7:23 am

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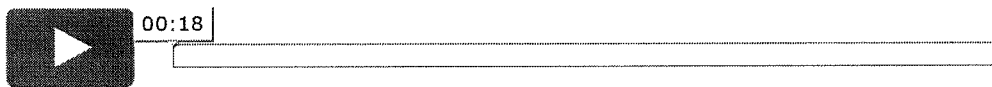


You know which organization doesn't want to fall behind Amazon, DHL and Alibaba when it comes to drone deliveries? The Swiss Post. Yes, Switzerland's postal service wants to deliver small packages using small drones. In fact, it will start using quadcopters developed by a company called Matternet to drop off its customers' parcels during a pilot program this summer. Matternet ONE can carry anything up to 2.2 pounds for over 12 miles on a single charge, and the Post will put it to the test delivering small things like medicine or documents.

regal framework, consider local conditions and explore the technical and business capabilities of the drones." Matternet isn't a new player by any means -- it's already used its drones to deliver meds in Haiti -- so the Swiss Post chose a great partner for the project. "Our product is vertically integrated into a complete transportation solution. Swiss Post comes to us, we supply them all the technology (drones, landing pads, batteries, charging stations, cloud software) and they just focus on operations," one of its founders, Andreas Raptopoulos, told *TechCrunch*. If this first run is successful, the postal service hopes to go through two more rounds of pilot testing to determine how viable delivery drones truly are.

Matternet in Haiti

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Drones 101: High schoolers piloting UAVs to new heights

Josh Elliott, CTVNews.ca

Published Friday, April 17, 2015 9:16AM EDT

A New Brunswick high school has launched a pilot course in drone flight, in what may be the first class of its kind in Canada.

Teacher Benjamin Kelly helped the program get off the ground by pitching it to his school board last summer. Kelly says he was inspired to add drones to the curriculum after he learned how useful they were in ending last summer's armed shooter situation in Moncton, N.B.

"I was just interested with the story of a drone pilot who wanted to help out," Kelly told CTV Atlantic.

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Now his students at Caledonia Regional High School in Hillsborough, N.B., are getting a crash course in how to fly the next-generation aircraft.

"It's nothing we've really experienced before," student Carrie Lafford said.

Student Alyson Furness said the class will probably come in handy in the future, when drone use becomes more widespread. "I might be using a drone to go get pictures of scenery, or for medical use in the woods if someone's lost," Furness said.

Drone instructor Marc LeBlanc says he anticipates other schools will launch their own drone courses as the technology becomes more widespread.

"I hope that other schools get on board and start their own 'droneography' course," LeBlanc said. "The possibilities are endless."

Kelly obtained the three drones for the course through a corporate grant to the school.

But he said the whole thing would not have been possible if not for the support of the school board.

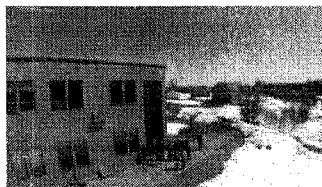
"Because you initiate something and because you're willing to show that you're serious about a program, the district is really good with supporting those programs," he said.

Kelly says he believes his course is the first of its kind in the country for high-school students. That means there's a lot of pressure on him not to crash and burn, he said.

"If we are the first program in Canada, we don't want to mess up," he said.

With files from CTV Atlantic

PHOTOS



A drone-mounted camera offers a birds-eye view of students at Caledonia Regional High School in Hillsborough, N.B. on Apr. 16, 2015.



Teacher Benjamin Kelly shows students Alyson Furness (middle) and Carrie Lafford (right) how to fly a drone at Caledonia Regional High School in Hillsborough, N.B., on Apr. 16.



Students watch a drone in flight at Caledonia Regional High School in Hillsborough, N.B., on Apr. 16, 2015.

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The bottom line is that schools can't and shouldn't teach every single thing just because it's the current technological fad. Technology is always changing, but basic education needs to remain consistent. Instead of pandering to the idea that students need to be bribed into education by adding every flavour of the month, how about just focusing on teaching them the basics in an engaging way? Spelling is no longer required to be tested, children aren't drilled in the times tables for math and cursive writing is falling by the wayside. On the other hand, children in fourth and fifth grade are learning about aerodynamics. How does that make any sense? I understand the need to keep education competitive but sacrificing something as simple as how to

spell "definitely" or when to capitalize a word means we are forgetting to develop the most important computer which is our own brain.

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I do hope they teach them to stay away from airplane fly zones.

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Marc LeBlanc

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The great thing is that UAV's are a tool to get students engaged. Drones can cover almost every subject...math, social studies, chemistry, biology etc...so, by using this in the tech class, we can also teach other subjects and therefore enhance the learning experience. Students learn how to do the math to cover area using UAV, they learn the chemistry involved in flight, the physics, the biology when overlooking a nature habitat and the list goes on. Most of all, it gets the children outside and gives them the chance to use teamwork and bond with fellow students and teachers. To follow up, the class in mainly grade 12 students.

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xenawarriordog

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Better check with Transport Canada reg's. They are trying to kill the hobby. This fellow is required to have a Special Flight Operations Certificate. Not fly it within 150 m of a building, structure, person, animal, roadway. Or within 9 km of a airport, 8 km of a forest fire. Judging by the photo's posted he is in clear violation of the law..... better look out!. The legislation can not keep up with the technology. They just released the Phantom 3 within the last couple of weeks which flies indoors!! I would like to see how they regulate that?

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Marc LeBlanc

5 days ago

Great point xena! I am truly a supporter of the Transport Canada regulations and that is part of the "dronography" course. Of course, the fine print is there, 7 of 8 UAV's these student fly fall under the 2kg exemption and I have a blanket SFOC granted by Transport Canada...so everything was done according to regs. We know they are watching, as they should! :)

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Drone user's plea that Torontonians have no right to privacy in public fails to stop them from studying regulations.

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Toronto is looking at regulating the use of unmanned aerial vehicles or drones within the city. The city's executive committee is asking staff to study the issue and report back.

By: David Rider City Hall Bureau Chief, Published on Wed Apr 22 2015

City councillors want to explore the idea of forcing aerial drone operators to get permits and comply with restrictions on flying them over outdoor city spaces including playgrounds.



Open policard for Mayor John Tory

Mayor John Tory (open John Tory's policard)'s executive committee unanimously approved Councillor James Pasternak (open James Pasternak's policard)'s motion asking city staff to report back on a "strategy governing the use of drones in the City of Toronto's outdoor spaces."

The rules could apply to residents with increasingly popular recreational drones now exempt from many Transport Canada restrictions on larger commercial drones used for film production and other tasks.

City staff are to report back on a strategy to include, but not be limited to:

- Any current policies that can be leveraged to ensure the safety of Toronto's airspace.
- Any safety concerns or potential liability issues the City could face due to the use of drones on City of Toronto property.
- Investigating the need for possible restrictions on the use of drones and photography above outdoor recreation and park facilities;

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Finch West LRT and Sheppard East LRT are mentioned in the Ontario budget. Finch LRT procurement expected this year.
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The Finch West and Sheppard East LRT projects, which will provide reliable and improved transit service on these busy corridors. The Finch West LRT will run along Finch Avenue between Humber College and Keele Street, and the Sheppard East LRT will run along Sheppard Avenue from Don Mills Station to Morningside Avenue. The procurement process for the Finch West LRT project is expected to begin later in 2015.

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My 6yo wants to trade me in for a mom who bakes. So if your kid wants a mom who reads the New Yorker, get in touch.

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- The potential to permit the use of drones in designated spaces.
- Restrictions on the types and/or models of drones that can be operated in the City of Toronto.

In a letter, Pasternak noted incidents which a drone crashed on to the White House Lawn and another near Pearson International Airport forced a pilot to change its landing path.

In an interview, Pasternak said city governments have to get ahead of the rapidly changing technology, especially the camera capabilities.

"We're not necessarily asking for permits or hyper-regulation — we're asking for some kind of framework in which we can monitor the growth and use of it," he said. "There's safety issues, there's personal privacy issues..."

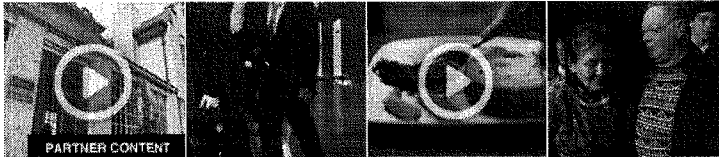
Miroslav Glavić told executive committee that he has used his recreational drone to make videos at the Scarborough Bluffs. The city has no business trying to regulate the devices, he said.

"When you are in public, you have no right to privacy," Glavić said, adding that using a drone with a camera in public is no different than holding up a smartphone and snapping a photo in Yonge-Dundas Square.

Transport Canada already restricts the use of drones near airports, military facilities and other sensitive sites, he added.

Executive committee passed the motion without any discussion.

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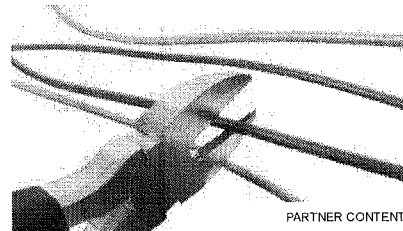
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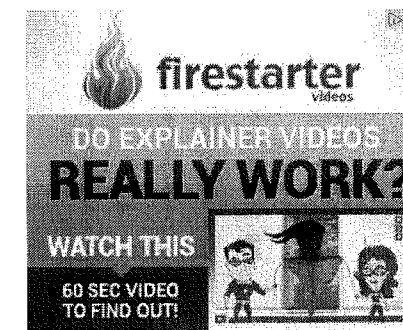
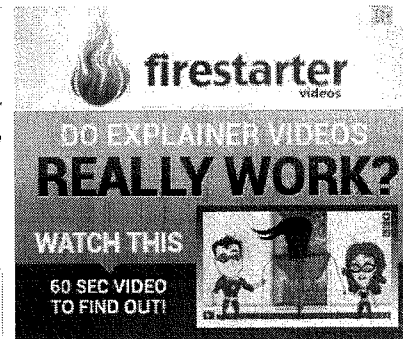


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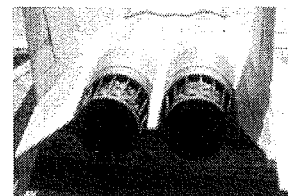


April 23, 2015

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- The NVRCFC membership form can be found on the [Membership](#) page.
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Keep visiting us for future events and club socials!

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updated January 10, 2015

Thank-you Chris Straub for all your hard work over the past number of years!

Welcome Kent Wiebe to your new position as President of the flying club!

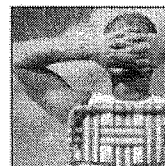
Welcome Valdy Chrobok to your new position as Membership Secretary of the flying club!

Current members - Please make sure you renew your memberships for 2015.

Please respect our neighbours and keep your flights within our flying boundary. Do not fly across the creek at any time. And please do a sound check.

Speaking of rules, we have very few at our club but we do have a page on the web site where these are written down.

Vision



Keeping the location and contributing to the recreational activities available to the North Shore community.

Mission



To operate a safe and fun rc flying club.

Please new and old members alike, go to our [rules page](#) and review these rules. A few of these rules that I see all of us contravening from time to time are:

- stand at the flight line while flying (many people stand behind the flight line or way off to the side)
- fly in front of the flight line
- only 4 aircraft are allowed to be flying at any time, two of which may be nitro or gas (when a nitro or gas plane is being started in the pits it is considered to be a flying aircraft, according to DNV noise rules)
- carry your plane from the pits to the flight line

Our club has grown substantially in the last 2 years and these safety rules are becoming more important as there are more people showing up to the field than ever before. Please use common sense and try to be safe.

26 April 2015

Schedule 3 to the Minutes of the
Regular meeting of the Council of
the City of Richmond held on
Monday, April 27, 2015.

Re: 27 April 2015 Council Meeting, Agenda Item CNCL-399
Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation **Bylaw No. 8771**

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing you on behalf of the Richmond RC Airplane Flying Club who together with their family and friends, are watching these proceedings with keen interest. There is no level of government that has a greater impact to the quality of life for Richmond residents than our municipal representatives. That authority comes with a responsibility to understand the issues to which you hope to regulate. Currently, you are on the precipice of banning a hobby that has been enjoyed for over 100 years. An activity that brings Richmond residents of all cultures and age groups together to enjoy a hobby in which we've invested hundreds of hours, and thousands of dollars.

We understand that drones have captured the headlines, and reflect a safety concern for the community. However council need to appreciate that this proposed bylaw will do nothing to curtail inappropriate drone use, but will bring to an end a hobby which we've safely enjoyed for years.

We ask that you set aside this bylaw until which time our proposal, issued on the 19th April 2015 is approved.

I trust you will take a moment of pause to consider your choice and the impact it will have to a large segment of the electorate.

Sincerely,

Jack Wolman
Richmond, BC

cc: Richmond RC Airplane Flying Club