



Regular Council

Monday, May 8, 2017

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

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

Corporate Officer – David Weber

Absent: Councillor Chak Au

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

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

- R17/9-1 1. It was moved and seconded
That:
 - (1) *the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on April 24, 2017;*
and
 - (2) *the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on May 1, 2017;*
be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED



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PRESENTATION

With the aid of a video presentation, Jane Fernyhough, Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, presented the Richmond Heritage Update 2016.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- R17/9-2 2. It was moved and seconded
That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:06 p.m.).

CARRIED

3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items – None.

- R17/9-3 4. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (7:07 p.m.).

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

- R17/9-4 5. It was moved and seconded
That Items No. 6 through No. 17 be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED

6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting held on April 25, 2017;*
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meeting held on May 1, 2017;*
- (3) the Finance Committee meeting held on May 1, 2017; and*



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- (4) *the Planning Committee meeting held on May 2, 2017;
be received for information.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**7. RICHMOND PUBLIC ART PROGRAM 2016 ANNUAL REPORT AND
PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2017 WORK PLAN**

(File Ref. No. 01-0100-30-RPAR1-01) (REDMS No. 5353586)

- (1) *That incorporating themes related to Richmond's history into
proposed art projects be included in the Public Art Advisory
Committee's 2017 Work Plan; and*
- (2) *That the Richmond Public Art Advisory Committee 2017 Work Plan,
as amended, be approved.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. REVIEW OF LOCAL SPORT GROUP RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

(File Ref. No. 11-7000-00) (REDMS No. 5337166 v. 11, 5337267)

*That Council Policy 8701 be amended to include a requirement that
Richmond Sport organizations have a membership of at least 70 per cent
prior to receiving assistance from the City as described in the staff report
titled "Review of Local Sport Group Residency Requirement," dated April 6,
2017, from the Senior Manager, Recreation and Sport Services.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. GARDEN CITY LANDS APRIL 2017 UPDATE

(File Ref. No. 06-2345-20-GCIT1) (REDMS No. 5348746 v. 10, 5363100)

- (1) *That the staff report titled "Garden City Lands April 2017 Update,"
dated April 5, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Parks be received for
information; and*
- (2) *That a copy of the staff report titled "Garden City Lands April 2017
Update," dated April 5, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Parks, be
forwarded to Kwantlen Polytechnic University, stakeholder groups
and be posted on the City's website.*

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10. MINORU PARK VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

(File Ref. No. 06-2345-20-MINO1) (REDMS No. 5340141 v. 6)

- (1) *That the Minoru Park Vision and Guiding Principles as detailed in the staff report titled "Minoru Park Vision and Guiding Principles," dated April 4, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Parks, be adopted; and*
- (2) *That the Vision and Guiding Principles as described in the staff report titled "Minoru Park Vision and Guiding Principles," dated April 4, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Parks, be used to guide the development of the Minoru Park Vision Plan and that staff bring the Minoru Park Vision Plan to Council for approval at the end of 2017.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. VIABILITY OF REPURPOSING MINORU AQUATIC CENTRE

(File Ref. No. 06-2052-55-02-01) (REDMS No. 5361029 v. 5)

- (1) *That upon completion and opening of the new Minoru Centre for Active Living, the existing Minoru Aquatic Centre located at 7560 Minoru Gate in Minoru Park be decommissioned and demolished, and that the project be submitted for consideration in the 2018 capital budget as described in the staff report titled "Viability of Repurposing Minoru Aquatic Centre," dated April 21, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Capital Buildings Project Development and the Senior Manager, Parks; and*
- (2) *That any future use of the existing Minoru Aquatic Centre and/or the Minoru Place Activity Centre sites located at 7560 Minoru Gate and 7660 Minoru Gate respectively be considered as part of the Minoru Park Vision Plan and be subject to Council approval.*

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12. MINORU COMPLEX ENTRIES AND ARRIVALS PUBLIC ART PROJECT REVIEW

(File Ref. No. 11-7000-09-20-202) (REDMS No. 5345031)

That the issuance of a revised Artist Call for the Minoru Complex Entries and Arrivals Public Art Project, as described in the staff report titled, "Minoru Complex Entries and Arrivals Public Art Project Review," dated March 20, 2017 from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, be endorsed.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

13. REGISTRATION OF A STATUTORY RIGHT OF WAY IN FAVOUR OF BC HYDRO OVER CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT MINORU COMPLEX (6500/6960 GILBERT ROAD, 7191/7251 GRANVILLE AVENUE, 7551 MINORU GATE)

(File Ref. No. 06-2285-30-197) (REDMS No. 5211578 v. 2)

- (1) That staff be authorized to register a statutory right of way for utility purposes in favour of BC Hydro over a 96.0 m² portion of City-owned property at Minoru Complex (6500/6960 Gilbert Road, 7191/7251 Granville Avenue, 7551 Minoru Gate); and*
- (2) That staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the matter including authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services to negotiate and execute all documentation to effect the transaction detailed in the staff report titled "Registration of a Statutory Right of Way in favour of BC Hydro over City-owned Property at Minoru Complex (6500/6960 Gilbert Road, 7191/7251 Granville Avenue, 7551 Minoru Gate)" dated April 12, 2017 including all contracts and Land Title Office documents.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

14. 2016 CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(File Ref. No. 03-1200-02) (REDMS No. 5373449 v. 2, 5374682, 5378144)

That the City's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2016 be approved.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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15. **APPLICATION BY 1082843 BC LTD. FOR REZONING PORTIONS OF 22720 AND 22740 WESTMINSTER HIGHWAY FROM “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F)” TO “HIGH DENSITY TOWNHOUSES (RTH1)”**
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009714; RZ 16-754713) (REDMS No. 5364596 v. 2, 5365873, 5366037)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9714 to:

- (1) include the Hamilton Area Plan density bonus and community amenity provisions within the “High Density Townhouses (RTH1)” zone; and*
- (2) rezone the western portion of 22720 and 22740 Westminster Highway from “Single Detached (RS1/F)” to “High Density Townhouses (RTH1)”;*

be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

16. **PROPOSED ZONING BYLAW HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENTS**
(File Ref. No. 08-4430-01, 12-8060-20-009699) (REDMS No. 5278492 v. 8, 5379391, 5288427, 5319654)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9699 to make housekeeping amendments be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

17. **SALVAGE OF BUILDING MATERIALS AND STRUCTURAL RELOCATION OF HOUSES**

(File Ref. No. 12-8350-07, Xr: 10-6405-00) (REDMS No. 5379641)

That Council endorses the following measures to encourage the relocation of existing houses and salvage of building materials from demolition sites:

- (1) Develop an online list for houses scheduled for demolition to allow house moving companies to contact home owners arranging for potential house moves;*
- (2) Promote the options to relocate existing houses and to salvage building materials by informing the public of the benefits;*



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- (3) *That the cost of a temporary full time staff to implement the proposed program estimated to be up to \$110,000.00 funded by the 2017 Building Permits Revenue be included as amendment to the 5 Year Financial Plan (2017-2021); and*
- (4) *That staff report back on the above measures in 12 months' time.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE

Councillor Harold Steves, Chair

18. **LANSDOWNE ROAD STREET AS CANVAS TEMPORARY PUBLIC
ART INSTALLATION DETAILED DESIGN**

(File Ref. No. 11-7000-09-20-192) (REDMS No. 5358713)

R17/9-5

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled, "Lansdowne Road Street as Canvas Temporary Public Art Installation Detailed Design," dated March 31, 2017, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, be endorsed.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. Day

PUBLIC DELEGATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEM

R17/9-6

19. It was moved and seconded

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on non-agenda items (7:49 p.m.).

CARRIED



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Holding the Fossil Fuel Industry Responsible for a Portion of Climate Adaptation Costs

With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office), Anjali Appadurai, Communications & Engagement Specialist, West Coast Environmental Law, spoke on the need to hold the fossil fuel industry responsible for a portion of climate adaptation costs and highlighted the following information:

- every community in BC is dealing with climate change and in Richmond, sea-level rise is of particular concern;
- a small number of fossil fuel companies have played a major role in causing the climate crisis, and have profited significantly in the process; and
- the act of sending a letter to the fossil fuel companies outlining local climate impacts and requesting their financial input in addressing these impacts is powerful.

Ms. Appadurai read from her submission (attached to and forming part of these Minutes as Schedule 1).

In reply to queries from Council, Ms. Appadurai stated that the support of local governments is being sought as they directly incur the costs of climate change; however, she noted that discussions with senior levels of government are welcome.

Also, Robert Gonzalez, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works, queried the figures presented with regard to sea-level rise and the City's infrastructure, noting that they are not consistent with the City's projections.

Discussion took place on the potential for this matter to be brought to the attention to the Union of BC Municipalities, and the Mayor requested that staff provide Ms. Appadurai with such contact information.

R17/9-7

It was moved and seconded

That the presentation on holding the fossil fuel industry responsible for a portion of climate adaptation costs be referred to staff for information.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. Loo



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- R17/9-8 20. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (8:07 p.m.).

CARRIED

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Brodie announced that Dr. Meena Dawar has been appointed to the Intercultural Advisory Committee for the remainder of a two-year term that will expire on December 31, 2018.

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

- R17/9-9 It was moved and seconded
That the following bylaws be adopted:
- Development Cost Charges Imposition Bylaw No. 9499*
 - Annual Property Tax Rates (2017) Bylaw No. 9695*
 - Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9584
(12040 No. 5 Road, RZ 14-672762)*
 - Richmond Official Community Plan Bylaw Nos. 9000 and 7100,
Amendment Bylaw No. 9593
(3031, 3211, 3231, 3291, 3311, 3331, 3351 No. 3 Road, 8151 Capstan Way,
and 8051 and 8100 River Road, RZ 12-603040)*
 - Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9594
(3031, 3211, 3231, 3291, 3311, 3331, 3351 No 3 Road, 8151 Capstan Way
and 8051 and 8100 River Road, RZ 12-603040)*
 - Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Text Amendment Bylaw No. 9647*
 - Richmond Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 9000, Amendment Bylaw
No. 9691*
 - Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Text Amendment Bylaw No. 9692*

CARRIED



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DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

- R17/9-10 21. It was moved and seconded
- (1) *That the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meetings held on October 12, 2016 and March 29, 2017, be received for information; and*
 - (2) *That the recommendations of the Panel to authorize the issuance of:*
 - (a) *a Development Permit (DP 15-708644) for the property at 7260 Lynnwood Drive and 5320, 5340 & 5360 Granville Avenue; and*
 - (b) *a Development Permit (DP 16-745853) for the property at 3031, 3211, 3231, 3291, 3311, 3331 and 3351 No. 3 Road and 8151 Capstan Way;*
- be endorsed, and the Permits so issued.*

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

- R17/9-11 It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (8:15 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, May 8, 2017.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (David Weber)

CLOH Council Presentation

- We often think of climate change as affecting other people or populations far away, but as you know, every community in BC is dealing with climate impacts that are imminent and ongoing.
- MetroVan \$9.5 bn, \$100mil per year for rising sea levels alone.
- Much of Richmond is low-elevation and climate scientists have warned us that large portions of our City are vulnerable to rising sea-levels, extreme storm events and other climate-related impacts. The Province of British Columbia has estimated that the costs of preparing Richmond for a sea-level rise of one metre by 2100 is Cdn\$3.9 Billion,¹ or an average of about Cdn\$47 million per year. Some climate scientists warn that the actual sea-level rise could be far greater.
- We need to recognize that a relatively small number of fossil fuel companies have played a major role in causing the climate crisis, have made hundreds of billions of dollars in the process – they are some of the wealthiest companies in the world – and that they do not plan to pay a dime for costs of preparing our communities for climate change.

The path to a climate-safe economy is not compatible with an industry that has no incentive to pay for the costs it incurs. Renewables, for example, can't compete if the industry doesn't have to pay to clean up after itself.

Just 20 fossil fuel companies are responsible – through their operations and their products – for almost 30% of the human-caused greenhouse gases in the global atmosphere today and they've known since the 1960s that their products would cause global climate change.

- On 25 January 2017 West Coast Environmental Law and more than 50 other BC-based groups wrote to each of you asking you to take action to hold fossil fuel companies accountable for their fair share of your local climate impacts. The groups behind this letter are prepared to talk about the climate impacts your community is already suffering and will suffer and then start a conversation about the role of the fossil fuel industry.
- In the short term, taking action involves sending public letters to those 20 fossil fuel companies outlining local climate impacts and asking the companies to confirm whether they will pay their fair share as costs are incurred. Sample letters and addresses for the companies are available on-line at www.climatelawinourhands.org.
- The act of publicly demanding accountability starts a crucial conversation about whether our taxpayers alone should have to pay for climate impacts, or if fossil fuel companies bear some of the costs. It's a conversation that these companies desperately want to avoid – because they know that their products are harming your communities.

In the longer term, we hope that you will consider working with other local governments to bring a class action lawsuit to confirm the legal obligation of these fossil fuel companies to pay their fair share of your climate costs. These costs are only going to rise – and it is critical that we get legal clarification on our right to compensation as soon as possible. However, sending a letter is a cheap and easy first step – and in no way commits you to participate in a lawsuit.

As you will see in the handouts, West Coast has prepared a template for the "Climate Accountability" letter I mentioned earlier. We are proposing that city councils will send this letter to a subset of fossil fuel companies, requesting a fair share of the costs associated with climate adaptation in their community. We're not asking that you take this to a motion today, but rather requesting your consideration of this tactic for the near future.

- Demanding that the fossil fuel companies pay their fair share for climate impacts, rather than simply paying for them with taxpayer dollars, is fiscally responsible. But it's also absolutely critical in terms of fighting climate change. It's about making sure that the true costs of the fossil fuel economy are on the table. We hope you will take this next step to send a climate accountability letter.