



Regular Council Meeting

Monday, May 27, 2013

Time:

7:00 p.m.

Place:

Council Chambers

Richmond City Hall

Present:

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie

Councillor Chak Au Councillor Linda Barnes Councillor Derek Dang

Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt

Councillor Ken Johnston Councillor Bill McNulty Councillor Linda McPhail Councillor Harold Steves

Corporate Officer – David Weber

Call to Order:

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

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

R13/10-1

It was moved and seconded

That:

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- (1) the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on Monday, May 13, 2013;
- (2) the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013; and



(3) the minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Public Hearings held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013,

each be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

AGENDA ADDITIONS

R13/10-2

It was moved and seconded

That 'Richmond Response: Proposed Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy Type 3 Amendment — Minor B for Port Moody' be added to the Consent Agenda as Item No. 13A and that 'Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 8960 (RZ 12-620766) 9020 Bridgeport Road' be added to the Agenda under Bylaws for Adoption.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

R13/10-3 2. It was moved and seconded

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:03 p.m.).

CARRIED

3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items.

<u>Item No. 13A – Richmond Response: Proposed Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy Type 3 Amendment – Minor B for Port Moody</u>

Michael Wolfe, 9731 Odlin Road, queried the recommendation forwarded from the Special Open General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday, May 27, 2013 as it relates to the need for Metro Vancouver to hold a Public Hearing.

Mayor Brodie provided clarification of Metro Vancouver's process and the City's position on the Proposed Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy Type 3 Amendment – Minor B for Port Moody.



Item No. 13 - Servicing Agreement with Ecowaste Industries Ltd.

Mr. Wolfe spoke in opposition to the proposed Servicing Agreement with Ecowaste Industries Ltd. He was of the opinion that the proposed filling and preload works on Blundell Road would negatively impact Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) land and agricultural activities, citing concerns related to hydrology and drainage. He commented that the proposed Agreement should not proceed until the City has conducted an independent agricultural soil quality study to determine the impacts the proposed Agreement would have on adjacent lands.

<u>Item No. 14 – Non-Farm Use Fill Application by Sunshine Cranberry Farm Ltd No. BC 735293 for Property Located at 12871 Steveston Highway</u>

With the aid of a map, Mr. Wolfe spoke against the Non-Farm Use Fill Application by Sunshine Cranberry Farm Ltd., stating that the subject site is in an Environmentally Sensitive Area, with an Old Fields and Shrublands designation. Mr. Wolfe was pleased that the applicant has agreed to postpone any vegetation clearing until the end of bird nesting season, and wished to see the subject site improved for other agricultural uses.

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Bill Zylmans, 17771 Westminster Highway, provided background information and commented on agricultural challenges related to water control on the subject site. Mr. Zylmans stated that as a long-standing farmer in Richmond, he has never seen the subject site farmed, and as such, supports the proposed application as the land would become more productive as a result.

R13/10-4 4. It was moved and seconded *That Committee rise and report (7:20 p.m.).*

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

R13/10-5 5. It was moved and seconded

That Items 6 through 13A be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED



6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Community Safety Committee meeting held on Tuesday, May 14, 2013;
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meeting held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013;
- (3) the Planning Committee meeting held on Wednesday, May 22, 2013; and
- (4) the Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting held on Thursday, May 23, 2013;

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. TENDER AWARD T.4747 – FIRE PUMP APPARATUS AND 105' LADDER APPARATUS

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01, Xr: 03-0775-50-4747) (REDMS No. 3835180 v.10, 3843146)

- (1) That tender T.4747, for a Fire Pump Apparatus and a 105' Ladder Apparatus, be awarded to Wholesale Fire & Rescue Ltd., at a total cost of \$1,874,451, plus applicable taxes; and
- (2) That the Chief Administrative Officer and General Manager, Law and Community Safety be authorized to execute the contract with Wholesale Fire & Rescue Ltd. (WFR) for the purchase of two (2) fire apparatus.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. RICHMOND PUBLIC ART PROGRAM 2012 ANNUAL REPORT AND PUBLIC ART ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2013 WORK PLAN

(File Ref. No. 01-0100-20-RPAR1-01) (REDMS No. 3826590 v.2)

That the Richmond Public Art Advisory Committee 2013 Work Plan as presented in the report from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, dated May 1, 2013, be approved.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



9. HAMILTON AREA PLAN UPDATE: 2ND PUBLIC SURVEY FINDINGS AND PROPOSED AREA PLAN CONCEPT

(File Ref. No. 08-4045-20-14/2013) (REDMS No. 3862777, 3481364 v.2)

That the proposed Hamilton Area Plan Update Concept be presented for public comment as outlined in the Staff Report dated May 14, 2013, from the General Manager of Planning and Development.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

10. PROPOSED EXPANSION OF CONVERTIBLE TOWNHOUSE FEATURES THROUGH INCLUSION OF SELECTED SAFERHOME STANDARDS

(File Ref. No. 08-4057-07, Xr: 01-0060-20-SAHS1) (REDMS No. 3810778)

That the Convertible Unit Guidelines, which apply to townhouse development, be expanded to include the specific SAFERhome features identified in this report.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. APPLICATION BY AJIT THALIWAL FOR REZONING AT 8960 HEATHER STREET FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/B) TO SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/A)

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-9011; RZ 13-628035) (REDMS No. 3824001, 3851440)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9011, for the rezoning of 8960 Heather Street from "Single Detached (RS1/B)" to "Single Detached (RS2/A)", be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. LICENSE AGREEMENTS FOR CITY PUMP STATIONS

(File Ref. No. 10-6340-20-P.11314, Xr: 01-0140-20-PMVA1) (REDMS No. 3840128 v.2)

That the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Engineering and Public Works be authorized to negotiate and execute license agreements with Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (Port Metro Vancouver), or other applicable agencies having jurisdiction over Crown land beyond City dikes, for the construction and operation of No.1 Road North Drainage Pump Station and future City pump stations.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



13. SERVICING AGREEMENT WITH ECOWASTE INDUSTRIES LTD. (File Ref. No. 03-1000-14-034) (REDMS No. 3844421 v.8)

That the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Engineering & Public Works be authorized to finalize and execute, on behalf of the City, a Servicing Agreement between the City and Ecowaste Industries Ltd., for fill and preload within Blundell Road from Savage Road to No 7. Road, containing the material terms and conditions set out in the staff report dated April 30, 2013 titled Servicing Agreement with Ecowaste Industries Ltd. from the Director, Engineering.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

13A. RICHMOND RESPONSE: PROPOSED METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY TYPE 3 AMENDMENT – MINOR B FOR PORT MOODY

(File Ref. No. 01-0157-30-RGST1) (REDMS No. 3870821)

That as per the report from the General Manager, Planning and Development, dated May 24, 2013, titled Richmond Response: Proposed Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy Type 3 Amendment – Minor B for Port Moody, Council:

- (1) advise Metro Vancouver that the City of Richmond is opposed to the proposed RGS Amendment Special Study Area designation for all the affected sites, as it would lower the RGS amendment requirement from Type 2 (i.e., a 2/3 MV Board vote and a Public Hearing, to a Type 3 (i.e., a MV Board 50% + 1 weighted vote) for the RGS Rural, and Conservation and Recreation areas;
- (2) advise Metro Vancouver that the City of Richmond supports an RGS Amendment Special Study Area designation to the RGS Industrial and General Urban designations, as the RGS amendment requirements do not change, but confirms that the City of Richmond has significant concerns regarding the regional effects of potential changes;
- (3) direct staff to advise on the effect on Richmond and the region should the land use in this area in Port Moody be changed; and



send a copy of the letter to the City of Port Moody and all Metro (4) Vancouver member municipalities.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair

NON-FARM USE FILL APPLICATION BY SUNSHINE CRANBERRY FARM LTD NO. BC 735293 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12871 STEVESTON HIGHWAY

(File Ref. No. 12-8080-12-01) (REDMS No. 3846691 v.5, 3802363, 2302409)

R13/10-6

It was moved and seconded

- That Council endorse the non-farm use application submitted by (1) Sunshine Cranberry Farm Ltd to fill the property located at 12871 Steveston Highway to an agricultural standard suitable for the purpose of blueberry farming;
- That the endorsed application be forwarded to the Agricultural Land (2) Commission (ALC) for consideration with the recommendation that the ALC incorporate as a condition of permit:
 - The requirement for a performance bond, in a form and amount deemed acceptable to the ALC as a mitigation measure until the satisfactory completion of the proposed project;
 - The requirement for quarterly inspections and monitoring and reporting by a professional agrologist as well as the submission of quarterly reports to the ALC with a copy to the City; and
 - That the multi-purpose soils placed on the property must be capable of supporting a wide range of agricultural crops.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllrs. Au

Steves



PUBLIC DELEGATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

R13/10-7 15. It was moved and seconded

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on non-agenda items (8:06 p.m.).

CARRIED

Erika Simm, Richmond resident, spoke on the possibility of creating a Richmond 'China Town' and the potential to construct a gate to the area. Ms. Simm read from her submission, attached to and forming part of these Minutes as Schedule 1.

R13/10-8 16. It was moved and seconded *That Committee rise and report (8:21 p.m.).*

CARRIED

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Child Care Development Advisory Committee

Kathy Moncalieri has been appointed to the Child Care Development Advisory Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2014.

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

R13/10-9

It was moved and seconded

That the following bylaws be adopted:

Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9013

Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 8918 (9091, 9111 and 9131 Beckwith Road, RZ 11-591939)

Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 8930 (10180 Williams Road, RZ 12-610058)





Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 8960 (9020 Bridgeport Road, RZ 12-620766)

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

R13/10-10 17. It was moved and seconded

- (1) That the minutes of the Development Permit Panel meeting held on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 and the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meeting held on Wednesday, May 15, 2013, be received for information; and
- (2) That the recommendations of the Panel to authorize the issuance of a Development Permit (DP 13-630025) for the property at 9091, 9111 and 9131 Beckwith Road be endorsed, and the Permit so issued.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

R13/10-11

It was moved and seconded *That the meeting adjourn (8:27 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 27, 2013.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)	Corporate Officer (David Weber)
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Dear Mayor and Council,

from Erika Simm, Richmond Monday, May 27, 2013.

first I would like to say that May is Canadian Asian Heritage month. So it is befitting that I speak to you about the creation of an official "China Town" in Richmond.

I had written a letter to you regarding a solution to the "Chinese only" signs issue, and I think this is a good solution. My letter quotes: In many major cities there are China Towns, like the one in San Francisco, which I visited years ago, and which is a fantastic tourist destination! Vancouver also has a very distinct and central China Town, enhanced by old buildings and open market places. It is a destination, has been upgraded and is very interesting. It and San Francisco's China Town are distinct and different places. And they are both excellent tourist destinations.

Richmond has a China Town in the making. However, it has no character whatsoever like the other two. It is generic, bland and modern. Modern is good, but not generic and bland. So it stands to reason that this area should be called what it is: Richmond's China Town. I would like to see Gates like in San Francisco, I would like to see Dragons and Lions, I would like to see colour, pocket parks with trees and plants like those in China, within walk- able distances. I would like to see a distinct cultural character, cultural festivals, dragon dances, and so on, on a yearly basis for the world to see. A tourist destination, only 5 minutes by Sky train from the Airport to Aberdeen!

If you call it what it is, and if you embellish it, then who cares if there are Chinese only signs. Then it is what it is: Richmond's China Town.

Did you know that there are already 8 prominent Chinatowns in Canada, depicted on a series of Canada Post stamps this month? They are: Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Edmonton, Ottawa, Mississauga and Victoria. All are defined by a beautiful gate at the entrance. With Richmond's population of Chinese decent at about 68 percent don't you it is time that we become number 9 and also have a prominent China Town.?

Since I wrote my letter to you I have asked the opinion of probably 70 people of all backgrounds what they think about a "China Town" in Richmond. I asked several politicians, prominent persons in our community, a hotel CEO, lawyers, students, business owners, friends, neighbours and perfect strangers..

I received so much encouragement to pursue with this from everyone! Amazingly there was not one person who said no! There where wishes of good luck, and the response from a well known Chinese community leader was: its about time! Some good ideas came forward from some of the people I asked, for instance: to include artists to participate in cultural art and architecture contests.

Where exactly would the boundaries of Richmond's China Town be?

The area that should be given the designation "China Town" should at this time border basically: No. 3 Rd., Cambie St., Hazelbridge Way to Alderbridge Way, and must

include Alexandra Road . (there could be expansions in the future.) An affordable starting point to develop a theme to a cohesive China Town could be red street banners with golden dragons, to visually tie the different strip malls and streets together. Another could be to create wall murals of dragons, of lions and temple dogs.

The main feature however will be the Gate to China Town. It has to be visible from the sky train to attract visitors. Another focal point could be a centrally located several story high pagoda, in the middle of China Town. The juxtaposition between the modern architecture of the Aberdeen Mall and the Radisson Hotel, and the features of the ancient design of a Chinese gate creates an interesting tension, and accents both. A cultural component of Richmond's China Town would include yearly festivals and dragon dances, Chinese New Years street parties, and so on. Everybody would be invited.. This is an opportunity for our Chinese community to reach out and invite us to participate. Its good for business, and its good for building relationships. This is also creating tourism at its best!

About costing: one idea is to find out how recent the last Chinatown gate in Canada was built, how much it cost, and where the funds came from. I think that some funding could come from a small percentage of DDC's from the future developments to the north of Richmond's China Town. Federal funds under arts and heritage could likely be made available through our MP in Ottawa, and the City of Richmond may be able to find funds from different departments. I think Aberdeen Centre and the Radisson Hotel would likely contribute, as both would profit by the increased tourism. I also think that Tourism Richmond and the Chinese business community would contribute as it is in their interest.

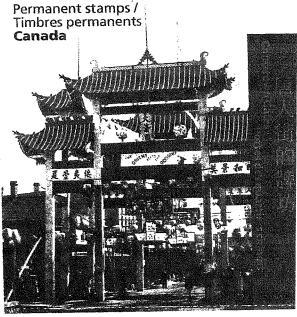
In summary: every group of immigrants have brought their traditions and influences with them, and they had tendencies to congregate in certain areas. When Germans came here in the 1950's and 60's they congregated around 33rd and Victoria Drive in Vancouver, around their German restaurant, dance hall and the German Catholic Church. They had their own commercial area downtown on Robson Strasse, with German shops and restaurants. Their culture was celebrated with a yearly Octoberfest which was held at the PNE. It was big, it had German music, traditional dances and costumes like lederhosen. Musicians and bands where imported from Germany.

Immigrants from India also congregated in certain areas of Vancouver and the lower mainland, often around their temples and in agricultural areas. They have their own shopping areas (Little India on Main Street) which now is moving to Surrey. They also successfully show off their traditions in colourful yearly festivals and parades like Divali and Vaisakhi, where everyone is invited to participate.

Now it's the turn of the immigrants from China. A majority have congregated in Richmond People from China or that are of Chinese descent are more than 2/3rd of Richmond's population, and they also have colourful and historic traditions. They already have created their own commercial part of downtown Richmond, in essence a "China Town" in the making. A major part to the successful development of a China Town here is the proximity to Sky Train and the Airport. I ask you to please make Richmond's China Town official! The timing is absolutely right!

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LOWE-MARTIN

Besign : Hélène L'Heureux Renyl Lantano, Gabe Wong, Janice Wu,
Design : Hélène L'Heureux
Normand Cousineau, Albert Ng, Mark Heine
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Huit artistes ont illustré les portails qui surplombent les plus importants quartiers chinois du pays. En couverture figure la porte du quartier chinois de Victoria, érigée temporairement en 1882 pour accueillir le marquis de Lorne, 4º gouverneur général du Canada, et son épouse, la princesse Louise.

Illustrated by regional artists, these eight gates stand watch over Canada's most prominent Chinatowns. On the cover, a temporary gate built in 1882, for visiting royalty and the . Marquess of Lorne, 4th Governor General of Canada, adorns Victoria's Chinatown, one of Canada's oldest.

Canada's most-prominent China Towns:

Toronto montreal Winnipeg Vancouver Edmonton Offawa Missisauga Victoria

