



Regular Council Meeting

Monday, January 10, 2011

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Councillor Linda Barnes
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Harold Steves

Director, City Clerk's Office -- David Weber

Absent: Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt

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

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MINUTES

R11/1-1 1. It was moved and seconded
That:

- (1) *the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, December 13, 2010;*
- (2) *the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Monday, December 20, 2010;*
- (3) *the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for Public Hearings held on Monday, December 20, 2010,*



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each be adopted as circulated; and

That the Metro Vancouver 'Board in Brief' dated Friday, December 10, 2010 be received for information.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

Bill Curtis Technical Achievement Award

- (1) Victor Wei, Director, Transportation, introduced Kanny Chow, Past President, Vancouver Section, Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers. Mr. Chow presented Mayor Brodie with the Bill Curtis Technical Achievement Award received by the City of Richmond in recognition of the City's significant contribution to the preparation and delivery of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games Transportation Plan.

Recognition of Richmond's Commonwealth Games Athletes

- (2) Mayor Brodie spoke about the contribution made by Richmond's athletes at the 2010 Commonwealth Games in India, and recognized each of the following Richmond athletes who received a certificate of recognition from the City:
 - *Evan Dunfee, Canadian Men's Race Walking* -Evan participated in the 20 KM Race Walk at the Commonwealth Games, his first major international meet at the senior level, finishing sixth overall in the event.
 - *Amanda Stone, Canadian Senior Women's Field Hockey Team* - Amanda backstopped the Canadian Women's Field Hockey team to an impressive sixth-place finish in the Commonwealth Games.
 - *Jason Scott, Men's Artistic Gymnastics Team* - Jason was a member of Canada's Men's artistic gymnastics team that captured the bronze medal at the 2010 Commonwealth Games in Delhi, India. In the individual events he was 6th in High Bars, and 7th on the Rings and Parallel Bars.
 - *Demetra Mantcheva, Rhythmic Gymnastics* - Demetra won silver medals in the rhythmic gymnastics team final at the Commonwealth Games, and is ranked No. 1 in Canada.



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- *Nathan Hirayama, Rugby* - Nathan helped lift Canada's men's rugby seven team to the final at the Commonwealth Games.
- *Andre Ho, Table Tennis* - Andre reached round one in men's table tennis play at the Commonwealth Games.
- *Mo Zhang, Table Tennis* - Mo is Canada's top-ranked female table tennis player. Mo advanced to the third round in women's singles table tennis at the Commonwealth Games.
- *Brian Johns, Swimming* - Brian placed sixth in the men's 400-metre individual medley at the Commonwealth Games.
- *Arjan Bhullar, 120 Kg Freestyle Wrestling* - Arjan captured the gold medal at the Commonwealth Games.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

R11/1-2 2. It was moved and seconded
That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:16 p.m.).

CARRIED

R11/1-3 3. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (7:17 p.m.).

CARRIED

A member of the public stated his interest in presenting as a delegation to an item on the agenda.

R11/1-4 4. It was moved and seconded
That Council vary the rules to allow the delegation to speak (7:18 p.m.).

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5. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items:

Item No. 9 – Alexandra District Energy Utility Bylaw No. 8641 Amendment
Bylaw No. 8688

Roeland Hoegler, 6550 No. 4 Road, questioned what the funding sources would be for the proposed expansion of the Alexandra District Energy Utility service area. He then spoke about green house gas reduction, and provided statistical data that would suggest that the Alexendra District Energy Utility would not be advantageous as believed to be.

In response to Mr. Hoegler's comments, clarification was provided that information related to incremental funding and further financing options for the Alexandra District Energy Utility was forthcoming in the Spring of 2011.

Robert Gonzalez, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works advised that the first phase alone of the Alexandra District Energy Utility project was expected to provide a reduction of approximately 200-600 tonnes of green house gas generation annually. He also noted that as the Utility expands, the projection of green house gas reduction is expected to increase to approximately ten times the amount in the first phase.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councillor Derek Dang advised that under Section 100 of the Community Charter he would be declaring himself to be in a potential conflict of interest for Item 9, as he owns property in the area. It was noted that Item 9 would be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

R11/1-5

It was moved and seconded

That Items 6 through 13 with the removal of Item No. 9, be adopted by general consent.

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6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Community Safety Committee meeting held on Tuesday, December 14, 2010;*
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meetings held on Monday, December 20, 2010 and Tuesday, January 4, 2011;*
- (3) the Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting held on Wednesday, December 15, 2010,*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. VIRTUAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE (EOC) PROPOSAL

(File Ref. No.: 09-5125-03-06, XR 03-1090-01) (REDMS No. 3064915)

That Council authorize the submission of a proposal for a Virtual Emergency Operations Centre project.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. HAMILTON COMMUNITY CENTRE EXPANSION (2010) PUBLIC ART PROJECT

(File Ref. No. 09-7000-09-20-111) (REDMS No. 3080014)

That the concept proposal and installation of the Hamilton Community Centre Expansion (2010) Public Art Project "Hamilton History Makers" by artist Mia Weinberg, as presented in the staff report from the Director, Arts, Culture & Heritage Services dated December 6, 2010, be endorsed.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**9. ALEXANDRA DISTRICT ENERGY UTILITY BYLAW NO. 8641
AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 8688**

(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8688, XR10-6600-10-01) (REDMS No. 3078822, 3078831)

See page 7 for action taken on this matter.



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10. **PROJECT EXTENSIONS FOR GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS**
(File Ref. No.: 10-6050-01, 03-1080-01) (REDMS No. 3084432)

That:

- (1) *staff submit an application for project deadline extensions for grant funded Infrastructure Stimulus Fund (ISF Projects 14845 (Lulu Waterworks) and 14846 (Gravity Sewer, Forcemain and Pump Station)); and*
- (2) *the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund Projects 14845 (Lulu Waterworks) and 14846 (Gravity Sewer, Forcemain and Pump Station) be finished before October 31, 2011, and that the City will accept responsibility for any costs incurred on these projects beyond October 31, 2011.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. **SEA DIKE PROVINCIAL GUIDELINES**
(File Ref. No.: 10-6045-09-01, XR 03-1080-01) (REDMS No. 2988571)

That a letter be sent to the Provincial Minister of Environment, copied to local MLAs, requesting dedicated funding to allow the City to proceed with a dike raising program should the Province adopt the draft Sea Dike Guidelines.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. **EAST RICHMOND AGRICULTURAL LANDS - DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION UPGRADES PROGRAM**
(File Ref. No.: 10-6045-08-01, XR 08-4050-10) (REDMS No. 3047792)

That a letter be sent to the Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-foods, and the Provincial Minister of Agriculture requesting dedicated funding to allow the City to continue with the priority East Richmond drainage and irrigation works.

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- 13. **CITY OF RICHMOND COMMENTS ON METRO VANCOUVER'S DRAFT REGIONAL FOOD SYSTEM STRATEGY**
(File Ref. No.: 08-4040-08-01, XR 01-0157-01) (REDMS No. 3077517)

That the comments in Attachment 1 of the staff report entitled "City Of Richmond Comments On Metro Vancouver's Draft Regional Food System Strategy" dated November 29, 2010 from the Interim Director, Sustainability and District Energy, be endorsed and forwarded to Metro Vancouver as input into the Draft Regional Food System Strategy.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

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

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE –

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair

In accordance with Section 100 of the *Community Charter*, Councillor Derek Dang declared himself to be in a potential conflict of interest as he owns property in the area and left the meeting (7:47 p.m.).

- 9. **ALEXANDRA DISTRICT ENERGY UTILITY BYLAW NO. 8641 AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 8688**
(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8688, XR10-6600-10-01) (REDMS No. 3078822, 3078831)

R11/1-6

It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) *the Alexandra District Energy Utility Bylaw No. 8641 Amendment Bylaw No. 8688 be introduced and given first, second and third reading,*
- (2) *subsequent to the adoption of the Amendment Bylaw No. 8688 staff bring forward to Council an amendment to the West Cambie Area Plan that would allow for the density bonus structure outlined in Attachment 3; and*



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- (3) *that by the Spring of 2011, staff report back with information related to a governance model, an explanation of financing options, and the incremental implementation of the District Utility Energy.*

CARRIED

Councillor Dang returned to the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- R11/1-7 14. It was moved and seconded
That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on non-agenda items (8:00 p.m.).

CARRIED

- (1) Stephen Healey, Simon Fraser University, spoke about the benefits of green roofs, and with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office), provided information on: (i) what Canadian jurisdictions are doing to mandate green roofs; (ii) the different types of green roofs; (iii) quantified benefits of green roofs including storm water management, reduced energy demand and air pollution, carbon sequestration, increased roof longevity, as well as HVAC reductions; and (iv) the cost of green roofs versus the benefits.

In conclusion, Mr. Healy recommended that the City of Richmond would benefit from further researching green roof policies. Mr. Healy also offered the City his assistance in conducting research on green roofs.

- (2) Carol Day, Chair, Lenora Radom, Director, Committee Against Lingyen Expansion (CALE) expressed concerns related to the process that took place in connection to the rezoning application related to the Lingyen expansion (the application for rezoning has been withdrawn by the applicant). She advised Council that CALE had submitted information including petitions, letters and exhibits to the City's Planning Department, in opposition to the Lingyen expansion, and was concerned that members of Council had not been made aware of the information.



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Ms. Day spoke about specific concerns related to the application for the Lingyen expansion and then questioned the City's intent to review the No. 5 Road Backlands Policy. She concluded by requesting that all stakeholders receive information and be consulted equally including CALE.

In response to Ms. Day's concerns, Joe Erceg, General Manager, Planning and Development, advised that with regard to the Lingyen expansion, staff followed normal procedure, however, the anomaly was that the applicant withdrew the application. He further advised that in terms of consulting with the public and communicating with Council, all public submissions received in opposition to and in support of a proposal are usually brought forward and presented as part of the comprehensive staff report that comes to Planning Committee and Council. In this case, since the application was withdrawn, the comprehensive report was not presented.

Mr. Erceg also advised that City staff would be conducting a review of the policy regarding the No. 5 Road area, and that a terms of reference would be drafted. He further advised that issues related to land use, massing and height would be addressed as well as provisions for adequate time to allow public consultation and consistency of the consultation process.

Mr. Erceg further noted that various advisory and community groups would be consulted as part of the review process, and that the draft terms of reference was anticipated to be available for consideration by Planning Committee and Council in March or April of 2011. In conclusion, Mr. Erceg advised that the public consultation process that took place regarding the Lingyen expansion was not designed or endorsed by the City of Richmond.

- (3) Roland Hoegler, 6550 No. 4 Road, expressed his concerns that Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) property owners have fewer property rights in comparison to other property owners. In conclusion, he advised that he had been in contact with various media outlets regarding a forthcoming major public announcement that he would be making on or before October 31st, 2011.



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- (4) Norman Wigglesworth, 5540 No. 1 Road, expressed his concerns related to the placement of ashtrays at the Brighthouse Canada Line Station, as well as lights being left on at night in various buildings in Richmond.
- (5) Christie Lagally, Animal Welfare Advocacy Coalition, and Kristen Neratini, HugABull Advocacy and Rescue Society requested Council to give consideration to changing the definition of “dangerous dog” as referenced in Animal Control Bylaw No. 7932.

Ms. Lagally stated that the City of Richmond’s Animal Control Bylaw was “breed specific legislation” (BSL), requiring certain breeds to automatically be deemed dangerous. She stated that owners of such dogs are penalized as they pay a significantly higher licensing fee, and are required to muzzle and leash their dogs at all times, even if the individual dog has not exhibited dangerous behaviour.

Ms. Neratini stated that there have been no legitimate studies to show that BSL improves community safety by reducing the number of dog bite occurrences. She then spoke about an alternative to BSL, which would be to have in place a dangerous dog legislation, similar to the City of Calgary. She also noted that the City of Calgary had the lowest dog bite rate in North America.

- R11/1-1-8 15. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (9:16 p.m.).

CARRIED

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

- R11/1-1-9 It was moved and seconded
That the following bylaws be adopted:
Consolidated Fees Bylaw No. 8636
Consolidated Fees Bylaw – Consequential Repeal and Amendments Bylaw No. 8637



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*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 8373
(4111 Williams Road, RZ 09-506728)*

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In accordance with Section 100 of the *Community Charter*, Councillor Derek Dang declared himself to be in a potential conflict of interest as he owns property in the area and left the meeting (9:17 p.m.).

R11/1-10

It was moved and seconded
*That Housing Agreement (9331, 9351, 9371, 9391 & 9411 Odlin Road)
Bylaw No. 8677 be adopted*

Councillor Derek Dang returned to the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

R11/1-111

It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (9:19 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, January 10, 2011.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (David Weber)