



Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 25th, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall
Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Councillor Linda Barnes (7:39 p.m.)
Councillor Cynthia Chen
Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Rob Howard
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Harold Steves
Acting Corporate Officer, Gail Johnson
Absent: Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt
Call to Order: Mayor Brodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

- R08/6-1 1. It was moved and seconded
That:
- (1) *the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, March 10th, 2008; and*
 - (2) *the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for Public Hearings held on Monday, March 17th, 2008,*
each be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED



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AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

- R08/6-2 It was moved and seconded
That Zoning and Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8327, be added to the Council agenda under Bylaws for Adoption.
CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- R08/6-3 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. 11 - 2008 City Grants Program
Neil Smith, 3780 Pacemore Ave, a member of the Board of Directors, Richmond Addiction Services (RAS), accompanied by Chris Kline, Vice President of RAS, advised that RAS had a surplus of funds from the 2007 City Grants Program, which prompted a review of how the funds were allocated to ensure the areas of need received the most benefit.
Mr. Smith then spoke about the importance of due diligence, and queried the City's methods for evaluating an organization's funding request.
In answer to a question, Mr. Smith clarified that he was not speaking on behalf of the Board of Directors, but rather as an individual.
A discussion then took place amongst Council and staff about the City's criteria for determining funding for grant recipients. Advice was provided that a detailed review of the Grants Policy was forthcoming, and staff would take Mr. Smith's comments under advisement.
- R08/6-4 4. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (7:28 p.m.).
CARRIED

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CONSENT AGENDA

- R08/6-5 5. It was moved and seconded
That Items 6 through 20, with the removal of Item No. 11 – 2008 City Grants Program, be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED

Councillor Linda Barnes entered the meeting during the discussion related to Consent Agenda Items (7:39 p.m.).

6. **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Community Safety Committee meeting held on March 11th, 2008;*
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meeting held on March 17th, 2008;*
- (3) the Planning Committee meeting held on March 18th, 2008; and*
- (4) the Public Works & Transportation Committee meeting held on March 19th, 2008,*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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7. **ELECTRICAL & FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM UPDATE**
(Report: February 28, 2008, File No.: 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 2342503)
- That the success of Richmond's Electrical and Fire Safety Inspection Program be re-assessed in October, 2008 after the one year pilot project is completed.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. **APPOINTMENT OF BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER STEFFAN ZAMZOW**
(Report: February 14, 2008, File No.: 01-0172-03) (REDMS No. 2344071, 2344067)
- That Steffan Zamzow be appointed as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer, in accordance with Section 36 of the Police Act, and that such appointment be for the term of his employment as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer with the City of Richmond.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. **ELECTRONIC GATES IN CANADA LINE STATIONS**
(Report: March 6, 2008, File No.: 10-6525-07-04-01/2008-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2352111)
- (1) *That the provincial Ministry of Transportation and TransLink be requested to expedite the installation of electronic gates in all Canada Line rapid transit stations, to be operational as close as possible to the opening of the Canada Line; and*
- (2) *That a letter with this request be forwarded to the Premier of British Columbia, the Minister of Transportation, and Translink, over the Mayor's signature, with copies to the Richmond MLA's.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

10. **2008 PARCEL TAX ROLL REVIEW PANEL FOR LOCAL AREA SERVICES**
(Report: February 29, 2008, File No.: 03-0925-09-02/2008-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2350404)
- That the meeting of the 2008 Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel be scheduled for Wednesday, April 23, 2008 at 3:55 pm in Room M.2.004 at Richmond City Hall.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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11. **2008 CITY GRANTS PROGRAM**

(Report: March 10, 2008, File No.: 03-1085-01/2008-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2358545)

See Page 9 of these minutes for action on this matter.

12. **SINGLE-FAMILY LOT SIZE POLICY FOR AREA GENERALLY BOUNDED BY BLUNDELL ROAD, NO. 1 ROAD, FRANCIS ROAD, AND WEST DYKE TRAIL IN SECTION 21-4-7 AND 22-4-7**

(Report: March 3, 2008, File No.: 08-4430-00) (REDMS No. 2349307, 2323390, 2330699, 2350450)

(1) *That the results of the public consultation process for the area generally bounded by Blundell Road, No. 1 Road, Francis Road, and West Dyke Trail in Section 21-4-7 and 22-4-7 be received for information.*

(2) *That the following recommendation be forwarded to Public Hearing:*

That the following New Single-Family Lot Size Policy be adopted:

That properties within the area generally bounded by Blundell Road, No. 1 Road, Francis Road, and West Dyke Trail in Section 21-4-7 and 22-4-7 (shown on Attachment 1 to the report dated March 3, 2008, from the Director of Development), be restricted to rezoning and subdivision in accordance with the provisions of "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area E (R1/E)" with the exception of existing duplex lots which maybe subdivided into two (2) lots.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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13. APPLICATION BY HARRY PARGAT SINGH TATLA FOR REZONING AT 9391 ALBERTA ROAD FROM SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING DISTRICT, SUBDIVISION AREA F (R1/F) TO COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (CD/128)
(RZ 05-301844 - Report: February 29, 2008, File No.: 12-8060-8242/8046) (REDMS No. 1685243, 1685246, 2352113)

- (1) *That Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 8242 to amend Schedule 2.10C (McLennan North Sub-Area Plan) and Schedule 2.10D (McLennan South Sub-Area Plan) of the Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 7100, by adding Objectives, Policies, and Development Permit Guidelines to clarify the minimum site assembly size for new multiple-family and townhouse residential development in the McLennan North Sub-Area and the McLennan South Sub-Area, be introduced and given first reading;*
- (2) *That Bylaw No. 8242, having been considered in conjunction with:*
- (a) the City's Financial Plan and Capital Program;*
 - (b) the Greater Vancouver Regional District Solid Waste and Liquid Waste Management Plans;*
- is hereby deemed to be consistent with said program and plans, in accordance with Section 882(3)(a) of the Local Government Act;*
- (3) *That Bylaw No. 8242, having been considered in accordance with the City Policy on Consultation During OCP Development, is hereby deemed not to require further consultation; and*
- (4) *That Bylaw No. 8046, to rezone 9391 Alberta Road from "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area F (R1/F)" to "Comprehensive Development District (CD/128)", be introduced and given first reading.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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14. APPLICATION BY ORION ESTATES LTD. FOR REZONING AT 7140 RAILWAY AVENUE FROM SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING DISTRICT, SUBDIVISION AREA E (R1/E) TO COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (CD/54)
(RZ 07-361266 - Report: February 25, 2008, File No.: 12-8060-20-8343) (REDMS No. 2345439, 2347063)

That Bylaw No. 8343, to:

- (a) *Amend “Comprehensive Development District (CD/54)” to reduce the minimum lot size restriction from 5,759.8 m² to 1,830 m² for townhouses; and*
- (b) *To rezone 7140 Railway Avenue from “Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area E (R1/E)” to “Comprehensive Development District (CD/54)”;*

be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

15. APPLICATION BY TIMOTHY C.W. TSE FOR REZONING AT 5640 BLUNDELL ROAD FROM SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING DISTRICT, SUBDIVISION AREA E (R1/E) TO TOWNHOUSE DISTRICT (R2 - 0.7)
(RZ 06-348772 - Report: March 4, 2008, File No.: 12-8060-20-8345) (REDMS No. 2317798, 2349076)

That Bylaw No. 8345, for the rezoning of 5640 Blundell Road from “Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area E (R1/E)” to “Townhouse District (R2 - 0.7)”, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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16. **PROPOSED 2008 CHILD CARE EXPENDITURES**
(Report: March 5, 2008, File No.: 03-1075-12) (REDMS No. 2341847, 1748031)

That, as per the report (from the General Manager, Planning and Development, dated March 5th, 2008) the following 2008 child care expenditures be approved:

- *\$14,000 for Child Care Grants, and*
- *\$40,000 for a part-time contracted Child Care Coordinator*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

17. **COMMENTS FROM THE RICHMOND ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT (ACE) AND THE RICHMOND AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AAC) REGARDING METRO VANCOUVER'S DISCUSSION PAPER FOR A NEW REGIONAL GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (GMS)**
(Report: March 7, 2008, File No.: 01-0157-20-RGST1) (REDMS No. 2352694)

That the report Richmond entitled: "Comments from the Richmond Advisory Committee on the Environment (ACE) and the Richmond Agricultural Committee (AAC) regarding Metro Vancouver's Discussion Paper for a New Regional Growth Management Strategy" be forwarded to Metro Vancouver staff for consideration in the preparation of a regional Growth Management Strategy.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

18. **AWARD OF CONTRACT 3099P - SANITARY SEWER ASSESSMENT FOR THE STEVESTON STUDY AREA**
(Report: February 20, 2008, File No.: 03-1000-20-3099P-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2346441)

That Contract 3099P – Sanitary Sewer Assessment for the Steveston Study Area be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder Earth Tech (Canada) Inc. for the full project scope amount of \$648,263, exclusive of GST.

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- 19. **MUNICIPAL ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH TELUS COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY**
(Report: March 4, 2008, File No.: 03-1000-21-003) (REDMS No. 2296879, 2352637, & 2351822)

That the General Manager, Engineering & Public Works be authorized to enter into and execute the attached Municipal Access Agreement between the City of Richmond and TELUS Communications Company.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 20. **ICBC/CITY OF RICHMOND ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR 2008**

(Report: February 28, 2008, File No.: 0150-20-ICBC1-01) (REDMS No. 2349603)

- (1) *That the list of proposed road safety improvement projects, as described in the attached report, be endorsed for submission to the ICBC 2008 Road Safety Improvement Program; and*
- (2) *That should the above applications be successful, the Director of Transportation be authorized to execute the cost-share agreements.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE –
Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair

- 11. **2008 CITY GRANTS PROGRAM**
(Report: March 10, 2008, File No.: 03-1085-01/2008-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2358545)

R08/6-6

It was moved and seconded
That, as per the report from the General Manager, Planning and Development, dated March 14, 2008, the 2008 City Grants be allocated as follows (see Attachment 2):

- (1) *As presented on March 3, 2008, the bulk of the 2008 Grants be allocated as follows:*



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- (a) *Organizations in the Health, Social and Safety Services Category be awarded the recommended grant amounts and cheques disbursed for a total of \$413,350; and*
- (b) *Organizations in the Cultural and Community Events Category be awarded the recommended grant amounts and cheques disbursed for a total of \$70,750;*
- (2) *In addition, for the five March 3, 2008 Referred Requests, allocate the remaining available \$15,900, as follows (see Option 2):*
 - (a) *Canadian Mental Health Association - \$8,000;*
 - (b) *CHIMO - \$4,000;*
 - (c) *Richmond Women's Resource Centre - \$1,600;*
 - (d) *Richmond Youth Services Agency - \$1,300; and*
 - (e) *Chinese Mental Wellness Association - \$1,000.*

CARRIED

21. **ITEM ARISING FROM THE CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 25TH, 2008.**

2009 BC SENIORS GAMES BOARD NOMINATIONS

That the 2009 Richmond Seniors Games Nominating Committee comprised of Bill McNulty, Harold Steves, Rick Henderson, Dave Semple and Eric Stepura be appointed, and that they be directed to nominate the Directors of the Richmond 2009 BC Seniors Games Board for Richmond City Council approval; and

That Rick Henderson be appointed as Chair of the BC Seniors Games Nominating Committee.



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NOTICE OF MOTION

22. COUNCILLOR STEVES – CONSIDERATION OF MOTION REGARDING THE GARDEN CITY LANDS

R08/6-7

It was moved and seconded

Whereas, the City of Richmond is part of a consortium composed of the City of Richmond, the Canada Lands Corporation and the Musqueam Indian Band; and

Whereas, the consortium is engaged in applying to the Agricultural Land Commission to remove the Garden City Lands from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR); and

Whereas, the consortium has hired public relations firms, consultants and lawyers to promote the views of the consortium to the public; and

Whereas, the consortium is in the unusual position of being judge and jury over its own submission by holding a public hearing under the auspices of a partner in the consortium, and

Whereas, the consortium has used surveys and held open houses, prepared by those hired by the consortium, that tell only one side of the story, in order to influence public opinion; and

Whereas, a written survey did not provide the options for either opposing the removal of the land from the ALR, or support or opposition for the use of the land for high rise housing; and

Whereas, an online survey would not accept a refusal to answer, or substitute answers that were contrary to the prepared answers on the survey; and

Whereas, Council minutes and information items provided in the application to the Agricultural Land Commission show one point of view only, while minutes and information that do not support the application are not included; and

Whereas, the outside legal counsel for the City of Richmond indicated that he does not have experience with Indian Land Claims in the metropolitan area of British Columbia; and



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Whereas, much of the information provided by the consultants hired by the Consortium is misleading and can be refuted by agrolologists using on-site analysis, the City of Richmond's own Agricultural Profile reports, and information provided by B.C. Ministry of Agriculture; and

Whereas, the City of Richmond is spending a considerable amount of money and staff time indoctrinating the public and preparing a submission to the Agricultural Land Commission; and

Whereas, it is accepted and standard practice for senior governments to provide proportional research funding and staff to all of their elected representatives;

Therefore be it resolved, that the City of Richmond provide funds to the three City Councillors who voted against the application to remove the Garden City Lands from the ALR proportional to the money being spent in support of removing the land from the ALR on behalf of the six City Councillors that voted in favour.

The question on the motion was not called as Councillor Steves explained that although some information contained in the preamble to the motion was now outdated, he still believed the City should provide funding to the three opposing Councillors in the amount of \$50,000 for the purpose of obtaining further outside legal advice and an agricultural assessment of the Garden City Lands.

The question on the motion was then called, and it was **DEFEATED**, with Mayor Brodie, and Councillors Chen, E. Halsey-Brandt, Howard, and McNulty opposed.

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

R08/6-8

It was moved and seconded

That the following bylaws be adopted:

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8105
(7660 and 7680 Ash Street, RZ 06-331914)*



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*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8256
(6860 and 6820 Eckersley Road, RZ 06-342074)*

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8267
(10300 Williams Road, RZ 07-369301)*

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8280
(3800 Cessna Drive, RZ 06-355463)*

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8289
(10291 Williams Road, RZ 07-377797)*

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8297
(9331 No. 3 Road, RZ 07-374060)*

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8303
(9651 No. 1 Road, RZ 07-379913)*

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8327
(City of Richmond)*

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

- R08/6-9 23. It was moved and seconded
- (1) *That the minutes of the Development Permit Panel meetings held on January 30th, 2008, February 13th, 2008, and March 12th, 2008, and the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meetings held on November 14th, 2007, and March 12th, 2008 be received for information.*
 - (2) *That the recommendations of the Panel to authorize the issuance of Development Permits for properties at:*
 - (a) *9233 Ferndale Road (formerly 9351 & 9391 Ferndale Road) (DP 07-355979); and*
 - (b) *6860 Eckersley Road (DP 06-352760)**be endorsed, and the Permits so issued.*

CARRIED



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ADJOURNMENT

R08/6-10 It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (8:22 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, March 25th, 2008.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Acting Corporate Officer (Gail Johnson)