



Regular Council

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

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 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

R16/10-1 1. It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) *the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on May 9, 2016, be adopted as circulated; and*
- (2) *the minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Public Hearings held on May 16, 2016, be adopted as circulated.*

CARRIED



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AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

R16/10-2

It was moved and seconded

That the recommendation of Item No. 13 – “Application by DA Architects + Planners on behalf of Lingyen Mountain Temple for Rezoning at 10060 No. 5 Road from Roadside Stand (CR), Assembly (ASY) and Agriculture (AG1) to Religious Assembly – No. 5 Road (ZIS7)” be changed to include and additional staff recommendation as noted on the Council Agenda.

CARRIED

PRESENTATION

Lesley Douglas, Manager, Environmental Sustainability, presented to City Council the Silver Award for Excellence in Policy Planning; awarded by the Planning Institute of British Columbia at the 2016 Annual Conference.

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie accepted the award on behalf of the City of Richmond. The award recognizes initiatives and solutions that enhance social, economic and environmental well-being of communities.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

R16/10-3

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



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3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items.

Item No. 21 – Application by Sandhill Developments Ltd. for Rezoning at 5660, 5680 and 5700 Williams Road from Single Detached (RS1/E) to Two-Unit Dwelling (ZD5) – Steveston/Williams

Dan Rusen, 10079 Lawson Drive, spoke in opposition to the application by explaining that high density locations create congestion and upset neighbourhoods. Mr. Rusen stated that he has been a Richmond resident for 14 years and has noticed an increasing number of condominiums and duplexes being built in the area over the past 7 years.

Further to his comments, Mr. Rusen disagreed with the description of the developments being labeled as “affordable housing” and felt that five hundred thousand dollars for a home is a large amount of money which could easily cause first time homebuyers problems should the interest rate increase. Mr. Rusen suggested that densification of homes in an area and other aspects of development, such as increased parking demand, should be reconsidered by the developers.

- R16/10-4 4. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (7:08 p.m.).

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

- R16/10-5 5. It was moved and seconded
That Items No. 6 through No. 20 be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED

6. **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Community Safety Committee meeting held on May 10, 2016;*
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meeting held on May 16, 2016;*
- (3) the Planning Committee meeting held on May 17, 2016;*



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- (4) *the Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting held on May 18, 2016;*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. RESPONSE TO PROVINCIAL REVIEW OF THE RCMP AUXILIARY CONSTABLE PROGRAM

(File Ref. No. 09-5355-20-ACON1; 01-0150-20-PSAF1; 01-0060-20-UBCM1-01) (REDMS No. 4986641 v. 2)

- (1) *That the staff report titled “Response to Provincial Review of the RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program” be forwarded to the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, in response to their request for written feedback by May 25, 2016 and to the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) for information; and*
- (2) *That the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General be advised that the City of Richmond would be pleased to participate in further consultation and stakeholder meetings.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. CLIMATE ACTION REVENUE INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND CARBON NEUTRAL PROGRESS – UPDATE

(File Ref. No. 01-0340-03-01; 10-6125-07-03; 03-1087-31-01) (REDMS No. 4991774 v. 17; 4984961; 4991775)

- (1) *That the 2015 Climate Change Action Charter information, identified in the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) and Carbon Neutral Progress Report from the Director, Engineering dated April 27, 2016, be received for information; and*
- (2) *That, in accordance with Provincial requirements, the CARIP Report and Carbon Neutral Progress Report be posted on the City’s website for public access.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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9. **COMMUNICATION TOOL FROM RICHMOND COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CHANGES IN VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT IN RICHMOND**
(File Ref. No. 01-0100-30-RCSA1-01; 01-0151-01) (REDMS No. 4979997)

That a letter be sent to the Province that outlines the City's concern regarding mental health and request that funding be increased for mental health programs in Richmond.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

10. **HOUSING AGREEMENT BYLAW NO. 9556 TO PERMIT THE CITY OF RICHMOND TO SECURE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS LOCATED AT 10780 NO. 5 ROAD AND 12733 STEVESTON HIGHWAY (TOWNLINE GARDENS)**

(File Ref. No. 08-4057-05; 12-8060-20-009556) (REDMS No. 4995445 v. 9; 4998279; 5007021; 4996944 v. 3)

That Housing Agreement (10780 No. 5 Road and 12733 Steveston Highway) Bylaw No. 9556 be introduced and given first, second and third readings to permit the City to enter into a Housing Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto, in accordance with the requirements of section 483 of the Local Government Act, to secure the Affordable Housing Units required by the Development Permit Application DP 15-708397.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. **APPLICATION BY MADAN L. & CHALINDER K. AHEER AND KHIAL CHAND & HARBAKHAS AHEER FOR REZONING AT 10726/10728 RIVER DRIVE FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/D) TO TWO-UNIT DWELLINGS (RD1)**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009538; RZ 16-723542; SC 15-713515; 08-4430-00; 08-4105-00) (REDMS No. 4963332; 3370153; 1467889, 4988381)

- (1) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9538, for the rezoning of 10726/10728 River Drive from "Single Detached (RS1/D)" to "Two-Unit Dwellings (RD1)", be introduced and given first reading;*



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- (2) *That the application for a Strata Title Conversion by Madan L. & Chalinder K. Aheer and Khial Chand & Harbakhas Aheer for the property located at 10726/10728 River Drive be approved on fulfillment of the following conditions:*
- (a) *adoption of Bylaw No. 9538, rezoning subject property from “Single Detached (RS1/D)” to “Two-Unit Dwellings (RD1)”;*
 - (b) *payment of all City utility charges and property taxes up to and including the year 2016; and*
 - (c) *submission of appropriate plans and documents for execution by the Approving Officer within 180 days of the date of this resolution; and*
- (3) *That the City, as the Approving Authority, delegate the Approving Officer, the authority to execute the strata conversion plan on behalf of the City, as the Approving Authority, on the basis that the conditions set out in Recommendation 2 have been satisfied.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. APPLICATION BY KENNETH JARMANA FOR REZONING AT 7671 BRIDGE STREET FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F) TO SINGLE DETACHED (ZS26) – SOUTH MCLENNAN (CITY CENTRE)

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009548; RZ 16-728740) (REDMS No. 4977565; 4979551)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9548, to create the “Single Detached (ZS26) – South McLennan (City Centre)” zone, and to rezone 7671 Bridge Street from “Single Detached (RS1/F)” to “Single Detached (ZS26) – South McLennan (City Centre)”, be introduced and given first reading.

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13. APPLICATION BY DA ARCHITECTS + PLANNERS ON BEHALF OF LINGYEN MOUNTAIN TEMPLE FOR REZONING AT 10060 NO. 5 ROAD FROM ROADSIDE STAND (CR), ASSEMBLY (ASY) AND AGRICULTURE (AG1) TO RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY – NO. 5 ROAD (ZIS7)

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009557; RZ 13-641554) (REDMS No. 4933595 v. 6; 4944084; 5015662)

- (1) That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9557 to create the “Religious Assembly – No. 5 Road (ZIS7)” zone, and to rezone the westerly 110m portion of 10060 No. 5 Road from “Roadside Stand (CR)”, “Assembly (ASY)” and “Agriculture (AG1)” to “Religious Assembly – No. 5 Road (ZIS7)”, be introduced and given first reading;*
- (2) That staff investigate the implications of a statutory right-of-way for the site at 10060 No. 5 Road, and report back to the Regular Council meeting on May 24, 2016;*
- (3) That the Public Hearing notification area be expanded to include all properties within the area bounded by Francis Road, Steveston Highway, No. 4 Road and Sidaway Road; and*
- (4) That the revised rezoning considerations as provided in Attachment 1 in the Memorandum dated May 19, 2016 from the Director, Development be approved.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

14. APPLICATION BY PLATFORM PROPERTIES (STEVESTON) LTD. FOR REZONING AT 3471 MONCTON STREET, 12060 AND 12040 3RD AVENUE, 3560, 3580 AND 3600 CHATHAM STREET FROM STEVESTON COMMERCIAL (CS2) AND STEVESTON COMMERCIAL (CS3) TO COMMERCIAL MIXED USE (ZMU33) – STEVESTON VILLAGE AND A RELATED HERITAGE ALTERATION PERMIT

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009558; RZ 15-710852; HA 16-727260) (REDMS No. 4992205; 4992025)



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- (1) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9558, to create the “Commercial Mixed Use (ZMU33) – Steveston Village” zone, and to rezone 3471 Moncton Street, 12060 and 12040 3rd Avenue, 3560, 3580 and 3600 Chatham Street from “Steveston Commercial (CS2)” and “Steveston Commercial (CS3)” to “Commercial Mixed Use (ZMU33) – Steveston Village”, be introduced and given first reading;*
- (2) *That a Heritage Alteration Permit be issued subject to Council granting third reading to Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9558, to authorize the following alterations and works at 3471 Moncton Street, 12060 and 12040 3rd Avenue, 3560, 3580 and 3600 Chatham Street for the proposed redevelopment:*
 - (a) *demolition and removal of any existing structures and buildings;*
 - (b) *land clearing, excavation and any necessary site preparation activities;*
 - (c) *site investigation and preparation activities, City servicing and infrastructure works and placement of temporary buildings on the site related to the proposed redevelopment; and*
 - (d) *deposit of a consolidation plan at the Land Title Office for the consolidation of the six lots into one development parcel.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

15. APPLICATION BY PAUL ATWAL FOR REZONING AT 7651 BRIDGE STREET FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F) TO SINGLE DETACHED (ZS14) - SOUTH MCLENNAN (CITY CENTRE)

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009561; RZ 16-721609) (REDMS No. 4973714 v. 3; 3218459; 4996515)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9561, for the rezoning of the west portion of 7651 Bridge Street from “Single Detached (RS1/F)” to “Single Detached (ZS14) - South McLennan (City Centre)”, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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**16. AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE APPLICATION BY
DAGNEAULT PLANNING CONSULTANTS LTD. FOR NON-FARM
USE AND SUBDIVISION AT 9500 NO. 5 ROAD**

(File Ref. No. AG 13-646237; 08-4105-04-04) (REDMS No. 4994281)

- (1) *That the Agricultural Land Reserve Application by Dagneault Planning Consultants Ltd. at 9500 No. 5 Road to allow subdivision of the existing lot into five 0.8 ha (2 acre) lots fronting No. 5 Road and one 8.2 ha (20.3 acre) backland lot and non-farm uses for the development of community institutional facilities and supporting uses on the five 0.8 ha (2 acre) lots on the westerly 110 m (361 ft.) of the site, as outlined in the report dated May 5, 2016 from the Director of Development, be endorsed and forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission; and*
- (2) *That the Agricultural Land Reserve Transportation Application to dedicate a 20 m (66 ft.) wide portion of land from No. 5 Road to Highway 99 as road (Williams Road – Unopened Allowance), as outlined in the report dated May 5, 2016 from the Director of Development, be endorsed and forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**17. INTEGRATED RAINWATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
STRATEGY**

(File Ref. No. 10-6060-04-01; 10-6060-04-04) (REDMS No. 4506764 v. 9; 4999054; 4506764)

That the “Integrated Rainwater Resource Management Strategy” as attached to the staff report titled “Integrated Rainwater Resource Management Strategy,” dated April 29, 2016, from the Director, Engineering be endorsed for the purpose of public consultation.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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18. 2015 WATER QUALITY REPORT

(File Ref. No. 10-6375-01) (REDMS No. 4986542 v. 3; 5019732)

That the staff report titled “2015 Annual Water Quality Report” dated April 19, 2016 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 and as part of community outreach activities.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**19. ALEXANDRA DISTRICT ENERGY UTILITY BYLAW NO. 8641
AMENDMENT BYLAW 9555**

(File Ref. No. 10-6600-10-02; 12-8060-20-009555) (REDMS No. 4981005 v. 10; 4997687)

That the Alexandra District Energy Utility Bylaw No. 8641, Amendment Bylaw No. 9555 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

20. ENDORSEMENT OF BIKE RIGHT INITIATIVE

(File Ref. No. 10-6460-01; 10-6360-16-01; 08-4425-05-01; 01-0100-30-CSBLI-01; 01-0150-20-OPRE1; 01-0150-20-THIG1; 01-0150-20-HEAL1; 01-0150-20-CFAM1; 01-0150-20-ENV12) (REDMS No. 4984231)

(1) That the proposed Bike Right Provincial Framework for Cycling Education as outlined in the staff report titled “Endorsement of Bike Right Initiative” dated April 20, 2016 from the Director, Transportation, be endorsed;

(2) That a letter indicating the City’s support of the Bike Right Provincial Framework for the Cycling Education Initiative be sent to the Premier of British Columbia and the Ministers of Children & Family Development, Environment, Health, and Transportation & Infrastructure; and

(3) That a copy of above report be forwarded to the Richmond Council-School Board Liaison Committee for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Councillor Linda McPhail, Chair

21. **APPLICATION BY SANDHILL DEVELOPMENTS LTD. FOR REZONING AT 5660, 5680 AND 5700 WILLIAMS ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO TWO-UNIT DWELLING (ZD5) – STEVESTON/WILLIAMS**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009551/9553/9562; RZ 15-693220; 08-4045-00) (REDMS No. 4971655 v. 3; 280220; 4981753; 4993340; 4999880)

In response to queries from Council, Wayne Craig, Director, Development, confirmed that the item discussed is site specific and that the zone was drafted in such a way that it could be applied to other areas.

R16/10-6

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw 9553, to redesignate 5660, 5680 and 5700 Williams Road from "Single-Family" to "Duplex" on the Steveston Area Land Use Map attached to Schedule 2.4 of Official Community Plan Bylaw 7100 (Steveston Area Plan), be introduced and given first reading;*
- (2) *That Bylaw 9553, having been considered in conjunction with:*
 - (a) *The City's Financial Plan and Capital Program; and*
 - (b) *The Greater Vancouver Regional District Solid Waste and Liquid Waste Management Plans;**is hereby found to be consistent with said program and plans, in accordance with Section 882(3)(a) of the Local Government Act;*
- (3) *That Bylaw 9553, having been considered in accordance with OCP Bylaw Preparation Consultation Policy 5043, is hereby found not to require further consultation;*



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- (4) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9551 to create the “Two-Unit Dwelling (ZD5) – Steveston/Williams” zone, and to rezone 5660, 5680 and 5700 Williams Road from “Single Detached (RS1/E)” and “Land Use Contract 149” to “Two-Unit Dwelling (ZD5) – Steveston/Williams”, be introduced and given first reading; and*
- (5) *That Richmond Land Use Contract 149 Discharge Bylaw No. 9562, to discharge “Land Use Contract 149” from the title of 5700 Williams Road, be introduced and given first reading.*

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. Day

ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

22. **STEVESTON POOL REPAIR PROPOSAL**
(File Ref. No. 06-2050-20-PST) (REDMS No. 5006194)

Martin Younis, Senior Project Manager, confirmed that the fibreglass failure was only noticed this year while maintenance was being performed. He also noted that estimated time for the project is 8-10 weeks and that more information will be available after the repair work has begun.

R16/10-7

It was moved and seconded

That Option 1 in the staff report from the Director, Engineering dated May 16, 2016, be approved and the 5 Year Financial Plan (2016-2020) be amended to include \$450,000 to accommodate the Steveston Pool Repairs to be funded from the Corporate Provision account.

CARRIED

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

R16/10-8

23. It was moved and seconded

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on non-agenda items (8:23 p.m.).

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- (1) Deirdre Whalen, 13631 Blundell Rd, and Trish Garner, Community Organizer, BC Poverty Reduction Coalition, representing the Richmond Poverty Response Committee, requested that Richmond City Council endorse the Coalition's open letter on poverty reduction and approve and forward a resolution to UBCM. Ms. Whalen read from a written statement (attached to and forming part of these minutes as Schedule 1).

In reply to questions, Ms. Garner, noted that the intention with respect to the endorsement of the plan was to gain attention from the media. She also confirmed that Rossland, Terrace and Prince George have sent the requested resolution to UBCM.

R16/10-9

It was moved and seconded

Whereas:

- (1) *The poverty rate in British Columbia continues to be among the highest in Canada at approximately 1 in 10 using the most conservative estimate (low Income Cut-Off – After Tax), and child poverty rates in BC are still 1 in 5;*
- (2) *Many impacts of poverty are experience at the local level, and local residents pay for poverty in increased health care costs, higher crime, higher demand for community, social and charitable services, lack of school readiness, reduced school success, and lower economic productivity;*
- (3) *78% of British Columbians want the provincial government to implement a poverty reduction plan;*
- (4) *BC is the last province in Canada to have a commitment to a poverty reduction plan.*

Therefore be it resolved:

- (1) *That the City of Richmond advocate to the Provincial government to develop and implement a provincial poverty reduction strategy to reduce the number of people living in poverty in BC by setting concrete targets and timelines to reduce poverty.*



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- (2) *That the City of Richmond urge the Government of BC to adopt a comprehensive and accountable provincial poverty reduction strategy to reduce the number of people living in poverty in BC by setting concrete targets and timelines to reduce poverty; and*
- (3) *That these resolutions be forwarded to the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM).*

CARRIED

- (2) Nancy Trant, 201-10100 No. 3 Road, remarked that elected officials are not doing enough to curb climate change. She noted that more efforts could be made to encourage people to use public transportation such as increasing the amount of covered bus shelters so that people would not have to wait in the sun or the rain for transportation. Ms. Trant encouraged Richmond residents to give up luxuries like driving cars in order to curb CO2 emissions.

Ms. Trant also commented that illegal dumping on farmland was of concern and suggested that a bylaw be passed to have developers build around trees instead of having them cut down for new development. Ms. Trant was thanked for bringing forward her concerns and in response to questions, it was suggested to Ms. Trant that it would also be appropriate for her to approach the local MLAs and MPs about her concerns as many of the points pertained to federal and provincial matters.

- R16/10-10 24. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (8:54 p.m.).

CARRIED

RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ACTION

- R16/10-11 It was moved and seconded
Whereas:

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CARRIED

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

R16/10-12

It was moved and seconded

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9269 be adopted.

CARRIED



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DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

- R16/10-13 25. It was moved and seconded
- (1) *That the minutes of the Development Permit Panel meeting held on May 11, 2016, and the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meeting held on April 13, 2016, be received for information; and*
 - (2) *That the recommendation of the Panel to authorize the issuance of a Development Permit (DP 15-700800) for the property at 8800 Hazelbridge Way and 3300 & 3311 Ketcheson Road be endorsed, and the Permits so issued.*

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

- R16/10-14 It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (9:01 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 Tuesday, May 24, 2016.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (David Weber)

My name is Deirdre Whalen and I am here on behalf of the Richmond Poverty Response Committee. My colleague Trish Garner from the BC Poverty Reduction Coalition joins me this evening.

The Richmond PRC is a member of the BC Coalition and we together are requesting that Richmond City Council do two things:

- Endorse the Coalition's Open Letter on Poverty Reduction and,
- Approve and forward a Richmond resolution to the UBCM

The resolution before you urges the provincial government to adopt a comprehensive and accountable poverty reduction plan consistent with the recommendation of the Coalition.

The Richmond PRC has been actively involved in promoting the need for a poverty reduction plan. We have done this as a member of the RCSAC, which has presented eight submissions to Council from 2014-present (see Attachment 1). These issues are "canaries in a coal mine;" they tell a story of dire need in Richmond. Issues presented request that City Council urge the provincial government to improve situations for people experiencing poverty (such as bus pass increases, rent supplements and rent gaps, reductions in mental health funding, adult basic education fees, etc). The 2015 report "Municipal Responses to Child /Youth Poverty" details the need for a provincial poverty reduction plan with targets and timelines.

The Richmond PRC has also written to the provincial government to:

- Reverse child support payment clawbacks for mothers on income assistance and
- Urging the provincial government to adopt Bill 212 a Poverty Reduction and Economic Inclusion Act.

Richmond has done its homework. Poverty exists and is getting worse. With respect, Richmond City Council, the time has come to join other municipalities in BC and insist the provincial government act to establish a poverty reduction plan. BC is the only province without a plan. The Federal government has committed to work with provinces with a plan and institute processes to address housing, income security, food security, childcare, the major planks in a poverty reduction platform. I urge you to adopt the resolution for the UBCM.

Thank you,

Deirdre Whalen
Chair, Richmond PRC

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Date	Agency	Issue(s)	Recommendations to Richmond Council
07-Apr-14	RCSAC	Poverty, social determinants of health, child/seniors care	UBCM resolution to establish a social policy framework
25-Jul-14	RPRC	Need for Metro Vancouver Homeless Transit Plan	Call on Translink to establish a transit task force to develop a Metro Transit Plan to make the system accessible to homeless
10-Sep-15	RCSAC	ABE no longer free for graduated adults	Council urge provincial government to rollback ABE directive
08-Oct-15	RCSAC	Rent Supplements survey	Council urge provincial government to increase income ceiling for rent supplement eligibility
08-Dec-15	RCSAC	Changes in VGH management Adult MH&A, C/Y MH&A	Make Council aware that changes could impact clients, services programs around mental health and addictions
10-Dec-15	RCSAC	Municipal Responses to Child/ Youth Poverty Report	Request the provincial government adopt a poverty reduction plan with targets and timelines
24-Mar-16	RPRC	PWD Bus Pass fee increase	Council urge provincial government to rollback PWD bus pass fee increase decision
05-Apr-16	RCSAC	Changes in VGH management and impact on the community	Council to send letter to provincial government to stop reduction in mental health funding for our community
Recommendations to Provincial government			
04-Jun-14	RPRC	Child Support payment clawback	RPRC urge provincial government to reverse clawback
04-Jun-14	RPRC	Bill M212 Poverty Reduction and Economic Inclusion Act	RPRC urge provincial government to establish Poverty Reduction Plan with targets and timelines