



Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2010
Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall
Present: Councillor Derek Dang, Chair
Councillor Ken Johnston, Vice-Chair
Councillor Bill McNulty
Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Absent: Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt
Also Present: Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt
Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. It was moved and seconded
That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

2. Tuesday, March 9, 2010, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room.

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LAW & COMMUNITY SAFETY DEPARTMENT

3. PARKING PROGRAM

(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-02-01; 12-8060-20-8572/8573/8570/8571) (REDMS No. 2786884, 2786613, 2786701, 2786712, 2785694, 2785721, 2785691, 2786075)

Wayne Mercer, Manager, Community Bylaws, was available to answer queries and provided the following important updates to the financial impact of Option 2, as referenced on page CS-12 of the staff report:

- the increase in fine and early payment amounts should read \$10 instead of \$5; and
- the increase in parking meter rates by \$0.50 per hour should be pro-rated to July 1, 2010 instead of March 1, 2010.

Discussion ensued and it was pointed out that the parking fee increase reflects the impending (July 1, 2010) Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) implementation, and the minor Translink tax component.

It was moved and seconded

That staff report directly to Council with appropriate documents to reflect Option 2, meaning that parking rates increase by \$10 for traffic fines, effective March 1, 2010, and, that hourly parking fees increase from \$2 to \$2.20 plus \$.30 tax per hour, for a total of \$2.50 per hour, effective July 1, 2010.

CARRIED

It was understood that staff would provide the aforementioned information for the Council agenda on January 25, 2010 so that action on this option can be taken immediately if Council so desires.

It was moved and seconded

That:

- (i) Traffic Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 8572 (Attachment 1) be introduced and given first, second and third reading;***
- (ii) Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 8573 (Attachment 2) be introduced and given first, second and third reading;***
- (iii) Commercial Vehicle Licencing Bylaw No. 4716, Amendment Bylaw No. 8570 (Attachment 3) be introduced and given first, second and third reading; and***
- (iv) Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 8571 (Attachment 4) be introduced and given first, second and third reading.***

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4. **TRANSFORMING THE FIRE/RESCUE SERVICE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA**

(File Ref. No.: 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 2787983, 2784572)

Fire Chief John McGowan provided background information to the Fire Services Liaison Group (FSLG) report, noting that it provides a broad overview of Fire-Rescue services for the entire province and has limited impact on the Richmond Fire-Rescue Department. Further, the Fire Chief noted that the report has been submitted to the Solicitor General for review.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report dated January 6, 2010 from the Fire Chief entitled "Transforming the Fire/Rescue Service in British Columbia" be received for information.

CARRIED

5. **RCMP'S MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2009**

(File Ref. No.: 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 2773214)

Officer In Charge, Rendall Nessel, was available to answer queries and noted the following:

- while the statistics show a 60% decrease in metal thefts, there has been a recent spike in wire theft that members are actively addressing. The OIC noted that this is an example of where current reality may not always be reflected by the statistics;
- the trend of violent crime has seen a steady increase over the past two years;
- crime in some areas around the Canada Line appears to have decreased and is possibly due to the increased presence of Translink personnel; and
- the Speed Watch program in Hamilton has had a positive impact in reducing motorists speeding along Westminster Highway.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report dated December 14, 2009 from the Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, entitled "RCMP's Monthly Activity Report for December 2009" be received for information.

CARRIED

6. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Oral Report)

No items were discussed.

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7. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**
(Oral Report)

No items were discussed.

8. **OTHER ITEMS**

No items were discussed.

9. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

No items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:35 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the meeting of the Community
Safety Committee of the Council of the
City of Richmond held on Tuesday,
January 12, 2010.

Councillor Derek Dang
Chair

Susan Steeves
Committee Clerk