



## Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Place: Council Chambers  
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair  
Councillor Carol Day (by teleconference)  
Councillor Alexa Loo (by teleconference)  
Councillor Harold Steves (by teleconference)  
Councillor Michael Wolfe (by teleconference)

Also Present: Councillor Linda McPhail (by teleconference)  
Councillor Chak Au (by teleconference)

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

### MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on April 13, 2021, be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

### NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

June 15, 2021, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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**COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION**

1. **PROPERTY USE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - MARCH 2021**  
(File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 6656873)

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) exterior residential lighting complaints are being tracked, and (ii) an outstanding referral will include information surrounding jurisdiction of exterior residential lighting.

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled “Property Use Monthly Activity Report – March 2021”, dated April 12, 2021, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

2. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND ANIMAL SERVICES MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – MARCH 2021**  
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 6656746)

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) current parking enforcement practices are complaint-driven, (ii) warning tickets are issued if the offense is not a safety matter, (iii) an educational parking enforcement approach is being taken, (iv) each bylaw officer is assigned a zone which rotates, and (v) BC SPCA will attend to injured waterfowl calls.

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Parking Enforcement and Animal Services Monthly Activity Report – March 2021”, dated April 16, 2021, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

3. **BUSINESS LICENCES QUARTERLY REPORT – FIRST QUARTER 2021**  
(File Ref. No. 12-8375-03) (REDMS No. 6656950)

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled “Business Licences Quarterly Report – First Quarter 2021”, dated April 12, 2021, from the General Manager Community Safety be received for information.*

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4. **EMERGENCY PROGRAMS ACTIVITY REPORT - FIRST QUARTER 2021**

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 6658427)

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) a public awareness campaign regarding the Emergency Notification System will begin soon and is aimed at the entire Richmond community, and (ii) Emergency Programs liaises with the Richmond School District to maintain the emergency supply containers provided to schools.

It was moved and seconded

*That the report titled “Emergency Programs Activity Report – First Quarter 2021”, dated April 15, 2021, from the Deputy Fire Chief be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

5. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - MARCH 2021**

(File Ref. No. 99-Fire Rescue) (REDMS No. 6652949)

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) the City’s fire hydrant water system is well maintained, (ii) backflow preventers are used to maintain the potable water in fire hydrants, (iii) the City Waterworks Department issues permits to allow businesses to use water from fire hydrants, (iv) Richmond Fire-Rescue staff are trained to contain hazardous materials, and (v) the map indicating fire hall locations will be corrected.

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – March 2021”, dated April 13, 2021, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

6. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Item for discussion:

(i) *New Staff Announcements*

Staff provided an update on the recruitment of firefighters and noted that administrative staff have been recently hired.

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7. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - MARCH 2021**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 6647053)

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) Richmond RCMP recently received approval to fill their complement of officers, (ii) Richmond RCMP is working with their media relations officer to educate the community on hate crimes, hate incidents, and diversity, (iii) the City is trying to gain a permanent Hamilton community police station through development, (iv) increased police patrolling in Hamilton has been positively received by the community, and (v) the City has been proactively lobbying to the province's director of police services to have its own auxiliary police program.

Discussion ensued with regard to the need for a permanent community police station in Hamilton as soon as possible. As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

*That staff investigate the feasibility of including a community police station in Hamilton, and add it to the 2020-2025 Capital program.*

**CARRIED**

It was moved and seconded

*That the staff report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report - March 2021 ", dated April 9, 2021, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

8. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Item for discussion:

*(i) Introduction of New Superintendent*

Staff provided an update on the hiring of a Superintendent, noting this newest officer to join Richmond RCMP comes with over 28 years of experience with the RCMP.

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9. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

***Garry Point Park***

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) safety signage was reviewed following the rogue wave incident on April 30, 2021, (ii) hardening measures along the foreshore would have significant implications with approval processes through provincial and federal regulatory bodies, (iii) the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is conducting a discovery on the cause of the incident, and (iv) there is signage in place restricting fires and open fire barbecues at Garry Point Park.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded  
***That the meeting adjourn (4:54 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, May 11, 2021.

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Councillor Bill McNulty  
Chair

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Shannon Unrau  
Legislative Services Associate