

# **Community Safety Committee**

Date:

Tuesday, June 9, 2015

Place:

Anderson Room

Richmond City Hall

Present:

Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair

Councillor Derek Dang Councillor Ken Johnston Councillor Alexa Loo

Mayor Malcolm Brodie (entered at 4:02 p.m.)

Absent:

Councillor Linda McPhail

Also Present:

Councillor Chak Au

Call to Order:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

## **AGENDA ADDITION**

It was moved and seconded

That E-Comm Update be added to the agenda as Item No. 5A.

**CARRIED** 

## **MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on Tuesday, May 12, 2015, be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

# **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE**

Tuesday, July 14, 2015, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

## LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

### 1. RCMP'S MONTHLY REPORT - APRIL 2015 ACTIVITIES

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 4571109)

Superintendent Renny Nesset, Officer in Charge (OIC), Richmond RCMP, commented that it is anticipated that Auxiliary Constable volunteer hours will rise during the summer months as a result of Ottawa's relaxation on the restrictions placed on the use and deployment of these positions. He further commented that the Richmond RCMP now has the ability to perform threat assessments to determine the level of safety and/or risk to Auxiliary Constables prior to their deployment. Additionally, Supt. Nesset noted that the theft statistics will likely decline as a result of recent arrests.

Mayor Brodie entered the meeting (4:02 p.m.).

Committee thanked the Richmond RCMP for their participation in the Special Olympics Torch Run held on Friday, June 5, 2015.

In response to a query from Committee, Supt. Nesset advised that Auxiliary Constables report directly to regular RCMP members, who in turn report matters to the City's Community Bylaws department when necessary.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled "RCMP's Monthly Report – April 2015 Activities," dated May 4, 2015, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP, be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

# 2. COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – APRIL 2015

(File Ref. No.) (REDMS No. 4570042)

Ed Warzel, Manager, Community Bylaws, highlighted the increase in dog licensing and ticketing due to the City's Animal Patrol pilot project.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Warzel advised that (i) depending on the source of odour, complaints may be directed to Community Bylaws for investigation, (ii) *Unsightly Premises Regulation Bylaw No. 7162* regulates the removal of any offending material, and Community Bylaws staff work with property owners in an effort to seek voluntary compliance, and (iii) it is anticipated that parking revenues will return to an upward trend once the new meters have been installed.

Committee thanked Community Bylaws for their efforts to regulate parking on event days such as the Steveston Farmer's Market.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – April 2015," dated May 14, 2015, from the General Manager, Law and Community Safety, be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

# 3. RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - APRIL 2015

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 4579376)

Tim Wilkinson, Deputy Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR), commented on the increase in traumatic events for RFR crews, noting that RFR is working with WorkSafeBC in providing services and training to maintain a resilient workforce.

In response to queries from Committee, Deputy Fire Chief Wilkinson provided the following additional information:

- RFR's critical incident team works with crew members to debrief after a traumatic event and professional services can be accessed immediately through WorkSafeBC;
- the increase in medical and motor vehicle service calls in April 2015 may be the result of the increase in population; however, further study is required to determine the cause for the increases; and
- four proponents have responded to the 'Request for Proposals' for the Lafarge training facility and it is anticipated that the facility will be in place by fall 2015.

The Chair thanked RFR members at No. 2 Hall for their efforts at the Doors Open Richmond event in providing a great time for all in attendance. Deputy Fire Chief Wilkinson commented that, while remaining an active station, Fire Hall No. 2 – Steveston had over 1,700 people attend the event.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – April 2015," dated May 14, 2015 from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.

CARRIED

# 4. NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD (NEB) PUBLIC CONSULTATION: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

(File Ref. No. 09-5125-01) (REDMS No. 4582650)

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That the staff report titled "National Energy Board Public Consultation: Emergency Management Information" be forwarded to the National Energy Board, in response to their request for written feedback by June 25, 2015; and
- (2) That the National Energy Board be advised that the City of Richmond would be pleased to participate in further consultation and stakeholder meetings.

CARRIED

#### 5. ENGLISH BAY BUNKER OIL SPILL

(File Ref. No. 09-5125-02-01) (REDMS No. 4568420 v. 5)

Discussion ensued on the adequacy of the City's emergency response in the event of a major oil or fuel spill on the Fraser River.

In reply to a query from Committee, Deborah Procter, Manager, Emergency Programs, advised that the ship or facility owner would be the responsible party, however, the Canadian Coast Guard would take the lead on the water while the Province, local authorities and other government agencies would become involved in the event the spill reaches shore.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "English Bay Bunker Oil Spill," dated May 20, 2015, from the General Manager, Law and Community Safety, be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

## 5A. **E-COMM**

(File Ref. No.)

The Chair provided an update on E-Comm's Annual General meeting to be held on June 18, 2015, noting that agenda items include (i) the appointment of eight new Directors, (ii) the examination of governance models, and (iii) the management of Police Records Information Management Environment (PRIME) system for the province.

#### 6. FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

(i) Ships to Shore

Deputy Chief Wilkinson, accompanied by Supt. Nesset, commented on the comprehensive operational safety plan for the upcoming Ships to Shore Steveston 2015 event scheduled for June 29 to July 1, 2015. It was noted that (i) RFR crews will be on site to provide safety and educational information, (ii) extra crews will be on duty around Bayview Street and an additional Battalion Chief will be posted at the Mobile Command Centre, and (iii) rescue swimmers will be present on the Richmond RCMP patrol boat.

## (ii) Salmon Festival

Deputy Chief Wilkinson noted that RFR will be (i) participating in the Canada Day parade, (ii) operating a children's obstacle course, and (iii) hosting tours of the new Fire and Life Safety Trailer at the Steveston Salmon Festival on Wednesday, July 1, 2015.

### (iii) AskRail Mobile Application

Deputy Chief Wilkinson advised that the Canadian National Railway Company has launched 'AskRail' - a mobile application that will allow emergency responders to obtain real-time information on the contents of a railcar by utilizing a railcar ID search. He further advised that the application is accessed by invitation only and that, to date, over 1,700 emergency responders in North America have enrolled to use it.

#### 7. RCMP/OIC BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

None.

### 8. MANAGER'S REPORT

Phyllis Carlyle, General Manager, Law and Community Safety, highlighted that Steffan Zamzow, Bylaw Liaison Officer, received the Officer of the Year award at the Licence Inspectors and Bylaw Officers Association of British Columbia. Also, she advised that Anne Stevens, Senior Manager, Community Safety Policy and Programs, will be retiring after 30 years of service with the City.

Committee congratulated Ms. Stevens on her retirement and wished her well.

## **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, June 9, 2015.
Councillor Bill McNulty Chair	Heather Howey Committee Clerk