



Finance Committee

Date:

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Place:

Council Chambers

Richmond City Hall

Present:

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair

Councillor Chak Au Councillor Carol Day Councillor Laura Gillanders

Councillor Kash Heed Councillor Andy Hobbs Councillor Bill McNulty

Councillor Michael Wolfe (by teleconference)

Absent:

Councillor Alexa Loo

Call to Order:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on

September 5, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION

1. CONSOLIDATED FEES BYLAW NO. 8636, AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 10486

(File Ref. No. 03-0925-02-04) (REDMS No. 7330871)

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) the increase for permit fees was to ensure cost recovery for sending inspectors to a site and to bring Richmond into alignment with surrounding municipalities, (ii) soil inspection costs are covered through staff salary, (iii) there have been recent increases in the Short Term Boarding and Lodging Business Licence fees in other municipalities, however, regulations differ slightly from city to city and a market analysis can be conducted, (iv) the security deposit is to ensure the survival of the replacement trees on the property, (v) the third offence fine for dangerous dogs should be higher than the second offence, and (v) the pilot project for parking restrictions is underway on Alta Court, and each vehicle parked on the road is required to pay \$100 a year for a permit.

Staff memorandums were requested with information regarding potential levels of waste disposal and recycling fees if the waste is handled on site and research conducted for the permit parking program on Alta Court.

It was moved and seconded

That Consolidated Fees Bylaw No. 8636, Amendment Bylaw No. 10486 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. Wolfe

2. PERMISSIVE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION (2024) BYLAW NO. 10476

(File Ref. No. 03-0925-02-01) (REDMS No. 7257817)

It was moved and seconded

That Permissive Property Tax Exemption (2024) Bylaw No. 10476 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

The question on the motion was not called as discussion took place on permissively exempted properties and it was requested that general information be provided to the groups for clarification.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED**.

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3. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSOLIDATED 5 YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN (2023-2027) BYLAW NO. 10429

(File Ref. No. 03-0975-01) (REDMS No. 7318574)

It was moved and seconded

That the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2023-2027) Bylaw No. 10429, Amendment Bylaw No. 10492, which incorporates and puts into effect the changes as outlined in the staff report titled "Amendments to the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2023-2027) Bylaw No. 10429" dated September 15, 2023, from the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded *That the meeting adjourn (4:52 p.m.).*

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, October 3, 2023.

Mayor Malacim D. Bradia Sarah Goddard

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie Chair

Sarah Goddard Legislative Services Associate