



## General Purposes Committee

Date: Monday, May 1, 2017

Place: Anderson Room  
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair  
Councillor Derek Dang  
Councillor Carol Day  
Councillor Ken Johnston  
Councillor Alexa Loo  
Councillor Bill McNulty  
Councillor Linda McPhail  
Councillor Harold Steves

Absent: Councillor Chak Au

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

### MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

*That the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

### COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

#### 1. **MINORU PARK VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

(File Ref. No. 06-2345-20-MINO1) (REDMS No. 5340141 v. 6)

With the aid of a video presentation, Mike Redpath, Senior Manager, Parks, accompanied by Jamie Esko, Manager, Parks Planning, Design and Construction, provided background information and highlighted phase one of the Minoru Park plan.

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Ms. Esko remarked that should the proposed vision and guiding principles be approved by Council, the second phase of the Minoru Park vision plan will commence and include (i) the development of vision plan options, (ii) public engagement, and (iii) presentation of a vision plan to Council. Also, Ms. Esko noted that Attachment 1 of the staff report is incomplete as a page was inadvertently omitted.

In reply to queries from Committee, Ms. Esko listed all the stakeholders listed on the omitted page and advised that staff would provide Council with the anecdotal public feedback forms.

Also, Mr. Redpath spoke on community engagement, noting that two drop-in style public open houses were held. He stated that both open houses were advertised in local newspapers and on social media. In addition to the open houses, Mr. Redpath advised that LetsTalkRichmond was extensively utilized to seek public input.

Discussion took place and Committee commented that (i) it would be beneficial to include youth groups in any future public engagement process, (ii) signage placed throughout Minoru Park illustrating what is being envisioned may draw additional feedback, and (iii) groups that represent very young children should also be included in any future public engagement process.

The Chair directed staff to include the omitted page from Attachment 1 when the staff report is presented to Council, provide information regarding the consultant utilized for the park vision and guiding principles, and provide a copy of the public consultation's raw data in the Councillor's Lounge.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the Minoru Park Vision and Guiding Principles as detailed in the staff report titled "Minoru Park Vision and Guiding Principles," dated April 4, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Parks, be adopted; and*
- (2) *That the Vision and Guiding Principles as described in the staff report titled "Minoru Park Vision and Guiding Principles," dated April 4, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Parks, be used to guide the development of the Minoru Park Vision Plan and that staff bring the Minoru Park Vision Plan to Council for approval at the end of 2017.*

**CARRIED**

## 2. **VIABILITY OF REPURPOSING MINORU AQUATIC CENTRE**

(File Ref. No. 06-2052-55-02-01) (REDMS No. 5361029 v. 5)

Discussion took place on the viability of repurposing the Minoru Place Activity Centre.

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In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Redpath and Jim Young, Senior Manager Capital Buildings Project Development, advised that the Minoru Aquatic Centre is at the end of its useful life and there is no operating budget to staff the building once the Minoru Centre for Active Living opens.

Discussion took place on temporarily repurposing the Minoru Aquatic Centre and Robert Gonzalez, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works, advised that BC Building Code regulations stipulate that the building would require extensive improvements in order for it to be brought up to current building standards if the building were re-purposed.

Discussion then took place on (i) the potential to incorporate market and/or affordable housing at the site, (ii) the need to examine parking in the area, and (iii) the condition of the heritage trees adjacent to the Minoru Place Activity Centre.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That upon completion and opening of the new Minoru Centre for Active Living, the existing Minoru Aquatic Centre located at 7560 Minoru Gate in Minoru Park be decommissioned and demolished, and that the project be submitted for consideration in the 2018 capital budget as described in the staff report titled "Viability of Repurposing Minoru Aquatic Centre," dated April 21, 2017, from the Senior Manager, Capital Buildings Project Development and the Senior Manager, Parks; and*
- (2) *That any future use of the existing Minoru Aquatic Centre and/or the Minoru Place Activity Centre sites located at 7560 Minoru Gate and 7660 Minoru Gate respectively be considered as part of the Minoru Park Vision Plan and be subject to Council approval.*

**CARRIED**

### 3. **MINORU COMPLEX ENTRIES AND ARRIVALS PUBLIC ART PROJECT REVIEW**

(File Ref. No. 11-7000-09-20-202) (REDMS No. 5345031)

Eric Fiss, Public Art Planner, provided background information and advised that following consultation with the Minoru Major Facility Stakeholder Advisory Committee, staff recommend that a new Artist Call be issued with clearer terms of reference such that the artwork connect to the history of Minoru Park.

In reply to a query from Committee, Mr. Fiss advised that a memorandum on the selection panel will be provided to Council for information.

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It was moved and seconded

*That the issuance of a revised Artist Call for the Minoru Complex Entries and Arrivals Public Art Project, as described in the staff report titled, "Minoru Complex Entries and Arrivals Public Art Project Review," dated March 20, 2017 from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, be endorsed.*

**CARRIED**

**FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION**

4. **REGISTRATION OF A STATUTORY RIGHT OF WAY IN FAVOUR OF BC HYDRO OVER CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT MINORU COMPLEX (6500/6960 GILBERT ROAD, 7191/7251 GRANVILLE AVENUE, 7551 MINORU GATE)**

(File Ref. No. 06-2285-30-197) (REDMS No. 5211578 v. 2)

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That staff be authorized to register a statutory right of way for utility purposes in favour of BC Hydro over a 96.0 m<sup>2</sup> portion of City-owned property at Minoru Complex (6500/6960 Gilbert Road, 7191/7251 Granville Avenue, 7551 Minoru Gate); and*
- (2) *That staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the matter including authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services to negotiate and execute all documentation to effect the transaction detailed in the staff report titled "Registration of a Statutory Right of Way in favour of BC Hydro over City-owned Property at Minoru Complex (6500/6960 Gilbert Road, 7191/7251 Granville Avenue, 7551 Minoru Gate)" dated April 12, 2017 including all contracts and Land Title Office documents.*

**CARRIED**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**

5. **BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION AT 10960 GRANVILLE AVENUE**

(File Ref. No.: 08-4057-10, Xr: 12-8360-20-2017768616) (REDMS No. 5375417)

James Cooper, Manager, Plan Review, provided background information and stated that staff recommend that Council determine the building permit application to be in conflict with the bylaws under preparation to limit house size, farm home plate and setback in the AG1 zone.

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In reply to queries from Committee, Joe Erceg, General Manager, Planning and Development, advised that the applicant does not wish to re-design the home to be in compliance with the bylaws under preparation and does not wish to withdraw the building permit application.

Discussion took place on the applicant's potential course of action should the application be withheld for a further period of 60 days commencing May 5, 2017.

In response, Jennifer Hayes, Staff Solicitor, advised that should the applicant wish to re-design within the 60-day period, a new building permit application could be submitted.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Building Permit Application No. 17-768616 for a single family dwelling at 10960 Granville Avenue, with a total floor area of 967.1 m<sup>2</sup> (10,410.1 ft<sup>2</sup>), be withheld for a period of 30 days beginning on the date of application (April 5, 2017) pursuant to Section 463(1) of the Local Government Act, as Council considers that the proposed house size, farm home plate and setbacks are in conflict with the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendments under preparation; and*
- (2) *That, pursuant to Section 463(3) of the Local Government Act, Building Permit Application No. 17-768616 be withheld for a further period of 60 days, commencing May 5, 2017.*

**CARRIED**

Opposed: Cllr. Loo

## ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

*That the meeting adjourn (4:55 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Monday, May 1, 2017.

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Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie  
Chair

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Hanieh Berg  
Legislative Services Coordinator