



General Purposes Committee

- Date: Monday, June 1, 2015
- 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 Harold Steves
- Absent: Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Linda McPhail
- Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

COUNCILLOR HAROLD STEVES

1. **PROPOSED SITE C DAM PROJECT**

(File Ref. No. 01-0155-20-01)

Councillor Steves spoke on the proposed Site C Dam project, noting that analyses by energy experts indicate that the cost of the Site C Dam project is likely double the cost of other energy options such as solar and natural gas.

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A letter dated April 28, 2015 from Jacob Securities Inc. was circulated (attached to and forming part of these Minutes as Schedule 1), and it was noted that the Site C Dam project does not qualify for green credits due to the project's large reservoir and its potential negative impact to the environment. Also, a drought monitor map of California, United States was referenced (attached to and forming part of these Minutes as Schedule 2), and concern was expressed with regard to food production as a result of the exceptional drought represented on the map.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the City of Richmond reaffirm its concern over the construction of the Site C Dam;*
- (2) *That a letter be sent to the Province of British Columbia requesting a moratorium on the construction and development of Site C until the end of 2017 and that the proposed project be referred to the BC Utilities Commission for review and consultation; and*
- (3) *That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the BC Utilities Commission, Metro Vancouver, and other Metro Vancouver communities to seek support for this request.*

CARRIED

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION

2. **DISPOSITION OF A STATUTORY RIGHT OF WAY OVER A PORTION OF THE EASTERN FOOT OF DYKE ROAD TO GREATER VANCOUVER WATER DISTRICT**

(File Ref. No. 06-2285-30-191) (REDMS No. 4573140 v. 2)

It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) *for consideration of \$10, the City grant a permanent statutory right of way to Greater Vancouver Water District over a portion (\pm 323.1 sq. m.) of City owned land legally described as Lot 1 Section 1 Block 4 North Range 4 West NWD Plan 46040 PID 005-990-556; and*
- (2) *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 dated May 12, 2015 from the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services including all contracts and Land Title Office documents.*

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3. **TASTE VINO VOLO CANADA INC., DOING BUSINESS AS VINO VOLO LOCATED IN ROOM 2320.0 VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ARRIVALS**

(File Ref. No.) (REDMS No. 4556853)

It was moved and seconded

That the application by Taste Vino Volo Canada Inc., doing business as Vino Volo, for a Liquor Primary Licence at 3880 Grant McConachie Way (Vancouver International Airport) in order to offer full liquor service be supported and that a letter be sent to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch advising that:

- (1) *Council recommends the issuance of the proposed liquor licence based in part from the lack of any negative community responses and that the operation will not have a significant impact on the community;*
- (2) *Council's comments on the prescribed criteria (set out in Section 10(3) of the Liquor Control and Licensing Act Regulations) are as follows:*
 - (a) *the location of the establishment is zoned Airport District and since the property is under Federal jurisdiction, the City does not review or comment on business uses for zoning purposes;*
 - (b) *the proximity of the proposed location to other social or recreational and public buildings was considered. There are no public schools or parks within a 50 meter radius of the proposed liquor primary location;*
 - (c) *that a LCLB application for a 50 person capacity operation with liquor service hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. was considered;*
 - (d) *that the number and market focus or clientele of liquor primary licence establishments within a reasonable distance of the proposed location was considered;*
 - (e) *the potential for additional noise in the area if the application is approved was considered;*
- (3) *As the operation of the establishment as a liquor licensed establishment might affect nearby residents the City gathered the view of the residents as follows:*
 - (a) *a letter was sent to the Vice President of Community & Environmental Affairs at YVR requesting that a letter of notice of a new liquor primary licence establishment be circulated to other business operations at YVR;*

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- (b) was also posted at the subject property and three public notices were published in a local newspaper. This signage and notice provided information on the application and instruction on how community comments or concerns could be submitted; and*
- (4) Council's comments and recommendations respecting the views of the resident's are as follows:*
 - (a) there were no responses to all the public notifications and based on the lack of any responses received from the community, Council considers that the application is acceptable to the majority of the community, residents and businesses in the nearby area.*

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS LICENCE BYLAW NO. 7360, AMENDMENT BYLAW 9255

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-9255) (REDMS No. 4579470)

It was moved and seconded

That Business Licence Bylaw No. 7360, Amendment Bylaw No. 9255, which increases the maximum number of Class A Taxicabs to 109 and Class N Taxicabs to 43, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

The question on the motion was not called as in reply to queries from Committee, Glenn McLaughlin, Chief Licence Inspector and Risk Manager, advised that the Passenger Transportation Board considers factors such as demand and population when determining whether or not additional taxis are warranted.

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

CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

5. CANADA 150 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

(File Ref. No. 03-1087-34-01) (REDMS No. 4585268 v. 3)

Amarjeet Rattan, Director, Intergovernmental Relations and Protocol Unit, advised that staff have learned that eligible projects for British Columbia must be materially complete by the fall of 2017; he further noted that staff are confident that the proposed projects can meet this new deadline.

Denise Tambellini, Manager, Intergovernmental Relations and Protocol Unit, spoke on the Railway Greenway Trail Upgrade, noting that approximately \$438,500 will be requested for the project. Also, Ms. Tambellini stated that staff anticipate a funding request from the Gateway Theatre Society.

4.

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Discussion took place on the proposed project requests and it was noted that the South Arm Fitness Centre Upgrade is a worthwhile project for such consideration.

In reply to a query from Committee, Ms. Tambellini advised that funding for projects eligible for the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program are limited to renovations only, and therefore, new projects are not eligible.

Discussion took place and Mike Redpath, Senior Manager, Parks, advised that staff received a referral on the feasibility of retrofitting the existing moorage at Garry Point Park at the last Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting. He noted that staff are in process of examining the referral and will report back to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee, noting that such a project would not be precluded from seeking funding through the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program.

In reply to a query from Committee, Cathryn Volkering Carlile, General Manager, Community Services, stated that the Gateway Theatre upgrade noted in the staff report is for the City's asset – the Gateway Theatre building, whereas the anticipated funding request from the Gateway Theatre Society is for the expansion of costume and prop storage.

In reply to a query from the Chair, Ms. Tambellini advised that the proposed projects are not listed in any particular order, noting that staff will continue discussions with federal government staff to determine which projects are more likely to receive funding.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the following projects be approved for submission to Western Economic Diversification for total funding consideration of up to \$4,181,210 under the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Fund:*

Projects Requesting Over \$250,000

- (a) *South Arm Fitness Centre Upgrade*
- (b) *Phoenix Net Loft Restoration Upgrade, Steveston Waterfront*
- (c) *LED Lighting Energy Efficient Upgrade, Richmond Olympic Oval*
- (d) *#1220 Steveston Interurban Tram Car Restoration*
- (e) *Cambie Community Centre Upgrade*
- (f) *Britannia Heritage Shipyards Seine Net Loft Deck Upgrade*
- (g) *Gateway Theatre Upgrade*

Projects Requesting Under \$250,000

- (a) *Track Zone Synthetic Floor Improvements, Richmond Olympic Oval*
- (b) *Minoru Grandstands*

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- (c) Steveston Community Centre*
- (d) Steveston Community Pool*
- (e) Richmond Public Library Digital Services Launchpad*
- (f) Railway Greenway Upgrade*
- (g) Garrett Wellness Centre*
- (h) Accessibility, Richmond Olympic Oval*
- (i) Event Lighting and Sound Upgrades, Richmond Olympic Oval*
- (2) That the City of Richmond provide letters of support for community project submissions initiated from community organizations, including:**
 - (a) ANAF Maples Residence*
 - (b) Steveston Town Square- Steveston Historical Society Japanese Garden*
 - (c) Gateway Theatre Society*
- (3) That the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager of Engineering and Public Works, be authorized to enter into funding agreements with the Government of Canada for the above mentioned projects which are approved for funding; and**
- (4) That copies of the staff report titled "Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Application Form" from the Director, Intergovernmental Relations and Protocol dated May 25, 2015 be sent to local MPs with an offer to meet with them to discuss the projects.**

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

6. MINORU COMPLEX MULTIPURPOSE ROOM ALTERNATIVES

(File Ref. No.) (REDMS No. 4585805 v. 10)

In response to a query from Committee, Serena Lusk, Senior Manager, Recreation and Sport, provided background information and stated that the concluding consensus from the project's Advisory Committee members was that Alternative 3 was the preferred option.

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That the approved floor plans for the Minoru Complex be modified to include an Event Room on the ground floor of the building as displayed in Attachment 1 of the report, Minoru Complex Multipurpose Room Alternatives, dated May 25, 2015 from the Senior Manager, Recreation and Sport and the Senior Manager, Project Development.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. McNulty

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:18 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, June 1, 2015.

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Chair

Hanieh Berg
Committee Clerk

Schedule 1 to the Minutes of the
General Purposes Committee
meeting of Richmond City Council
held on Monday, June 1, 2015.

JACOB SECURITIES

April 28, 2015

Mr. Ken Boon
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Re: Site C Dam versus green Hydro

Ken,

Large hydro is not green and does not qualify for green credits. This is due to the large reservoir and dam that damage the environment.

There is no universally accepted definition of small hydro. Small hydro is green as there is no dam and the reservoir can contain only 24 hours water supply to allow for storage overnight when power demand and prices are low, for release the next day when power demand and prices are high.

Canada defines small hydro as under 50 megawatts (Natural Resources Canada, 2009: canmetenergy-canmetenergie.nrcan-rncan.gc.ca/eng/renewables/small_hydropower.html). The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change lists some country definitions of small hydro ranging from under 100 megawatts in the U.S. to under 1.5 megawatts in Sweden (<http://srren.ipcc-wg3.de/report>; page 450). For reference one megawatt can power 800 average homes.

Jacob Securities is a full service Investment Bank specializing in renewable energy since its founding in 2007. I was the first market-analyst to focus exclusively on renewable energy in 2004. I have 30 years' experience in debt markets, private equity and public equity.

Best regards,



John McIlveen

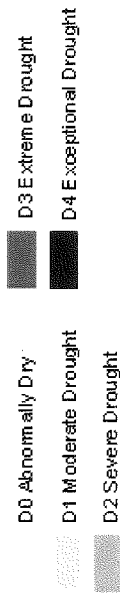
U.S. Drought Monitor California

May 26, 2015
(Released Thursday, May 28, 2015)
Valid 7 a.m. EST

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

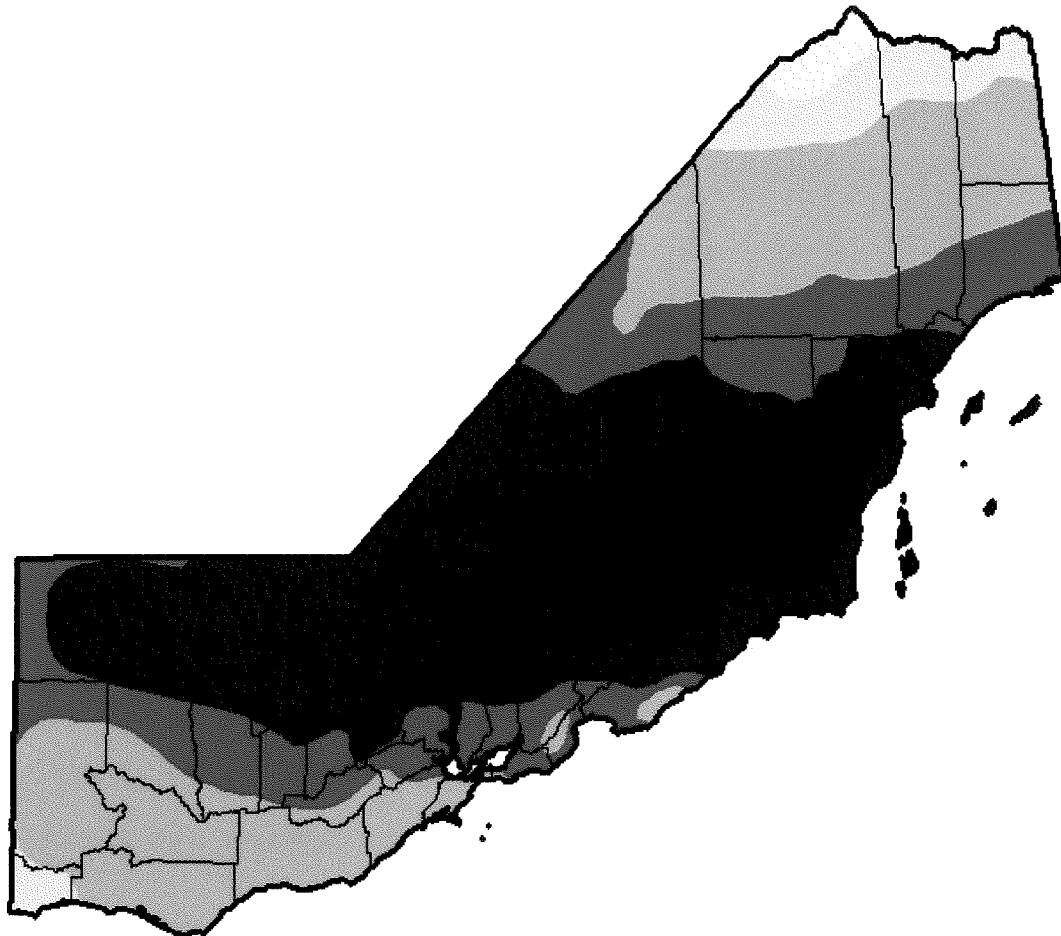
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3 Months Ago <i>2/24/2015</i>	0.16	1.75	4.66	25.98	27.54	39.92
Start of Calendar Year <i>12/02/014</i>	0.00	1.88	3.78	16.39	45.73	32.21
Start of Water Year <i>8/30/2014</i>	0.00	0.00	4.96	13.13	23.51	58.41
One Year Ago <i>5/27/2014</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00	23.31	51.92	24.77

Intensity:



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

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U.S. Department of Agriculture



Schedule 2 to the Minutes of the General Purposes Committee meeting of Richmond City Council held on Monday, June 1, 2015.



<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>