



General Purposes Committee

- Date: Monday, June 15, 2020
- Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall
- Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair
Councillor Chak Au (attending via teleconference)
Councillor Carol Day (attending via teleconference)
Councillor Kelly Greene (attending via teleconference)
Councillor Alexa Loo (attending via teleconference)
Councillor Bill McNulty (attending via teleconference)
Councillor Linda McPhail (attending via teleconference)
Councillor Harold Steves (attending via teleconference)
Councillor Michael Wolfe (attending via teleconference)
- Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Special General Purposes Committee held on May 25, 2020 and General Purposes Committee held on June 1, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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COUNCILLOR HAROLD STEVES

1. A NEW COASTAL STRATEGY

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

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That Richmond request the BC Government to develop and enact a Coastal Strategy and Law to leverage and coordinate the work of provincial ministries, First nations, local communities, and stakeholders groups to preserve coastal and ocean health, halt coastal habitat loss, accelerate the completion of a network of marine protected areas to benefit fisheries, biodiversity and the economy, set marine environmental quality objectives, and help communities adopt ecosystem-based approaches to manage risk from flooding due to extreme weather events, sea level rise, climate change and ocean acidification; and*
- (2) That the City of Richmond write a letter of support and requesting action to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, BC Minister of Environment, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Indigenous Affairs and Reconciliation, and the Premier of British Columbia in support of a Coastal Protection Strategy.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to (i) the history and the disbanding of the Fraser River Estuary Management Program, (ii) Richmond's jurisdiction over its coastal areas, (iii) Port of Vancouver's coastal strategy and proposed projects, and (iv) coastal environmental regulatory and enforcement capacities of senior levels of government.

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

COUNCILLOR CHAK AU

1A. RICHMOND CULTURAL HARMONY PLAN – IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

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

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That staff be directed to propose by November 1, 2020 an implementation plan to include timelines, cost estimates, and cultural heritage value for the restoration of the First Nations Bunk House located at the Britannia Heritage Shipyards site being an opportunity pursuant to item #3 of Strategic Direction One of the Richmond Cultural Harmony Plan 2019-2029 report;*

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- (2) *That staff be directed to implement item #5 of Strategic Direction Two of the Richmond Cultural Harmony Plan 2019-2029 to:*
 - (a) *pursue programs and funding opportunities provided by senior levels of government regarding cultural harmony initiatives; and*
 - (b) *report progress back to General Purposes Committee in 12 months; and*

- (3) *That staff be directed to implement item #4 of Strategic Direction Five of the Richmond Cultural Harmony Plan 2019-2029 to:*
 - (a) *strengthen relationships with various cultural and ethnic communities in order to integrate their arts, cultural and heritage practices into the City's programs and events; and*
 - (b) *report progress back to General Purposes Committee in 12 months.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to (i) the proposed restoration of the First Nations Bunkhouse, including cost estimates, construction timelines and funding opportunities, (ii) potential future programming of the Bunkhouse, (iii) current programs and organizations in the community dedicated to cultural harmony, and (iv) encouraging dialogue on issues related to First Nation and Black Canadian communities

As a result of the discussion, staff were directed to refer the proposed implementation of strategic directions of the City's Cultural Harmony Plan to the Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that staff will provide regular updates regarding Steveston Heritage sites and the City's Cultural Harmony initiative. Also, staff noted that the City regularly examines funding opportunities from senior levels of government.

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

COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON COMMITTEE

1B. LIVESTREAM OF COUNCIL/SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

Discussion ensued with regard to (i) public accessibility of the City's Committee meetings, (ii) coordination of potential live streaming of the Council/School Board Liaison Committee meetings with Richmond School District No. 38, and (iii) reviewing the technical assistance provided to the City's advisory committees.

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As a result of the discussion, staff liaisons to advisory committees were directed to reach out to their committees to assess their needs for assistance to meet remotely.

Mayor Brodie noted that all of the City's standing committees are being live streamed, however none of the City's advisory committees are currently being live streamed.

As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That staff be directed to review the possibility of live-streaming to the City of Richmond's YouTube Channel all Standing Committee meetings and the Council-School Board Liaison Committee meetings and report back.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

2. **APPLICATION TO REQUEST A FOOD PRIMARY ENTERTAINMENT ENDORSEMENT FOR FOOD PRIMARY LIQUOR LICENCE # 303817 - WC HOTELS LLP (WESTIN WALL CENTRE, VANCOUVER AIRPORT) - 3099 CORVETTE WAY**

(File Ref. No. 12-8275-30-001) (REDMS No. 6463853)

It was moved and seconded

(1) *That the application from WC Hotels LLP (Westin Wall Centre, Vancouver Airport), doing business as, The Apron, operating at 3099 Corvette Way, requesting a Food-Primary Patron Participation Entertainment Endorsement to Food-Primary Liquor Licence No. 303817, to enable patrons to dance at the establishment, be supported with;*

(a) *No change to person capacity currently in place; and*

(b) *No change to service hours currently in place; and*

(2) *That a letter be sent to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch, which includes the information attached as Appendix A, advising that Council supports the amendment for a Patron Participation Entertainment Endorsement on Food-Primary Liquor Licence No. 303817 as this request has been determined, following public consultation, to be acceptable in the area and community.*

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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

3. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO TRAFFIC BYLAW NO. 5870 - ENGINE BRAKE AND CYCLIST CROSSWALK REGULATIONS

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-02-01) (REDMS No. 6457707 v. 7)

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That Traffic Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 10184, to prohibit the use of engine brakes on municipal roads in Richmond and permit cyclists to ride in crosswalks with elephant's feet markings, be introduced and given first, second and third reading;*
- (2) That Municipal Ticket Information Authorization No. 7321, Amendment Bylaw No. 10185, to assign a fine for the prohibited use of engine brakes on municipal roads in Richmond, be introduced and given first, second and third reading;*
- (3) That staff be directed to send a letter to the British Columbia Trucking Association advising of the proposed bylaw amendments with respect to the prohibited use of engine brakes; and*
- (4) That Traffic Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 10184 and Municipal Ticket Information Authorization No. 7321, Amendment Bylaw No. 10185 be reviewed in 12 months' time.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to (i) limiting use of engine brakes by truck drivers and enforcement options for repeat offenders, (ii) clarifying cycling and pedestrian regulations, (iii) consulting with cycling groups such as HUB, and (iv) installing signage advising of engine brake restrictions in residential areas.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that the proposed regulations will apply to all municipal roads in Richmond. Staff added that cyclists have the option of using the roadway, however when using pedestrian crosswalks and multi-use pathways, cyclists must abide by the regulations related to their use.

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

4. APPLICATION BY YUANHENG SEASIDE DEVELOPMENTS LTD./YUANHENG SEAVIEW DEVELOPMENTS LTD. FOR A ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE "RESIDENTIAL/LIMITED COMMERCIAL AND COMMUNITY AMENITY (ZMU30) – CAPSTAN VILLAGE (CITY CENTRE)" ZONE AT 3399 CORVETTE WAY AND 3311 & 3331 NO. 3 ROAD

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-010189; ZT 19-872212) (REDMS No. 6466184 v. 3)

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In accordance with Section 100 of the *Community Charter*, Cllr. Au declared to be in a conflict of interest as a family member is a potential buyer of a unit from the proposed development at 3399 Corvette Way and 3311 and 3331 No. 3 Road, and Cllr. Au left the meeting – 5:01 p.m.

Staff reviewed the application, highlighting that (i) the applicant is seeking to relocate approximately 10,000 ft² of the proposed development's unbuilt floor area to the second phase, increase the number of proposed units to 941, and defer completion of the proposed community centre at 3311 No. 3 Road to December 31, 2023, (ii) the proposed unit sizes are consistent with other developments in the area, (iii) should the application move forward, the application will proceed to a Public Hearing, (iv) a staff report on the governance of the proposed community centre will be forthcoming prior to its completion, and (v) staff anticipate that the Capstan Station will be completed by mid-2022.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10189, for a Zoning Text Amendment to the “Residential/Limited Commercial and Community Amenity (ZMU30) – Capstan Village (City Centre)” zone, a site-specific zone applicable at 3399 Corvette Way and 3311 & 3331 No. 3 Road, to:*
 - (a) *increase the maximum number of permitted dwelling units from 850 to 941 (without any increase in total residential floor area); and*
 - (b) *relocate 964 m² (10,371 ft²) of permitted (unbuilt) floor area from the development's first phase at 3331 No. 3 Road to its second phase at 3311 No. 3 Road and third phase at 3399 Corvette Way;*

be introduced and given first reading; and
- (2) *That the terms of the voluntary developer community amenity contribution secured through the original rezoning of 3399 Corvette Way and 3311 & 3331 No. 3 Road (RZ 12-603040) be amended to permit the completion of the proposed City Centre North Community Centre, at 3311 No. 3 Road, be deferred from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2023.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to the estimated completion date of the proposed community centre.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllr. Wolfe opposed.

Cllr. Au returned to the meeting – 5:08 p.m.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

5. **PHOENIX NET LOFT PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS**

(File Ref. No. 11-7000-01) (REDMS No. 6445923 v. 2)

It was moved and seconded

That staff be authorized to proceed with Phase One of the Phoenix Net Loft Public Consultation Process as described in the staff report titled "Phoenix Net Loft Public Consultation Process", dated May 22, 2020, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services.

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to expanding the primary list of stakeholders and identifying individual representatives of the community groups participating in the consultation process.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that expanding the stakeholder list is possible but may lengthen the consultation process. Also, staff noted that a broader consultation will take place in Phase Two of the consultation process.

As a result of the discussion, the following **amendment motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That staff add the Steveston Community Society, Richmond School District No. 38, the Richmond Seniors Advisory Committee, the Richmond Centre for Disability, youth groups, and the Musqueam First Nation to the primary list of stakeholders in the consultation process.

The question on the amendment motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to identifying a specific youth group for consultation participation and exploring potential funding options for the project.

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

The question on the main motion, as amended, which reads as follows:

- (1) *That staff be authorized to proceed with Phase One of the Phoenix Net Loft Public Consultation Process as described in the staff report titled "Phoenix Net Loft Public Consultation Process", dated May 22, 2020, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services; and*

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(2) *That staff add the Steveston Community Society, Richmond School District No. 38, the Richmond Seniors Advisory Committee, the Richmond Centre for Disability, youth groups, and the Musqueam First Nation to the primary list of stakeholders in the consultation process.*

was then called and it was **CARRIED**.

ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

6. **PHOENIX NET LOFT DECONSTRUCTION AND SALVAGE**

(File Ref. No. 06-2052-25-PNET1) (REDMS No. 6469794 v. 12)

Discussion ensued regarding identifying shovel-ready projects in Richmond and exploring funding options for the proposed Phoenix Net Loft project.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that staff will provide periodic updates on the matter and that the subject site's artifacts will be relocated to a City site on 7400 River Road. Staff added that traffic and parking logistics related to the upcoming 2020 Richmond Maritime Festival will be discussed with Community Services staff.

It was moved and seconded

That staff be authorized to proceed with the deconstruction and salvage of heritage elements of the Phoenix Net Loft as described under Option 1 on Page 3, in the staff report titled "Phoenix Net Loft Deconstruction and Salvage", dated May 21, 2020, from the Director, Facilities and Project Development.

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

7. **POTENTIAL TEMPORARY ROAD CHANGES IN STEVESTON VILLAGE**

(File Ref. No. 10-6360-06-01) (REDMS No. 6475103)

It was moved and seconded

That pedestrian, cyclist and motorist operations continue to be monitored in the Steveston Village for crowding and physical distancing issues and staff report back to Council on the need for any temporary measures to add additional space for pedestrians and cyclists, should the traffic volume of these modes consistently exceed the capacity of existing infrastructure.

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The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to (i) the survey results and low support by area merchants for the potential temporary road changes, (ii) exploring alternative traffic configurations to allow for one-way traffic along Moncton Street and Bayview Street, and (iii) expanding the availability of accessible parking in the area.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff noted that area merchants have expressed concern with regard to potential loss of parking as a result of the proposed traffic configurations. Staff added that the current pedestrian, cyclist and motorist activity is being monitored and that staff will bring forward new recommendations if required.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllrs. Au and Steves opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (5:46 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 15, 2020.

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Chair

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Legislative Services Associate