City of Richmond

Minutes

# General Purposes Committee

Date: Monday, November 16, 2026

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Rob Howard, Chair
Councillor Kenny Chiu
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Laura Gillanders
Councillor Andy Hobbs
Councillor Kevin Lai
Councillor Gary Law
Councillor Sheldon Starrett
Councillor Michael Wolfe

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 November 8, 2026, be adopted as circulated.***

**CARRIED**

## 1. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBERS TO EXTERNAL REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Mayor Howard advised that the Council alternate to the Translink – Mayors' Council, until November 8, 2027, will be carried out by the appointed Acting Mayor at the time.

## 2. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL (AND THEIR ALTERNATES) AS THE LIAISONS TO CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

It was moved and seconded

***That the following appointments of Council liaisons (and where applicable, their alternates) to City Advisory Committees and Organizations, until November 8, 2027, be made as follows:***

***(a) Accessibility Advisory Committee: Councillor Sheldon Starrett;***

***(b) Advisory Committee on the Environment: Councillor Sheldon Starrett;***

***(c) Child Care Development Advisory Committee: Councillor Carol Day;***

***(d) Council/School Board Liaison Committee: Councillors Kenny Chiu and Laura Gillanders;***

***(e) Economic Advisory Committee: Councillors Kenny Chiu and Laura Gillanders;***

***(f) First Nations Building Committee: Councillors Carol Day, Andy Hobbs and Michael Wolfe;***

***(g) Food Security and Agricultural Advisory Committee: Councillor Laura Gillanders;***

***(h) Heritage Commission: Councillor Kevin Lai;***

***(i) Major Construction Projects Oversight Committee: Councillors Kevin Lai and Laura Gillanders;***

***(j) Minoru Centre for Active Living Program Committee: Councillor Sheldon Starrett;***

***(k) Richmond Addiction Services Society Councillor Gary Law and Alternate Councillor Sheldon Starrett;***

***(l) Richmond Centre for Disability: Councillor Sheldon Starrett;***

***(m) Richmond Chamber of Commerce: Councillor Kenny Chiu;***

***(n) Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee: Councillor Gary Law;***

***(o) Richmond Public Art Advisory Committee: Councillor Kevin Lai;***

***(p) Richmond Sister City Advisory Committee: Councillor Andy Hobbs;***

***(q) Richmond Social Development Advisory Committee: Councillor Gary Law;***

***(r) Richmond Sports Council: Councillor Michael Wolfe;***

*(s) Richmond Sports Wall of Fame Nominating Committee: Councillor Kevin Lai;*

*(t) Richmond Youth Advisory Committee: Councillor Gary Law;*

*(u) Seniors Advisory Committee: Councillor Kevin Lai;*

*(v) Steveston Historic Sites Building Committee: Councillors Andy Hobbs and Sheldon Starrett; and*

*(w) Vancouver Coastal Health/Richmond Health Services Local Governance Liaison Group: Councillor Kenny Chiu.*

**CARRIED**

## 3. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AS LIAISONS TO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

It was moved and seconded

***That the following appointments of Council liaisons (and where applicable, their alternates) to Community Associations, until November 8, 2027, be made as follows:***

*(a) City Centre Community Association: Councillor Sheldon Starrett;*

*(b) Laura Gillanders East Richmond Community Association: Councillor Laura Gillanders;*

*(c) Hamilton Community Association: Councillor Michael Wolfe;*

*(d) Richmond Arenas Community Association: Councillor Michael Wolfe;*

*(e) Richmond Art Gallery Association: Councillor Gary Law;*

*(f) Richmond Fitness and Wellness Association: Councillor Gary Law;*

*(g) Laura Gillanders Sea Island Community Association: Councillor Laura Gillanders;*

*(h) South Arm Community Association: Councillor Kevin Lai;*

*(i) Thompson Community Association: Councillor Kenny Chiu; and*

*(j) West Richmond Community Association: Councillor Carol Day.*

**CARRIED**

4. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AS THE LIAISONS TO VARIOUS CITY BOARDS

It was moved and seconded

***That the following appointments of Council liaisons (and where applicable, their alternates) to various Boards until November 8, 2027, be made as follows:***

***(a) Aquatic Services Board: Councillor Michael Wolfe;***

***(b) Museum Society Board: Councillor Kevin Lai;***

***(c) Richmond Gateway Theatre Society Board: Councillor Laura Gillanders; and***

***(d) Richmond Public Library Board: Councillor Carol Day, and Alternate, Councillor Gary Law.***

**CARRIED**

5. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL AS LIAISONS TO VARIOUS SOCIETIES

It was moved and seconded

***That the following appointments of Council liaisons (and where applicable, their alternates) to various Societies until November 8, 2027, be made as follows:***

***(a) Britannia Heritage Shipyard Society: Councillor Andy Hobbs;***

***(b) Gulf of Georgia Cannery Society: Councillor Carol Day;***

***(c) London Heritage Farm Society: Councillor Andy Hobbs;***

***(d) Lulu Island Energy Company: Councillors Kevin Chiu and Sheldon Starrett;***

***(e) Minoru Seniors Society: Councillor Carol Day;***

***(f) Richmond Nature Park Society: Councillor Michael Wolfe;***

***(g) Steveston Community Society: Councillor Andy Hobbs; and***

***(h) Steveston Historical Society: Councillor Kevin Lai.***

**CARRIED**

## 6. APPOINTMENT OF PARCEL TAX ROLL REVIEW PANEL FOR LOCAL AREA SERVICES

It was moved and seconded

***That the members of the Public Works & Transportation Committee be appointed as the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel for Local Area Services until November 8, 2027.***

**CARRIED**

## 7. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYORS FROM NOVEMBER 2, 2026 TO NOVEMBER 8, 2027

It was moved and seconded

***That the Acting Mayors for November, 2026 to October, 2027, be as follows:***

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| ***November 16, 2026 – January 3, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Michael Wolfe*** |
| ***January 4 – February 14, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Kenny Chiu*** |
| ***February 15 – March 28, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Carol Day*** |
| ***March 29 – May 9, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Sheldon Starrett*** |
| ***May 10 – June 20, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Andy Hobbs*** |
| ***June 21 – August 1, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Gary Law*** |
| ***August 2 – September 12, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Kevin Lai*** |
| ***September 13 – October 31, 2027:*** | ***Councillor Laura Gillanders*** |

**CARRIED**

# LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

## 8. APPLICATION FOR NEW LIQUOR PRIMARY LIQUOR LICENCE FROM DIMSUM CADDY ENTERTAINMENT LTD., DBA DIMSUM CADDY - RESTAURANT AND INDOOR GOLF LOCATED AT 10331 ST. EDWARDS DRIVE, RICHMOND, BC

(File Ref. No. 12-8275-30-001) (REDMS No. 8548624)

*Councillor Starrett declared a conflict of interest due to employment with the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch and left the meeting (4:08 p.m.)*

It was moved and seconded

*(1)* ***That the application from Dimsum Caddy Entertainment Ltd. doing business as Dimsum Caddy – Restaurant and Indoor Golf, for a new Liquor Primary Liquor Licence seeking the following capacity, hours of liquor sales and endorsement terms for a new restaurant with indoor Golf at the premises located at 10331 St. Edwards Drive, be supported for:***

*(a)* ***A new Liquor Primary liquor Licence with total person capacity of 150 indoor and 30 outdoor for total of 180 persons;***

*(b)* ***Proposed hours of liquor sales Monday to Sunday, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 AM; and***

*(c)* ***A Family Foodservice Endorsement to allow minors when accompanied by a parent/guardian until 10:00 PM, where the service of food will be served from 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM.***

*(2)* ***That a letter be sent to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch, which includes the information as set out in Attachment 1 to this report, advising that Council recommends the approval of a new Liquor Primary Liquor Licence as described in Recommendation 1 of this report.***

The question on the motion was not called as a brief discussion ensued with respect to the previous operation of the premises.

In response to queries from Committee, staff noted (i) there is a certain amount of family endorsement as there will be minors accompanied by guardians, which typically does not lend itself to the type of complaints associated with a bar or nightclub, (ii) there were some noise related complaints associated with the previous establishment as The Shark Club, (iii) there are two layers of due diligence that are conducted, one undertaken by the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch that includes a criminal background records check, and the other through the Business License department which looks through criminal intelligence and records checks throughout the RCMP detachments, engaging with Richmond Fire Rescue for any prior history, as well as looking beyond the City to fellow associates and other locations to see if there are any bylaw records, and (iv) staff will also visit the establishment at some point in the year to undergo a proper inspection and if found in violation of the Bylaws, action will be taken.

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

*Councillor Starrett returned to the meeting (4:14 p.m.).*

## DEPUTY CAO'S OFFICE

9. **METRO VANCOUVER DEVELOPMENT COST CHARGE WAIVER: SECTION 219 COVENANT FOR LOW-END MARKET RENTAL OWNERSHIP TRANSFER AT 9291 ALEXANDRA ROAD/9288 TOMICKI AVENUE**
(File Ref. No. 08-4057-05) (REDMS No. 8556047)

It was moved and seconded

***(1) That the City enter into and register a Section 219 Covenant over 9291 Alexandra Road/9288Tomicki Avenue to secure the sale of nine Low-End Market Rental homes by the property owner to a non-profit organization as outlined in the report titled "Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charge Waiver: Section 219 Covenant for Low-End Market Rental ownership transfer at 9291 Alexandra Road/9288 Tomicki Avenue" from the Director, Housing, dated October 20, 2026; and***

***(2) That the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to complete any supporting documentation on behalf of the City required by Metro Vancouver in support of the property owner's application to Metro Vancouver for a Development Cost Charge waiver as described in the report titled "Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charge Waiver: Section 219 Covenant for Low-End Market Rental ownership transfer at 9291 Alexandra Road/9288 Tomicki Avenue" from the Director, Housing, dated October 20, 2026.***

**CARRIED**

## ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

***That the meeting adjourn (4:17 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, November 16, 2026.

Mayor Rob Howard
Chair

Lorraine Anderson
Legislative Services Associate