

# **General Purposes Committee**

Date: Monday, December 18, 2017

Place: Anderson Room Richmond City Hall

Present:

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

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

## MINUTES

It was moved and seconded That the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on December 4, 2017, be adopted as circulated.

#### CARRIED

## DELEGATION

1. With the aid of PowerPoint presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office), Anne Murray, Vice President, Marketing and Communications, Vancouver Airport Authority, accompanied by Howard Jampolsky, City of Richmond representative on the Vancouver International Airport Board, provided an update on the Airport Authority's activities and future plans and highlighted the following:

**Minutes** 

- the Vancouver Airport Authority (VAA) is a private, communitybased, not-for-profit organization that reinvests proceeds back into the operation of the airport;
- the VAA receives no government funding and pay rent to the federal government, which was approximately \$51 million in 2016, and in 2017 payments in lieu of taxes to the City of Richmond totalling \$16 million;
- the airport saw a growth in passengers to 22.3 million to date, a 10% growth over last year, and is it anticipated that it will hit 24 million passengers by the end of this year;
- the growth in passengers is the second highest rate in North America and YVR is the second busiest airport in Canada;
- YVR has some of the lowest airport improvement fees, \$20 or \$5 for passengers travelling within BC or to the Yukon, low carrier fees, and has a 5 year consistent rate to encourage growth;
- three new airlines, Hong Kong Airlines, Interjet and Flair Airlines, began operations out of YVR this year;
- Air Canada is responsible for half of the passenger growth and a number of new destinations;
- there are approximately 23,000 workers at YVR, a large portion of which are from Richmond;
- on a per flight basis, this year saw approximately 300-400 new jobs and the operation of the airport contributed over \$5 billion GDP to the province;
- YVR has become the first airport in world to receive Salmon-Safe certification and in June signed a 30-year friendship agreement with the Musqueam First Nation;
- in January, YVR launched the Flightplan 2037, which includes a master plan (Master Plan 2037), and VAA met with a number of City of Richmond representatives and stakeholders;
- there are a number of construction projects underway including a new Value Long-Term parking lot so that the current Value Lot can be closed to make room for a new parkade, and a new central utilities building that will incorporate a new GeoExchange plant;
- there is a meeting being established for early in 2018 between the Chair and Richmond City Council members to discuss zoning regulations in further detail and the Master Plan 2037, once approved;
- as a community-based organization VAA this summer attended over 30 festivals, including the Canada 150 celebration in Richmond, and donated over \$1 million to charitable organizations; and

 in 2017, YVR received the Best Airport in North America award at the Skytrax World Airports Awards for the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year in a row.

In response to questions from Committee, Ms. Murray commented that (i) there is a noise monitor tracking system on the airport website that tracks noise levels in real time and noise complaints are investigated accordingly, (ii) the airport improvement fee of \$20 provides a main source of funding for the airport and it is not anticipated that it will be removed, and (iii) overall, airplanes have become cleaner and quieter with a larger passenger capacity over the last 20 years and the airport authority is doing what they can to address Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

In response to a query from Committee as to why the Master Plan 2037 has not been shared with the City prior to approval from the federal Minister of Transport Canada, Ms. Murray noted that the VAA intends to follow the process of waiting for ministerial approval prior to disclosing the Master Plan 2037 publicly.

## ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

2. UPDATED DESIGN CONCEPT NO. 2 ROAD SOUTH DRAINAGE PUMP STATION

(File Ref. No. 10-6340-20-P.16309) (REDMS No. 5671785)

#### It was moved and seconded

That the updated design concept for the No. 2 Road South Drainage Pump Station Upgrade as detailed in Attachment 1 of the staff report titled, "Updated Design Concept No. 2 Road South Drainage Pump Station," be endorsed.

#### CARRIED

### COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

 BUSINESS REGULATION BYLAW NO. 7538, AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 9798 7951 ALDERBRIDGE WAY UNIT 160 (File Ref. No. 12-8275-01) (REDMS No. 5673613)

#### It was moved and seconded

That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 9798, which amends Schedule A of Bylaw No. 7538, to add the address of 7951 Alderbridge Way Unit 160 among the sites that permit an Amusement Centre to operate, be given first, second and third readings.

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The question on the motion was not called as Cecilia Achiam, General Manager, Community Safety, noted in response to questions from Committee that the regulations in the bylaw that prohibit any person under the age of 15 during school hours is specific to amusement centres and the specific prohibition of gambling at amusement centres was a response to past issues and staff have continued to enforce this.

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

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

It was moved and seconded

That staff review the rules relating to Amusement Centre operations to determine if they are still relevant.

DEFEATED Opposed: Mayor Brodie Cllrs. Au Day Dang McNulty McPhail Steves

### ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded *That the meeting adjourn (4:23 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, December 18, 2017.

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie Chair Amanda Welby Legislative Services Coordinator