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## Planning Committee

Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2009

Place: Anderson Room  
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt, Chair  
Councillor Bill McNulty, Vice-Chair  
Councillor Linda Barnes  
Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt  
Councillor Harold Steves  
Mayor Malcolm Brodie (arrived at 4:05 p.m.)

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### MINUTES

1. It was moved and seconded  
*That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday, September 22, 2009, be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

### NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

2. Tuesday, **October 20, 2009**, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room.

### PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

3. **APPLICATION BY SWARN PANESAR FOR REZONING AT 2451 AND 2471 MCLEOD AVENUE FROM SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING DISTRICT, SUBDIVISION AREA D (R1/D) TO SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING DISTRICT, SUBDIVISION AREA B (R1/B)**  
(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-8429, RZ 08-432190) (REDMS No. 2496588)

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It was moved and seconded

*That Bylaw No. 8429, for the rezoning of 2451 and 2471 McLeod Avenue from "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area D (R1/D)" to "Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area B (R1/B)", be introduced and given first reading.*

**CARRIED**

## 4. **OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN (2041) UPDATE**

(File Ref. No.: 08-4045-00) (REDMS No. 2724326)

Terry Crowe, Manager, Policy Planning, provided background information on the Official Community Plan (OCP) and noted that:

- staff are proposing a major review of the City's OCP to update it to 2041;
- among past major amendments to the OCP were the Arterial Road Policy and the Aircraft Noise Sensitive Development Policy;
- the suggested theme of the OCP update is "My Sustainable Community";
- a work program is proposed to enable several rounds of public input, as well as input from such stakeholder groups as the Richmond School Board, Vancouver Airport Authority, Urban Development Institute and the Port Authority;
- studies to be undertaken include green house gas, demographic, industrial, environmentally sensitive areas (ESA), sustainability, transportation and engineering; and
- the draft industrial terms of reference will be presented to the Economic Advisory Committee for their input and the draft ESA terms of reference will be presented to the Advisory Committee on the Environment for comment.

A brief discussion ensued between Committee and staff on:

- what steps to take to engage the public during the consultation phase and how to take advantage of a variety of activities and events in the City during the consultation process to maximize input;
- whether the current budget covers the projected cost plus the studies;
- plans to contact Kwantlen University, Trinity Western University, University of British Columbia, and other post secondary institutions during the updating process;
- if it is possible to 'eliminate' green house gases or just 'reduce' them;
- the OCP update would include a new chapter on sustainability; and
- a community energy emissions plan is being investigated.

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The Chair advised that the sub-section under the title "Environment" should feature separate bullet points for such things as energy farms and built environment elements.

It was moved and seconded

*That staff be authorized to continue updating the Richmond Official Community Plan (OCP) in accordance with the staff report dated September 29, 2009 from the General Manager of Planning and Development, entitled "Official Community Plan (2041) Update".*

**CARRIED**

### **5. MANAGER'S REPORT**

#### **(1) *Draft Regional Growth Strategy***

Mr. Crowe advised that Johnny Carline, Chief Administrative Officer of Metro Vancouver, would attend the Tuesday, October 20, 2009 meeting of the Planning Committee to discuss Metro Vancouver's draft Regional Growth Strategy (RGS).

Before Mr. Carline's address to Committee, City staff will meet with Metro Vancouver staff to discuss outstanding issues with regard to the draft RGS.

A brief discussion ensued between staff and Committee on: (i) the autonomy of municipalities versus control of growth by Metro Vancouver; (ii) future use of industrial lands; (iii) resolution of disputes and disagreements; and (iv) port-oriented lands.

#### **(2) *Airport Noise Citizens Advisory Task Force***

Joe Erceg, General Manager, Planning and Development reported that staff would circulate a memorandum to Council regarding the Airport Noise Citizens Advisory Task Force's recent discussion of its Terms of Reference and draft report.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded

*That the meeting adjourn (5:01 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

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Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, October 6, 2009.

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Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt  
Chair

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Sheila Johnston  
Committee Clerk