



Public Works & Transportation Committee

Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2011
Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall
Present: Councillor Linda Barnes, Chair
Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt, Vice-Chair
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Harold Steves
Mayor Malcolm Brodie
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 Public Works & Transportation Committee held on Wednesday, March 23, 2011, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

Wednesday, May 18, 2011 (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

1. **ICBC/CITY OF RICHMOND ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR 2011**
(File Ref. No.: 01-0150-20-ICBC1-01/2011) (REDMS No. 3151890)

In reply to queries and comments of Committee, Victor Wei, Director of Transportation, provided the following advice:

- as requested, Transportation staff will submit a memorandum to Council that documents the positive impact the City's relationship with ICBC has had on safety;
- on average, the annual amount of funding the City receives from ICBC is between \$150,000 and \$200,000;

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- information regarding No. 1 Road and Moncton Street intersection improvements will be detailed in a report that will come to Committee in May, 2011; and
- the effectiveness of speed humps.

The Chair (i) commented that the City's intersections are safer than those in other municipalities, and (ii) asked Mr. Wei to invite representatives from ICBC to a future Committee meeting in order for Committee to recognize ICBC for their funding contribution that enhances the safety of the City's streets and intersections.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the list of proposed road safety improvement projects, as described in the staff report dated March 28, 2011 from the Director, Transportation, be endorsed for submission to the ICBC 2011 Road Improvement Program for consideration of cost sharing funding.*
- (2) *That should the above applications be successful, the Chief Administrative Officer and General Manager, Planning and Development be authorized to negotiate and execute the cost-share agreements and the 2011 Capital Plan and the 5-Year Financial Plan (2011-2015) be amended accordingly.*

CARRIED

ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

2. **WATERCOURSE PROTECTION AND CROSSING BYLAW NO. 8441**
(File Ref. No.: 10-6060-04-01) (REDMS No. 2526920)

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the Watercourse Protection and Crossing Bylaw No. 8441 be introduced and given 1st, 2nd, and 3rd readings;*
- (2) *That the Consolidated Fees Bylaw No. 8636, Amendment Bylaw No. 8753, be introduced and given 1st, 2nd, and 3rd readings; and*
- (3) *That the Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 8754, be introduced and given 1st, 2nd, and 3rd readings.*

The question on the motion was not called, as Lloyd Bie, Manager, Engineering Planning, advised that each year the City receives between five and 30 watercourse crossing permit requests.

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

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3. LANE DESIGN STANDARDS

(File Ref. No.: 10-6050-03) (REDMS No. 3178428)

It was moved and seconded

That a two tiered lane design standard that includes Standard 1 (asphalt and a piped drainage system) funded primarily by the City and Standard 2 that adds curbs and gutter to Standard 1, with the incremental costs funded by benefiting parties, be endorsed.

The question on the motion was not called as a discussion took place among Committee, Mr. Bie, John Irving, Director, Engineering, and Robert Gonzalez, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works, regarding:

- staff (i) has looked at sustainability benefits of using porous paving material in lanes, and (ii) are looking for an opportunity to try out porous material in a lane; certain soil conditions are required, and when staff identifies a lane that meets the criteria, porous paving material will be tried out;
- the Neighbourhood Improvement Charge (NIC) collected from developers is expended in the neighbourhood in which the funds are collected, primarily for the development of neighbourhood lanes;
- lane construction is funded through NIC, supplemented with utility funding; and
- a future staff report for Committee will address queries regarding financing in relation lane “Standard 1” and lane “Standard 2”.

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

4. MANAGER’S REPORT

John Irving reported that the Engineering staff’s Annual Capital Construction Projects Open House took place on the afternoon of April 19, 2011, in the City Hall Atrium, and that it was a successful event, attended by several hundred participants.

Mr. Irving added that each year, staff works to enlarge and improve the event, and for next year’s Capital Construction Projects Open House, multi-media tools will be used to better demonstrate the City’s capital project activities.

The Chair requested that Mr. Irving pass along Committee’s congratulations to all staff involved in the successful event.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:26 p.m.).

CARRIED

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Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Public Works & Transportation Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Wednesday, April 20, 2011.

Councillor Linda Barnes
Chair

Sheila Johnston
Committee Clerk