



Public Works & Transportation Committee

Date: Wednesday, June 22, 2011

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Linda Barnes, Chair (arrived at 4:21 p.m.)
Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt, Vice-Chair
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Harold Steves

Also Present: Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt

Call to Order: The Vice-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, May 18, 2011, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

Wednesday, July 20, 2011 (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

1. **REVISED WATER SHORTAGE RESPONSE PLAN (SPRINKLING RESTRICTIONS) – BYLAW AMENDMENTS**
(File Ref. No. 10-6650-09-01) (REDMS No. 3222936)

It was moved and seconded

That Metro Vancouver's 2011 Water Shortage Response Plan, which includes revised water use restrictions, be endorsed and the following amendment bylaws be introduced and given first, second and third readings:

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- (1) *Water Use Restriction Bylaw No. 7784, Amendment Bylaw No. 8766;*
- (2) *Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7321, Amendment Bylaw No. 8774; and*
- (3) *Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122, Amendment Bylaw No. 8775.*

CARRIED

2. **SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT BYLAWS**

(File Ref. No. 10-6060-01) (REDMS No. 3191830)

In reply to queries from Committee, Lloyd Bie, Manager, Engineering Planning, advised that (i) in-stream applications would not be assessed higher fees due to the proposed bylaws; (ii) the maximum term for cost recovery is fifteen years after the completion date of the works or services; and (iii) the current Neighbourhood Improvement Charge (NIC) will be phased out as the proposed Subdivision and Development Bylaw No. 8751 will enable the City to collect cash-in-lieu of construction contributions.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Subdivision and Development Bylaw No. 8751 be introduced and given 1st, 2nd and 3rd readings; and*
- (2) *That Works and Services Cost Recovery Bylaw No. 8752 be introduced and given 1st, 2nd and 3rd readings.*

CARRIED

3. **CANADA LINE: PROGRESS REPORT ON OPPORTUNITIES FOR RETAIL OPERATIONS AND LITTER COLLECTION/CLEANING ACTIVITIES**

(File Ref. No. 10-6405-01) (REDMS No. 3229016)

Suzanne Bycraft, Manager, Fleet & Environmental Programs, noted that the full-time litter attendant personnel complement control number will have no additional impact on the budget as the funds are already budgeted and are being recovered through the 2011 sanitation and recycling utility budget and rates.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff provided the following information:

- the access agreement with Translink restricts the City from using or undertaking any activities within a one-metre buffer zone around the perimeter of the Canada Line infrastructure, such as stations, guide ways, and columns;
- the agreement also restricts the City from using or undertaking any activities that would impact on Translink's ability to access the Canada Line infrastructure for maintenance, inspection, repair or other purposes;

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- the Brighthouse station and guide way is entirely located on private property; as such, there are limited opportunities for retail activities outside the City's limited sidewalk areas;
- the Richmond Access Agreement between the City and Translink outlines the City's responsibility in relation to cleanliness and maintenance of the Canada Line stations; and
- leases on City property would be the sole revenue of the City.

Councillor Barnes entered the meeting and assumed the Chair (4:21 p.m.).

Discussion ensued regarding the various types of retail opportunities along the Canada Line. Committee suggested that vendors along the Canada Line be encouraged or mandated to offer primarily organic, unprocessed, local food. Also, a comment was made regarding non-food vendors supporting local non-profit organizations. Moreover, Committee expressed their desire to see that food vendors along the Canada Line offer their goods in environmentally friendly packaging in keeping with the 4 Rs – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Recover.

In reply to queries from Committee, Victor Wei, Director, Transportation, provided the following information:

- the street furniture installed under the City – Pattison Street Furniture Agreement will be silver in color;
- silver furniture was chosen as coloured street-furniture quickly fade and lose lustre;
- silver street-furniture requires less maintenance and it is more neutral to the streetscape, allowing for more options to add future components to the street; and
- the 10-unit multiple publication news racks with recycling receptacles will be installed at the Aberdeen, Lansdowne and Brighthouse stations.

Committee requested that Council be advised of the location of the various new street furniture elements that are to be installed throughout the summer.

It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) ***an additional personnel complement control position be approved for a permanent litter attendant position for waste and litter removal along No. 3 Road for service in relation to the Canada Line;***
- (2) ***in relation to the potential for retail opportunities at or near Canada Line stations, that staff;***
 - (a) ***bring forward for Council's consideration a report recommending amendment to the Business Licence Bylaw to permit vendors on City owned or controlled property;***

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- (b) *work with Translink to encourage Translink to permit such retail opportunities near Canada Line stations, particularly at Brighthouse Station; and*
- (c) *move forward with a pilot request for proposal for retail activity for locations at the intersection of No. 3 Road and Westminster Highway.*

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded

That staff investigate and report back on the possibility that vendors be required to provide healthy, local food, and that such foods be offered in environmentally friendly packaging.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded

That staff investigate and report back on the possibility of non-food vendors supporting local non-profit organizations.

CARRIED

4. **AGEING INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING – 2011 UPDATE**

(File Ref. No. 10-6060-01) (REDMS No. 3170477)

Robert Gonzalez, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works, commented on several different financial models that staff are currently investigating in an effort to address the estimated long-term capital requirements for age-related infrastructure renewal.

In reply to a query from Committee, Mr. Bie advised that currently the City is not in a financial position where it could feasibly repair infrastructure that has reached the typical failure curve.

Discussion ensued regarding rising utility costs at the regional level (Metro Vancouver) and Committee queried how such information could be relayed to Richmond residents.

It was moved and seconded

That staff review the report dated June 7, 2011 from the Director, Engineering in conjunction with the Long Term Financial Management Strategy and bring forward recommendations to Finance Committee.

CARRIED

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5. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

(i) Nelson Road-Highway 91 Interchange Update

Mr. Wei noted that it is anticipated that the Nelson Road – Highway 91 Interchange project be completed by mid-July 2011.

(ii) Metro Vancouver's Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan

Mr. Bie referenced a memorandum dated June 22, 2011 regarding the Metro Vancouver's Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan. He noted that Ministry of Environment conditionally approved the Plan with ten conditions, four of which directly impact Richmond.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (4:50 p.m.).

CARRIED

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, June 22, 2011.

Councillor Linda Barnes
Chair (Items 3 to 5)

Hanieh Floujeh
Committee Clerk

Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt
Vice-Chair (Items 1 and 2)