Minutes



Public Works and Transportation Committee

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Place: Anderson Room

Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Carol Day, Chair

Councillor Michael Wolfe

Councillor Chak Au Councillor Kash Heed Councillor Alexa Loo

Also Present: Councillor Andy Hobbs

Councillor Bill McNulty

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:24 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Public Works and Transportation Committee held on July 17, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

AGENDA ADDITIONS

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That Steveston Area Parking Study Project Plan be added to the agenda as Item No. 3A;
- (2) That Traffic Calming on Westminster Highway in Hamilton be added to the agenda as Item No. 3B; and
- (3) That City Requirements for the Use of Bollards be added to the agenda as Item No. 3C.

CARRIED

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ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

1. BICYCLE PARKING REVIEW

(File Ref. No. 10-6490-00) (REDMS No. 7751326)

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that there is an outstanding referral for staff to investigate secure public bicycle parking, and recommendations will be brought forward as part of the 2025 Capital budget process.

It was moved and seconded

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10576, to update on-site bicycle parking requirements, be introduced and given first reading.

CARRIED

2. RESCINDMENT OF HIGHWAY RAIL USE BY-LAW (C.P.R. RELOCATION) BYLAW NO. 2636

(File Ref. No. 10-6510-03-01) (REDMS No. 7695021)

It was moved and seconded

That the Highway Rail Use By-law (C.P.R. Relocation) Bylaw No. 2636 be rescinded.

CARRIED

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CLIMATE ACTION PROGRAM (LGCAP) YEAR 3 SURVEY REPORT AND 2023 CORPORATE EMISSION INVENTORY

(File Ref. No. 10-6125-01) (REDMS No. 7756343)

Discussion ensued regarding groups that are most vulnerable to the impacts of climate hazards and impacts as identified in reports by Vancouver Coastal Health and Fraser Health.

It was moved and seconded

That as described in the report titled 'Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) Year 3 Survey Report and 2023 Corporate Emission Inventory' from the Acting Director, Climate and Environment, dated August 22, 2024, the LGCAP Year 3 Survey Report and Attestation Form be endorsed and posted on the City's website for public information, in accordance with Provincial requirements.

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3A. STEVESTON AREA PARKING STUDY - PROJECT PLAN (File Ref. No.) (REDMS No.)

Staff provided a brief overview of the Steveston area parking study as outlined in the staff memorandum dated August 23, 2024, highlighting that (i) there are approximately 2000 spaces located within the study area and (ii) the scope of the study will be to examine the inventory, operation and utilization of the public parking spaces and identify any parking surplus or deficiencies.

Staff advised that public engagement regarding recommended long-term streetscape visions for Steveston is underway and a report is forthcoming.

3B. TRAFFIC CALMING ON WESTMINSTER HIGHWAY IN HAMILTON

(File Ref. No.) (REDMS No.)

Discussion ensued regarding (i) traffic calming measures on Westminster Highway in Hamilton and potential consequences if implemented, (ii) automated enforcement through ICBC's Intersection Safety Camera program, and (iii) bicycle lanes and variable speeds for large vehicles and buses.

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

It was moved and seconded

That staff provide options for traffic calming measures on Westminster Highway in Hamilton, including financial impacts, and report back.

CARRIED

3C. CITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USE OF BOLLARDS (File Ref. No.) (REDMS No.)

Discussion ensued regarding (i) parking lots on private property and the financial impacts of requiring the installation of bollards and (ii) possible restrictions for permanent structures in parking lots due to fire and police access issues.

4. MANAGER'S REPORT

(i) Odour in West Richmond

Staff noted that they are working with Metro Vancouver to investigate possible causes of a foul odour reported in Richmond. Metro Vancouver air quality regulation staff have not yet identified the source and will continue to assess the situation.

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(ii) Installation of Speed Humps

Staff advised that speed humps have recently been installed on Second Avenue in Steveston and in front of Choice School, Bridge Elementary School, and McKinney Elementary School.

(iii) Steveston Highway Projects Updates

Staff advised that the Steveston Highway Multi-Use Pathway project and Metro Vancouver's Gilbert Road Sewer Upgrade project are on schedule to be completed by the end of 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded *That the meeting adjourn (5:58 p.m.).*

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Public Works and Transportation Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024.

Councillor Carol Day
Chair
Shannon Unrau
Legislative Services Associate