



City of Richmond
Planning and Development Department

To Public Hearing	
Date:	May 22, 2007
Item #:	13
Re:	Bylaw 7882

Memorandum

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To: Mayor and Councillors
From: Terry Crowe
 Manager, Policy Planning
Re: Pinnacle OCP Amendment – Clarifying Richmond School Board Comments

Date: May 22, 2007
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Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to clarify the May 17, 2007, response from Mr. Ken Morris, Secretary Treasurer, Richmond School District No. 38, [SB] regarding the proposed Pinnacle OCP amendment.

8060-20-7882

Background

Policy Requirements Met

Regarding the proposed Pinnacle OCP amendment, the City has met the requirements of the latest City Policy 5043 OCP Bylaw Preparation Consultation Policy which was prepared by the City and SB.

The City and SB staff have consulted many times regarding this proposal. On January 17, 2006, the SB formally acknowledged that it had been consulted and stated that it is prepared to address school needs [Attachment 1].

As the Pinnacle proposal was subsequently modified [this proposal], the City forwarded the proposal to the SB again, as a courtesy and to keep them informed.

Mr Morris' memo [Attachment 2] indicates, at the staff level, that the SB continues to be prepared to accommodate the Pinnacle development. It is anticipated that the SB will verify this. Due to the City – SB decision-making sequence, it is anticipated that the formal reply from the SB will be receive shortly.

Regarding City demographic information, City staff will be forwarding preliminary data to SB staff data this week.

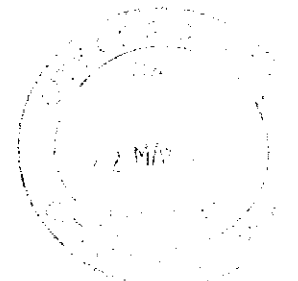
For clarification, please contact me at 4139.

Terry Crowe
Manager, Policy Planning

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School District No. 38 (Richmond) - Letter of Support



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Office of the Secretary - Treasurer

January 17, 2006

Mr. David Weber
City Clerk
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Dear Mr. Weber:

In January of 2001 the Local Government Act changed such that the City of Richmond was required to consult with the Board of School Trustees (Richmond) for all changes to the Official Community Plan (OCP). In December 2005 representatives from the City of Richmond's Planning Department met with myself regarding changes to the OCP that would result in an increase in the number of school-aged children. We agreed that changes to the OCP that resulted in a potential increase of more than 50 school-aged children would be forwarded to the Board of School Trustees. In this regard the Board of School Trustees received correspondence from the City of Richmond's Planning Department regarding a significant residential development at the intersection of No. 3 Road and Capstan Way.

The development (RZ 03-254977) contemplates the construction of approximately 1689 dwelling units. Since this was the first change to the OCP that had been forwarded to the Board of School Trustees, pursuant to Section 881 of the Local Government Act, the Board referred this to its January 9, 2006 Personnel & Finance Committee Meeting in order to discuss not only the application but the process whereby such matters would be considered by the Board.

At the January 9, 2006 Personnel & Finance Committee Meeting a recommendation was made to the Board. The Board at its January 16, 2006 public meeting passed the following resolution:

038/2006 THAT the Board of School Trustees (Richmond) respond to the City of Richmond's proposed city centre zoning applications confirming that Talmei Elementary School could accommodate elementary school-aged children moving in to the area; and further that the school district's capital plan may be impacted by such additional enrollment.

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It is anticipated that in the future the Board of School Trustees (Richmond) will be able to respond to these changes to the OCP within 3 weeks of receipt of such changes. The exception may be during the months of July and August where the Board would normally meet once in the early part of July and then again in early September.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I can be reached at 604.668.6011.

Sincerely,



K.L. Morris
Secretary Treasurer

cc: Trustees
B. Beaird, Superintendent of Schools
Mayor and Councillors
T. Crowe, Manager - Policy Planning

Attachments: Correspondence from S. Carter-Huffman and Section 881, Local Govt. Act

From: Ken Morris [mailto:kmorris@richmond.sd38.bc.ca]
Sent: Thursday, 17 May 2007 10:43 AM
To: Weber, David
Cc: Carlile, Cathryn; Bruce Beairsto; Crowe, Terry; Linda McPhail
Subject: Staff response to OCP Amendment BYLAW 7882
Importance: High

David

I have attached the draft report that will be sent to the Board for its consideration on Tuesday May 22nd.

The timeline for response the Board and the school district is being provided is presently not reasonable to allow for a fully informed response.

I will be suggesting that to the Board that this matter be raised again with Council in order to seek an amicable solution. Perhaps the 'communications-visioning session' between Council and Board that is being scheduled will be an opportunity to raise this specific example.

I will ask Cathy Carlile to add this matter as an agenda item to the Joint City/School District Management Committee.

If you have any suggestions I would appreciate hearing from you.

Regards

Ken Morris

Secretary Treasurer

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Memorandum

Date : May 17, 2007

To: The Board of School Trustees (Richmond)

From: K.L. Morris, Secretary Treasurer

Subject: Official Community Amendment Bylaw 7882

Recommendation:

WHEREAS the Board of School Trustees (Richmond previously received information from the City of Richmond regarding extensive densification of the north end of the City Centre (RZ 03-254977 and RZ 04-275910);

AND WHEREAS one specific major development in the area bounded by Capstan, Number Three Road, Sea Island Way and Sexsmith Road was initially expected to see approximately 1,700 residential dwelling units;

AND WHEREAS the Board has previously advised the City of Richmond that the Board planned to accommodate the elementary school-age students at Talmey Elementary School initially through the use of portable classrooms and later through doubling the size of the school;

AND WHEREAS the City has now advised that Council has given first reading to an Amendment Bylaw that would see the number of dwelling units increase from 1,700 to over 2,100;

AND WHEREAS the Board advise the City of Richmond that Cambie Secondary School and Talmey Elementary schools are within the 4.8 kilometer walk-limits of the development;

AND WHEREAS Cambie Secondary School presently has an operating capacity of 1,000 and a core capacity to accommodate 1,500 students

AND WHEREAS south end of Cambie Secondary school has been pre-loaded for a 500 student addition to the school;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, in the absence of any detailed demographic information that the City had previously committed to provide the Board in order to accurately determine the number of school-age children that might arise from such developments, the Board advise the City of Richmond of its intent to increase the operating capacity of Talmey Elementary School and Cambie Secondary School.

Background

January 2001

Local Government Act changed such that it required the City of Richmond to consult with the Board for all changes to the Official Community Plan (OCP). In December 2005 City staff met with District staff to discuss these changes and agreed that changes to the OCP that would result in a potential increase of more than 50 school-aged children would be forwarded to the Board.

December 23, 2005

Letter dated RZ 03-254977 and RZ 04-275910 from the City regarding two pending applications for rezoning in the north end of Richmond's City Centre for consideration by the Board.

January 16, 2006

038/2006 THAT the Board of School Trustees respond to the City of Richmond's proposed city centre rezoning applications confirming that Talmey Elementary School could accommodate elementary school-aged children moving into the area; and further that the school district's capital plan may be impacted by such additional enrollment.

Carried

January 17, 2006

Letter to City (attached) advising of Board Resolution 038/2006 and advising that the Board will be able respond to these changes to the OCP within 3 weeks of receipt of such changes.

May 10, 2007

Letter and 85-page report received from the City Clerk on May 10th, 2007 advising of Official Community Amendment Bylaw 7882 which was given first reading by City Council on Tuesday May 8th, 2007. The bylaw amendment is for the same area as described, in part, in the City's letter of December 23, 2005.

The City had requested written responses by May 16, 2007 or within five working days.

In brief, Amendment Bylaw proposes to increase the number of residential dwelling units from 1,700 to over 2,100.

K.L. Morris
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