

SCHEDULE 26 TO THE  
MINUTES OF THE GARDEN  
CITY LANDS PUBLIC HEARING  
HELD ON MARCH 11, 12, 13, 17,  
18, & 19, 2008

To Richmond City

Mar 13th, 2008

Mayor and Councillors

Regarding: Application to Remove Garden City Lands from ALR

I am opposed to removing the Garden City lands from the ALR, because this is the worst possible scenerio for the people of Richmond, your own Lawyer, Mr. Keith Clark stated " Base your decision on what is best for the people of Richmond , not on the uncertainty of aboriginal issues"

Mr Clark also said "The musqueam could make land claims on 100 % of the lands in B.C." But according to the CLC representative, Mr. Reynolds " there are currently no aboriginal land titles in B.C." City council need to be strong and fight for a better deal.

The MOU is dead we have applied to the Agircultural land commission on on Sept 1 , 2006 and it rejected the application to remove the Garden City lands from the ALR stating "

The commission concluded that the land has agricultural capability and is suitable for agricultural use. ....the lack of community need arguement to justify the exclusion of prime agricultural land from the ALR."

The MOU states that we must apply for ALR exclusion it does not state we have to try again and again....We have fullfilled our obligation to the terms of the MOU and it is time to look at other options.

# 1 We could open talks with the Musqueam and the Canada lands company to explore what kind of partnership we could have with the lands staying in the ALR.

# 2 We could contact the various ministries in Ottawa to find a partner that would be willing to aquire that land for " Program requirements " that would includ urban agriculture, parks and playing fields with the City of Richmond.

Let the Garden City lands become Richmonds Stanley Park and not another development for high density housing. Imagine if the politians had not arranged for the city of Vancouver to lease the land known as Stanley park, please see the photo's I have provided.. Vancouver would not be the world famous city it is today if not for Stanley park.

The Garden City lands can be the peoples park on the peoples land and that would create a legacy for generation that follow us. No Deal is better than this deal even if the land sits as it is for another 10, 20 or 40 years, we need to leave our options open and find ways to utilize all the lands for green uses.

Be brave , wake up and smell the ALC, Do the right thing and vote NO to the Garden City Lands Exclusion.

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Reply to the attention of Jennifer Carson  
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Dear Ms. Day

**Re: Garden City Lands – Richmond, BC**

This is further to your June 19, 2007 e-mail to the Honourable Pat Bell, Minister of Agriculture and Lands regarding the above. Since the land is in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) Minister Bell felt the response should come from this office.

In 2006 Canada Lands Company CLC Limited proposed to exclude the 55 ha Garden City lands from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) to facilitate commercial, residential and park development. In rendering its decision on September 1, 2006 the Commission concluded that the land has agricultural capability and is suitable for agricultural use. The Commission also noted the lack of a convincing community need argument to justify the exclusion of prime agricultural land from the ALR.

Based on these findings the Commission believed the proposal was inconsistent with the objective of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* and refused the application. The 2006 is completed. Your comments will be kept on file for future consideration in the event a new application is submitted involving the Garden City lands

On behalf of Minister Bell and the Commission I thank you for taking the time to forward your comments.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

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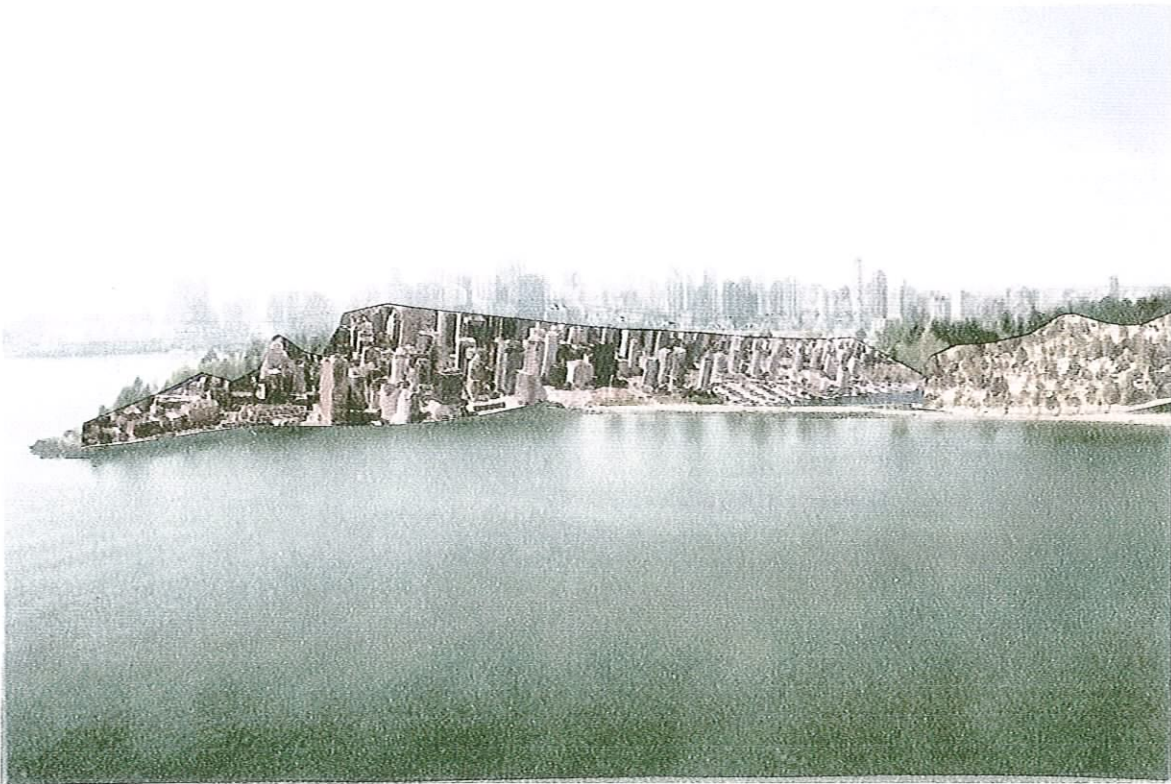
Erik Karlson, Chair

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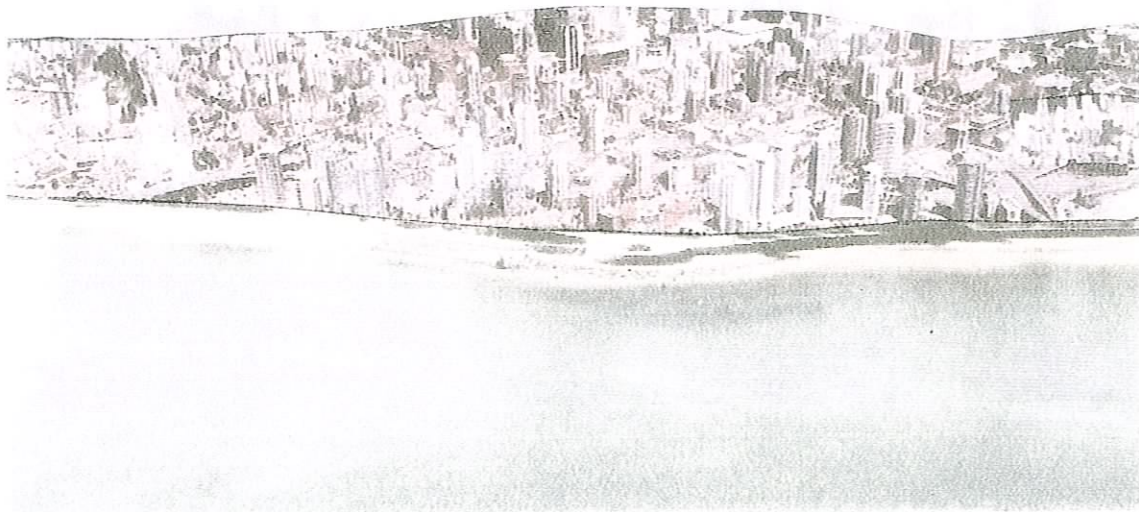
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