



Council/School Board Liaison Committee

Date: December 2, 2020

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Alexa Loo, Chair
Trustee Debbie Tablotney (by teleconference)
Trustee Sandra Nixon (by teleconference)
Trustee Ken Hamaguci

Also Present: Councillor Chak Au

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

AGENDA

It was moved and seconded
That the Council/School Board Liaison Committee agenda for the meeting of December 2, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

MINUTES

The Chair noted that the Council/School Board Liaison Committee meeting minutes from October 7, 2020 will be revised to note Trustee Sandra Nixon's attendance.

It was moved and seconded
That the minutes of the meeting of the Council/School Board Liaison Committee held on October 7, 2020, be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

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1. **CHILD CARE UPDATE**

City staff updated Committee on Child Care activities, noting that (i) the stakeholder portion for the Community Child Care Planning Project has completed and staff will provide a report on the matter in the first quarter of 2021, (ii) the Province is introducing two new child care related grants – A Rapid Renovation Grant to aid transitioning available space to child care uses, and a Health and Safety Grant, in response to COVID-19, that will help with cleaning and sanitizing spaces, and (iii) District and City staff are coordinating to examine the Provincial child care grant opportunities.

It was moved and seconded

That the verbal update on Child Care be received for information.

CARRIED

2. **YOUTH STRATEGY UPDATE**

City staff noted that (i) the City is developing a 10 year Youth Strategy and that a stakeholder advisory committee has been established for the Strategy, (ii) the advisory committee will consist of members from community groups such as the Media Lab, SUCCESS, Richmond Community Associations, The Foundry, Richmond Public Library, the Ministry for Children and Family Development, the Richmond School District No. 38, Vancouver Coastal Health, Youth representation and City of Richmond Community Services staff, (iii) the stakeholder input for the Strategy will begin in 2021 and (iv) City staff will be constantly monitoring trends and that there will be opportunities to make adjustments to the strategy in the future.

It was moved and seconded

That the verbal update on Youth Strategy be received for information.

CARRIED

3. **USE OF SCHOOLS FOR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

In reply to queries from Committee, City and District staff noted that (i) the City is working closely with the District to reinstate community youth school spaces, particularly in gymnasiums where access through the school is limited, (ii) these spaces would adhere to appropriate cleaning protocols, (iii) the school spaces for registered community programs are limited and program expansion to other spaces can be examined in January 2021, (iv) some community groups have continued remote meetings or meeting outdoors, (v) District and City facilities are currently not open for general public rentals, and (vi) the Sea Island School space offers childcare and adult learning programs.

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It was moved and seconded

That the verbal report on the Use of Schools for Community Programs be received for information.

CARRIED

4. TRANSPORTATION – VERBAL UPDATE

City staff provided a verbal update on Transportation activities, noting that (i) the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee will be meeting in early 2021, (ii) safety enhancements such as upgrades to crosswalks, street zone markers speed humps, and on-street parking were installed near various schools in the city, (iii) HUB cycling education programs were delivered to Westwind, Maple Lane, Gilmore and Homa Elementary schools for grade six and seven students in 2020, (iv) cycling activities have surged during COVID-19 pandemic and (v) public input on upcoming City transportation initiatives can be made on the City’s website.

In reply to queries from Committee regarding the HUB program, City staff noted that the program was delivered in a mix of online and in-person lessons and that a presentation on the program can be made at the next Council/School Board Committee meeting.

It was moved and seconded

That the verbal update on Transportation be received for information.

CARRIED

5. UPDATE ON THE FOUNDRY

District staff noted that an update on the Foundry can be provided at the next Council/School Board Liaison Committee meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (STANDING ITEM)

None.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

The next Council/School Board Liaison Committee meeting will be determined at a future date.

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ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (9:44 a.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the meeting of the City of
Richmond Council/School Board Liaison
Committee held on December 2, 2021.

Councillor Alexa Loo
Chair

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