



General Purposes Committee

**Anderson Room, City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road
Tuesday, May 21, 2019
4:00 p.m.**

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MINUTES

GP-5 *Motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on May 6, 2019.*

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

1. **RICHMOND MUSEUM DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS**
(File Ref. No. 11-7000-01) (REDMS No. 6155447 v. 4)

GP-9

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Designated Speaker: Marie Fenwick

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That staff be authorized to proceed with planning for Model B: City Museum as detailed in the staff report titled “Richmond Museum Development Options” dated April 11, 2019 from the General Manager, Community Services; and*
- (2) *That staff report back with a Richmond Museum Master Plan for the purposes of public consultation and the next phase of planning.*

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2. **RICHMOND LAWN BOWLING CLUBHOUSE PROGRAM OPTIONS**
(File Ref. No. 06-2052-25-LBOW1) (REDMS No. 6168707 v. 41)

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Designated Speakers: Elizabeth Ayers & Jim Young

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That Program Option 2 be approved, as outlined in the staff report titled “Richmond Lawn Bowling Clubhouse Program Options,” dated April 26, 2019, from the Director, Recreation and Sport Services and the Acting Director, Facilities; and*
- (2) *That the additional amount of \$800,000, as described in the staff report titled “Richmond Lawn Bowling Clubhouse Program Options,” dated April 26, 2019, from the Director, Recreation and Sport Services and the Acting Director, Facilities, be funded by the Capital Building and Infrastructure Reserve (\$710,000) and the Richmond Lawn Bowling Club (\$90,000), and the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2019-2023) be amended accordingly.*



ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

3. **2018 CLIMATE ACTION REVENUE INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND CORPORATE CARBON NEUTRAL PROGRESS REPORT**

(File Ref. No. 10-6125-01) (REDMS No. 6171365 v. 2)

GP-110

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Designated Speaker: Peter Russell

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That, in accordance with Provincial requirements, the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program Report and Carbon Neutral Progress Report be posted on the City’s website for public information.



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4. **INTEGRATING CIRCULAR ECONOMY CRITERIA INTO CITY PROCUREMENTS**

(File Ref. No. 10-6000-00) (REDMS No. 6167654 v.6)

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Designated Speakers: Peter Russell & David Aarons

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That the work plan outlined in the staff report titled, “Integrating Circular Economy Criteria into City Procurements”, dated March 20, 2019 from the Senior Manager, Sustainability and District Energy, be endorsed; and*
- (2) *That expenditures in the amount of \$150,000 be approved, with funding from the Carbon Tax provision, and that the 5-Year Financial Plan (2019-2023) be amended accordingly.*



5. **SINGLE-USE PLASTIC ITEMS – CITY OF VANCOUVER PROPOSALS**

(File Ref. No. 10-6370-01) (REDMS No. 6172192 v. 9)

GP-150

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Designated Speaker: Suzanne Bycraft

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report dated April 25, 2019 titled, “Single-Use Plastic Items – City of Vancouver Proposals” from the Director, Public Works Operations, be received for information.



6. **SINGLE-USE PLASTIC ITEMS – PRELIMINARY RESEARCH SCAN**

(File Ref. No. 10-6370-01) (REDMS No. 6176240 v. 4)

GP-169

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Designated Speaker: Suzanne Bycraft

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the staff report dated May 2, 2019 titled “Single-Use Plastic Items – Preliminary Research Scan” from the Director, Public Works Operations, be received for information.



COUNCILLOR KELLY GREENE

7. **HOUSE BOARDING FEE**

(File Ref. No.)

GP-188

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MOTION

ADDED

- (1) *Therefore be it resolved that the UBCM call on the Province of British Columbia to extend the authority to introduce a surtax on vacant residential properties to local governments across British Columbia, providing communities with the discretion to decide whether to introduce an additional tax to discourage vacant and derelict buildings, and encourage the occupancy, maintenance, and improvement of buildings to address housing affordability and public safety; and,*
- (2) *Implement a cost-recovery House Boarding Fee to address the ongoing burden on tax payers for vacant and boarded houses.*



ADJOURNMENT



Hi David,

I'd like to have the following motion added to the next GP meeting:

1)a) To adopt the following resolution from LGLMA and send to UBCM to indicate strong support for additional municipal tools to deal with the housing crisis.

Whereas the Province of British Columbia responded to a housing affordability crisis in 2016 with legislation empowering the City of Vancouver to introduce a surtax on vacant residential properties, resulting in \$38 million in revenues for that community in 2018 and creating a strong disincentive to leaving properties vacant;

And whereas communities across British Columbia face housing affordability pressures, while a portion of the housing supply in all communities remains vacant;

Therefore be it resolved that the UBCM call on the Province of British Columbia to extend the authority to introduce a surtax on vacant residential properties to local governments across British Columbia, providing communities with the discretion to decide whether to introduce an additional tax to discourage vacant and derelict buildings, and encourage the occupancy, maintenance, and improvement of buildings to address housing affordability and public safety.

2)b) Implement a cost-recovery House Boarding Fee to address the ongoing burden on tax payers for vacant and boarded houses. Boarded houses use a disproportionate amount of resources, such as Richmond Fire Rescue, RCMP, Bylaw staff, and more. There were 333 boarded properties in 2018.

Thank you,

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Richmond City Councillor

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