

Staff Report

Origin

At the June 25, 2002 meeting, the Parks Recreation and Cultural Services Committee directed *"that staff contact Onni Development Corporation to determine if they would be in favour of making a contribution to the City's Public Art Program in lieu of providing the two tanks on their property."*

Analysis

It is noted that a considerable amount of work to refurbish the tanks had been completed prior to mid-June but further work has been on hold since that time. In addition, the eastern-most concrete pad that was to support the tanks has been installed and the western-most concrete pad is partially complete.

Staff met with representatives of Onni Development Corporation and Progressive Construction on July 9, 2002 and obtained their agreement to:

1. Delete the tanks from the park and remove them from the site.
2. Contribute \$20,000 to the City's Public Art Program in lieu of the tanks; and
3. Complete the partially built pad and modify the existing pad to the satisfaction of the Parks Department. It is noted that the pad areas could be used for public art display, seating etc.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Staff have obtained the agreement of Onni Development Corporation to remove two tanks from the B.C. Packers site park and make a financial contribution to the Public Art Program. The existing Servicing and Development Agreements should be modified accordingly.



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Manager, Development Applications

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MayorandCouncillors

From: Jacklegoth@aol.com
Sent: June 28, 2002 4:12 PM
To: MayorandCouncillors@city.richmond.bc.ca
Subject: Water Tanks

My first complaint as a resident, now that I am not a city worker.....You all knew you couldn't get rid of me.... ha ha..

Seriously, I am really upset after hearing that a watertank is to be erected right in front of my patio.... I live in the Britannia Complex on the second floor on the south side....We purchased this as our retirement home, after working for the city for over 25 years, knowing that we would have a wonderful view to appreciate.

Now, the BC Packers land is being developed, which is progress, but putting up this watertank to block ours and our neighbours view is too much.

Is it possible that this could be rethought, and the monies saved go into having benches along the waterfront for Seniors to enjoy the view.

Thanking you in advance,

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July 2, 2002

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To the Mayor and Councilors

Back 6 years ago, I sat in my first meeting to help design a waterfront pathway, re-move old dilapidated buildings and save land for parks and green way. After meetings of 128 or more, a design was developed, presented to council and passed.

Sitting on our deck at 12911 Railway Avenue, we have watched our dream develop and become a reality.

The one thing we do not like is the installation of the herring reduction tank to be situated at the entrance to the walkways. What an eyesore this will be, marring our view of the waterfront. Yes, we know this is part of history, but we feel benches, signs and other landmarks along the walkway to Steveston would be more appropriate.

We are asking Mayor and Council to reconsider this plan and not have the tank installed at all.

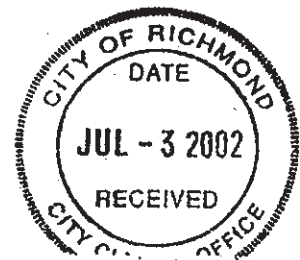
Who would want something 25-30 feet high marring ones view of the waterfront that we helped design.

So please Mayor and Council, reconsider, do not have the tanks erected.



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From: Frances Collins [fcollins@telostech.com]
Sent: July 2, 2002 3:23 PM
To: mayorandcouncillors@city.richmond.bc.ca
Subject: Water tank at SE corner of BC Packers Land

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I understand there are plans in the works to install a large Water tank at the SE corner of the new development at the BCPackers Land.

I would like to request that you reconsider the location of this Water tank.
As far as myself and my neighbors am concerned it will not only spoil the view for the residents at Britannia and Westwater but it will also look out of place in such a lovely setting.

Please reconsider the location of this Watertank.

Best regards,

Frances Collins
12911 Railway Avenue,
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From: Val Stene [vstene@richmond.sd38.bc.ca]
Sent: July 4, 2002 9:07 AM
To: MayorandCouncillors@city.richmond.bc.ca
Subject: Imperial Landing

I have been watching the progress on the B.C. Packers site with interest, living across the street at "The Britannia" beside the Heritage Shipyards. When the two water tanks were left standing, I thought it was because they were going to be dismantled and taken away by barge but now find out that they may become permanent fixtures at the east and west entrances to the riverwalk. Surely not!

These tanks are not "beautiful", "of historical significance" or even "interesting" and could become targets for graffiti, present a climbing hazard for children and mar the magnificent view enjoyed by many residents already living in the area.

Please try to find a more appropriate gateway to this new addition to our Richmond trail system.

Sincerely,
Valerie A. Stene

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From: Joe Goncalves [joeg@telus.net]
Sent: July 7, 2002 5:04 PM
To: mayorandcouncillors@city.richmond.bc.ca
Subject: Metal Water Tower

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To whom it may concern:

I am a resident at #113 - 12911 Railway at Britannia in Steveston.

It has come to my attention that a metal water tower is being moved directly in front of my water view.

The residence was purchased as a retirement site and I feel very strongly opposed to having this unsightly piece of questionable heritage placed in the area it seems to be destined for.

Please reconsider this move to the proposed area. Thank you for this impending decision.

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Yours Truly,

Mary Anne McMahon

