



Memorandum

To Public Hearing
Date: <u>May 22, 2007</u>
Item # <u>13</u>
Re: <u>Bylaw 7882</u>

Note: This report will be considered by the School Board at their meeting scheduled for May 22, 2007.

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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