

January 13, 2009 - Community Safety Minutes

EMERGENCY EXERCISE PROGRAM

Discussion:

Deborah Procter, Manager, Emergency Programs, advised that in preparation for the 2010 Winter Olympics, a series of escalating emergency planning exercises have been scheduled for British Columbia. Ms. Procter highlighted that staff have been actively involved in a training program of Incident Command and Emergency Operations Centre management and these exercises would help staff apply what is learnt in the classroom, in an emergency.

In reply to several queries, Ms. Procter advised that (i) in the event of an emergency, Council may be required to pass a resolution to declare a state of local emergency; (ii) should the requested funding for these exercises which is already included in the 2009 budget additional levels not be approved, other sources would be determined at a later date; (iii) these exercises are not part of an existing budget as they are above and beyond regular emergency planning operations, and are directly related to Richmond's involvement in the 2010 Winter Olympics; and (iv) these exercises are regional in nature, including other lower mainland municipalities, as well as other levels of government.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the "Emergency Exercise Program" report (dated December 17, 2008) be received for information.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Emergency_CS_01130921843.pdf

Minutes - Item # 4 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/safety/2009/011309_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2546111 [To Community Safety - Jan 13, 2009]

January 19, 2009 - Council Minutes

RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ACTION - RICHMOND COMMUNITY TOURISM AND SPORT HOSTING PRINCIPLES - SPORT HOSTING STRATEGY - RENEWAL OF THE 2% HOTEL TAX

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the Richmond Community Tourism and Sport Hosting Principles outlined in the report dated January 16, 2009 from the General Manager, Business & Financial Services be adopted, provided that a comparable, suitable, and available substitute such as a consultant may be retained to temporarily act as a Sport Hosting Manager;

(2) That staff report back to Council with a business plan for the Sport Hosting Strategy, subject to receiving external funding and after full consultation with the Richmond Sports Council, the Olympic Oval Corporation and Tourism Richmond; and

(3) That staff report back to Council with the necessary Bylaws for renewal of the 2% Hotel Tax from October 2009 to October 2014 and amendment to reallocate the funds accumulated in the Richmond Trade and Exhibition Centre Designated Project Fund, subject to receiving the express written support of at least 51% of the hotels and hotels representing 51% of the hotel beds in Richmond.

CARRIED

Sources:

Minutes - Item # - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/011909s_minutes.htm

January 19, 2009 - Council Minutes

DELEGATIONS - SCOTT JOHNSON, SANDMAN SIGNATURE HOTEL & RESORT - ITEM 3 - RICHMOND COMMUNITY TOURISM AND SPORT HOSTING STRATEGY

Discussion:

Scott Johnson, Executive General Manager, Sandman Signature Hotel & Resort, spoke on behalf of the Richmond Hotel Community, and expressed general support for the Sport Hosting Strategy. He stated that the strategy offered a great benefit to Richmond, as well as the hotel industry.

Mr. Johnson advised that he was speaking on behalf of the following hotels: Best Western Abercorn Inn; Best Western Richmond Hotel; Delta Vancouver Airport Hotel; Executive Airport Plaza and Conference Centre; Four Points by Sheraton; Hilton Vancouver Airport; Hampton Inn By Hilton; Sandman Signature Hotel and Resort; Sandman Richmond Inn; Holiday Inn Express Riverport; Executive Inn Express; Days Inn – Vancouver Airport; La Quinta – Vancouver Airport; and Fairmont – Vancouver Airport.

Mr. Johnson indicated that although the hotel community had not yet had an opportunity to formally meet to come to a consensus regarding the proposed Strategy, general support had been expressed.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/011909s_minutes.htm

January 19, 2009 - Council Minutes

RICHMOND COMMUNITY TOURISM AND SPORT HOSTING STRATEGY

Discussion:

The Manager of Economic Development, Neonila Lilova, accompanied by Senior Manager, Corporate Communications, Ted Townsend, provided a brief overview of the report.

A discussion ensued about the Richmond Community Tourism and Sport Hosting Strategy, and in particular on:

- the financial impact associated with implementation of the Richmond Community Tourism and Sport Hosting Strategy. Staff advised that funding would be sought from the Hotel Tax;
- the Richmond Sports Council, and its role in the future with regard to the Strategy. Staff advised that the Sports Council would be fully consulted at the time the detailed work and business plan are developed, as well as upon implementation of the Strategy;
- the rationale of hiring a Sport Hosting Manager prior to the development of the Strategy's business plan;
- the requirement for written support of at least 51% of the hotels and hotels representing 51% of the hotel beds in Richmond, in order to re-allocate the funds accumulated through the Hotel Tax revenue, and to re-new the tax for another term;
- the new bylaws would need to be drafted in order to renew the 2% Hotel Tax, and re-allocate the funds accumulated through the Hotel Tax. It was also noted that there were time limitations associated with the bylaws, as they would require Provincial approval;
- the establishment of a Richmond Sport Hosting Task Force, which would include key stakeholders from the City, the Richmond Sports Council, Tourism Richmond, and the Oval Corporation; and
- the timeline associated with developing an appropriate, detailed business plan. It was noted that development of the Plan would be the first priority of the future Sport Hosting Manager.

In response to a concern, staff advised that all work related to both the Tall Ships and Senior's Games events was progressing, and City staff had been coordinating these events with the relevant Council appointed Committees. It was noted that a full review of the status and program related to the Senior's Games would be forthcoming.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the Richmond Community Tourism and Sport Hosting Principles outlined in the report dated January 16, 2009 from the General Manager, Business & Financial Services be adopted, provided that a comparable, suitable, and available substitute such as a consultant may be retained to temporarily act as a Sport Hosting Manager;

(2) That staff report back to Council with a business plan for the Sport Hosting Strategy, subject to receiving external funding and after full consultation with the Richmond Sports Council, the Olympic Oval Corporation and Tourism Richmond; and

(3) That, staff report back to Council with the necessary Bylaws for renewal of the 2% Hotel Tax

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from October 2009 to October 2014 and amendment to reallocate the funds accumulated in the Richmond Trade and Exhibition Centre Designated Project Fund, subject to receiving the express written support of at least 51% of the hotels and hotels representing 51% of the hotel beds in Richmond.

The question on Resolution No. SP09/1-2 was not called, as discussion continued, and the following was noted:

- if the City was to receive a timely response and consensus on the matter from the hotels, it may be feasible to present the draft bylaws at the subsequent Council meeting. However, due to requirements for Provincial approval, it may take several months to obtain final approval;

- it was difficult to move forward with the Strategy without Council's approval of the related principles. Resources were required in order to undertake a proper consultation by someone qualified to do so;

- a proper recruitment process would take place to fill the Sport Hosting Manager position. The business plan related to the Sport Hosting Strategy may be developed by a consultant rather than a full-time permanent employee, with funding resources to be provided by Tourism Richmond; and

- impact on the existing sports community, and facility operations resulting from the implementation of the Sport Hosting Strategy would need to be given consideration.

The question on Resolution No. SP09/1-2 was then called and it was CARRIED.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Tourism_SCO_01190921873.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/011909s_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2563056 [To Council - Jan 19, 2009]

January 26, 2009 - Council Minutes

APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO 2010 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES STRATEGIC OPERATIONAL PLAN

Discussion:

Mayor Brodie announced that Council had approved changes to the 2010 Olympic and Parlympic Winter Games Strategic Operational Plan at a Special Closed Council meeting held on January 19, 2009, and that details regarding the approved changes will be released to the public on Tuesday, January 27th, 2009.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 21 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/012609_minutes.htm

January 26, 2009 - Finance Minutes

2009 OPERATING BUDGET

Discussion:

Mr. Nazareth advised that other Cities had been consulted prior to preparing the City of Richmond's 2009 Operating Budget. A discussion took place about the impact associated with several of the proposed reductions, as well as additional expenditure requests outlined in the report, including the following:

- Gap funding for 2 RCMP Officers. Renny Nasset, OIC, Richmond RCMP, indicated that the RCMP could manage the funding in this manner;
- safety issues associated with the elimination of day-time security staff at City Hall, Committee members were advised that doing so would not compromise safety;
- library administration. It was noted that the Library Board would need to discuss the matter;
- funding for youth workers. Staff advised that the cost to the city could be reduced without impacting the programs;

Councillor Harold Steves left the meeting at 5:52 p.m., and returned at 5:55 p.m..

- replacement of five flower beds on Steveston Highway with turf, as well as ensuring adequate funding for continuation of acceptable levels of service and maintenance of parks;
- overtime necessary to support advisory committees;
- staff vacancies, seasonal / auxiliary positions, and further lay offs, which may include 14 FTEs (full-time equivalencies);
- provisions for RCMP at the Canada Line Stations. It was noted that Transit Police would also be patrolling the stations; and
- plans for eventually closing the Richmond Business Olympic Office, and re-integrating the staff and positions elsewhere.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the 2009 Operating Budget be referred back to staff to address the following:

- (1) to discuss the potential reductions with the Unions; and*
- (2) to provide more information on the impact resulting from the proposed reductions and changes in the budget related to:*
 - (a) the artificial turf fields reserve;*
 - (b) the reduction for youth workers; and*
 - (c) the RCMP Gap funding and source of funding.*

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FC_012609_Item_4_2009_Operating_Budget21916.pdf

Minutes - Item # 4 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/finance/2009/012609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2566524 [To Finance - Jan 26, 2009 / To Finance - Feb 23, 2009 / To Council - Feb 23, 2009]

February 10, 2009 - Community Safety Minutes

MANAGER'S REPORT

Discussion:

(i) Council's Role During Emergencies

Deborah Procter, Manager, Emergency Programs distributed materials (copy on file, City Clerk's Office) outlining the Mayor and Councillors' role during emergencies.

(ii) Emergency Exercise Program

Ms. Procter advised that the Emergency Operations Centre has been temporarily set up to help prepare Richmond for the Olympics and other emergencies. Ms. Procter invited Committee members to visit the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) at City Hall in Room M 2.004 and noted that activity at the EOC will be simulated.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 10 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/safety/2009/021009_minutes.htm

February 23, 2009 - Council Minutes

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION - BYLAWS 6817, 7810, 8471

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the following bylaws be adopted:

Additional Hotel Room Tax Levy Bylaw No. 6817, Amendment Bylaw No. 8473

Additional Hotel Room Tax Imposition Bylaw No. 7810, Amendment Bylaw No. 8470

Additional Hotel Room Tax Imposition Bylaw No. 8471

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CO_022309_Bylaw_847322073.pdf

http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CO_022309_Bylaw_847022072.pdf

http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CO_022309_Bylaw_847122071.pdf

Minutes - Item # - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/022309_minutes.htm

February 23, 2009 - Council Minutes

2009 OPERATING BUDGET

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the attached report from the Manager of Budgets & Accounting on the 2009 Operating Budget referrals be received for information;

(2) That the 2009 Operating Budget report dated January 22, 2009 with an average tax increase impact of 2.97% be approved as the basis for preparing the 5 Year Financial Plan (2009-2013), provided that:

(a) That the proposed reductions for the Transfer of Artificial Turf revenue (\$240,000) and Day Time Security (\$50,000), as outlined in the 2009 Operating Budget report dated January 22, 2009 not be supported;

(b) That the replacement of three currently vacant exempt positions be deferred indefinitely to achieve the equivalent amount of savings (\$290,000), as originally contemplated by the two proposed reductions referred to in (a) above; and

(c) That staff be directed to work with the community centres to consider the impacts of a reduction in the overall youth worker budget by \$40,000 in 2010.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FC_022309_Item_2_Operating_Budget22054.pdf

Minutes - Item # 15 (A) - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/022309_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2569772 [To Finance - Feb 23, 2009 / To Council - Feb 23, 2009]
2574544 [To Finance - Feb 23, 2009]
2566524 [To Finance - Jan 26, 2009 / To Finance - Feb 23, 2009 / To Council - Feb 23, 2009]

February 23, 2009 - Finance Minutes

2009 OPERATING BUDGET – REPORT BACK ON REFERRALS

Discussion:

Andrew Nazareth, General Manager, Business and Financial Services advised that as a result of new information, staff were requesting that the following two previously proposed reductions: (i) the Transfer of Artificial Turf Revenue; and (ii) the day time security contract, be withdrawn, and that the replacement of three currently vacant exempt positions be deferred in order to offset the corresponding amounts.

A discussion ensued about the proposed 2009 Operating Budget reductions, and the following was noted:

- during a meeting between City staff and the community associations about the proposed reduction of \$40,000 for youth services, several concerns and options were discussed, however no formal agreements had been made. The associations had indicated that they would have appreciated more time in order to allow them to come up with solutions;
- community associations with large surpluses may have the ability to absorb the costs of youth workers, however the City Centre and other small associations may not be able to do the same;
- the two RCMP officers needed for the Canada Line would be in place prior to the opening of the service;
- as a result of interruptions to the Electrical Safety Program the two RCMP members that had been included in the 2007 budget for the Electrical Safety Inspections (ESI) Team had been re-deployed;
- with the current downturn in the economy, an increased demand for services in the municipal sector is typically observed, in particular, the use of recreational facilities and services;
- no lay-offs were expected in the City workforce;
- the Richmond Olympic Business Office (ROBO) is funded in the City's budget, however the Oval Corporation was at arms length. The City's operating agreement allows for a grant to the Oval, for which a total of \$200,000 was contributed in 2009, and \$650,000 would be allocated in 2009 and 2010. More detailed financial information related to the Oval was forthcoming; and
- the Long Term Financial Management Strategy (LTFMS) was benchmarked to Vancouver's Consumer Price Index (CPI), with an additional 1% towards infrastructure needs (reserves).

Jim Kojima, 7511 Moffatt Road, stated that he was speaking on behalf of the Steveston Community Society, and acknowledged the current hardship faced by the City. He then advised that the Community provided funding of approximately \$41,000 in support of youth, and that surplus monies were usually put back in to the community centre for upgrades such as enhanced wheel chair accessibility for children, resurfacing the tennis court, installation of double storage doors, and new dividers for the community centre and the Japanese Cultural Program. In conclusion, Mr. Kojima stated that he hoped City Council would support youth programs, and give consideration to how community centres were planning to spend their surpluses.

Peter Mitchell, 6271 Nanika Crescent, indicated that he had been the Secretary / Treasurer for the City Centre Community Association. He advised that good cash management techniques were used to manage surpluses and maximize income. Mr. Mitchell then spoke about how some community

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centres would be significantly challenged due to issues such as the recent drops in interest rates, difficulties associated with fundraising in a downturn economy, the lack of increases in funding for summer grant programs, and inflation generally. In conclusion, he spoke about the involvement of community centres in the RCMP's Positive Ticketing Program, and requested the Committee give careful consideration to reducing youth workers.

A discussion ensued, during which several Committee members expressed concerns regarding the impact associated with reducing the Community Association funding for youth workers. There was general agreement to increase the 2009 Operating Budget by .03% in order to allow the community associations to defer consideration of this reduction until 2010.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the attached report from the Manager of Budgets & Accounting on the 2009 Operating Budget referrals be received for information;

(2) That the 2009 Operating Budget report dated January 22, 2009 with an average tax increase impact of 2.97% be approved as the basis for preparing the 5 Year Financial Plan (2009-2013), provided that:

(a) That the proposed reductions for the Transfer of Artificial Turf revenue (\$240,000) and Day Time Security (\$50,000), as outlined in the 2009 Operating Budget report dated January 22, 2009 not be supported;

(b) That the replacement of three currently vacant exempt positions be deferred indefinitely to achieve the equivalent amount of savings (\$290,000), as originally contemplated by the two proposed reductions referred to in (a) above; and

(c) That staff be directed to work with the community centres to consider the impacts of a reduction in the overall youth worker budget by \$40,000 in 2010.

The question on the motion was not called as discussion continued about the details of the 2009 Operating Budget and the current economic downturn.

The question on the motion was then called, and it was CARRIED.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FC_022309_Item_2_Operating_Budget22054.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/finance/2009/022309_minutes.htm

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March 24, 2009 - Parks Recreation Cultural Services Minutes

MANAGER'S REPORT - 5(B) OZONE IMPACT ON CULTURAL CENTRE

Discussion:

Ms. Somerville advised that a memorandum has been sent out to all users of the Cultural Centre advising of the Cultural Centre's closure during the 2010 Winter Olympic Games. Ms. Somerville noted that it is anticipated that many of the regular winter and school year classes be relocated to other facilities. Staff have highlighted to users of the Cultural Centre that this is an extraordinary opportunity and encouraged those affected to participate and experience Richmond's live celebration site – the O Zone.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 5(b) - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/prcs/2009/032409_minutes.htm

April 6, 2009 - Council Minutes

TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 GAMES

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the City of Richmond enter into the Government Partners Ticket Program, as outlined in the staff report dated March 11, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, entitled "Ticket Allocation for 2010 Games"; and

(2) That the matter of the allocation of tickets and possible payment arrangements be referred back to staff for further analysis and discussion and a report back to Council.

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Ticket_GP_04060922394.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/040609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2593469 [To Special Council - Apr 6, 2009 / To General Purposes - Apr 6, 2009]

April 6, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 GAMES

Discussion:

Jeff Day, General Manager, Olympic Business & Major Projects, and Gary Young, Director, Legacy and Integration were available to answer questions.

A discussion ensued, and the following was noted:

- the distribution of the tickets could not be completely determined at this time, as priorities were expected to change closer to the 2010 Olympic Games;
- the tickets provided an opportunity to strengthen ongoing relationships with key partners for economic development;
- allocation of tickets should not be determined by staff, consideration may be given to a Ticket Allocation Committee or Community Task Force;
- a total of 75 passes per day would be available to co-host with VANOC at the Legacy Lounge, located in the Richmond Olympic Oval, therefore, VIPs may be taken there; and
- those with Legacy Lounge passes would be restricted to the lounge, and not be permitted to utilize any seats in the Oval;

During the discussion, there was some support expressed about giving tickets to those who would otherwise not have an opportunity to attend the event, however, there was concern associated with giving away tickets to volunteers and dignitaries.

Upon expressing their views, Committee members emphasized that further information was needed regarding the ticket allocation, including the following:

- a written statement from VANOC regarding any restrictions related to donating tickets to a charity, and whether a charity may use those tickets for fundraising purposes;
- guidance about the requirements of having tickets available for VIPs;
- information regarding exactly how many tickets the City would receive for each event; and
- whether the City would be permitted to trade tickets with partners.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the City of Richmond enter into the Government Partners Ticket Program, as outlined in the staff report dated March 11, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, entitled "Ticket Allocation for 2010 Games".

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded

That the matter of the allocation of tickets and possible payment arrangements be referred back to

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staff for further analysis and discussion and a report back to Council.

The question on the motion was not called, as direction was given to provide information related to: (i) charity use of tickets for fundraising; and (ii) the exact number of tickets the City would receive.

Discussion continued on (i) the possibility of striking a committee to determine the ticket allocation; (ii) which volunteer groups might receive tickets, if any; and (iii) the need to know the reason or purpose behind the allocation of the tickets to other groups such as the Chamber of Commerce.

The question on the motion was then called, and it was CARRIED.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Ticket_GP_04060922394.pdf

Minutes - Item # 5 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/040609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2593469 [To Special Council - Apr 6, 2009 / To General Purposes - Apr 6, 2009]

April 6, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL DYKE WORKS – SITE FURNISHINGS PUBLIC ART CONCEPT

Discussion:

With the aid of a powerpoint presentation, Chris Phillips of Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg, and the artists, Javier Campos and Elspeth Pratt, accompanied by Doug Shearer, Park Planner, Major Projects / Parks Design & Construction, and Greg Scott, Director, Major Projects, provided a detailed overview of the Richmond Olympic Oval Dyke Works – Site Furnishings Public Art Concept.

A discussion ensued about:

- the intention to provide artistically designed site furnishings rather than public art;
- strategies for deterring skateboarders, which included the use of gravel instead of pavement on the pathways;
- marsh grass and various plantings; and
- the importance of knowing exactly what the project would consist of prior to approval.

Cllr. Greg Halsey-Brandt left the meeting, and did not return (7:06 p.m.).

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the integrated design concept for site furnishings, public art and landscape for the dyke area fronting the Richmond Olympic Oval site as outlined in the staff report dated March 27, 2009, from the Director, Major Projects entitled “Richmond Olympic Oval Dyke Works – Site Furnishings Public Art Concept” be approved, and that the detailed design be brought back to Council; and

(2) the Director of Major Projects be authorized to enter into contracts with artists, Javier Campos and Elspeth Pratt, and Consultant, Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg, for detailed design and construction documents, in a combined amount not to exceed \$70,000.00.

The question on the motion was not called, as in answer to questions, staff advised that Council would need to give final approval upon completion of the detailed design. It was also noted that there was a tight deadline associated with the project.

The question on the motion was then called, and it was CARRIED with Cllr. Barnes opposed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/OvalDyke_GP_04060922396.pdf

Minutes - Item # 8 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/040609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2592417 [To General Purposes - Apr 6, 2009 / To Council - Apr 14, 2009]

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RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL DYKE WORKS – SITE FURNISHINGS PUBLIC ART CONCEPT

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the integrated design concept for site furnishings, public art and landscape for the dyke area fronting the Richmond Olympic Oval site as outlined in the staff report dated March 27, 2009, from the Director, Major Projects entitled “Richmond Olympic Oval Dyke Works – Site Furnishings Public Art Concept” be approved, and that the detailed design be brought back to Council; and

(2) the Director of Major Projects be authorized to enter into contracts with artists, Javier Campos and Elspeth Pratt, and Consultant, Phillips Farevaag Smallemberg, for detailed design and construction documents, in a combined amount not to exceed \$70,000.00.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Cllr. Barnes

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/OvalDyke_GP_04060922396.pdf
http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CO_041409_Oval_Dyke_Works22441.pdf

Minutes - Item # 18 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/041409_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2592417 [To General Purposes - Apr 6, 2009 / To Council - Apr 14, 2009]
2599535 [To Council April 14, 2009]

April 14, 2009 - Council Minutes

FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN (2009-2013)

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the proposed 5 Year Financial Plan (2009 – 2013) be approved; and

(2) That staff undertake a process of public consultation prior to adoption by Council as required in Section 165 of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FIN_Item2_Five_Year_04140922430.pdf

Minutes - Item # 20 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/041409_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2591866 [To Finance - Apr 14, 2009 / To Council - Apr 14, 2009]

April 14, 2009 - Finance Minutes

FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN (2009-2013)

Discussion:

The General Manager, Finance, Andrew Nazareth, advised that the budget for 2010 and onward was based on the same level of service offered in 2009, and did not factor in additional levels of funding, with two exceptions: (i) the Operating Budget for Capital Projects; and (ii) a one percent increase to infrastructure in 2012.

Mr. Nazareth clarified that the report entitled "Five Year Financial Plan (2009-2013)" should have indicated an amount of \$238,000 instead of \$438,000 for "Future Grant/Donation contributions to Oval Project"; and that an additional \$200,000 should have been indicated for dyke enhancements.

During the ensuing discussion and in answer to questions, the following was noted:

- Future Grant/Donation Contributions to the Oval Project were changes that had been requested by VANOC, and would be considered additional capital expenditures for the Oval, funded by VANOC, not the City;
- dyke enhancements would take place in front of the Oval, and would be funded through an engineering project;
- the one percent proposed tax increase for reserves would resume as of 2012;
- as part of the operating agreement with the Oval Corporation, financial statements must be submitted to the City by April 30th each year. It was anticipated that an annual report regarding the Oval start-up would be forthcoming in June, 2009;
- the City uses a balanced budget method for collecting property tax, and an increase in assessment values did not necessarily result in an increase in tax rates;
- revenues from property tax and utility revenue are dealt with separately;
- information related to the RCMP contract increases was based on estimates and assumptions provided by the RCMP for budgeting purposes; and
- expenditures related to the Richmond Olympic Business Office and Major Projects were expected to decrease in upcoming years. It was noted that a detailed report regarding the matter, including information related to the future outlook of various staff positions was forthcoming.

During the discussion staff was requested to provide further information relating to: (i) the effect of a potential regional pool on the City's Gap-funding strategy; (ii) Five Year Financial Plans from other cities, Metro Vancouver, and organizations such as Translink and the Richmond Board of Education; and (iii) growth figures prior to 2009 for comparison purposes.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the proposed 5 Year Financial Plan (2009 – 2013) be approved; and

(2) That staff undertake a process of public consultation prior to adoption by Council as required in Section 165 of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

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Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FIN_Item2_Five_Year_04140922430.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/finance/2009/041409_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2591866 [To Finance - Apr 14, 2009 / To Council - Apr 14, 2009]

April 22, 2009 - Public Works Transportation Minutes

TRANSLINK AND COAST MOUNTAIN BUS COMPANY'S CANADA LINE BUS INTEGRATION PLAN: COMMENTS FROM THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Discussion:

With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation, George Sali, Service Planner, Coast Mountain Bus Company, provided the following information regarding the proposed Canada Line Bus Integration Plan (CLBIP):

- objectives are to maximize rapid transit, improve local bus service, and optimize cost of delivery;
- strategies include minimizing duplication of services, and providing local service through buses;
- a detailed planning process began in 2007 and a draft service proposal was developed;
- twelve internal and public open houses were held with approximately 3,400 attendees and with the information gathered from these consultations a detailed analysis was conducted and provided costing figures; and
- the CLBIP will be executed with two phases – Phase I begins with the Canada Line opening and resources from truncated and discontinued routes will be reallocated; and Phase II proposes post-Olympic plans and additional resources to fine tune services.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Sali advised that Bus Route 401 is proposed to operate every six to eight minutes during peak hours and that staff at CMBC will monitor and if possible, reassess routes affecting Burkeville residents.

In reply to a query from Committee, Victor Wei, Director, Transportation, explained the process of implementing the proposed plan should it be approved.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) TransLink and Coast Mountain Bus Company (CMBC) be advised that the City of Richmond endorses the Canada Line Bus Integration Plan in principle and requests that the issues summarized in Section 4 of the attached report from the Director of Transportation be addressed as part of the implementation of the Plan;

(2) the use of sections of Sexsmith Road, Charles Street, Saba Road, and Buswell Street as part of the new routings for bus services to support the Canada Line Bus Integration Plan, as described in the attached report, be endorsed;

(3) the proposed transit service plan of the Richmond Skating Oval-Richmond Centre Community Shuttle scheduled for implementation in September 2009 by TransLink and CMBC with the use of sections of Elmbridge Way, Hollybridge Way, River Road, and Lynas Lane, as described in the attached report, as part of the proposed routing of this new community shuttle service be endorsed; and

(4) the attached report be forwarded to TransLink and CMBC for their consideration in the finalization of the Canada Line Bus Integration Plan for implementation.

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The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued about the proposed CLBIP and it was noted that the proposed plan severely affects west Richmond residents with the elimination of Express buses and does not consider user convenience.

Further discussion ensued regarding a shift in transportation and staff, along with CMBC and TransLink should closely monitor services to ameliorate customer experience. It was also noted that a presentation should be done before Council.

CARRIED

*Opposed: Cllrs. S. Halsey-Brandt
Steves*

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/PWT_Item4_Translink_04220922484.pdf

Minutes - Item # 4 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/pwt/2009/042209_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2588015 [To Council - Apr 27, 2009]

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ITEMS ARISING FROM CLOSED COUNCIL MEETINGS OF JUNE 26, 2006, OCTOBER 23, 2006, JANUARY 27, 2007, NOVEMBER 13, 2007, JUNE 25, 2007, FEBRUARY 25, 2008, MARCH 10, 2008, JUNE 16, 2008, JULY 28, 2008, NOVEMBER 24, 2008, AND APRIL 20, 2009

Discussion:

The Mayor advised of the following announcements:

(1) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of June 26, 2006 Relating to the Partial Acquisition for Road Widening of parcels on Westminster Highway and Fraserwood Place:

That the following partial acquisitions be approved:

- (1) 171.1 square metres from 21600 Westminster Highway, for the sum of \$28,300;
- (2) 121.7 square metres from 21500 Westminster Highway, for the sum of \$26,200;
- (3) 230.2 square metres from 6211 Fraserwood Place, for the sum of \$49,559;
- (4) 614.6 square metres from 22031 Fraserwood Way, for the sum of \$132,314
- (5) 491.2 square metres from 21900 Westminster Highway, for the sum of \$105,748, and payment for the temporary work space as necessary at each property, and that staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the acquisition.

(2) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of October 23, 2006 Relating to the Acquisition of a Right of Way in Favour of BC Hydro at 8171 Cook Road:

That the acquisition of a right of way in favour of BC Hydro over an existing hydro facility located on private property at 8171 Cook Road for \$20,000, be approved, conditional upon BC Hydro's agreement to provide the necessary power from this source for the new Buswell sanitary pump station.

(3) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meetings of January 27, 2007 and November 13, 2007 Relating to the Richmond Yacht Club Lease for 7471 River Road (A Portion of Lot N, Plan 23228 Municipally Known as 7411 River Road):

(From January 22, 2007)

That staff proceed with lease negotiations with the Richmond Yacht Club ("RYC") in connection with the property referred to as 7471 River Road as follows:

- (1) to negotiate a lease with the RYC as a commercial market tenant based on the primary business terms (noted in the report dated January 4, 2007 from the Manager, Real Estate Services) and report back to Council for approval of the finalized business terms and lease; and
- (2) should the RYC create clear and open continued demonstration of the provision of community uses, with an emphasis on public access issues and potential community needs and amenities, staff will renegotiate the business terms as negotiated above with the RYC as a "Community Group" to reflect the level of services provided by the RYC to the community at large and thereafter report back to Council for approval of the amended terms of the lease.

(From November 13, 2007)

That:

- (1) Staff be authorized to complete negotiations and enter into a lease agreement with the

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Richmond Yacht Club (“RYC”) for the premises known as 7471 River Road as outlined in Option 4 and the additional business terms for a 10 year unregistered lease, which incorporates two, five year renewal options, all as identified in the staff report dated October 31, 2007;

(2) Staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the matter including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services, or the General Manager, Business & Financial Services, to negotiate and execute all documentation to effect the transaction including execution of the lease; and

(3) The Richmond Yacht Club be required to maintain its percentage of Richmond residents at a minimum of 60%.

(4) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of June 25, 2007 Relating to the Acquisition of a Right of Way for a Sanitary Pump Station at 8200 Ackroyd Road and 5880 No.3 Road:

That:

(1) The acquisition of a right of way for the Ackroyd pump station, a temporary working easement, and a right of way for a new BC Hydro facility, be approved, all for \$41,495.63 plus other associated costs and GST; and

(2) Staff be authorized to take the necessary steps to complete the matter, including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services, to execute all documentation to effect the transactions.

(5) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of November 13, 2007 Relating to the Acquisition of a Statutory Right of Way for Road Widening and Intersection Improvements at 6951 Westminster Highway:

That:

(1) Staff be authorized to proceed with the acquisition of a statutory right of way from the Workers’ Compensation Board over a portion of the property known as 6951 Westminster Highway for road and intersection improvements at Elmbridge Way and Gilbert Road; and

(2) Staff be authorized to take all the necessary steps to complete this matter including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services, or the General Manager, Business & Financial Services, to execute all documentation to effect the transaction, including all contracts and Land Title Office documentation.

(6) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of November 13, 2007 Relating to the Acquisition of a Statutory Right of Way for Sanitary Sewer Purposes at 8520 and 8511 Anderson Road:

That:

(1) Staff be authorized to proceed with obtaining a Statutory Right of Way for sanitary sewer works on the BC Hydro site at 8520 and 8511 Anderson Road;

(2) Staff thereafter be authorized to terminate the unregistered right of way granted by British Columbia Electric Company Limited to the Township of Richmond in 1956 for operating and maintaining a drainage ditch over the west 20 feet of the lands; and

(3) Staff be authorized to take all the necessary steps to complete this matter including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services, or the General Manager, Business & Financial Services, to

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execute all documentation to effect the transaction including all contracts and Land Title Office documentation.

(7) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of February 25, 2008 Relating to the GVRD Labour Relations Bureau:

That a letter be prepared to the Chair of Metro Vancouver's Labour Relations Bureau over the signatures of the Mayor and Councillor Barnes indicating: (1) that Richmond would be pleased to continue communications with the Labour Relations Bureau at a political and staff level;

(2) that Richmond is declining the opportunity to formally participate in restructuring of the Labour Relations Bureau; and (3) that Richmond is not currently contemplating rejoining the Labour Relations Bureau.

(8) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of February 25, 2008 Relating to the Lease Extension of 14420, 14580, 14720 & 14760 Triangle Road to Fraser Wharves, Ltd.:

That:

(1) The lease extension to Fraser Wharves Ltd. for the lease of 14420, 14580, 14720 & 14760 Triangle Road for ten years, with an option by both parties to terminate the lease effective any time on or after the fifth lease year, at net annual rental rates of \$577,687 for Year 1, \$735,375 for Years 2 to 3, \$801,000 for Years 4 and 5 and \$821,912 for Years 6 to 10 be approved as detailed in the staff report dated January 30, 2008; and

(2) Staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the matter including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services, to negotiate and execute all documentation to effect the transaction, including lease documentation.

(9) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of March 10, 2008 and July 28, 2008 Relating to the Fire Hall No.2 – Steveston:

(From March 10, 2008)

That Council authorize the simultaneous negotiations on both the Steveston Highway site, and the No. 2 Road and Steveston Highway site for the replacement of Fire Hall No.2 – Steveston.

(From July 28, 2008)

That:

(1) the purchase of the property at 11051 No. 2 Road for \$735,000 for the replacement of Fire Hall No. 2 be approved;(2) upon completion of the property purchase noted above, the City enter into a nine-month rent-free tenancy agreement with the Vendor;(3) the Vendor be granted salvage rights to the house and contents prior to demolition; and(4) staff be authorized to take all the necessary steps to complete the above matters including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services to negotiate and execute all documentation, including all contracts and Land Title documents, to effect the transaction and tenancy agreement.

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(10) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of June 16, 2008 Relating to the City of Richmond/CUPE Joint Job Evaluation Program:

- (1) That the City of Richmond Joint Job Evaluation Program be approved for implementation (as per the procedures, costs and timelines outlined in the report dated May 22, 2008 from the Director, Human Resources), provided that the membership of both CUPE 718 and CUPE 394 also ratify the Program;
- (2) That staff be authorized to publicly release the decision to implement a new Joint Job Evaluation Program, along with key details, following ratification of the Program by all parties.
- (3) That the program be financed according to the schedule contained within the Financial Impact segment of the report.

(11) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of July 28, 2008 Relating to the Richmond Oval Agreement:

That:

- (1) operating and partnering agreement (the “Richmond Oval Agreement”) be entered into with 0827805 B.C. Ltd., generally on the terms attached hereto as Schedule “A” and on terms acceptable to TAG; and
- (2) the General Manager of Olympic Business & Major Projects or alternate General Manager be authorized to finalize and execute the Richmond Oval Agreement and any other documents or agreements necessary to give effect to the Richmond Oval Agreement.

(12) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of July 28, 2008 Relating to the New and Amended Versions of various Corporate Human Resources Policies:

- (1) That the following Council Policies be rescinded (Attachment 1):
 - (a) Policy 6701 – Conflict of Interest – Staff Involvement With Outside Groups (adopted May 1980);
 - (b) Policy 6704 – Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages and/or Non-Prescription Drugs – City Employees (adopted June 1981);
 - (c) Policy 6004 – Harassment-Free Workplace (adopted January 22, 1996); and
 - (d) Policy 6004, Administrative Procedure 6004.02 – Accommodation for Employees with Disabilities (approved September 25, 2001);
- (2) That the following proposed Policies and Administrative Procedures be adopted:
 - (a) Respectful Workplace Policy and Administrative Procedures (Attachment 2);
 - (b) Conflict of Interest Policy (Attachment 3);
 - (c) Accommodation of Employees with Disabilities Policy and Duty to Accommodate Administrative Procedures (Attachment 4);
 - (d) Alcohol and Substance Abuse Policy and Administrative Procedures (Attachment 5); and

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(e) Antifraud Policy and Administrative Procedures (Attachment 6); and(3) That these policies may be disclosed to the public after the civic unions are formally advised.

(13) Item Arising from the Closed Council Meeting of November 24, 2008 Relating to the Nominations and Appointments to Advisory Committees:

That:

(1) the staff liaisons to the various advisory committees coordinate the appointment recommendations where applicants are applying to more than one advisory committee.

(2) staff explore the current methodology for securing nominations to ensure a wide and inclusive process.

(14) Item Arising from the Special Closed Council Meeting of April 20, 2009 Relating to the Memorandum Of Understanding With BC Housing originally approved on March 9, 2009

(1) That the City of Richmond is prepared to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Province (BC Housing) regarding the development of affordable housing;

(2) That the City of Richmond is prepared to purchase a property with an existing suitable building for use as an emergency shelter for up to 10 homeless women and youth / children with the appropriate funding in place;

(3) That the City of Richmond is prepared to work with BC Housing to issue a Request for Proposal for selection of the non-profit sponsor for the 5491 No. 2 Road site to be developed as a supportive housing project for women and children who are homeless or are at risk of homelessness; and(4) That the City of Richmond is prepared to work with BC Housing on formulating a suitable development plan for the 8111 Granville Avenue / 8080 Anderson Road site for use as a supportive housing project.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/042709_minutes.htm

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TRANSLINK AND COAST MOUNTAIN BUS COMPANY'S CANADA LINE BUS INTEGRATION PLAN: COMMENTS FROM THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Discussion:

Councillor Linda Barnes left at 10:06 p.m. and returned at 10:08 p.m..

Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt left the meeting at 10:14 p.m., and returned at 10:16 p.m..

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) TransLink and Coast Mountain Bus Company (CMBC) be advised that the City of Richmond endorses the Canada Line Bus Integration Plan in principle and requests that the issues summarized in Section 4 of the attached report from the Director of Transportation be addressed as part of the implementation of the Plan;

(2) the use of sections of Sexsmith Road, Charles Street, Saba Road, and Buswell Street as part of the new routings for bus services to support the Canada Line Bus Integration Plan, as described in the attached report, be endorsed;

(3) the proposed transit service plan of the Richmond Skating Oval-Richmond Centre Community Shuttle scheduled for implementation in September 2009 by TransLink and CMBC with the use of sections of Elmbridge Way, Hollybridge Way, River Road, and Lynas Lane, as described in the attached report, as part of the proposed routing of this new community shuttle service be endorsed; and

(4) the attached report be forwarded to TransLink and CMBC for their consideration in the finalization of the Canada Line Bus Integration Plan for implementation.

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/PWT_Item4_Translink_04220922484.pdf

Minutes - Item # 22 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/042709_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2588015 [To Council - Apr 27, 2009]

April 27, 2009 - Council Minutes

FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN (2009-2013) BYLAW 8490

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the 5 Year Financial Plan (2009-2013) Bylaw 8490 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CNCL_042709_5_Year_Financil_Plan_Bylaw_849022567.pdf

Minutes - Item # 24 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/042709_minutes.htm

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2602030 [To Council - Apr 27, 2009]

April 28, 2009 - Parks Recreation Cultural Services Minutes

MANAGER'S REPORT - 7(B) CONNAUGHT FIGURE SKATING CLUB

Discussion:

David McBride, Manager, Aquatic and Arena Services, advised that the Connaught Figure Skating Club is one of five associations effected due to the O Zone celebration site. The notion was brought before the Richmond Arenas Community Association and was approved in principle. Mr. McBride commented that arena scheduling will be closely examined in order to split the impact of ice time across various ice user groups.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 7(b) - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/prcs/2009/042809_minutes.htm

May 11, 2009 - Council Minutes

2010 – OLYMPIC PLANNING COMMITTEE / OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC SUPPORT

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That this Committee recommends to their respective bodies that a joint letter be sent to appropriate government bodies and VANOC in support of the need for financial assistance as it relates to the Olympics; and

(2) A recommendation be referred to City Council for further discussion on ways to engage the community, specifically, ways to support the School District.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/_shared/assets/CNCL_051109_2010_Olympic_Planning_Paralympic22646.pdf

Minutes - Item # 17 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/051109_minutes.htm

May 25, 2009 - Council Minutes

APPOINTMENTS TO GAMES OPERATING TRUST SOCIETY AND MULTI-FAMILY WATER METER PROGRAM VOLUNTEER WORK GROUP

Resolution:

The following appointments were announced:

*2010 Games Operating Trust Society
One-year term: Wayne Duzita.*

*Multi-Family Water Meter Program Volunteer Work Group
For a term to expire on September 30, 2009: Moreah Sinclair; Bill Sorenson; Frank Schmidt;
Henry Hartmann; Jenny Yi-Chen Chen and Aaron Leung.*

Sources:

Minutes - Item # - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/052509_minutes.htm

June 1, 2009 - Finance Minutes

2008 SURPLUS APPROPRIATION

Discussion:

The General Manager, Business and Financial Services, Andrew Nazareth and the Director, Finance, Jerry Chong were available to answer questions.

A discussion ensued about the 2008 Surplus Appropriation, and the following was noted:

- the submissions presented in the report entitled 2008 Surplus Appropriation do not appear in an order of priority;
- the City Olympic Hosting and Protocol Program is for the purpose of funding Richmond's own hosting and protocol events;
- all Olympic-related submissions for funding are over and above the previously approved Strategic Operational Plan Budget;
- the submission for increased staffing to meet Venue City obligations is strictly for staff resources, as the City would need to backfill staff that may be seconded from City departments to the Richmond Olympic Business Office. Questions were raised about specific staffing needs and what would happen after the Olympics to staff that have been seconded, and those who were hired to backfill;
- the submission for an additional three parking meters is for an existing pay parking area that has an inadequate number of meters and does not represent an expansion of the pay parking program;
- in relation to the \$500,000 submission for the Olympic Expo, staff advised that the total cost of hosting the Olympic Expo in Richmond City Hall was originally estimated at approximately 5 million dollars, however, the size and scope of the Expo has since been reduced to a 2.5 million dollar program in response to reductions in outside funding. The \$500,000 would be put towards the City's contribution of approximately \$750,000 for the cost of hosting the Expo;
- the cost of \$120,000 associated with the new Pesticide Bylaw would also include funding for temporary staff for the purpose of implementing the bylaw and educating the public. Comments were made about the feasibility of utilizing the staff member currently responsible for the Tree Preservation Bylaw for handling the educational component related to the Pesticide Bylaw;
- an update and a capital budget request in connection with the Tall Ships 2011 are anticipated as part of the 2010 budget process;
- the submission by Law and Community Safety for \$317,000 is in response to an anticipated increase of emergency calls by 25% during the Olympic and Paralympic time period. At this time, VANOC is not willing to cover these costs, however, the cities are continuing to challenge this position;
- the submission for enhanced look of the City in the amount of \$150,000 includes updating gateway signage at key locations. Without the funding, the City has a budget for replacement of two gateway signs. It was noted that the signs are outdated, as they make reference to Richmond's sister cities only and not to the friendship cities.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the 2008 Surplus Appropriation be referred back to staff for more information on priorities and options for each specific item.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded

That staff provide an update on the status of Olympic related sponsorships, as well as the current

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status of the previously approved Strategic Operational Plan budget of 6.3 million dollars for the Olympic Celebration site.
CARRIED

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FIN_Appropriation_06010922911.pdf

Minutes - Item # 9 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/finance/2009/060109_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2648425 [To Finance - June 1, 2009]
2620528 [To Finance - June 1, 2009]

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DELEGATION - MICHAEL O'BRIEN, CHAIR, RICHMOND OVAL CORPORATION - GEORGE DUNCAN, DIRECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION AND CAO, CITY OF RICHMOND - JOHN MILLS, GENERAL MANAGER, RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION

Discussion:

Michael O'Brien, Chair, Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation, George Duncan, Director and Chief Executive Officer, Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation and CAO, and City of Richmond, and John Mills, General Manager, Richmond Olympic Business Office, presented the 2008 Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation Annual Report.

Mr. O'Brien spoke about the role and responsibilities of the Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation Board of Directors, and indicated that upon the completion of her duties as a local MLA, Olga Illich resigned from the Board.

A discussion ensued about the 2008 Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation Annual Report, and the following was noted:

- the City receives annual funding from the Games Operating Trust;
- the real estate corporation retained to assist in the marketing and sales of lease space available at the Oval operates locally and internationally;
- commercial usage of Oval space has been set at approximately 80%. It was noted that there were no agreements in place regarding how much time would be allotted to various groups using the Oval space;
- Richmond Olympic Oval related costs for salaries and benefits included start-up costs as well as positions seconded from the City;
- Richmond would continue to engage high performance and high visibility activities such as the 2010 World Wheelchair Rugby Championships;
- skating at the Oval will be available to the public throughout the summer months;
- the lights at the Oval are dimmed from approximately 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., to save energy. However, it is not feasible to turn the lights off due to safety concerns for workers at the site;
- the Oval Corporation has approved a one year business plan. Council will receive regular update reports highlighting milestones and any changes to the Oval's business plan. It was also noted that the Oval's business plan would be updated and submitted to Council for approval;
- concerns related to people wandering through the Oval's fitness area would be addressed after the Olympic games;
- once fully operational, it was estimated that the Oval will require a 3 million dollar subsidy, which when compared to subsidies for other facilities, was much lower per square foot;
- the financial statements for the Oval include monies that the City would charge back to the Oval Corporation;

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- approved uses for the building on lot 6, adjacent to the Oval site, include a real estate display centre and a restaurant; and

- the Oval has not had a negative impact on attendance at Richmond's community centres, as the community centres attract neighbourhood residents.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/060109_minutes.htm

June 1, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION 2008 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the attached report "2008 Annual Report from the Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation," be received for information.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Oval_GP_06010922914.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/060109_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2649865 [To General Purposes - June 1, 2009 / To Council - June 8, 2009]

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UPDATE ON VANOC SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM FOR ABORIGINAL ARTWORKS AT THE RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL PRECINCT

Discussion:

Eric Fiss, Public Art Planner, and Jane Fernyhough, Manager, Cultural Services, introduced the following members of the project team: Connie Watts, VANOC, Nuuchahnulth Arts Association; Kelly Porier, Project Manager; Tim Paul, Lead Artist; and Rodney Sayers, Artist.

With the aid of a model of the proposed art concept, City staff and members of the project team provided the following advice:

- the art sculpture would be approximately 21.5 feet tall, and will incorporate lighting;
- the sandblasted glass would be laminated to protect it from vandalism, and the glass would be easily replaceable if damaged;
- the cedar wood chosen to surround the glass would be suitable for an outdoor sculpture, and finished appropriately for protection from the elements.

In answer to a query, Ms. Watts advised that VANOC has exclusive rights to the art designs until after the 2010 Olympics, however, the City of Richmond has the option to work collaboratively with the artist for a joint rights agreement.

In answer to a query, Cathryn Carlile, General Manager - Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services advised that an additional level funding request for the maintenance of art would be forthcoming as part of the 2010 budget process as well as in subsequent years.

It was also noted that information about the art works such as stories and songs would be displayed near the art sculptures, as well as provided in an art book which will highlight all the native art on the various venue sites.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct as outlined in this report be endorsed;

(2) That the General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, be authorized to enter into an agreement with VANOC to execute and fund a program to have Aboriginal Art procured and installed at the Richmond Olympic Oval precinct for the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games;

(3) That the concept design entitled, "Hupakwanum", as prepared by the Nuuchahnulth Art Association for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program Feature Art at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, be endorsed; and

(4) That the concept design for the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami tapestry, as prepared by the Pangnirtung Tapestry Studios for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program Textile Art Work at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, be endorsed.

CARRIED

Sources:

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Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Art_GP_06010922915.pdf

Minutes - Item # 4 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/060109_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2596252 [To Council - June 8, 2009]

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OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY CELEBRATION AND COMMEMORATION FUNDING PROGRAM

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects be authorized to:

(a) submit a funding application to the Department of Canadian Heritage in relation to the Celebration and Commemoration Program for organizing activities to support the participation of the general public in the 2010 Olympic Torch; and

(b) finalize and execute any documentation related to the application.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Torch_Relay_GP_06010922916.pdf

Minutes - Item # 6 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/060109_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2634809 [To General Purposes - June 1, 2009 / To Council - June 8, 2009]

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2008 APPROPRIATED SURPLUS

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That all the recommendations from the Finance Committee meeting of Monday, June 8, 2009, as outlined below, be brought forward for ratification:

(1) That Item 3 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Olympic Expo-Richmond 2010) be removed and that the Olympic Expo program in Richmond and the funding request of \$500,00 to support it be deleted.

[Councillors S. Halsey-Brandt, Dang, Barnes and Mayor Brodie opposed at Finance Committee.]

(2) That Item 13 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (City Olympic Hosting and Protocol program) be referred back to staff with the funding amount for: (i) further description of the concept, (ii) funding, and (iii) the types of groups to be hosted.

(3) That Item 14 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (City facilities additional maintenance) be accepted.

(4) That Item 23 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Additional temporary fire services resources) be referred back to staff with the funding for further analysis and update.

(5) That Item 28 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Enhance look of the City) be referred back with the funding for further elaboration on: (i) the number of signs involved, (ii) identification of the potential locations of the signs, (iii) the updating of the signs, (iv) the refurbishment and cleaning of the signs, (v) the landscaping around the signs, and (vii) to investigate the possibility of eliminating the references to the sister cities on the signs.

(6) That item 25 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Installation of Automatic External Defibrillators) be referred back to staff with the funding.

(7) That an item be added, in the amount of \$1,000, for the Richmond Family and Youth Court Committee (RFYCC) to purchase 150 bags made from City of Richmond banners for the delegates to the October 16-17, 2009 Family Violence 2009 Conference hosted by the RFYCC Committee in Richmond.

(8) That all other surplus allocation requests be approved in the amount recommended by TAG.

(9) That:

(1) the balance of the surplus funds, not otherwise allocated, in the amount of \$369,000, be referred back to staff to report on recommendations for use; and

(2) that staff bring recommendations forward relating to the surplus gaming funds.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FIN_060809_2008_Appropriated_Surplus22964.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/060809sp_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2652424 [To Special Council - June 8, 2009]

June 8, 2009 - Council Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION 2008 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CITY OF RICHMOND

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the attached report "2008 Annual Report from the Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation," be received for information.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Oval_GP_06010922914.pdf

Minutes - Item # 9 (A) - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/060809_minutes.htm

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UPDATE ON VANOC SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM FOR ABORIGINAL ARTWORKS AT THE RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL PRECINCT

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct as outlined in this report be endorsed;

(2) That the General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, be authorized to enter into an agreement with VANOC to execute and fund a program to have Aboriginal Art procured and installed at the Richmond Olympic Oval precinct for the Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games;

(3) That the concept design entitled, "Hupakwanum", as prepared by the Nuu-chah-nulth Art Association for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program Feature Art at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, be endorsed; and

(4) That the concept design for the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami tapestry, as prepared by the Pagnirtung Tapestry Studios for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program Textile Art Work at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, be endorsed.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Art_GP_06010922915.pdf

Minutes - Item # 11 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/060809_minutes.htm

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OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY CELEBRATION AND COMMEMORATION FUNDING PROGRAM

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects, be authorized to submit a funding application to the Department of Canadian Heritage in relation to the Celebration and Commemoration Program for organizing activities to support the participation of the general public in the 2010 Olympic Torch and finalize and execute any related documentation.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Torch_Relay_GP_06010922916.pdf

Minutes - Item # 13 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/060809_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2634809 [To General Purposes - June 1, 2009 / To Council - June 8, 2009]

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2008 APPROPRIATED SURPLUS

Discussion:

The General Manager, Business and Financial Services, Andrew Nazareth and Jeff Day, General Manager, Olympic Business & Major Projects were both available to answer questions.

The Committee addressed the requests presented in the 2008 Surplus Appropriation by priority order, commencing with the high priority requests, and a discussion ensued about:

- the Emergency Response 'Gold Exercise' 2009 – it was noted that this exercise was scheduled in preparation for the Olympics, and that it was a multi-faceted, unique exercise that was broader in scope than a regular emergency response;
- staffing needs associated with the implementation of the new pesticide bylaw;
- the feasibility of setting up a fund using surplus monies in order to fund the Oval subsidy or other Oval related costs in future years;
- temporary funding for staffing to offset the work loads encountered by staff currently working on various Venue City Programs and Initiatives; and what would happen to the temporary staff after the 2010 Winter Olympics;
- the feasibility of delaying the decision related to the Olympic Expo to a date later than June 30, 2009;
- the rationale for the funding request of \$45,000 in support of the Seniors Games 2009;
- the deterioration and replacement of parks equipment and why the replacement of such equipment was not funded through the budget process; and
- the funding and development of an operational plan for Tall Ships 2011.

At 6:38 p.m. Mayor Brodie announced that the Finance Committee meeting would be recessed until immediately following the Regular Council meeting.

At 8:19 p.m. Mayor Brodie reconvened the Finance Committee meeting.

The Committee addressed medium priority requests presented in the 2008 Surplus Appropriation, and discussion ensued between the Committee and staff regarding:

- there will be no decrease in either fire or rescue services provided by Richmond Fire Rescue (RFR) to City residents during the 2010 Olympics; BC Ambulance Services will dedicate their own vehicle/s at the Olympic Oval site;
- studies show that both medical-related and fire-related calls increase during Olympic games in venue cities; negotiations for additional resources for the associated increased costs are ongoing with the Province; and
- any revenue realized from the addition of three parking metres at Alderbridge, Alexandra and

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Elmbridge Way would be streamed back into the City's parking programme.

The Committee then addressed low priority requests presented in the 2008 Surplus Appropriation, and during discussion between the Committee and staff the following was noted:

- signage and landscape improvements at main entrances to Richmond and the advantage of refurbishing the current signs over installing new signage; and
- information from the Library indicated that the auto sorter is a higher priority than upgrading the junior non-fiction book collection.

At the conclusion of the discussion the following motion was introduced:

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That Item 2 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Temporary Staffing to Meet Venue City Obligations) be deleted

The question on the motion was not called as a brief discussion ensued regarding the impact of the increased workload on City staff, including RFR personnel, during increased activities leading up to, and during, the 2010 Winter Olympics.

The question on the motion was then called and it was DEFEATED with Councillors S. Halsey-Brandt, Dang, Barnes, Johnston, E. Halsey-Brandt and Mayor Brodie opposed.

The following motion was then introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That Item 3 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Olympic Expo-Richmond 2010) be removed and that the Olympic Expo program in Richmond and the funding request of \$500,00 to support it be deleted.

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of the Olympic Expo program in relation to the overall approved budget for the Olympic celebrations. As a result of the discussion the following amendment was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That funding for the Olympic Expo-Richmond 2010 be reduced from \$500,000 to \$300,000.

The question on the amendment was then called and it was DEFEATED with Councillors E. Halsey-Brandt, Steves, Johnston, G. Halsey-Brandt and McNulty opposed.

The question on the main motion was then called and it was CARRIED with Councillors S. Halsey-Brandt, Dang, Barnes and Mayor Brodie opposed.

The following referral motion was then introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That Item 13 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (City Olympic Hosting and Protocol program) be referred back to staff with the funding amount for: (i) further description of the concept, (ii) funding; and (iii) the types of groups to be hosted.

CARRIED

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The following motion was then introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That Item 14 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (City facilities additional maintenance) be accepted.

CARRIED

The following referral motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That Item 23 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Additional temporary fire services resources) be referred back to staff with the funding for further analysis and update.

CARRIED

The following referral motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That Item 28 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Enhance look of the City) be referred back with the funding for further elaboration on: (i) the number of signs involved, (ii) identification of the potential locations of the signs, (iii) the updating of the signs, (iv) the refurbishment and cleaning of the signs, (v) the landscaping around the signs, and (vii) to investigate the possibility of eliminating the references to the sister cities on the signs.

CARRIED

The following motion was then introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That Item 10 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (New Pesticide Bylaw related costs) be deleted.

DEFEATED

OPPOSED:

Councillors

McNulty

S. Halsey-Brandt

Johnston

Steves

Mayor Brodie

The following motion was then introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That \$100,000 for Item 27 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Junior non-fiction book collection upgrade) be added.

The question on the motion was not called as a brief discussion ensued regarding whether priority should be given to the auto sorting equipment for the library or to the junior non-fiction book collection upgrade. As a result of the discussion the following amendment was introduced.

It was moved and seconded

That funding for the Junior non-fiction book collection upgrade be reduced from \$100,000 to \$50,000.

The question on the amendment was then called and it was DEFEATED with Councillors McNulty,

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Johnston, Dang, E. Halsey-Brandt, G. Halsey-Brandt, Steves and Mayor Brodie opposed.

The question on the main motion was then called and it was DEFEATED with Councillors S. Halsey-Brandt, Dang, Barnes, Johnston, Steves and Mayor Brodie opposed.

The following referral motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That item 25 on the list of Surplus Allocation requests (Installation of Automatic External Defibrillators) be referred back to staff with the funding.

CARRIED

At the request of Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt, Council Liaison for the Richmond Family and Youth Court Committee, the following motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That an item be added, in the amount of \$1,000, for the Richmond Family and Youth Court Committee (RFYCC) to purchase 150 bags made from City of Richmond banners for the delegates to the October 16-17, 2009 Family Violence 2009 Conference hosted by the RFYCC Committee in Richmond.

CARRIED

The following motion was then introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That all other surplus allocation requests be approved in the amount recommended by TAG.

CARRIED

The following referral motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the balance of the surplus funds, not otherwise allocated, in the amount of \$369,000, be referred back to staff to report on recommendations for use; and

(2) that staff bring recommendations forward relating to the surplus gaming funds.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FIN_060809_2008_Appropriated_Surplus22964.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/060809sp_minutes.htm

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2010 GAMES STRATEGIC OPERATIONAL PLAN UPDATE

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report dated May 27, 2009, from the Director of Richmond Olympic Office, entitled 2010 Games Strategic Operational Plan Update, be received for information.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/SP_GP_060809_2010_Games_Strategic_Op_Plan22968.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/060809_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2618028 [To Special General Purposes - June 8, 2009]

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OLYMPIC EXPO - RICHMOND 2010

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report dated June 4, 2009, from the Director, Richmond Olympic Business, entitled Olympic Expo – Richmond 2010, be received for information.

The question on the motion was not called as a discussion ensued during which staff provided the following advice:

- the Olympic Expo - Richmond 2010 was proposed to begin prior to the Olympics and continue for the duration of the Olympics;*
- the Olympic Expo would provide a valuable opportunity to showcase Richmond and attract people to the Ozone;*
- securing sponsorship for the Olympic Expo had become a challenge as a result of the economic downturn, although sponsorship monies were being raised;*
- the Olympic Expo would provide an opportunity for people to see the iconic symbols of the Games, such as the Olympic torches, and medals, as well as the evolution of the sporting equipment;*
- at this point in time, the Expo was proposed as a ticketed event with an associated cost of \$7.00 per adult and \$24.95 per family, and the revenue from the tickets would not cover the costs of the Expo;*
- in order for the Olympic Expo to take place funding from the City would be required;*
- school curriculum was being developed around the theme of the Olympics, therefore, the Expo would be a real draw for school groups;*
- June 30, 2009, was the deadline for a decision about the Olympic Expo.*

During the discussion Committee members expressed various concerns and questioned staff as to how they could be certain that the Olympic Expo would actually draw enough people to be a success. Also, in response to concerns about the costs associated with making it a ticketed event, staff advised that it would be possible to make it a free event if enough sponsorship funds were raised.

The question on the motion was then called, and it was CARRIED.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/SP_GP_060809_Olympic_Expo22967.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/060809_minutes.htm

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June 15, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL DYKE WORKS – SITE FURNISHINGS DETAILED PUBLIC ART CONCEPT

Discussion:

Greg Scott, Director, Major Projects, provided background information and noted that the detailed drawings and models are to help visualize the proposed furnishings.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff and the artists advised that (i) the proposed wood is epoxy and it is very durable; (ii) the proposed platforms have different orientations as they are intended to engage people at multiple scales such as distant views and foreground elements; (iii) the proposed platforms are safely above the high water mark; and (iv) the proposed platforms are two feet above ground, which is the maximum height allowed without a handrail.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the detailed design for the site furnishings public art elements located in the dyke area fronting the Richmond Olympic Oval site, as outlined in the staff report dated June 15, 2009 from the Director, Major Projects, be approved.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Oval_GP_06150923007.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/061509_minutes.htm

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RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL DYKE WORKS – SITE FURNISHINGS DETAILED PUBLIC ART CONCEPT

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the detailed design for the site furnishings public art elements located in the dyke area fronting the Richmond Olympic Oval site, as outlined in the staff report dated June 15, 2009 from the Director, Major Projects, be approved.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Oval_GP_06150923007.pdf

Minutes - Item # 9 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/062209_minutes.htm

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PROPOSED RICHMOND TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR THE 2010 WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES AND OZONE

Discussion:

A discussion ensued amongst members of Committee and the Director, Transportation Victor Wei about:

- specific vehicular traffic lane closures in order to accommodate the anticipated pedestrian flow at the Oval and Ozone during the Olympic Games;
- the security fence line proposed along River Road, Hollybridge Way, and the Dyke in the vicinity of the Olympic Oval;
- provisions for a shuttle service from Bridgeport to the Oval for Seniors and spectators with disabilities and other special needs;
- message boards and signage that will be placed in the City Centre area and updated daily regarding road closures and other pertinent information;
- provisions for parking for volunteers and others involved in Olympic related events. It was noted that volunteers would be encouraged to take public transit rather than drive private vehicles;
- accessibility to businesses in the proximity of proposed road closures;
- provisions for washrooms, weather protection and bike racks for pedestrians and cyclists;
- planning a trip to Olympic venues using Translink's online Trip Planner;
- possible means of informing area residents of road closures proposed for their neighbourhoods;
- the appropriateness of storing bicycles at the Minoru Plaza; and
- utilizing the services of private traffic management companies in addition to volunteers.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the proposed Richmond Transportation Plan for the 2010 Winter Olympic Games and Ozone, as outlined in the staff report dated June 22, 2009 from the Director of Transportation, be endorsed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Transportation_2010_GP_07060923149.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/070609_minutes.htm

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PROPOSED RICHMOND TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR THE 2010 WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES AND O ZONE

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the proposed Richmond Transportation Plan for the 2010 Winter Olympic Games and O Zone, as outlined in the staff report dated June 22, 2009 from the Director of Transportation, be endorsed.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Transportation_2010_GP_07060923149.pdf

Minutes - Item # 8 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/071309_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2658378 [To General Purposes - Jul 6, 2009 / To Council - Jul 13, 2009]

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2010 OLYMPIC GAMES RELATED BUSINESS AND MAJOR PROJECTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Discussion:

Lani Schultz, Director, Corporate Planning, circulated a synopsis to the subject report, (Schedule 2) and briefly reviewed the contents.

A discussion then took place about:

- the importance of providing this information to the public;
- the benefits associated with securing the right to use the Olympic rings rather than naming rights alone;
- the costs associated with funding the O Zone;
- the reporting of travel expenses incurred by City staff related to the Olympics and construction of the Oval;
- the feasibility of having staff provide updates to this report in the fall as well as after the 2010 Olympic Games;
- the feasibility of having staff provide a report on the benefits realized by Richmond residents from the Richmond Olympic Oval building; and
- the need to recognize the advisory committees that assisted with the development of the Oval.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That staff be directed to reformat this staff report and attached synopsis on 2010 Olympic Games Related Business and Major Projects Achievements to make it more suitable for publication and distribution for general community viewing;

(2) That staff submit the reformatted version of this report for publication in the next City Page Section of the Richmond local newspapers in accordance with usual practice; and

(3) That staff be directed to regularly update the information in this report, including a description of those who have contributed to the development of the Richmond Olympic Oval, and an outline of the Oval's Legacy value.

The question on the motion was not called, as in answer to a query, staff clarified that this report was intended to address financial accountability, and that another report highlighting the story behind the Olympic Oval was expected in the near future.

The question on the motion was then called and it was CARRIED.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Achievements_GP_07200923245.pdf
http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/GP_072009_schedule_223291.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/072009_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2667154 [To General Purposes - Jul 20, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009]

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METRO VANCOUVER COMMERCE (MVC) 2010 PARTNERSHIP INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Discussion:

Neonila Lilova, Manager, Economic Development was available to answer questions regarding MVC's 2010 Partnership Investment Program (PIP). PIP's purpose is to leverage the 2010 Olympics to increase direct foreign investment in the Metro Vancouver Region by targeting international companies that have investment, or site selection interests in the Lower Mainland. Discussion ensued between staff and Committee and in particular on:

- besides the one solid lead for an international company that may invest in Richmond which the City's economic development office has identified, a number of other leads are being pursued; a letter of intent from the one lead is what the City is seeking at present;
- Richmond will gain a potential \$80,000 of benefits for its investment of \$20,000 in PIP;
- the short-list of 50 potential international companies is currently being drawn up;
- Richmond is among six Metro Vancouver municipalities that have committed to an investment of \$20,000 each, and only Surrey is looking at options to increase its contribution;
- at the conclusion of the 2010 Winter Olympics, follow-up on the listed leads will take place, and staff can report back at that time with regard to the outcome of Richmond's investment in PIP;
- the partner municipalities will pursue the same list of leads, but Richmond will promote its unique infrastructure advantages and its key specific benefits; and
- the City's aim is to achieve two, three or four 'announceables', i.e. foreign direct investment outcomes as a result of its participation and investment in PIP.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That Richmond's participation in the MVC 2010 Program be approved with funding of \$20,000 to come from the current Economic Development budget.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Metro_Van23267.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/072309sp_minutes.htm

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TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 OLYMPIC GAMES

Discussion:

Tracy Lakeman, Executive Director, Tourism Richmond (TR), accompanied by Roman St. Germain, President, Tourism Richmond Board of Directors, addressed Committee and described the following two major initiatives undertaken by TR to gain as much benefit as possible for the local tourism industry by leveraging opportunities presented by the 2010 Winter Olympics:

(1) a community/international postcard contest to: (i) build pride in the community by encouraging local participation in the 2010 Winter Olympics, (ii) ensure that Richmond is promoted around the world and wins as much visibility and exposure as possible; and (iii) build the Richmond tourism brand overseas; and

(2) a Business-to-Business program to enable its business members to purchase tickets to be used to assist in hosting Canadian businesses, as well as international businesses.

Jeff Day, General Manager, Olympic Business & Major Projects, and Gary Young, Director, Legacy and Integration were available to answer questions.

A discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- whether charitable organizations could submit requests for tickets;
- if other programs, besides the Working Poor Fund program could be chosen to be the recipients of allocated tickets;
- if schools that operate privately could submit requests for tickets;
- what prevents the allocated tickets provided to such partners as the Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Richmond and the Richmond School Board for being used for purposes not supported by the City or VANOC;
- the intention to have a partner forum in the Fall, 2009, to exchange extra speed skating tickets and figure skating tickets;
- if working solely with Volunteer Richmond Information Services and its database is the way to identify all volunteers who should be considered to receive tickets;
- how to identify individuals who receive Legacy Lounge tickets; and
- allocation of tickets cannot be completely determined at this time as allocation will be impacted by (i) the responses of the various community partners and (ii) decisions closer to the commencement of the 2010 Winter Olympics regarding hosting opportunities for accredited and unaccredited dignitaries.

The Mayor remarked that a decision regarding the distribution and use of tickets was required about groups other than the Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Richmond, and the Richmond School Board.

Further discussion ensued and general support was expressed for staff to report back with more information regarding the following aspects of ticket allocation:

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- The type and size of private schools that could receive tickets;
- Allocation of Speed skating tickets versus Legacy Lounge passes distribution;
- VANOC Oval volunteers who are not Richmond residents and other VANOC Oval volunteers who reside outside Richmond;
- The total number of tickets to be allocated; and
- The need to regulate access by volunteers to the Legacy Lounge.

It was noted that the City strives to create accessibility for people with disabilities, and in response to a query regarding Tourism Richmond's endeavours in this regard, Ms. Lakeman advised that accessibility marketing is a major market focus and is done by Tourism Richmond on a regular basis. She added that at present Tourism Richmond is not involved with the 2010 Paralympic Games, but is undertaking discussions on how it can leverage that component of the 2010 Winter Games.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects, be authorized to enter into a contract to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$56,000 to the Richmond Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of supporting a Business to Business program as described in section 4(a) of the staff report dated June 20, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office entitled 'Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games';

(2) the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects, be authorized to enter into a contract to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$35,000 to Tourism Richmond for the purposes of supporting a Business to Business and a Richmond marketing program as described in section 4(b) of the staff report dated June 20, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office entitled 'Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games'; and

(3) the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects, be authorized to enter into a contract to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$14,000 to the Richmond School Board or parent associations for the purposes described in section 5 of the staff report dated June 20, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office entitled 'Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games'.

CARRIED

Discussion continued regarding the type of additional information required from staff. As a result of the discussion the following referral motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That, with regard to the allocation of 2010 Olympic Games tickets remaining after:

- (i) contracting with the Richmond Chamber of Commerce for tickets for a value of up to \$56,000;*
- (ii) contracting with Tourism Richmond for tickets for a value of up to \$35,000; and*

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(iii) contracting with the Richmond School Board or parent associations for a value of up to \$14,000,

the matter of the allocation of tickets be referred back to staff for further information, analysis, review, and expansion on the staff report dated June 20, 2009, from the Director, Legacy and Integration, entitled "Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games", and including:

(1)

(a) the use of tickets for fundraising purposes and what limitations there are for tickets used for fundraising purposes;

(b) the means by which the City receives permission for the use of the tickets for fundraising purposes;

(c) the types of organizations and the criteria through which fundraising organizations are chosen as recipients for tickets;

(d) the process for distribution of fundraising tickets; and

(e) the requirements associated with using tickets for fundraising purposes;

(2)

(a) the allotment of tickets for volunteers and the process for distribution of tickets for volunteers;

(b) whether it is effective to use other resources, in addition to Volunteer Richmond, for tickets for volunteers;

(c) the criteria through which volunteers are chosen as recipients for tickets;

(d) the process for distribution of tickets to volunteers; and

(e) the use of the Legacy Lounge for volunteers;

(3)

(a) in addition to the Working Poor Fund, the choice of other groups as potential ticket recipients; and

(b) the criteria through which the Working Poor Fund ticket recipients are chosen;

(4)

(a) the disbursement of tickets to Richmond private schools;

(b) the criteria, including the size of the student body, to discern which private schools may be recipients of tickets; and

(c) the process for distribution of tickets to Richmond private schools;

(5)

(a) the process for distribution of tickets for use in the Legacy Lounge; and

(b) a list of guidelines for Council regarding how Councillors are to be involved in Legacy Lounge activities and the responsibilities associated with that involvement.

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The question on the referral motion was not called as discussion continued regarding: (i) the need to review the number of tickets proposed for distribution by venue, and (ii) further details regarding the unaccredited dignitaries the City can expect to host.

The question on the referral motion was then called and it was CARRIED.

It was moved and seconded

That whereas the City of Richmond has the ability to donate tickets to Olympic events to a registered charity; and

That whereas the Richmond Centre for Disability is a registered charity and has expressed a desire to receive tickets; and

That whereas they would like to use those tickets for fundraising purposes; and

That whereas those tickets can only be used for fundraising purposes with VANOC's express permission on a case-by-case basis, it is recommended that:

(1) two tickets to a main/major Olympic event be donated to the Richmond Centre for Disability to be used for fundraising purposes;

(2) staff be directed to contact VANOC as soon as possible to obtain VANOC's permission for the Richmond Centre for Disability to use the donated tickets as an auction or raffle item at their fundraising dinner on October 3, 2009;

(3) staff work with the Richmond Centre on Disability to make any necessary presentations to VANOC in support of the above request.

(4) staff report back to Council by mid-September, 2009 on the outcome of the request to VANOC.

(5) staff clarify with VANOC how donated tickets may be utilized by registered charities.

(6) staff consider assisting other groups in a similar manner.

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued and advice was given that the Richmond Centre for Disability's (RCD) fundraising campaign has to commence in September, 2009 for the October 3, 2009 dinner. A comment was made that staff should investigate whether Legacy Lounge passes, instead of tickets, would satisfy RCD's fundraising needs.

In response to a query staff clarified that City staff has to consult VANOC on the question of whether tickets can be used for fundraising endeavours.

It was moved and seconded

That Part (1) of the motion be amended to insert the words "or two passes to the Legacy Lounge at the 2010 Olympic Oval" after the words 'Olympic event'.

The question on the amendment was not called as further discussion ensued and as a result, the amendment was WITHDRAWN.

The question on the motion was then called and it was CARRIED

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CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Ticket_Allocation_GP_07230923269.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/072309sp_minutes.htm

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2010 GAMES CITY OLYMPIC HOSTING AND PROTOCOL PROGRAM

Discussion:

Denise Tambellini, Manager, Community Relations and Protocol and Mr. Day were available to answer queries. Discussion ensued among staff, Committee and the Chief Administrative Officer and in particular on:

- the type and frequency of events Council will be expected to host in the Legacy Lounge at the Oval during the 2010 Winter Olympics;
- the timing of the opening of the accredited centre; and
- whether the 2010 Winter Olympics will impact the City's schedule of Standing Committee and Council meetings.

(Cllr. Derek Dang left the meeting at 6:04 p.m. and did not return.)

- the need for the City to establish a theme for its business, tourism and sports sectors;
- details regarding sharing the Legacy Lounge with VANOC representatives;
- the schedule for hosting opportunities during daytime and evening hours at the Oval; and
- the importance of a 'look', or a consistent 'brand' for the City.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the 2010 Games City Olympic Hosting and Protocol Program as outlined in the staff report dated June 23, 2009 from the Manager, Community Relations and Protocol be endorsed.

CARRIED

Discussion ensued with regard to the status of the Richmond Olympic Business Office budget. Mr. Day advised that a comprehensive review of the 2010 Strategic Operational Plan program has been completed, and there is sufficient funding in the budget, approved by Council, to proceed without \$250,000 funding from the 2008 Surplus Budget.

Discussion ensued between Committee and staff regarding Mr. Day's comments and as a result the following motion was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

That the \$250,000, considered for appropriation from the City's 2008 Surplus Account for the City Olympic Hosting and Protocol Program, be retained in the City's 2008 Surplus Account.

The question on the motion was not called as further discussion ensued. At the conclusion of the discussion the question was called and it was CARRIED, with Cllrs. Linda Barnes, Evelina Halsey-Brandt and Sue Halsey-Brandt OPPOSED.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/___shared/assets/Hosting_and_Protocol_GP_07230923268.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/072309sp_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2670909 [To Special General Purposes - Jul 23, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009]

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DELEGATIONS - VINCE MIELE, BOARD CHAIR, RICHMOND CENTRE FOR DISABILITY (RCD) AND FRANCES CLARK, SECRETARY - ITEM 12 - TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 OLYMPIC GAMES

Discussion:

Vince Miele, Board Chair, Richmond Centre for Disability (RCD), accompanied by Frances Clark, Secretary, thanked members of Council for recommending that two tickets to a major Olympic event be donated to the RCD to be used for fundraising purposes. Mr. Miele advised that the RCD would celebrate its 25th anniversary with a fundraiser which would be held on October 3rd, 2009. Funds raised would be used for continuation of the services and programs provided by the Centre.

Ms. Clark expressed her appreciation for Council's support and indicated that she hoped to see the City and other Olympic invitees involved in an event related to the Paralympics.

In conclusion Mr. Miele added that the RCD was aware of the need to obtain VANOC's approval prior to using the donated tickets for fundraising purposes, and that the tickets would be handled properly and according to VANOC's requirements.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/072709_minutes.htm

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2010 OLYMPIC GAMES RELATED BUSINESS AND MAJOR PROJECTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That staff be directed to reformat this staff report and attached synopsis on 2010 Olympic Games Related Business and Major Projects Achievements to make it more suitable for publication and distribution for general community viewing;

(2) That staff submit the reformatted version of this report for publication in the next City Page Section of the Richmond local newspapers in accordance with usual practice; and

(3) That staff be directed to regularly update the information in this report, including a description of those who have contributed to the development of the Richmond Olympic Oval, and an outline of the Oval's Legacy value.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Achievements_GP_07200923245.pdf

http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CNCL_072709_2010_Olympic_Achievements23343.pdf

Minutes - Item # 10 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/072709_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2667154 [To General Purposes - Jul 20, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009]
2681715 [To Council - July 27, 2009]

July 27, 2009 - Council Minutes

METRO VANCOUVER COMMERCE (MVC) 2010 PARTNERSHIP INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That Richmond's participation in the MVC 2010 Program be approved with funding of \$20,000 to come from the current Economic Development budget.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Metro_Van23267.pdf

Minutes - Item # 11 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/072709_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2674507 [To Special General Purposes - Jul 23, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009]
ul 23, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009]

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TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 OLYMPIC GAMES

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

A.

(1) That the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects, be authorized to enter into a contract to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$56,000 to the Richmond Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of supporting a Business to Business program as described in section 4(a) of the staff report dated June 20, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office entitled 'Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games';

(2) That the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects, be authorized to enter into a contract to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$35,000 to Tourism Richmond for the purposes of supporting a Business to Business and a Richmond marketing program as described in section 4(b) of the staff report dated June 20, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office entitled 'Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games'; and

(3) That the General Manager, Olympic Business and Major Projects, be authorized to enter into a contract to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$14,000 to the Richmond School Board or parent associations for the purposes described in section 5 of the staff report dated June 20, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office entitled 'Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games'.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

B.

That, with regard to the allocation of 2010 Olympic Games tickets remaining after:

(i) contracting with the Richmond Chamber of Commerce for tickets for a value of up to \$56,000;

(ii) contracting with Tourism Richmond for tickets for a value of up to \$35,000; and

(iii) contracting with the Richmond School Board or parent associations for a value of up to \$14,000,

the matter of the allocation of tickets be referred back to staff for further information, analysis, review, and expansion on the staff report dated June 20, 2009, from the Director, Legacy and Integration, entitled "Ticket Allocation for 2010 Olympic Games", and including:

(1)

(a) the use of tickets for fundraising purposes and what limitations there are for tickets used for fundraising purposes;

(b) the means by which the City receives permission for the use of the tickets for fundraising purposes;

(c) the types of organizations and the criteria through which fundraising organizations are chosen as recipients for tickets;

(d) the process for distribution of fundraising tickets; and

(e) the requirements associated with using tickets for fundraising purposes;

(2)

(a) the allotment of tickets for volunteers and the process for distribution of tickets for volunteers;

(b) whether it is effective to use other resources, in addition to Volunteer Richmond, for tickets for volunteers;

(c) the criteria through which volunteers are chosen as recipients for tickets;

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- (d) the process for distribution of tickets to volunteers; and*
- (e) the use of the Legacy Lounge for volunteers;*

(3)

(a) in addition to the Working Poor Fund, the choice of other groups as potential ticket recipients; and

(b) the criteria through which the Working Poor Fund ticket recipients are chosen;

(4)

(a) the disbursement of tickets to Richmond private schools;

(b) the criteria, including the size of the student body, to discern which private schools may be recipients of tickets; and

(c) the process for distribution of tickets to Richmond private schools;

(5)

(a) the process for distribution of tickets for use in the Legacy Lounge; and

(b) a list of guidelines for Council regarding how Councillors are to be involved in Legacy Lounge activities and the responsibilities associated with that involvement.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

C.

That whereas the City of Richmond has the ability to donate tickets to Olympic events to a registered charity; and

That whereas the Richmond Centre for Disability is a registered charity and has expressed a desire to receive tickets; and

That whereas they would like to use those tickets for fundraising purposes; and

That whereas those tickets can only be used for fundraising purposes with VANOC's express permission on a case-by-case basis, it is recommended that:

(1) two tickets to a main/major Olympic event be donated to the Richmond Centre for Disability to be used for fundraising purposes;

(2) staff be directed to contact VANOC as soon as possible to obtain VANOC's permission for the Richmond Centre for Disability to use the donated tickets as an auction or raffle item at their fundraising dinner on October 3, 2009;

(3) staff work with the Richmond Centre on Disability to make any necessary presentations to VANOC in support of the above request.

(4) staff report back to Council by mid-September, 2009 on the outcome of the request to VANOC.

(5) staff clarify with VANOC how donated tickets may be utilized by registered charities.

(6) staff consider assisting other groups in a similar manner.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**ADOPTED ON
CONSENT**

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/___shared/assets/Ticket_Allocation_GP_07230923269.pdf

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http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CNCL_072709_Ticket_Allocation23347.pdf

Minutes - Item # 12 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/072709_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2673996 [To Special General Purposes - Jul 23, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009]
2681661 [To Council - Jul 27, 2009]

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2010 GAMES CITY OLYMPIC HOSTING AND PROTOCOL PROGRAM

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the 2010 Games City Olympic Hosting and Protocol Program as outlined in the staff report dated June 23, 2009 from the Manager, Community Relations and Protocol be endorsed; and

(2) That the \$250,000, considered for appropriation from the City's 2008 Surplus Account for the City Olympic Hosting and Protocol Program, be retained in the City's 2008 Surplus Account.

The question on Resolution No. R09/14-9 was not called, as a request was made to vote on each part separately.

The question on Part (1) of Resolution No. R09/14-9, was then called, and it was CARRIED.

The question on Part (2) of Resolution No. R09/14-9 was then called, and it was CARRIED with Cllrs. Barnes, E. Halsey-Brandt, and S. Halsey-Brandt opposed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Hosting_and_Protocol_GP_07230923268.pdf
http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/CNCL_072709_2010_Games_Hosting_and_Protocol23351.pdf

Minutes - Item # 26 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/072709_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2670909 [To Special General Purposes - Jul 23, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009]
2681664 [To Council - Jul 27, 2009]

July 28, 2009 - Council Minutes

RICHMOND OVAL PRECINCT PUBLIC ART PLAN IMPLEMENTATION: TELLING THE STORIES OF RICHMOND ART WORK

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the concept proposal prepared by the artists Deanne Achong and Faith Moosang for the "Telling the Stories of Richmond – Lulu Suite" public art work at the Richmond Oval be endorsed subject to the Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation Board being informed; and

(2) That the General Manager, Parks Recreation and Cultural Services, be authorized to enter into a contract with the artists for the detailed design, construction and integration of the artwork into the Richmond Oval and Oval precinct.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Stories_PRCs_07280923340.pdf

Minutes - Item # 4 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/072809s_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2505049 [To Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services - Jul 28, 2009 / To Special Council - Jul 28, 2009]

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VANOC SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM FOR ABORIGINAL ARTWORKS AT THE RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL PRECINCT – WELCOME WORK CONCEPT PROPOSAL

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the concept design for the Welcome Work by the Musqueam artist Chrystal Sparrow for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, be endorsed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Sparrow_PRCs_07280923339.pdf

Minutes - Item # 5 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/072809s_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2660794 [To Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services - Jul 28, 2009 / To Special Council - Jul 28, 2009]

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VANOC SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM FOR ABORIGINAL ARTWORKS AT THE RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL PRECINCT – WELCOME WORK CONCEPT PROPOSAL

Discussion:

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Fiss and Musqueam artist Chrystal Sparrow provided the following information:

- the work will be done offsite and will take approximately eight weeks;
- siting of the art will be determined at a later date;
- red cedar will be used for the proposed hand carved sculpture; and
- the proposed location of the art has high visibility and high traffic.

Discussion ensued regarding the location of the proposed art and protection of it from potential vandalism and weather elements.

Greg Scott, Director, Major Projects, noted that the proposed sculpture will be in a low risk, prominent spot, however, discussions regarding relocation of the sculpture could take place post-games.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the concept design for the Welcome Work by the Musqueam artist Chrystal Sparrow for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, be endorsed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Sparrow_PRCs_07280923339.pdf

Minutes - Item # 6 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/prcs/2009/072809_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2660794 [To Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services - Jul 28, 2009 / To Special Council - Jul 28, 2009]

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RICHMOND OVAL PRECINCT PUBLIC ART PLAN IMPLEMENTATION: TELLING THE STORIES OF RICHMOND ART WORK

Discussion:

Artists Dianne Achong and Faith Moosang advised that this is a three phased project ‘Telling the Stories of Richmond – Lulu Suite’ via a website, three-monitor video screens, and iPhone interactive mobile units. It was noted that three major Richmond stories will be told: (i) the history of land where the Richmond Olympic Oval sits; (ii) the works of other artists on the site; and (iii) the different cultural groups that call Richmond home.

In reply to queries from Committee, the artists advised that the stories will be mini-narratives repeated throughout the site and accessible in multiple ways, and the iPhones are equipped with GPS and are durable.

In reply to a comment from Committee, Mr. Fiss stated that there are strong synergies between the Oval and the City that will meet all parties’ objectives.

Cathryn Volkering Carlile, General Manager – Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services, noted that the Richmond Olympic Oval is the property of the City and the proposed public art is part of the endorsed Oval Public Art Plan.

Discussion ensued and as a result the first part of the staff recommendation was introduced in an amended form.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the concept proposal prepared by the artists Deanne Achong and Faith Moosang for the “Telling the Stories of Richmond – Lulu Suite” public art work at the Richmond Oval be endorsed subject to the Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation Board being informed; and

(2) That the General Manager, Parks Recreation and Cultural Services, be authorized to enter into a contract with the artists for the detailed design, construction and integration of the artwork into the Richmond Oval and Oval precinct.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Stories_PRCs_07280923340.pdf

Minutes - Item # 7 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/prcs/2009/072809_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2505049 [To Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services - Jul 28, 2009 / To Special Council - Jul 28, 2009]

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RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL – SPECIAL EVENT TRAFFIC AND PARKING MANAGEMENT PLAN AND PARKING STRATEGY FOR REGULAR OPERATIONS

Discussion:

Victor Wei, Director, Transportation, accompanied by Wayne G. Mercer, Manager, Community Bylaws, gave Committee an overview of the Special Event Traffic and Parking Management Plans (TMPs) and in particular defined the various events in the plan as:

- a low intensity event with attendance under 1000;
- a medium intensity event with attendance between 1000 and 4500; and
- a high intensity event with attendance over 4500.

Mr. Wei explained that special event organizers who rent the Richmond Olympic Oval for their event would be required to: (i) follow one of the three TMPs, depending on the expected attendance level; (ii) would be responsible for the costs and coordination of all traffic control measures required; and (iii) arrange any additional off-site parking when required.

With regard to parking, Mr. Mercer stated that the available on-site parking at the Oval consists of a 450 space parkade beneath the ice surface and is currently free to those with membership to Oval programs, but that the lot would be converted to metered pay parking based on a 'pay-by-space' model, and that drivers would be required to remember the number of their parking space. Oval membership holders who use the fitness centre would not be required to pay for parking on site and would be identified by decals or cards or by another method.

Mr. Mercer added that City staff and Oval staff would develop a close working relationship in order to ensure that coordination takes place regarding on-street pay parking rates and Oval pay parking rates.

Discussion ensued between Committee and staff with regard to:

- hourly parking rates would be consistent with current on-street parking rates, with provisions to set flat fees during special events;
- the availability of the gravel parking lot to the west of the Oval for interim parking until the developer ASPEC preloads the site;
- alternative lots such as the one located near the Canada Post building at the corner of Cambie and River Road to the east of the Oval;
- City staff worked closely with Oval staff to develop the Special Event Traffic Management and Parking Plan for use by the Oval Corporation;
- an amendment to existing on-street regulations that would introduce 25 pay parking spaces on Hollybridge Way between Elmbridge Way and River Road in what is currently a Two Hours Free or Zone One Permit area;
- making River Road one way for the duration of a high intensity event (with more than 4500 people in attendance) is just one option to ease traffic flow; staff would communicate effectively to mitigate if, on the rare occasion, River Road was temporarily one way; and

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- the creation of a three-hour free parking zone to meet the needs of general dyke trail users who would be closely monitored to avoid abuse of the free parking status.

Concern was expressed with regard to special event organizers who are responsible for following the City's TMPs, that control traffic flow and parking conditions, but who may not abide by the plans.

In response, staff advised that staff can provide guidance to the private organizations that rent the Oval as a third party, but the City cannot be responsible for securing the off-street parking spaces for the third party renter.

Staff further advised that the Oval Corporation would adopt the Special Event Traffic and Parking Management Plan as a formal policy of the Oval and that the Plan would then be an official part of the rental program process, thereby ensuring that all renters do abide by the Plan and take responsibility for all aspects of it.

Staff was directed to submit a memorandum to Council before the Monday, September 14, 2009 Council meeting updating Council regarding the presentation of the Special Event Traffic Management and Parking Plan to the Board of the Oval Corporation.

A comment was made that generic event signs, used in the event of River Road temporarily being one way only, could be adapted to include an explanation about the change in traffic flow, such as "Oval Event" so that communication with the public is clear.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the proposed Richmond Olympic Oval Area Traffic and Parking Management Plan to accommodate future special events to be held at the Richmond Olympic Oval as well as the parking strategy for regular Oval operations, as described in the staff report dated June 19, 2009 from the Director, Transportation, be endorsed;

(2) that Traffic Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 8463, as attached to the staff report dated June 19, 2009 from the Director, Transportation, be introduced and given first, second and third reading; and

(3) that Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 8464, as attached to the staff report dated June 19, 2009 from the Director, Transportation, be introduced and given first, second and third reading.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/GP_090809_Parking23619.pdf

Minutes - Item # - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/090809_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2599806 [To General Purposes - Sep 8, 2009 / To Council - Sep 14, 2009]

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DELEGATION - TRACY LAKEMAN AND ROMAN ST. GERMAIN - TOURISM RICHMOND - ANNUAL PRESENTATION - VARIOUS ISSUES

Discussion:

Ms. Tracy Lakeman, Executive Director, introduced Roman St. Germain, Chair of Tourism Richmond (TR). Mr. St. Germain spoke about challenges facing TR and in particular noted that:

- (i) H1N1 virus strain, (ii) new visa and passport requirements, and (iii) the economic slump are issues that have directly impacted the local tourism industry;
- these three issues have led to challenges that are larger than those faced by the tourism industry in the aftermath of both the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks in the US, and the SARS medical crisis;
- there has been unprecedented cost cutting throughout the tourism industry;
- (i) the 2010 Winter Olympics and (ii) the Harmonized Sales Tax are two pieces of good news that will bring positive change to tourism;
- as of April 1, 2009 the BC government dissolved Tourism BC and the former Crown Corporation has since been taken back into the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts causing concern within the tourism industry;
- the Province extended the end date for collection of the 2% Hotel Tax until June 30, 2011, which will affect TR's agreement with the City, but the extension allows TR, and other destination marketing organizations, the opportunity to explore other forms of funding; and
- TR is: (i) a dynamic entity, (ii) enacting positive changes, (iii) undertaking a re-branding program, and (iv) an extensive business plan.

Ms. Lakeman made a power point presentation to Committee (on file in the City Clerk's Office) and commented on:

- TR's positioning statement is: 'Richmond is a marketplace, a fusion of Asian & Canadian culture past and present, where visitors, travellers and passengers can savour the energy of a West Coast city and a charming seaside village accessible from wherever they are';
- one of TR's business objectives is to generate short and long term tourism revenue, measured by hotel stays and visitor expenditures;
- one of TR's overarching goals is to position Richmond as a Gateway 'destination', not a 'Gateway' to other destinations;
- one of the core markets TR is pursuing is the Meetings, Incentives, Conventions and Events market (MICE); some of TR's other target markets include the 'Local Explorer' and 'Cultural Cascadians';
- monthly surveys of Richmond hotel guests are conducted to collect information regarding the average length of stay, among other statistics, to better help direct TR's advertising decisions;
- TR's new 'campaign website', separate from its corporate website, provides analysis with regard

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to summer visitor web traffic; on average a visitor to the campaign website views 7 web pages;

- TR's revenues are down by 16% for 2009, year to date;
- visitor inquiries are tracked at the Visitor Centres located at Highway 99 (at the Massey Tunnel) and in Steveston;
- membership services offered by TR to their hundreds of members include Olympic training;
- throughout the 2010 Winter Olympic period, TR's goal is to fill every bedroom and hotel room in Richmond; friends and relatives visiting Richmond residents in February/March 2010 can visit and enjoy the O-Zone for an Olympic experience that is unique to Richmond;
- TR's 2009 photo postcard content has attracted over 700 entrants; and
- TR undertakes tried-and-true marketing initiatives, and in addition, TR is committed to exploring and utilizing new marketing initiatives offered by social networks.

Discussion took place among Committee members and the delegation on:

- (i) how to position Richmond as a destination for visitors, (ii) how to encourage them to stay for more than one night and explore the City, and (iii) how to encourage visitors to not think of Richmond as a City to move through on their way to other destinations;
- how to make visitors to the City aware of the diversity and abundance of heritage sites in Richmond;
- how TR can gather and track tourism statistics using hotel stays as well as other sources of information;
- the hotel overnight stays in the post-Olympic months and years; and
- TR's marketing activities to visitors with disabilities, and the emphasis on the message that much of Richmond is accessible for such groups as wheelchair athletes.

A suggestion was made that TR could provide a link on its website to the Richmond Centre For Disability's website.

The Chair thanked the delegation for its report.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/090809_minutes.htm

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RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL – SPECIAL EVENT TRAFFIC AND PARKING MANAGEMENT PLAN AND PARKING STRATEGY FOR REGULAR OPERATIONS

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the proposed Richmond Olympic Oval Area Traffic and Parking Management Plan to accommodate future special events to be held at the Richmond Olympic Oval as well as the parking strategy for regular Oval operations, as described in the staff report dated June 19, 2009 from the Director, Transportation, be endorsed;

(2) that Traffic Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 8463, as attached to the staff report dated June 19, 2009 from the Director, Transportation, be introduced and given first, second and third reading; and

(3) that Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No. 8464, as attached to the staff report dated June 19, 2009 from the Director, Transportation, be introduced and given first, second and third reading.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/GP_090809_Parking23619.pdf

Minutes - Item # 7 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/091409_minutes.htm

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2533119 [To General Purposes - Sep 8, 2009 / To Council - Sep 14, 2009]
2716593 [To General Purposes - Sep 8, 2009 / To Council - Sep 14, 2009]
2532887 [To General Purposes - Sep 8, 2009 / To Council - Sep 14, 2009]

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2010 COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Discussion:

Discussion ensued regarding changing the proposed Public Hearing date in September 2010 from September 8th to September 7th.

In reply to a query from Committee, David Weber, Director, City Clerk's Office, advised that typically a Special Council meeting would be held prior to Christmas and summer holidays to address any items arising from the last scheduled Committee meetings.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the 2010 Council and Committee meeting schedule (as outlined in Attachment 1 to the staff report dated September 3, 2009 from the Director, City Clerk's Office) be approved subject to the following revisions as part of the regular August and December meeting breaks:

(a) That the Regular Council Meetings (open and closed) of August 9, August 23, and December 29, 2010 be cancelled;

(b) That the following Standing Committee meetings be cancelled:

(i) General Purposes Committee meetings of August 3 and August 16, 2010;

(ii) Planning Committee meetings of August 4 and August 16, 2010;

(iii) Community Safety Committee meeting of August 10, 2010;

(iv) Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting of August 18, 2010; and

(v) Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meetings of August 24 and December 30, 2010; and

(c) That the August 16, 2010 Public Hearing be re-scheduled to Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Richmond City Hall.

(2) That the 2010 Council and Committee meeting schedule be further revised as follows as part of a modified meeting schedule during the 2010 Olympic Winter Games:

(a) That the Regular Council Meeting (open and closed) of February 22, 2010 be cancelled;

(b) That the following Standing Committee meetings be cancelled:

(i) General Purposes Committee meeting of February 15, 2010;

(ii) Planning Committee meeting of February 16, 2010;

(iii) Community Safety Committee meeting of February 9, 2010;

(iv) Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting of February 17, 2010; and

(v) Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting of February 23, 2010;

(c) That the General Purposes Committee meeting of March 1, 2010 be re-scheduled to March 2, 2010;

(d) That the Planning Committee meeting of March 2, 2010 be re-scheduled to March 3, 2010; and

(e) That the February 15, 2010 Public Hearing be re-scheduled to Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Richmond City Hall.

CARRIED

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Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/GP_Schedule_09210923741.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/092109_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2715432 [To General Purposes - Sep 21, 2009 / To Council - Sep 28, 2009]

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2010 COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

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(iii) Community Safety Committee meeting of February 9, 2010;

(iv) Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting of February 17, 2010; and

(v) Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee meeting of February 23, 2010;

(c) That the General Purposes Committee meeting of March 1, 2010 be re-scheduled to March 2, 2010;

(d) That the Planning Committee meeting of March 2, 2010 be re-scheduled to March 3, 2010; and

(e) That the February 15, 2010 Public Hearing be re-scheduled to Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Richmond City Hall.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/GP_Schedule_09210923741.pdf

Minutes - Item # 11 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/092809_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2715432 [To General Purposes - Sep 21, 2009 / To Council - Sep 28, 2009]

September 29, 2009 - Parks Recreation Cultural Services Minutes

BED AND BREAKFAST BUSINESSES IN RICHMOND

Discussion:

A member of the Committee raised the concern that there may be a conflict between Bed and Breakfast businesses and Bylaw enforcement in Richmond. It was noted this conflict could provide challenges for visitors coming to Richmond during the 2010 Winter Olympic Games.

As a result of this concern, the following referral motion was introduced:

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That staff investigate and report back, on a priority basis:

(i) the discrepancy between provisions related to Bed and Breakfast businesses as contained in the Zoning Bylaw and in the Residential Tenancy Act; and

(ii) potential additional licensing costs for Bed and Breakfasts, both of which may impact Richmond during the 2010 Winter Olympic Games.

CARRIED

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 5A - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/prcs/2009/092909c_minutes.htm

September 29, 2009 - Parks Recreation Cultural Services Minutes

MANAGER'S REPORT - MIDDLE ARM WATERFRONT GREENWAY

Discussion:

Serena Lusk, Manager, Parks - Planning & Design, reported that the project is expected to be completed by the end of January 2010 and will provide a unique waterfront experience as well as a desirable pedestrian path from Aberdeen Station to the Oval. She also indicated that the trees removed during the project construction will be replaced upon completion.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 6 (1) - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/prcs/2009/092909c_minutes.htm

October 5, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

THE CITY OF RICHMOND OLYMPIC PLAN UPDATE

Discussion:

With the aid of an aerial rendering, Jeff Day, General Manager, Olympic Business & Major Projects, and Anne Stevens, Senior Manager, Richmond Olympic Programs, reviewed the O Zone site plan. Ms. Stevens also commented that Volunteer Richmond has done a tremendous job recruiting volunteers, over 1,000 to date.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff advised the following:

- the artificial turf bound by the Clement Track is open to the public, but will not house heavy structures;
- approximately 30 different businesses are being sought for sponsorship opportunities;
- information related to the home stay program for Canadian Speed Skaters can be found at Speed Skating Canada's website;
- the Minoru parkade will be painted orange, the structure will be utilized by the Holland Heineken House (HHH) for operational reasons;
- entrances and exits to the O Zone and the HHH face south, away from residences;
- there will be two 42-metre LED screens, one of which will run a constant feed of CTV's coverage of the Games;
- sponsorship is challenging in such an economic climate, however, staff have consulted local businesses and revised the sponsorship packages according to local business needs and desires;
- staff are holding public open houses to inform the public and other groups such as seniors regarding the O Zone and its impact on the community;
- HHH is funding and providing its own security;
- warming stations will be combined with information booths and will provide temporary shelter for those wanting a break from the elements;
- the O Zone will provide several legacies such as a large roster of volunteers, an operational manual for a large event, tidied park pathways, and a better sound system at Minoru Arenas just to name a few;
- those wishing to volunteer for the O Zone can do so by registering with Volunteer Richmond, and those wishing to volunteer at the Richmond Olympic Oval can do so by registering with VANOC; and
- preparations for the Games and the O Zone are anticipated to commence on January 25, 2010 until the end of February 2010.

A brief discussion ensued and it was noted that communication is key and the community should be made well aware of the O Zone and all it will have to offer.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the City of Richmond Olympic Plan Update as outlined in the report dated September 29, 2009 from the General Manager, Project Development & Facilities Management, be received for information.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Olympic_GP_10050923875.pdf

Minutes - Item # 7 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/100509_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2729535 [To General Purposes - Oct 5, 2009 - Received for information]

October 5, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

RICHMOND GATEWAY SIGNAGE UPGRADE PROGRAM

Discussion:

In reply to queries from Committee, Mike Redpath, Senior Program Manager, CPMG, provided background information and advised that (i) the existing concrete and mortar engineered base structures will be utilized and the existing cedar wood signage will be recycled into the Terra Nova Rural Park; and (ii) the proposed material for the new signage will be red cedar.

Discussion ensued and it was noted that (i) 'Island City, by Nature' should be incorporated in the wood structure of the proposed new signage; (ii) the provincial signage just south of the George Massey Tunnel should be cleaned; and (iii) some form of low maintenance landscaping, such as cedar hedges, should be incorporated behind the proposed new signage.

Also Committee requested that staff provide a memorandum to Council with further information on the above suggestions prior to this item going before Council on Tuesday, October 13th.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That \$100,000 for the Richmond Gateway Signage Upgrade Program be appropriated from the 2008 surplus.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. Steves

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Gatewaysign_GP_10050923877.pdf

Minutes - Item # 8 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/100509_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2638551 [To General Purposes - Oct 5, 2009 / To Council - Oct 13, 2009]

October 13, 2009 - Council Minutes

PRESENTATIONS - LYN GREENHILL, CHAIR, RICHMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD AND GREG BUSS, CHIEF LIBRARIAN, RICHMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY - ANNUAL REPORT

Discussion:

Lyn Greenhill, Chair of the Richmond Library Board, joined by Greg Buss, Chief Librarian of the Richmond Public Library, advised the following information:

- no other public institution offers as much for free as the library;
- Richmond's library use is up 12% from what it was last year;
- the province has cut 22% of provincial funding to the library for 2010, and there will be a \$116,000 shortfall in 2011; and
- the funding cuts will result in the Library Board purchasing fewer books, and not re-subscribing to several magazines, periodicals, and online databases.

Ms. Greenhill thanked the 'Friends of the Library' for all their support and Council for additional level funding for the automated sorting machine. She commented that Richmond has the highest circulation in the lower mainland, and the Library has seen an increase in use in the Hamilton area. Ms. Greenhill advised that she is pleased to see that Hamilton Community Centre is proposed to be expanded but would have liked the proposed addition to be larger in order to accommodate library space.

Also she stated that the Steveston Library branch is one of the Board's top priorities as the current library is not meeting the needs of the Steveston community, and as a result, creating more pressure on Brighthouse branch operations.

In conclusion, Ms. Greenhill highlighted the role of the Brighthouse branch in the O Zone and noted that regular library service will remain as usual.

On behalf of Council, Mayor Brodie thanked Ms. Greenhill and the Library Board for another successful year.

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/_shared/assets/RPL_CO_10130923927.pdf

Minutes - Item # - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/101309_minutes.htm

October 13, 2009 - Council Minutes

RICHMOND GATEWAY SIGNAGE UPGRADE PROGRAM

Resolution:

(R09/17-6) It was moved and seconded

That \$100,000 for the Richmond Gateway Signage Upgrade Program be appropriated from the 2008 surplus.

The question on Resolution R09/17-6 was not called as the following amendment was introduced:

(R09/17-7) It was moved and seconded

That the existing Sister Cities language be utilized on Richmond gateway signs.

CARRIED

Opposed: Mayor Brodie, Cllr. Johnston

The question on Resolution R09/17-6 as amended by Resolution R09/17-7, which now reads as follows:

That \$100,000 for the Richmond Gateway Signage Upgrade Program be appropriated from the 2008 surplus and that the existing Sister Cities language be utilized on Richmond gateway signs.

was then called, and it was CARRIED with Cllr. Steves opposed.

(R09/17-8) It was moved and seconded

That staff report back on costs and the feasibility of adding 'Friendship Cities' to Richmond gateway signs.

DEFEATED ON A TIED VOTE

Opposed: Cllrs. Barnes, Dang, E. Halsey-Brandt, McNulty

(R09/17-9) It was moved and seconded

That staff consult with the Richmond Sister City Committee and investigate appropriate ways to publicly acknowledge Richmond's international relationships.

CARRIED

(R09/17-10) It was moved and seconded

That staff report back on costs and the potential location of a Hamilton gateway sign along Highway 91 west bound.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllr. Steves

(R09/17-11) It was moved and seconded

That non-irrigated cedar hedging be installed as the backdrop to Richmond gateway signage.

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllrs. Barnes, Steves

Multiple resolutions -
see full text of minutes

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Gatewaysign_GP_10050923877.pdf

Minutes - Item # 15 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/101309_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2638551 [To General Purposes - Oct 5, 2009 / To Council - Oct 13, 2009]

October 19, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 OLYMPIC GAMES

Discussion:

In response to a query from Committee, Gary Young, Director, Legacy and Integration, stated that transportation requirements effected the allocation of tickets to particular groups. He noted that it is intended that all the tickets be utilized. Mr. Young also commented that VANOC has not revealed its security plans related to tickets, however groups receiving tickets from the City will be advised that the tickets are not for resale.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) staff be directed to administer the allocation of tickets based on the Ticket Allocation Program as follows: Support for Community Service Organizations, Persons Suffering Financial Hardship, O Zone Celebrations, and Hosting and Protocol as identified in the report dated September 16, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office;

(2) the Director Legacy and Integration be authorized to enter into contracts to extend the school based 2010 Games Tickets program to 10 independent schools for a total value of up to \$19,060 for all school allocations;

(3) the Director Legacy and Integration be authorized to enter into contracts to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$ 5,990 with Richmond Community groups for the purposes of volunteer recognition, fund raising, or membership development; and

(4) where possible and practical any tickets not being utilized for the designated purposes be sold in keeping with the other categories and purposes described in this ticket allocation program.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Ticket_GP_10190923973.pdf

Minutes - Item # 7 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/101909_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2704939 [To General Purposes - Oct 19, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]
2673996 [To Special General Purposes - Jul 23, 2009 / To Council - Jul 27, 2009 / To General Purposes - Oct 19, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]

October 26, 2009 - Council Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION BOARD INTERIM REVIEW

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the report dated October 21, 2009 from the Chief Administrative Officer entitled 'Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation Board Interim Review' be received for information; and

(2) That Council continue to support the Interim Board and corporate governance model as it is presently constituted in relation to the governance, management and operation of the Richmond Olympic Oval on the understanding that a final evaluation report and recommendations will be conducted by the end of June 2010 to coincide with completion of the Oval Conversion Project and establishment of the Community Legacy model Oval; and

(3) That staff be directed to:

(a) consider better and more timely reporting methods as envisioned in section 7.3 of the Oval Operating Agreement and otherwise; and

(b) bring the Olympic Oval Conversion Plan to Council for approval by the end of 2009.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/ROOC_GP_10260924262.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/102609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2434968 [To General Purposes - Oct 26, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]
2739377 [To General Purposes - Oct 26, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]
2484512 [To General Purposes - Oct 26, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009] As Attachment to
RTC 2739377
2741845 [To General Purposes - Oct 26, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]

October 26, 2009 - Council Minutes

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS IN RESPECT TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF 0827805 B.C. LTD. (DBA "RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION")

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

RESOLVED THAT:

(1) the financial statements of the Company for the period from March 1, 2007 to December 31, 2008, together with the auditor's report on such financial statements, which financial statements were approved by the Company's board of directors on May 5, 2009 and presented to the shareholder at an open meeting of Richmond City Council on June 8, 2009 are hereby received and production and publication is hereby waived;

(2) KPMG LLP be appointed as auditors of the Company until the next annual reference date of the Company or until a successor is appointed, at a remuneration to be fixed by the directors;

(3) KPMG LLP be paid a fee for services rendered as auditors of the Company for the 2009 fiscal year as set out in the Auditors' Fees for 2008 and Proposed Fees for 2009 Report, or such other amount as the directors of the Company approve; and

(4) October 26, 2009 be and is hereby selected as the annual reference date for the Company for its current annual reference period.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/ROOC_AGM_CO_10260924268.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/102609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2743153 [To Council - Oct 26, 2009]
2743169 [To Council - Oct 26, 2009]

October 26, 2009 - Council Minutes

DELEGATIONS - PETER MITCHELL, 6271 NANIKA CRESCENT - ITEM 14 - TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 OLYMPIC GAMES

Discussion:

Mr. Mitchell was concerned with the cost of allocating tickets to persons suffering from financial hardship. He was of the opinion that the funds could be better utilized to benefit more people.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 5 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/102609_minutes.htm

October 26, 2009 - Council Minutes

TICKET ALLOCATION FOR 2010 OLYMPIC GAMES

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) staff be directed to administer the allocation of tickets based on the Ticket Allocation Program as follows: Support for Community Service Organizations, Persons Suffering Financial Hardship, O Zone Celebrations, and Hosting and Protocol as identified in the report dated September 16, 2009 from the Director, Legacy and Integration, Richmond Olympic Business Office;

(2) the Director Legacy and Integration be authorized to enter into contracts to extend the school based 2010 Games Tickets program to 10 independent schools for a total value of up to \$19,060 for all school allocations;

(3) the Director Legacy and Integration be authorized to enter into contracts to sell 2010 Games tickets for a value of up to \$ 5,990 with Richmond Community groups for the purposes of volunteer recognition, fund raising, or membership development; and

(4) where possible and practical any tickets not being utilized for the designated purposes be sold in keeping with the other categories and purposes described in this ticket allocation program.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Ticket_GP_10190923973.pdf

Minutes - Item # 14 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/102609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2704939 [To General Purposes - Oct 19, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]
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October 26, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION BOARD INTERIM REVIEW

Discussion:

Discussion ensued and in reply to a query from Committee, staff advised that discussions with other community recreation organizations are ongoing to ensure that the services provided by the Richmond Olympic Oval do not negatively impact the Community Associations.

Also, Committee expressed concern regarding the need for more regular reporting.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the report dated October 21, 2009 from the Chief Administrative Officer entitled 'Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation Board Interim Review' be received for information;

(2) That Council continue to support the Interim Board and corporate governance model as it is presently constituted in relation to the governance, management and operation of the Richmond Olympic Oval on the understanding that a final evaluation report and recommendations will be conducted by the end of June 2010 to coincide with completion of the Oval Conversion Project and establishment of the Community Legacy model Oval; and

(3) That staff be directed to:

(a) consider better and more timely reporting methods as envisioned in section 7.3 of the Oval Operating Agreement and otherwise; and

(b) bring the Olympic Oval Conversion Plan to Council for approval by the end of 2009.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/ROOC_GP_10260924262.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/102609s_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2434968 [To General Purposes - Oct 26, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]
2739377 [To General Purposes - Oct 26, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009]
2484512 [To General Purposes - Oct 26, 2009 / To Council - Oct 26, 2009] As Attachment to
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November 2, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

DELEGATION - PETER DHILLON, CITY NOMINEE TO THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD, LARRY BERG, PRESIDENT AND CEO, AND ANNE MURRAY, VICE PRESIDENT, COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS - VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Discussion:

With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office), Peter Dhillon, City nominee to the Airport Authority Board, Larry Berg, President and CEO, and Anne Murray, Vice President, Community & Environmental Affairs, reviewed airport initiatives and activities and noted that:

- the airport appreciates Council's support in relation to 'Open Skies Agreements';
- there has been an 11% decline in passengers since last year;
- a \$1.4 billion capital program has enhanced passenger experience with the introduction of the Canada Line, public observation areas, Pier C – five gate expansion, and Automated Border Clearance stations;
- the Canada Line has seen substantial ridership;
- Automated Border Clearance stations may be utilized by all returning Canadians and it is anticipated to reduce wait times by 50%;
- special temporary operations during the 2010 Winter Games, such as offsite check in and security screening, will help alleviate some of the anticipated demand;
- \$30 million has been invested in de-icing operations;
- the airport has set out key strategic goals aimed at reducing emissions, energy, and waste; and
- WebTrak is a web-based tool that allows individuals to view real-time and historical flight and noise data collected by the Airport Authority's Aircraft Noise Monitoring & Flight Tracking System.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Berg and Ms. Murray advised the following: (i) parking revenues are down by approximately 10-15% due to the increasing use of the Canada Line; (ii) the airport wishes to further explore regionalization with other local airports; (iii) a site has been identified for a potential future three-sided ground run facility; (iv) in preparation for the Olympics there have been several tests involving the military and noise level complaints have been received, however, these tests are temporary; and (v) the airport has seen a reduction in waste and increase in recycling.

Councillor Dang entered the meeting (4:41 p.m.).

Ms. Murray spoke of wildlife concerns in relation to birds and stated that the airport has an active wildlife program. Also, she commented on the status of a potential fuel depot facility.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/110209_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2762187 - Submission to General Purposes - Nov 2, 2009

November 2, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

OLYMPIC / PARALYMPIC GAMES - LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATIONS

Discussion:

Councillor G. Halsey-Brandt left the meeting (4:58 p.m.) and returned (5:00 p.m.).

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the Chief Licence Inspector be delegated the authority to provide comment to Liquor Control and Licensing on Temporary Changes to:

(1) Food Primary Liquor Licence Applications over the Olympic and Paralympic Games period for establishments:

(a) without patron participation; and

(b) where there is no impact on residential areas within 100 meters of an establishment and traffic and noise in the area would not be adversely affected; and

(2) Olympic and Paralympic liquor licence applications to eligible entities as defined in the Regulations.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Licence_GP_11020924303.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/110209_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2739379 [To General Purposes - Nov 2, 2009 / To Council - Nov 9, 2009]

November 2, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION BUREAU REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE 2010 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES: PASSENGER DIRECTED VEHICLES

Discussion:

In reply to queries from Committee, Glenn McLaughlin, Chief Licence Inspector & Risk Manager, advised that (i) additional taxis will be issued temporary business licences; (ii) other taxi companies will be able to pick up fares in Richmond; and (iii) it is anticipated that the current staff complement will be able to inspect and monitor the likely increase in taxis.

Discussion ensued and a comment was made that a letter should be written to the Passenger Transportation Bureau (PTB) requesting that they consider that all additional vehicles be electric or utilize alternative fuel technology.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report entitled "Passenger Transportation Bureau Regulatory Framework for the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Games: Passenger Directed Vehicles" dated October 9, 2009 from the Chief Licence Inspector and Risk Manager be received for information.

CARRIED

It was moved and seconded

That a letter be written to the Passenger Transportation Bureau to consider that for all temporary licences, vehicles must be electric or utilize alternative fuel technologies.

The question on the motion was not called as clarification was provided that the PTB Regulations for temporary licences specifically do not require that the vehicles be hybrid vehicles. As result of the clarification, the motion was WITHDRAWN.

Multiple resolutions

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Transportation_GP_11020924304.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/110209_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2735759 [To General Purposes - Nov 2, 2009 Received for information]

November 2, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL - CONVERSION PROJECT TO CREATE THE COMMUNITY LEGACY MODEL OVAL

Discussion:

With the aid of renderings, Greg Scott, Director, Major Projects, provided background information and reviewed the proposed Oval conversion project.

Councillor Steves left the meeting (5:22 p.m.) and returned (5:28 p.m.).

John Mills, General Manager, Richmond Olympic Oval and Mr. Scott highlighted the following proposed plans for the conversion project:

- partitions and curtaining would create safe separations between the various playing areas;
- a specialized play space for children under ten years of age would extend recreational opportunities to kids who were not part of organized community sports;
- a climbing wall that would create an appealing feature;
- a licensed daycare;
- batting cages for softball, baseball and cricket;
- displays telling the 'Richmond Olympic Story'; and
- retractable 'bucket-style' seats for events.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Mills advised that (i) there are ongoing discussions to establish presentation centres showcasing the Oval's post-Games uses; (ii) discussions with other community recreation organizations are ongoing to ensure that the services provided by the Oval do not negatively impact the Community Associations; and (iii) the ice arenas were designed to remain cold although many surrounding activities at the Oval require warmer temperatures.

Discussion ensued and Committee expressed concern about utilizing funds from the 2008 Operating Budget surplus and the 2008 Casino Fund surplus.

Councillors E. Halsey-Brandt and G. Halsey-Brandt left the meeting and did not return (6:12 p.m.).

Mr. Mills also advised that: (i) access to the Oval for those who would be eligible for assistance for other City programs has yet to be addressed; (ii) partitions and curtaining are highly important; and (iii) a specialized play space for children and a climbing wall would appeal to many users.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the revised scope of Community Legacy Conversion Project initiatives, as outlined in the staff report entitled "Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion Project to Create the Community Legacy Model Oval" (Attachment 2), dated October 23, 2009 and funded within the \$16M conversion funding, be approved;

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(2) the revised scope of Community Legacy Conversion Project initiatives items, as outlined in the staff report entitled "Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion Project to Create the Community Legacy Model Oval" (Attachment 6), dated October 23, 2009 be approved and funded through the following sources;

(a) Richmond Olympic Oval project base budget; and then,

(b) Up to \$1.7 M from the 2008 Operating Budget surplus (\$500,000) and 2008 Casino Fund surplus (\$1.2M) if and as needed; and

(3) all remaining Community Legacy Project Initiatives be submitted to the Capital Works Committee as per the Operating Agreement, to be funded from the Oval's operating capital reserve or for future consideration for approval by Council in the City's annual capital budget process.

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued regarding utilizing funds from the 2008 Operating Budget surplus and the 2008 Casino Fund surplus. As a result,

It was moved and seconded

That Part 2(b) and Part 3 of the staff recommendation be referred back to staff to report back to the Finance Committee.

The question on the referral motion was not called as staff was directed to provide further comment and analysis by the next Council meeting on the various Items listed on Attachment 6 of the staff report entitled "Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion Project to Create the Community Legacy Model Oval".

The question on the referral motion was then called and it was CARRIED.

The question on Part 1 and 2 (a) of the main motion, to read as follows:
"That:

(1) the revised scope of Community Legacy Conversion Project initiatives, as outlined in the staff report entitled "Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion Project to Create the Community Legacy Model Oval" (Attachment 2), dated October 23, 2009 and funded within the \$16M conversion funding, be approved;

(2) the revised scope of Community Legacy Conversion Project initiatives items, as outlined in the staff report entitled "Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion Project to Create the Community Legacy Model Oval" (Attachment 6), dated October 23, 2009 be approved and funded through the Richmond Olympic Oval project base budget".
was then called and it was CARRIED with Councillor McNulty opposed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Conversion_GP_11020924301.pdf

Minutes - Item # 5 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/110209_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2737501

November 2, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

REGISTRATION OF STATUTORY RIGHT OF WAY IN FAVOUR OF BC HYDRO OVER CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT 5111 HOLLYBRIDGE WAY

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) staff be authorized to register a statutory right of way in favour of BC Hydro over ±119.6m² portion of City-owned property located at 5111 Hollybridge Way for a nominal fee of \$10.00; and

(2) staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the matter including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services to negotiate and execute all documentation to effect the transactions, including all contracts and Land Title Office documentation.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Hollybridge_GP_11020924302.pdf

Minutes - Item # 6 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/110209_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2720679 [To General Purposes - Nov 2, 2009 / To Council - Nov 9, 2009]

November 9, 2009 - Council Minutes

OLYMPIC / PARALYMPIC GAMES - LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATIONS

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the Chief Licence Inspector be delegated the authority to provide comment to Liquor Control and Licensing on Temporary Changes to:

(1) Food Primary Liquor Licence Applications over the Olympic and Paralympic Games period for establishments:

(a) without patron participation; and

(b) where there is no impact on residential areas within 100 meters of an establishment and traffic and noise in the area would not be adversely affected; and

(2) Olympic and Paralympic liquor licence applications to eligible entities as defined in the Regulations.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Licence_GP_11020924303.pdf

Minutes - Item # 7 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/110909_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2739379 [To General Purposes - Nov 2, 2009 / To Council - Nov 9, 2009]

November 9, 2009 - Council Minutes

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That:

(1) staff be authorized to register a statutory right of way in favour of BC Hydro over ±119.6m² portion of City-owned property located at 5111 Hollybridge Way for a nominal fee of \$10.00; and

(2) staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete the matter including authorizing the Manager, Real Estate Services to negotiate and execute all documentation to effect the transactions, including all contracts and Land Title Office documentation.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Hollybridge_GP_11020924302.pdf

Minutes - Item # 8 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/110909_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2720679 [To General Purposes - Nov 2, 2009 / To Council - Nov 9, 2009]

November 9, 2009 - Council Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL – CONVERSION PROJECT TO CREATE THE COMMUNITY LEGACY MODEL OVAL

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That:

(1) the revised scope of Community Legacy Conversion Project initiatives, as outlined in the staff report entitled “Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion Project to Create the Community Legacy Model Oval” (Attachment 2), dated October 23, 2009 and funded within the \$16M conversion funding, be approved;

(2) the revised scope of Community Legacy Conversion Project initiatives items, as outlined in the staff report entitled “Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion Project to Create the Community Legacy Model Oval” (Attachment 6), dated October 23, 2009 be approved and funded through the Richmond Olympic Oval project base budget; and

(3) the staff report, “Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion to Community Legacy Mode Priorities” dated November 5, 2009, be received for information.

The question on Resolution R09/19-9, Part (1) was called and it was CARRIED.

The question on Resolution R09/19-9, Part (2) was called and it was CARRIED with Councillors McNulty and Steves opposed.

The question on Resolution R09/19-9, Part (3) was called and it was CARRIED.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Conversion_GP_11020924301.pdf

Minutes - Item # 15 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/110909_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2747663 [To General Purposes - Nov 2, 2009 / To Council - Nov 9, 2009]
2313019 [To General Purposes - Dec 17, 2007 / To Council - Nov 9, 2009 as Attachment]
2753516 [To Special General Purposes - Nov 9, 2009 / To Council- Nov 9, 2009]
2746572v2 [To Special General Purposes - Nov 9, 2009 / To Council- Nov 9, 2009]
2754947 [To Special General Purposes - Nov 9, 2009 / To Council- Nov 9, 2009]

November 9, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CONVERSION TO COMMUNITY LEGACY MODE PRIORITIES

Discussion:

In reply to queries from Committee, Cathryn Volkering Carlile, General Manager – Community Services and John Mills, General Manager, Richmond Olympic Oval, advised that (i) the proposed play space can easily be moved and reconfigured; and (ii) it was determined that a daycare may have difficulties achieving commercial payback.

Discussion ensued regarding a potential daycare facility in the area, and Joe Erceg, General Manager, Planning and Development, mentioned that a childcare facility is part of the Oval neighbourhood's Community Plan. Also, he noted that a rezoning application is underway for a site near the Oval and a potential daycare facility is yet to be determined.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report, "Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion to Community Legacy Mode Priorities" dated November 5, 2009, be received for information; and

That the staff report, "Richmond Olympic Oval Conversion to Community Legacy Mode Priorities" dated November 5, 2009 be added to the Monday, November 9, 2009 Regular Council Agenda.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Oval_Conversion_GP_11090924390.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/110909s_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2753516 [To Special General Purposes - Nov 9, 2009 / To Council- Nov 9, 2009]
2746572 v2 [To Special General Purposes - Nov 9, 2009 / To Council- Nov 9, 2009]
2754947 [To Special General Purposes - Nov 9, 2009 / To Council- Nov 9, 2009]

November 10, 2009 - Community Safety Minutes

MANAGER'S REPORTS - (ii) - GOLD EXERCISE UPDATE

Discussion:

On Tuesday, November 3, 2009, the City of Richmond was involved in Exercise Gold, the Vancouver 2010 Integrated Security Unit's Exercise initiative. This was a large, live-action emergency planning exercise where Richmond Fire Rescue, RCMP and the City participated in a major exercise to practice skills in a mock emergency situation, and involved the coordination of over 140 federal, provincial, regional and municipal organizations. The City's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) at the ROBO offices were activated to support the emergency site. The exercise was located at two sites: the former Steveston High School on No. 2 Road and at Richmond Hospital. Ms. Procter introduced Amy Romanas, Emergency Program Coordinator, as a key organizer of the exercise.

Committee congratulated staff and volunteers for their part in rendering the Exercise Gold initiative a success.

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 11 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/safety/2009/111009_minutes.htm

November 16, 2009 - Finance Minutes

2009 1ST QUARTER FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION

2009 2ND QUARTER FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL CORPORATION

Discussion:

Andrew Nazareth, General Manager, Business & Financial Services, noted that the staff reports address the financial reporting methods as envisioned in section 7.3 of the Oval Operating Agreement.

Discussion ensued and it was noted that:

- due to conservation efforts, the Oval has lower than expected utility costs;
- Oval staff are well aware of the exclusive-use period and several operational staff will continue working throughout the Games; and
- the 2010 Oval Corporation budget is anticipated to go to the Oval Corporation Board at the end of November 2009.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the staff report on Financial Information for the first quarter ended March 31, 2009 entitled '2009 1st Quarter Financial Information for Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation' be received for information; and

(2) That the staff report on Financial Information for the second quarter ended June 30, 2009 entitled '2009 2nd Quarter Financial Information for Richmond Olympic Oval Corporation' be received for information.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FCs_FirstQ_Roo_11160924472.pdf
http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/FCs_SecondQ_Roo_11160924473.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/finance/2009/111609_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2746723 [To Finance - Nov 16, 2009 - Received for Information]
2746937 [To Finance - Nov 16, 2009 - Received for Information]

November 23, 2009 - Council Minutes

RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL SIGNAGE

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the proposed new facility signage for the Richmond Olympic Oval be approved, subject to there being no cost to the City;

(2) That the proposed signage be installed on a permanent basis; and

(3) That staff be authorized to advise the pertinent parties of Council's decision.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Oval_Signage_CO_11230924549.pdf

Minutes - Item # 22A - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/112309_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2759600 [To Closed Council - Nov 23, 2009 / To Council - Nov 23, 2009 - Open Council Minutes Item 22A]

November 24, 2009 - Parks Recreation Cultural Services Minutes

DELEGATION - FRANK CLAASSEN, CHAIRPERSON, RICHMOND ARENAS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (RACA) AND MR. CRICHY CLARKE, TREASURER OF RACA

Discussion:

Frank Claassen, Chairperson, Richmond Arenas Community Association (RACA) accompanied by Mr. Crichy Clarke, Treasurer of the RACA, reviewed a submission from RACA (attached to these as Minutes Schedule 1). Mr. Claassen spoke on the four subjects outlined in the submission: (i) Operations, (ii) Fees and Charges, (iii) Facilities, and (iv) Oval Arena Programming.

With regard to Operations Mr. Claassen mentioned that the steady growth in RACA's operations meant an annual increase in the fees RACA returns to the City to offset the City's arena budget. He added that a surplus for RACA was spent on significant improvements, such as awnings and parking lot improvements.

On the topic of Fees and Charges Mr. Clarke advised that the cost of participating in hockey and other ice sports would increase in the upcoming year due to the cost of the Harmonized Sales Tax as well as cuts to gaming grants. Mr. Clarke requested that consideration be given to the suggestion that the fees RACA submits to the City for 2010 and 2011 be equal to the 2009 level.

With regard to Facilities Mr. Claassen noted that more arenas are needed and he urged the City to undertake long term facility planning. He suggested that the 2010 RACA contribution to the Adjusted City Budget be 90%, but that the City use 80% of that for the budget and use the remaining 10% for arena development.

On the topic of Oval Arena Programming, Mr. Claassen remarked that RACA had hoped to integrate the Oval's ice sheet into RACA's facility utilization system, but that RACA was surprised that the Oval was providing ice programs to the community. He stated that RACA was indirectly competing with the Olympic Oval Corporation. Mr. Claassen added that RACA had met with the Olympic Oval Corporation staff, but that RACA also desired an opportunity to address the Olympic Oval Corporation Board.

Discussion ensued among the delegation, Committee and staff, and in particular on:

- whether the negotiated payment to the City should be increased or held at the 2009 agreed cost of \$2,467,000;
- how City staff and RACA work together;
- RACA's fees are set after City staff undertakes a comprehensive survey of fees in other Lower Mainland municipalities;
- Richmond ice sheets are used by Richmond residents and Richmond-based sports organizations;
- the impact of RACA's profitability if the organization's contribution to the Adjusted City Budget is capped or reduced;
- whether ice sheet users who cannot afford the fees and charges are subsidized;
- the expensive nature of participating in hockey and the attendant equipment and travel costs;

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- whether there is a reserve fund set aside for City facilities, the name of the fund, and if there have been any deposits;
- assessments of City facilities are done on an on-going basis, and early in 2010 staff will present a report on progress made regarding maintaining facilities;
- RACA's contribution goes into the City's regular revenue stream; and
- communication with the Olympic Oval Corporation with regard to programming.

As a result of the discussion the following referral motion was introduced:

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That staff review:

- (1) cost sharing arrangements for arenas between the City and the Richmond Arenas Community Association (RACA);*
- (2) the fees and charges for arena use;*
- (3) provisions of assistance to those who cannot afford to participate in programs in arenas;*
- (4) the need for capital funding for the renewal of ice sheets; and*
- (5) the relationship between RACA, and other sports groups, and the Olympic Oval Corporation.*

CARRIED

In response to a query from Committee regarding when staff would report back on the referral, advice was given that staff could report back on some parts of the referral as early as the end of January, 2010, and on other parts of the referral thereafter.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Schedule1_PRCs_11240924565.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/prcs/2009/112409_minutes.htm

Report Routing: No REDMS Number - [To Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services - November 24, 2009]

December 7, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

TEMPORARY REQUESTS FOR EXTENDED HOURS OF SERVICE FOR LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENCES

Discussion:

In reply to a query from Committee, Glenn McLaughlin, Chief Licence Inspector & Risk Manager, advised that the requested increase in seats at the Vancouver Hilton Airport would be in effect only for the duration of the temporary period.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That Council provide a no objection comment to LCLB on the temporary increase of hours to liquor service on the Liquor Primary Licences held by Stanley's Lounge, Plaza Premium Lounge and Vancouver Airport Hilton as the increase in hours and temporary seating at the Vancouver Airport Hilton will not have an impact on residential areas and traffic and noise in the areas will not be adversely affected.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Temporary_GP_12070924619.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/120709_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2766086 [To General Purposes - Dec 7, 2009 / To Council - Dec 14, 2009]

December 7, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

2010 GAMES CITY OLYMPIC HOSTING AND PROTOCOL PROGRAM UPDATE

Discussion:

Lani Schultz, Director, Corporate Planning, provided background information.

In reply to queries from Committee, staff advised that:

- the Protocol Hosting team works with various partners in order to coordinate hosting needs;
- final details relating to hosting and protocol events would evolve right up to the Games, however, pertinent information will be relayed to Council as it becomes available;
- there is no parking at the Oval, as such staff would organize transportation for Council to attend events at the Oval; and
- changes to the allocation of tickets will be subject to City senior staff review in order to verify that ticket allocation is done according to Council approved criteria.

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the 2010 Games City Olympic Hosting and Protocol Program Update (as outlined in the Staff Report dated December 2, 2009 from the Manager, Community Relations and Protocol and the Senior Program Manager of CPMG), be approved.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Protocol_GP_12070924621.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/120709_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2773895 [To General Purposes - Dec 7, 2009 / To Council - Dec 14, 2009]

December 14, 2009 - Council Minutes

ANNUAL ADDRESS BY MAYOR MALCOLM D. BRODIE

Discussion:

Mayor Brodie gave his Annual Address, a copy of which is attached as Schedule 1 and forms part of these minutes.

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Schedule_1_CO_12140924670.pdf

Minutes - Item # 2 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/121409_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2747849 [To Council - December 14, 2009]

December 14, 2009 - Council Minutes

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL (AND THEIR ALTERNATES) AS THE LIAISONS TO CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the following Council liaisons (and where applicable, their alternates) be appointed until December 13, 2010:

- (a) Advisory Committee on the Environment – Councillor Derek Dang;*
- (b) Agricultural Advisory Committee – Councillor Harold Steves;*
- (c) BC Healthy Communities Coalition Steering Committee – Councillor Linda Barnes;*
- (d) Council/School Board Liaison Committee – Councillors Greg Halsey-Brandt and Linda Barnes;*
- (e) Economic Advisory Committee – Councillors Derek Dang and Ken Johnston;*
- (f) Heritage Commission – Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt;*
- (g) Richmond Athletic Commission – Councillor Harold Steves;*
- (h) Richmond Centre for Disability – Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt;*
- (i) Richmond Chamber of Commerce – Councillor Bill McNulty;*
- (j) Richmond Community Services Advisory Committee – Councillor Linda Barnes;*
- (k) Richmond Family & Youth Court Committee – Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt;*
- (l) Richmond Farmers' Institute – Councillor Harold Steves;*
- (m) Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee – Councillor Bill McNulty;*
- (n) Richmond Parking Advisory Committee – Councillor Derek Dang;*
- (o) Richmond Public Art Commission – Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt;*
- (p) Richmond Safe Communities Alliance – Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt;*
- (q) Richmond Sister City Committee – Councillor Linda Barnes;*
- (r) Richmond Sports Council – Councillor Bill McNulty;*
- (s) Richmond Traffic and Transportation Advisory Committee – Councillor Ken Johnston;*
- (t) Seniors Advisory Committee – Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt;*
- (u) Spirit of BC Richmond Community Committee – Councillor Ken Johnston;*
- (v) Tourism Richmond Association – Councillor Ken Johnston; and*
- (w) Vancouver Coastal Health/Richmond Health Services Local Governance Liaison Group – Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt.*

CARRIED

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 5 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/121409_minutes.htm

December 14, 2009 - Council Minutes

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYORS FROM DECEMBER 14, 2009 TO DECEMBER 13, 2010

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the following Acting Mayors be appointed until December 13, 2010:

December 15, 2009 – January 31, 2010 - Cllr. Harold Steves

February 1 – February 11, 2010 - Cllr. Derek Dang

February 12, 2010 - Cllr. Harold Steves

February 13, 2010 - Cllr. Derek Dang

February 14, 2010 - Cllr. Evelina Halsey-Brandt

February 15, 2010 - Cllr. Linda Barnes

February 16, 2010 - Cllr. Ken Johnston

February 17, 2010 - Cllr. Bill McNulty

February 18, 2010 - Cllr. Greg Halsey-Brandt

February 19, 2010 - Cllr. Harold Steves

February 20, 2010 - Cllr. Sue Halsey-Brandt

February 21, 2010 - Cllr. Derek Dang

February 22, 2010 - Cllr. Evelina Halsey-Brandt

February 23, 2010 - Cllr. Linda Barnes

February 24, 2010 - Cllr. Ken Johnston

February 25, 2010 - Cllr. Bill McNulty

February 26, 2010 - Cllr. Greg Halsey-Brandt

February 27, 2010 - Cllr. Sue Halsey-Brandt

February 28, 2010 - Cllr. Bill McNulty

March 1 – March 31, 2010 - Cllr. Derek Dang

April 1 – May 15, 2010 - Cllr. Evelina Halsey-Brandt

May 16 – June 30, 2010 - Cllr. Linda Barnes

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July 1 – August 15, 2010 - Cllr. Ken Johnston

August 16 – September 30, 2010 - Cllr. Bill McNulty

October 1 – November 15, 2010 - Cllr. Greg Halsey-Brandt

November 16 – December 13, 2010 - Cllr. Sue Halsey-Brandt

CARRIED

Sources:

Minutes - Item # 10 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/121409_minutes.htm

December 14, 2009 - Council Minutes

TEMPORARY REQUESTS FOR EXTENDED HOURS OF SERVICE FOR LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENCES

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That Council provide a no objection comment to LCLB on the temporary increase of hours to liquor service on the Liquor Primary Licences held by Stanley's Lounge, Plaza Premium Lounge and Vancouver Airport Hilton as the increase in hours and temporary seating at the Vancouver Airport Hilton will not have an impact on residential areas and traffic and noise in the areas will not be adversely affected.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Temporary_GP_12070924619.pdf

Minutes - Item # 17 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/121409_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2766086 [To General Purposes - Dec 7, 2009 / To Council - Dec 14, 2009]

December 14, 2009 - Council Minutes

2010 GAMES CITY OLYMPIC HOSTING AND PROTOCOL PROGRAM UPDATE

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the 2010 Games City Olympic Hosting and Protocol Program Update (as outlined in the Staff Report dated December 2, 2009 from the Manager, Community Relations and Protocol and the Senior Program Manager of CPMG), be approved.

ADOPTED ON
CONSENT

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/Protocol_GP_12070924621.pdf

Minutes - Item # 18 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/121409_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2773895 [To General Purposes - Dec 7, 2009 / To Council - Dec 14, 2009]

December 21, 2009 - Finance Minutes

2010 OPERATING BUDGET AND 5 YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN (2010-2014)

Discussion:

Andrew Nazareth, General Manager, Business & Financial Services, provided background information and noted that the proposed 2010 Operating Budget is reflective of the reviving economy. Mr. Nazareth further commented that the demand for City services such as the use of parks, recreation and cultural facilities, and Fire Rescue and RCMP services has increased.

Discussion ensued and in reply to queries from Committee, staff advised the following:

- under the Community Charter, a 5 Year Financial Plan must be adopted annually by bylaw prior to the annual property tax bylaw deadline of May 15th;
- the Community Safety Committee received a verbal update regarding the status of the ladder truck, where the Fire Chief advised that the purchase would be postponed in order to conduct a more comprehensive and coordinated approach to effectively integrate the ladder truck into Fire-Rescue operations; and
- the ladder truck is included in the proposed budget for approval, however not in terms of funds for the 2010 operating budget as the operating budget impact would be phased in over three years.

Committee advised that the ladder truck should be taken out of the proposed budget as it has not been approved.

In response to queries about Victim Services and Communications, staff advised that (i) staff reviews were underway and will be brought before the appropriate Committee; (ii) Victim Services could be impacted by approximately \$175,000 and Communications by approximately up to \$100,000; (iii) any impact to Communications would be post-Games.

Committee stated that a strategy is needed to deal with these two components in the budget.

Discussion took place regarding RCMP surplus and a special fund established from the RCMP surplus was suggested.

Committee questioned the status of the Lubzinski Collection referral and staff advised that the referral requested that staff look at the possibility of funding the collection through the Road-End funding.

Discussion ensued regarding mandatory and discretionary training for employees. Committee requested that a breakdown of the training costs be provided to Council, including the types of courses, the costs associated with the various courses, and the costs of mandatory versus discretionary training.

In response to a query from Committee, Mr. Nazareth explained that the shift of the tax burden from business to other classes has minimal impacts as it is spread across all other classes.

Discussion took place regarding the City's contracted wage settlement with CUPE locals, and George Duncan, Chief Administrative Officer, provided background information and stated that at the time there was a strong desire across the region to have certainty throughout the Games period, and Richmond was able to attain a settlement earlier than others.

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A brief discussion ensued regarding the Hollybridge office and Robert Gonzalez, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works advised that the office space is transitioning from the Richmond Olympic Business Office to being utilized by the Project Development and Facility Services Department. Also, Mr. Gonzalez commented that once the RCMP have relocated to their new facility, there will be an opportunity to relocate the Project Development and Facility Services Department to the current public safety building, therefore, terminating the current Hollybridge office lease if Council so wishes.

Discussion further ensued and in reply to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) it is anticipated that the City Centre Community Centre proposed for Firbridge Way would begin construction in 2013; and (ii) less than 100 Richmond residents applied for tax deferment due to financial hardship.

As a result of the discussions, the following referral was introduced:

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the 2010 Operating Budget and 5 Year Financial Plan (2010 – 2014) report be referred back to staff for further information on:

- (1) the acquisition and the 2010 operating impacts of the Fire Rescue Ladder Truck;*
- (2) Victim Services, and whether there are adjustments to be made in the proposed budget;*
- (3) Communications, and whether there are adjustments to be made in the proposed budget;*
- (4) what the budget would look like if it were presented in reduced increments;*
- (5) the status of the Lubzinski Collection, budgetary and otherwise;*
- (6) the plan for Britannia Heritage Shipyard, the Japanese's Nurses Residence, and the Interurban Tram;*
- (7) the training budget;*
- (8) the status and future of the Hollybridge offices;*
- (9) other ideas for revenue generation;*
- (10) the temporary seasonal staffing complement, shown on a graph, from the beginning to the end of 2009 along with an analysis on the budgetary impacts if the employment dates for seasonal employees were changed;*
- (11) City-issued cell phones and Blackberries, including comments on the policy, the number issued, and the plan rates; and*
- (12) catering expenses including policy guidelines.*

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/2010_Budget_FC_12210924723.pdf

Minutes - Item # 1 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/finance/2009/122109_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2777631 [To Finance - Dec 21, 2009 / To Special Council - Dec 22, 2009]

December 21, 2009 - General Purposes Minutes

VANOC SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM FOR ABORIGINAL ARTWORKS AT THE RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL PRECINCT – YOUTH MENTORSHIP ARTIST SELECTION

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the selection of Coast Salish artist Sonny Assu for the Youth Mentorship Program for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, as outlined in the staff report dated December 9, 2009 from the Director, Arts, Culture & Heritage Services, be endorsed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/VANOC_Art_GP_12210924675.pdf

Minutes - Item # 3 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/gp/2009/122109_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2775035 [To General Purposes - Dec 21, 2009 / To Special Council - Dec 22, 2009]

December 22, 2009 - Council Minutes

VANOC SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM FOR ABORIGINAL ARTWORKS AT THE RICHMOND OLYMPIC OVAL PRECINCT – YOUTH MENTORSHIP ARTIST SELECTION

Resolution:

It was moved and seconded

That the selection of Coast Salish artist Sonny Assu for the Youth Mentorship Program for the VANOC Venues' Aboriginal Art Program at the Richmond Olympic Oval Precinct, as outlined in the staff report dated December 9, 2009 from the Director, Arts, Culture & Heritage Services, be endorsed.

CARRIED

Sources:

Report - http://www.richmond.ca/__shared/assets/VANOC_Art_GP_12210924675.pdf

Minutes - Item # 7 - http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/agendas/council/2009/122209s_minutes.htm

Report Routing: 2775035 [To General Purposes - Dec 21, 2009 / To Special Council - Dec 22, 2009]