



Regular Council

Monday, June 24, 2019

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Kelly Greene
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Linda McPhail
Councillor Harold Steves
Councillor Michael Wolfe

Corporate Officer – David Weber

Call to Order: Mayor Brodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

R19/11-1 1. It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on June 10, 2019, be adopted as circulated;***
- (2) the minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Public Hearings held on June 17, 2019, be adopted as circulated; and***
- (3) the Metro Vancouver 'Board in Brief' dated May 14, 2019, be received for information.***

CARRIED



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AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

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It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Road Closure and Removal Of Road Dedication Bylaw No. 10045 be added to the Council Agenda as Item No. 16A; and*
- (2) *That Item No. 9 – Recovering Costs for Local Climate Change Impacts and Item No. 16 – the Land Use Application by Fougere Architects on Gates Avenue be removed from the Consent Agenda.*

CARRIED

PRESENTATION

Peter Russell, Senior Manager, Sustainability and District Energy introduced the Grade 4/5 Class from Howard Debeck Elementary School as the winners of Richmond Cool It! (formerly the Climate Change Showdown), and student representatives spoke on personal action taken to reduce their carbon footprint.

On behalf of Council, Mayor Brodie congratulated the class on their Richmond Cool It! achievement.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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2. It was moved and seconded

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:13 p.m.).

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3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items.

Item No. 29 – Pride Week 2019 Activities And Proposed Permanent Rainbow Crosswalk

Sam McCulligh, Richmond resident, expressed support for the proposed crosswalk and recommended that the City examine crosswalk designs representing the transgender community.

Item No. 13 – UBCM Resolution Regarding Restoring Provincial Support For Libraries

George Pope, Richmond resident, spoke on his use of the Richmond Public Library and expressed support for the UBCM resolution to restore Provincial support for Libraries.

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Jenny Lee, Richmond resident, expressed opposition to the proposed crosswalk and encouraged Council to seek public consultation on the matter.

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Maria Mead, Richmond resident, noted her opposition to the proposed crosswalk and commented on her negative experiences with some members of the community with opposing views.

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Alice Wong, Richmond resident, was opposed to the proposed crosswalk and expressed her concern with regard to the costs, public consultation and road safety.

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Kelvin Coley-Donohue, Richmond resident, spoke in favour to the proposed crosswalk, and what and it symbolizes, expressed his support for inclusive initiatives in the city.



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Item No. 9 – Recovering Costs for Local Climate Change Impacts

Litsa Chatzivasileiou, Richmond resident, expressed support for the City's proposals to recover costs for local climate change impacts and commented on the negative effects of climate change and the role of climate change in recent floods in her home village in Greece.

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Stephen Cheung, Richmond resident, expressed his opposition to the proposed crosswalk and suggested that additional public consultation on the costs and the overall matter take place.

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Bronson Fong, Richmond resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed crosswalk and expressed concern with regard to its cost and suggested that the funding could be spent on the homeless.

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Alice Tang, Richmond resident, expressed concern with regard to the cost of the proposed crosswalk.

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David Wang, Richmond resident, spoke against the proposed crosswalk and expressed concern with regard to cost and road safety.

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Tarek Mizan, Richmond resident, spoke against the proposed crosswalk and expressed his concern with regard to the costs, public consultation and road safety.



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Lisa Descarry, Richmond resident, spoke in favour of the proposed crosswalk and expressed her support for the LGBTQ2S community. The delegation noted that many municipalities in BC already have rainbow crosswalks and that they are an important symbol of inclusion for youth.

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Steve Mullins, Richmond resident, spoke in favour of the proposed crosswalk and encouraged that Richmond support the LGBTQ2S community. The delegation noted that years ago, when he joined the army, he took an oath to defend all equally. He noted that the crosswalk is an important symbol of belonging and welcoming.

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Ye He, Richmond resident, expressed concern with regard to the cost of the proposed crosswalk and suggested that funding for the proposed initiative be raised privately, rather than funded through taxes.

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Cherry Ngai, Richmond resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed crosswalk and expressed concern with regard to costs and the need for public consultation on the proposed project.

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Jonathan Ho, Richmond resident, expressed concern with regard to the cost of the proposed crosswalk, the lack of policy guidance on such decisions, and potential road safety issues. He encouraged the City to conduct public consultation on the matter.



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Monica Zhou, Richmond resident, spoke against the proposed crosswalk and commented on its cost, suggesting that other projects, such as improved playground equipment, would be a more beneficial project.

Item No. 9 – Recovering Costs for Local Climate Change Impacts

Stephanie Sy, Richmond resident, commented on the negative effects of climate change in Richmond and expressed her support for the City's proposal to recover costs for local climate change impacts. As an educator, the delegation commented on the student activities undertaken in support of social responsibility and likened the required attitude towards climate change as though raging a war.

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Elaine Beltran-Sellitti, Richmond resident, spoke in favour of the proposed crosswalk and expressed support for the LGBTQ2S community and more education related to social justice issues. The delegation commented on the issue as a human rights issue and indicated that it was an ethical and political requirement to accept the LGBTQ2S community.

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Zenbia Chen, was opposed to the proposed crosswalk and expressed that the City conduct public consultation on the matter. He added that the proposed crosswalk may cause road safety issues and does not represent all groups in the city.

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Thomas Leung, Richmond resident, was opposed to the proposed crosswalk, noting that a petition on the matter was circulated in the community (copy on-file, City Clerk's Office). Also, he expressed that the proposed project will encourage division in the community and will pose a road safety risk.



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Jian Liu, spoke in opposition to the proposed crosswalk and encouraged the City to seek public feedback on the matter.

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Lei Kazemi, Richmond resident, expressed her support for the proposed crosswalk, noting that the proposed crosswalk would promote inclusivity in the community and provide an opportunity for the City to express its support for Richmond's LGBTQ2S community.

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Amy Tsui, Richmond resident, commented on the proposed crosswalk.

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Cynthia Rautio, Richmond resident, noted her support for the proposed crosswalk and spoke on the promotion of inclusivity in the city. Also, she expressed that the estimated costs of the proposed crosswalk are relatively small compared to other proposed projects in the City.

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With the aid of translation by Thomas Leung, Simone Sio, Richmond resident, expressed her opposition to the proposed crosswalk, noting that public funds should not be used in the proposed project.

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Karina Reid, Richmond resident, spoke in favour of the crosswalk and encouraged that more education on tolerance be implemented in the community. The delegation commented on the matter as a humanitarian, social justice and human rights issue.



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Herbert Leung, Richmond resident, expressed concern that the proposed crosswalk does not represent all groups in Richmond and encouraged that the City remain neutral on certain social issues.

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Kate Liu, Richmond resident, spoke against the proposed crosswalk and encouraged the City conduct public consultation on the matter.

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Ivan Pak, Richmond resident, noted his opposition to the proposed crosswalk, and expressed that the proposed project is not representative of all groups in Richmond. The delegation questioned whether it was the role of the government to be involved in these issues.

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Niti Sharma, Richmond resident, expressed her support for the proposed crosswalk and Richmond's LGBTQ2S community. The delegation indicated that she supports a culture that stands up for others and that it is important that the community engage in these conversations.

- R19/11-4 4. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (8:59 p.m.).

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

- R19/11-5 5. It was moved and seconded
That Items No. 6 through No. 8, Items No. 10 through No. 15 and Items No. 17 through No. 24 be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED



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6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- (1) *the Special General Purposes Committee meeting held on June 10, 2019;*
- (2) *the Community Safety Committee meeting held on June 11, 2019;*
- (3) *the General Purposes Committee meeting held on June 17, 2019;*
- (4) *the Planning Committee meeting held on June 18, 2019; and*
- (5) *the Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting held on June 19, 2019;*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. 2018 ANNUAL REPORT AND 2018 ANNUAL REPORT – HIGHLIGHTS

(File Ref. No.) (REDMS No. 6169653)

That the reports titled, “2018 Annual Report” and the “2018 Annual Report – Highlights” be approved.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - APRIL 2019

(File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 6181948)

- (1) *That bylaw enforcement staff move from complaint based to proactive investigations on all bylaw issues; and*
- (2) *That the staff report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – April 2019”, dated May 8, 2019, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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9. **RECOVERING COSTS FOR LOCAL CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS**
(File Ref. No. 10-6125-07-02) (REDMS No. 6190255 v. 9; 6192766; 6192881)

Please see Page 15 for action on this item.

10. **BUSINESS REGULATION BYLAW NO. 7538, AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 10029 - 4280 NO.3 ROAD UNIT 120**
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-010029) (REDMS No. 6164355; 6165641)

That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 10029, which amends Schedule A of Bylaw No. 7538, to add the address of 4280 No. 3 Road Unit 120 among the sites that permit an Amusement Centre to operate, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. **UBCM RESOLUTION ON LEGISLATIVE REFORM OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF CORPORATIONS AND LAND**
(File Ref. No. 09-5350-05-06; 01-0035-20-LOWN1; 01-0060-20-UBCM1-08) (REDMS No. 6148919 v. 5)

- (1) *That the proposed UBCM resolution titled "Transparency and legislative reform of beneficial ownership of land and corporations" be submitted to the Union of BC Municipalities as outlined in the staff report titled "UBCM Resolution on Legislative Reform of Beneficial Ownership of Corporations and Land", dated May 15, 2019, from the General Manager of Community Safety; and*
- (2) *That a letter outlining the proposed measures be sent to the Federal Minister of Justice and local Members of Parliament.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. **UBCM CANNABIS COSTS SURVEY**
(File Ref. No. 01-0060-20-UBCM1-01; 09-5000-03-03) (REDMS No. 6194371 v. 4)

That the responses summarized in the staff report titled "UBCM Cannabis Costs Survey", dated May 21, 2019, from the General Manager, Community Safety be approved for submission to the UBCM.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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13. UBCM RESOLUTION REGARDING RESTORING PROVINCIAL SUPPORT FOR LIBRARIES

(File Ref. No. 01-0155-04-01; 01-0060-20-UBCM1-08) (REDMS No. 6205939 v. 2)

- (1) *That a letter of support for the Town of Sidney's proposed Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) resolution titled "Restoring Sustainable Provincial Library Funding", as attached to the staff memorandum titled "Update – UBCM Resolution regarding Restoring Provincial Support for Libraries" dated June 14, 2019 from the Chief Librarian, be submitted to UBCM for consideration at their annual general meeting;*
- (2) *That a copy of the letter be sent to local Members of the Provincial Legislative Assembly; and*
- (3) *That a letter of support for the Richmond Public Library Board's letter titled "2020 BC Government Budget Priorities" dated June 14, 2019, as attached to the staff memorandum, be submitted to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, in advance of the June 28, 2019 deadline.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

14. UBCM RESOLUTIONS – PROVINCIAL SINGLE-USE ITEM STRATEGY AND COMPOSTABLE SINGLE-USE ITEMS

(File Ref. No. 01-0060-20-UBCM1-08; 10-6125-06-02) (REDMS No. 6211321)

That the proposed UBCM resolutions titled "Comprehensive Provincial Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy" and "Compostable Single-Use Items" be submitted to the Union of BC Municipalities as outlined in the staff report titled "UBCM Resolutions – Provincial Single-Use Item Strategy and Compostable Single-Use Items", dated June 12, 2019, from the Director of Public Works Operations.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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15. DRAFT CULTURAL HARMONY PLAN 2019–2029

(File Ref. No. 08-4055-20-CHAR1) (REDMS No. 6192246 v. 7; 6201290)

- (1) *That the Draft Cultural Harmony Plan 2019–2029, as outlined in the staff report titled “Draft Cultural Harmony Plan 2019–2029”, dated May 23, 2019, for the purpose of seeking public feedback on the Draft Plan be approved; and*
- (2) *That staff report back with the final Cultural Harmony Plan, including a summary of public feedback.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

16. APPLICATION BY FOUGERE ARCHITECTURE INC. TO AMEND SCHEDULE 2.14 OF OFFICIAL COMMUNITY BYLAW 9000 (HAMILTON AREA PLAN), CREATE THE “TOWN HOUSING - HAMILTON (ZT86)” ZONE, AND REZONE THE SITE AT 23400, 23440, 23460 AND 23500 GATES AVENUE AND A PORTION OF GATES AVENUE FROM “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F)” TO “TOWN HOUSING (ZT86) – HAMILTON” AND “SCHOOL & INSTITUTIONAL USE (SI)”

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009932/010011; RZ 17-766714) (REDMS No. 6195595 v. 2; 6197811; 5990364; 6196610; 6197034)

Please see Page 16 for action on this item.

17. APPLICATION BY PAKLAND DEVELOPMENTS LTD. FOR REZONING AT 7571 BRIDGE STREET FROM THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F)” ZONE TO THE “SINGLE DETACHED (ZS14) – SOUTH MCLENNAN (CITY CENTRE)” ZONE

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009939; RZ 18-802621) (REDMS No. 5953724; 3218459; 6161371)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9939, for the rezoning of the western portion of 7571 Bridge Street from the “Single Detached (RS1/F)” zone to the “Single Detached (ZS14) – South McLennan (City Centre)” zone, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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18. **APPLICATION BY MATTHEW CHENG ARCHITECT INC. FOR REZONING AT 9020 GLENALLAN GATE, 9460, 9480 & 9500 GARDEN CITY ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO LOW DENSITY TOWNHOUSES (RTL4)**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-010047; RZ 18-829032) (REDMS No. 6162813; 6193467)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10047, for the rezoning of 9020 Glenallan Gate, 9460, 9480 & 9500 Garden City Road from the “Single Detached (RS1/E)” zone to the “Low Density Townhouses (RTL4)” zone, in order to permit the development of 13 townhouse units with vehicle access from Garden City Road, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

19. **APPLICATION BY 1116559 B.C. LTD. FOR REZONING AT 9340 GENERAL CURRIE ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F) TO TOWN HOUSING (ZT45) - GILBERT ROAD, ACHESON - BENNETT SUB-AREA, ST. ALBANS SUB-AREA, SOUTH MCLENNAN (CITY CENTRE)**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-010048; RZ 17-790958) (REDMS No. 6160197; 6195078)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10048, for the rezoning of 9340 General Currie Road from “Single Detached (RS1/F)” to “Town Housing (ZT45) - Gilbert Road, Acheson - Bennett Sub-Area, St. Albans Sub-Area, South McLennan (City Centre)”, to allow the development of five (5) townhouse units, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

20. **MULTI-PASSENGER BICYCLE BUSINESS PROPOSAL**

(File Ref. No. 12-8275-06) (REDMS No. 6182789)

That a sole business licence for a quadricycle to be operated by Brew Bike Tours as a pilot program in Steveston Village be issued subject to the terms and conditions outlined in the attached staff report titled “Multi-Passenger Bicycle Business Proposal” dated June 4, 2019 from the Director, Transportation.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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21. REVIEW OF COLLISION PRONE INTERSECTIONS

(File Ref. No. 10-6450-09-01) (REDMS No. 6188336 v. 6)

- (1) That the proposed short-term improvements, with respect to the top 20 high collision intersections in Richmond, be included in the 5 Year (2020-2024) Financial Plan, as outlined in the staff report titled “Review of Collision Prone Intersections” dated May 17, 2019 from the Director, Transportation; and*
- (2) That the City request the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General to provide automated speed enforcement technology at those intersections where the data indicates that speeding is a contributing factor to collisions.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**22. CITY CENTRE DISTRICT ENERGY UTILITY BYLAW NO. 9895,
AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 10012**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-010012) (REDMS No. 6147348 v. 9; 6147412)

That the City Centre District Energy Utility Bylaw No. 9895, Amendment Bylaw No. 10012 presented in the “City Centre District Energy Utility Bylaw No. 9895, Amendment Bylaw No. 10012” report dated April 29, 2019, from the Senior Manager, Sustainability and District Energy be introduced and given first, second, and third readings.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

23. 2018 ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

(File Ref. No. 10-6060-02-01) (REDMS No. 6183337)

That the staff report titled “2018 Annual Water Quality Report” dated May 6, 2019 from the Director, Public Works, be endorsed and made available to the community through the City’s website and through various communication tools including social media and as part of community outreach activities.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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24. FLOOD PROTECTION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2019 - FINAL REPORT

(File Ref. No. 10-6060-04-01; 09-5125-09-01) (REDMS No. 6161241 v. 7)

That the “Flood Protection Management Strategy 2019” attached to the staff report titled, “Flood Protection Management Strategy 2019 – Final Report”, dated May 17, 2019 from the Acting Director, Engineering, be endorsed.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE
CONSENT AGENDA**

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair

9. RECOVERING COSTS FOR LOCAL CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS

(File Ref. No. 10-6125-07-02) (REDMS No. 6190255 v. 9; 6192766; 6192881)

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It was moved and seconded

(1) That the draft letter attached to the report titled “Recovering Costs for Local Climate Change Impacts” from the Senior Manager, Sustainability and District Energy dated May 14, 2019, be endorsed; and sent to the Premier of British Columbia, British Columbia Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, British Columbia Attorney General, with copies to local MLAs, the leaders of the opposition parties and Metro Vancouver; and



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- (2) *That the draft Union of British Columbia Municipalities resolution attached to the report titled “Recovering Costs for Local Climate Change Impacts” from the Senior Manager, Sustainability and District Energy dated May 14, 2019, be endorsed and copies sent to BC Municipalities requesting favourable support at the UBCM convention.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to (i) potential litigation costs being transferred to consumers by the oil and gas industry (ii) the potential negative economic effects of an increase in oil prices, (iii) the negative effects and cost of climate change impacting Richmond residents, and (iv) historical litigations to recover costs from other industries such as the tobacco industry.

The question on the motion was called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllr. Loo opposed.

16. **APPLICATION BY FOUGERE ARCHITECTURE INC. TO AMEND SCHEDULE 2.14 OF OFFICIAL COMMUNITY BYLAW 9000 (HAMILTON AREA PLAN), CREATE THE “TOWN HOUSING - HAMILTON (ZT86)” ZONE, AND REZONE THE SITE AT 23400, 23440, 23460 AND 23500 GATES AVENUE AND A PORTION OF GATES AVENUE FROM “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F)” TO “TOWN HOUSING (ZT86) – HAMILTON” AND “SCHOOL & INSTITUTIONAL USE (SI)”**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009932/010011; RZ 17-766714) (REDMS No. 6195595 v. 2; 6197811; 5990364; 6196610; 6197034)

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It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw 10011, to amend Schedule 2.14 of Official Community Plan Bylaw 9000 (Hamilton Area Plan) to amend the “Circulation Map” and the “Parks, Public Realm and Open Space Map” for the area between Gates Avenue and Gilley Road, be introduced and given First Reading;*
- (2) *That Bylaw 10011, having been considered in conjunction with:*
- (a) *the City’s Financial Plan and Capital Program; and*
 - (b) *the Greater Vancouver Regional District Solid Waste and Liquid Waste Management Plans;*



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is hereby found to be consistent with said program and plans, in accordance with Section 477(3)(a) of the Local Government Act;

- (3) That Bylaw 10011, having been considered in accordance with OCP Bylaw Preparation Consultation Policy 5043, is hereby found not to require further consultation; and*
- (4) That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9932 to create the “Town Housing (ZT86) - Hamilton” zone, and to rezone 23400, 23440, 23460 and 23500 Gates Avenue and a portion of Gates Avenue from “Single Detached (RS1/F)” to “Town Housing (ZT86) – Hamilton” and “School & Institutional Use (SI)”, be introduced and given first reading.*

**16A. ROAD CLOSURE AND REMOVAL OF ROAD DEDICATION
BYLAW NO. 10045**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-10045; 06-2290-20-174) (REDMS No. 6196806; 6196828)

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It was moved and seconded

- (1) Road Closure and Removal of Road Dedication Bylaw 10045 (Road Adjacent to 23400, 23440, 23460 & 23500 Gates Avenue) be introduced and given 1st, 2nd and 3rd readings;*
- (2) The required notice of road closure and disposition of the closed road be advertised prior to final adoption;*
- (3) Staff be authorized to file a certifying statement executed by the Corporate Officer at Land Title Office cancelling the right of resumption in the closed road pursuant to the Resumption of Highways Regulation;*
- (4) Staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to raise title to the road closure areas totalling ±1,706 sq.ft.) and transfer them to 1116515 BC Ltd. or its designate for \$190,000 plus applicable taxes; and*



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- (5) *Staff be authorized to take all necessary steps to complete all matters as contained in the report titled “Road Closure and Removal of Road Dedication Bylaw 10045 (Road Adjacent to 23400, 23440, 23460 & 23500 Gates Avenue) and Disposition of the Closed road Areas in relation to RZ 17 – 766714” from Senior Manager, Real Estate Services dated May 31, 2019 including authorizing the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services to negotiate and execute all documentation required to effect the transaction, including executing all required Land Title Office documentation.*

The question on the motions for Items No. 16 and 16A, were not called as discussion ensued with regard to housing options in the Hamilton area. Also, concern was raised with regard to (i) the proposed development’s tandem parking design, (ii) the proposed enhancement of the environmentally sensitive area (ESA) on-site, and (iii) consultation with the Advisory Committee on the Environment on the proposed ESA enhancement.

As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

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It was moved and seconded

That the application by Fougere Architecture Inc., for the site at 23400, 23440, 23460 and 23500 Gates Avenue, be referred back to staff to review the proposed parking design and Environmentally Sensitive Area enhancement and report back.

DEFEATED

Opposed: Mayor Brodie
Cllrs. Au
Loo
McNulty
McPhail
Steves

The question on the main motions for Items No. 16 and 16A were then called and they were **CARRIED** with Cllrs. Greene and Wolfe opposed.



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25. PROPOSED UBCM RESOLUTION – STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE UPDATES

(File Ref. No. 01-0060-20-UBCM1-08; 01-0105-05) (REDMS No. 6208507)

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It was moved and seconded

To forward the following resolution for consideration at UBCM and to send copies to the Local Governments of BC for their favourable considerations prior to the 2019 UBCM meeting. Additional copy to be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Statement of Disclosure Updates

Whereas professional regulatory bodies, such as CPABC, BC Law Society, APEGBC, and others, have conflict of interest and ethics rules for their members, under which appearance of conflict of interest is disallowed;

Whereas the public expects elected representatives to act to a professional standard of conduct;

And whereas the scope of decisions and responsibilities of an elected representative can be broad and encompass a variety of issues;

So be it resolved that the Statement of Disclosure for municipal nominees and elected representatives be updated to additionally include a spouse's assets; a spouse's liabilities; and real property, other than their primary residence, held singly or jointly by a spouse, child, brother, sister, mother or father, to the best knowledge of the candidate. Further, within 60 days of being sworn in, to file a confidential financial disclosure statement to a non-partisan Municipal Conflict of Interest Commissioner.

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to (i) policies that support transparency and higher disclosure standards in local government, (ii) privacy concerns related to the proposed disclosure requirements for relatives of elected officials and candidates, and (iii) concerns related to the proposed disclosure requirements increasing barriers for potential candidates.



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Councillor Greene raised a point of order in relation to comments made by Councillor McNulty indicating that the *Council Procedure Bylaw No. 7560* prohibits members from speaking disrespectfully of any person. The Chair ruled that the point of order was not valid.

As a result of the discussion, a motion to amend the enactment clause was introduced to remove reference to “brother, sister,” but received no seconder.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Mayor Brodie and Cllrs. Loo, McNulty, McPhail opposed.

26. PROPOSED UBCM RESOLUTION – CONFLICT OF INTEREST COMPLAINT MECHANISM

(File Ref. No. 01-0060-20-UBCM1-08; 01-0105-11-01) (REDMS No. 6208507)

R19/11-11

It was moved and seconded

To forward the following resolution for consideration at UBCM and to send copies to the Local Governments of BC for their favourable considerations prior to the 2019 UBCM meeting. Additional copy to be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Conflict of Interest Complaint Mechanism

Whereas professional regulatory bodies, such as CPABC, BC Law Society, APEGBC, and others, have conflict of interest and ethics rules for their members and enforce them through a complaints process;

Whereas the public expects elected representatives to be held to a professional standard of conduct;

And whereas the only remedy for a citizen complaint of a municipal elected person’s conflict of interest is through a judgement of the Supreme Court of British Columbia;

So be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia consider a mechanism including to resolve and remedy conflict of interest complaints through a non-partisan Municipal Conflict of Interest Commissioner or expansion of the scope of powers of the BC Ombudsperson.



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The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to the (i) challenges of submitting cases to the Supreme Court of British Columbia, (ii) existing avenues to submit complaints, and (iii) expanding the role of the British Columbia Conflict of Interest Commissioner.

As a result of the discussion, the following **amendment motion** to replace the words “BC Ombudsperson” to “BC Conflict of Interest Commissioner” was introduced:

R19/11-12

It was moved and seconded

That the enactment clause be amended to read as follows:

So be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia consider a mechanism including to resolve and remedy conflict of interest complaints through a non-partisan Municipal Conflict of Interest Commissioner or expansion of the scope of powers of the BC Conflict of Interest Commissioner.

CARRIED

Opposed: Mayor Brodie
Cllrs. Loo
McNulty
McPhail

The question on the **main motion**, as amended, which reads as follows:

To forward the following resolution for consideration at UBCM and to send copies to the Local Governments of BC for their favourable considerations prior to the 2019 UBCM meeting. Additional copy to be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

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And whereas the only remedy for a citizen complaint of a municipal elected person's conflict of interest is through a judgement of the Supreme Court of British Columbia;

So be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia consider a mechanism including to resolve and remedy conflict of interest complaints through a non-partisan Municipal Conflict of Interest Commissioner or expansion of the scope of powers of the BC Conflict of Interest Commissioner.

was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Mayor Brodie and Cllrs. Loo, McNulty and McPhail opposed.

27. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DURING ELECTION PERIOD**

(File Ref. No. 01-0060-20-UBCM1-08; 01-0105-11-01) (REDMS No. 6208507)

R19/11-13

It was moved and seconded

To forward the following resolution for consideration at UBCM and to send copies to the Local Governments of BC for their favourable considerations prior to the 2019 UBCM meeting. Additional copy to be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Conflict of Interest During Election Period

Whereas provincial and federal governments are dissolved during the writ period;

Whereas an elected representative could electioneer during the election period and be perceived to be acting for political gain;

Whereas an elected representative may not be re-elected, yet retain their position for a period of time after Election Day, effectively a "lame duck" candidate; and

Whereas municipal government staff effectively manage the city without a sitting Council for four consecutive weeks each year, at minimum;

So be it resolved that all municipal government meetings, except those provided for under the Emergency Program Act, be suspended during the election period and that the previous municipal government is dissolved on Election Day.



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The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to the continuity of government during the election period and limiting Council's consideration of significant items during the same period.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **DEFEATED** with Mayor Brodie and Cllrs. Au, Loo, McNulty, McPhail and Steves opposed.

28. **LOBBYIST REGISTRATION**

(File Ref. No. 01-0060-20-UBCM1-08; 01-0040-01) (REDMS No.)

R19/11-14

It was moved and seconded

To forward the following resolution for consideration at UBCM and to send copies to the local governments of B.C. for their favourable consideration prior to the 2019 UBCM meeting:

Whereas the BC Lobbyists Registration Act (LRA) requires individuals and organizations who lobby public office holders and meet specific criteria to register their lobbying activities in an online public registry; and

Whereas the goal of the BC Lobbyists Registration Act (LRA) is to promote transparency in lobbying and government decision-making;

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request that a lobbying regulation system for municipal government, similar to the provincial mechanism under the BC Lobbyists Registration Act, be established.

The question on motion was not called as discussion ensued with regard to definitions of a lobbyist and concerns related to potential barriers for community advocates to participate in local government.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllr. Loo opposed.



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29. **PRIDE WEEK 2019 ACTIVITIES AND PROPOSED PERMANENT RAINBOW CROSSWALK**

(File Ref. No. 07-3000-01; 11-7400-20-PRID1) (REDMS No. 6210999 v. 4)

R19/11-15

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the report titled "Pride Week 2019 Activities and Proposed Permanent Rainbow Crosswalk," dated June 12, 2019, from the Senior Manager, Community Social Development be received for information; and*
- (2) *That a permanent rainbow crosswalk on Minoru Boulevard adjacent to the Richmond Library/Cultural Centre and the City Hall Annex, installed prior to July 29, 2019 to recognize Pride Week and the ongoing support of our LGBTQ2S communities, be approved.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion took place on (i) promoting inclusiveness and diversity in the city, (ii) the relative costs of the proposed crosswalk compared to a standard crosswalk, (iii) safety aspects of the proposed crosswalk, (iv) conducting public consultation on the proposed crosswalk, (v) considering requests to display other symbols from community groups, and (vi) supporting vulnerable groups in the city.

As a result of the discussion, a motion to refer the proposed crosswalk to staff for further consultation was moved, but received no seconder.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllr. Au opposed.

Discussion then ensued with regard to establishing a City policy for permanent symbols, and as a result, referral motions for staff to draft City policy for the installation of permanent symbols and for staff to design a symbol for diversity in Richmond were introduced by Councillor Au, but received no seconder.



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- 30. COUNCIL TERM GOALS 2018-2022
(File Ref. No. 01-0105-07-01) (REDMS No. 6174635 v. 7; 6183112; 6202999)

R19/11-16

It was moved and seconded

That the 2018-2022 Council Strategic Plan, as presented in the report titled "Council Term Goals 2018-2022" from the Director, Corporate Programs Management Group, dated May 28, 2019, be endorsed.

The question on the motion was not called as an amendment motion to alphabetize the Council Term Goals was moved, however the amendment motion did not receive a seconder.

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

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION

- 31. COUNCIL REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES FOR 2018
(File Ref. No.: 03-1200-03) (REDMS No. 6206322)

R19/11-17

It was moved and seconded

That the 2018 Council Remuneration and Expenses be approved.

CARRIED

- 32. 2018 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(File Ref. No.: 03-1200-03) (REDMS No. 6194865)

R19/11-18

It was moved and seconded

That the 2018 Statement of Financial Information be approved.

CARRIED

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

R19/11-19

- 33. It was moved and seconded

That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on non-agenda items (10:48 p.m.).

CARRIED



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Roy Sutter, Richmond resident, spoke to maintaining the age of eligibility for seniors pricing at all Richmond recreation facilities at 55 years of age, and read from a written statement (attached to and forming part of these minutes as Schedule 1). Also, Mr. Sutter referenced a petition, which has been gathered (Copy on-file City Clerk's office).

R19/11-20

It was moved and seconded

That the Regular Council meeting proceed past 11:00 p.m. (10:59 p.m.).

CARRIED

Discussion ensued with regard to encouraging senior participation in recreation activities and participation by seniors in different age categories.

In reply to queries from Council, staff noted the following:

- that with the proposed seniors pricing, a difference of approximately \$130,000 to 150,000 in additional revenue is projected, with a majority of those funds allocated to the Community Associations;
- that the City supports a "sport for life" approach to recreation and encourages participation, starting with very young children;
- that the public has a deadline of June 30, 2019 to renew passes, including annual passes, under the old pricing model;
- that other municipalities in the region are taking a similar approach to pricing;
- that the Recreation Fee Subsidy Program previously did not apply to adults or seniors, but under the new program would now apply to all age categories;
- that the Community Associations are responsible for setting fees, however the age categories are set by the City;
- that the Recreation Fee Subsidy Program is being funded by the new pricing model and without it there may be a funding gap that would need to be addressed;
- that the public can apply for a subsidy through the Recreation Fee Subsidy Program, and that this avenue is being utilized;



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- that the consultation on the pricing model was conducted in 2016 and was approved by Council in 2017;
- that the new pricing model was gradually implemented in order to promote the Recreation Fee Subsidy Program, and varied communication approaches were utilized in conjunction with the Community Associations; and
- that the revised Recreation Fee Subsidy Program was implemented in 2017 in expectation of the revised pricing model.

As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

R19/11-21

It was moved and seconded

That the recreation pricing structure for seniors be referred to staff for further review and analysis of options, and report back.

The question on the referral motion was not called as discussion ensued regarding the date of implementation.

In response to queries from Council, staff indicated that the implementation of the new pricing model could be put on hold, pending further reporting expected in September 2019. It was noted that the review of the pricing model would not impact the continuation of the Recreation Fee Subsidy Program.

As a result of the discussion, staff were directed to consider different age categories and the ages of those utilizing the Recreation Fee Subsidy Program. Also, direction was given that implementation of the new pricing model be put on hold, pending response from the referral.

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

R19/11-22

34. It was moved and seconded

That Committee rise and report (11:19 p.m.).

CARRIED



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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Brodie announced the upcoming retirement of Ted Townsend, Director, Corporate Communications and Marketing, and on behalf of Council, commended Mr. Townsend for his service to the City.

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

R19/11-23

It was moved and seconded

That the following bylaws be adopted:

Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 9000 and 7100, Amendment Bylaw No. 9813

Richmond Zoning Bylaw No. 8500, Amendment Bylaw No. 9814

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

R19/11-24 35.

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the minutes of the Development Permit Panel meetings held on May 15, 2019, May 29, 2019, June 12, 2019 and the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meetings held on September 12, 2018 be received for information; and

(2) That the recommendation of the Panel to authorize the issuance of a Development Permit (DP 17-793478) for the property at 4360 Garry Street be endorsed, and the Permit so issued.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

R19/11-25

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (11:25 p.m.).

CARRIED



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Minutes

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Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Monday, June 24, 2019.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (David Weber)

**Portion Of Presentation To Council By Rory Sutter – Speech Not Completed
June 24, 2019 Re: Petition To Keep Age Of Eligibility Of Senior Pricing At 55+**

Mayor, Councillors,

My name is Rory Sutter. I live at 7611 Francis Road, Richmond, B.C.

I feel I am speaking on behalf of thousands of Richmond residents who have been affected and I want to do them justice in 5 minutes.

5 minutes for FITNESS 55.

This petition was started June 14 and I have personally spoken with over 320 people face-to-face on six occasions at community centres in last 10 days to determine how they feel about the change of the age of eligibility from 55 to 65 year of age at Richmond recreation facilities.

I have also communicated with another 280 plus people and we have over 600 signatures and are now growing by more than 100 people per day. And this movement is just beginning – we’ve just started. And I can deliver thousands of signatures.

The petition comments reveal what people are thinking in this City. The overwhelming response is this change in policy is crazy. They wonder what you are doing? And many are angry because they believed in you and voted for you.

This petition is supported by all ethnicities, cultures and language groups in this City. And not just by people in the 55-64 demographic. The 70 year-old seniors said we got the discount and they should too.

Like me they are taxpayers and long-time residents who love this community and the unparalleled access to recreation that we have.

Tonight I am their voice.

Richmondites have bought in to the City’s vision that Richmond is a nurturing, connected community that promotes HEALTHY and ACTIVE aging within our mature demographic;

Provided at a level of affordability that allows, encourages and supports their long-term participation.

They are not asking for something new or unprecedented. They did not define an active senior as being 55 plus. You did.

Our mature residents have bought in to Directive 3 of 2015-2020 Seniors Service Plan Framework that says there is a citywide focus and understanding of seniors needs and wants. Is there? I can tell you the answer is no.

That they are CELEBRATED and RECOGNIZED as VALUED community members.
This policy change casts another no.

And Directive 1 that communication with seniors is timely, effective and appropriately delivered and received.

I remind Council that actions speak louder than words.

Clearly our seniors do not feel valued and celebrated and they are now being recognized for one thing and that is THEIR ABILITY TO PAY. And communication has been poor to say the least. People in the 55-64 demographic all over this city are confused. How do I know because I have been speaking to them.

When it comes to providing recreation facilities for our mature demographic. Richmond is a leader and not a follower. And we can be proud of that. And it's working. It's working.

There is no set age at which a person is considered a senior in Canada. Generally, the age at which seniors discounts start is usually 55. However, for government benefits, such as Canada Pension Plan, you have to be at least 60 years of age.

Seniors discounts can kick in as young as 50.

And we don't have to try and justify an action – to RAISE the age for eligibility for seniors pricing to 65 – SIMPLY BECAUSE WE BELIEVE OTHER CITIES ARE DOING IT, especially when they are not.

The Township and City of Langley are 60. Maple Ridge is 60. Surrey is 60. Port Moody is 60. West Van, Maple Ridge and Victoria are 55+ for Seniors Activity Centre Programs.

I reject the justification that studies show that people in the 55 – 64 demographic have the largest disposable incomes therefore they should pay more.

We live in an age where information can be manipulated just like numbers, to support any rationale. Averages. Not everyone in this community drive Bentley's, Rolls Royce's, Mercedes, and BMW's. There are two Richmond's.

People in the 55-64 demographic are retiring earlier and working longer. They are paying for sports for their kids that involve equipment and travel. They are supporting their children through colleges and universities. They have aging parents to support with serious health needs, including dementia, and expensive care homes. Is anyone a caregiver in this room?

They are trying to make it in a city that has one of the highest costs of living in the entire country.

Their kids are staying at home longer and they are trying to give their kids a hand-up to live in this region. Normal working-class people who earn their incomes in

Canada cannot afford to purchase in this city. Did you know that under the new mortgage stress test most people do not even qualify for their existing home mortgages?

They are paying high property taxes in city. Many in this demographic are self-employed and don't have company pensions to look forward to. People are stressed and wonder how they can afford to retire?

People that are 55-64 have a higher likelihood of getting laid off, as you will see in the petition comments. I have spoken to several 57-year-olds who were targeted to reduce wages. And many are taking lower paid and part time jobs in this community.

On the flip side there are some members of this demographic in Richmond, that are not paying their share. And what scares me is that they qualify for the Recreation Fee Subsidy Program and their address may be in Terra Nova.

The question for council is why are we penalizing the people who have been paying their share for years? Just like you they've given to society and it's time for society to give back.

In 2018 you faced a drop in your pay due to the loss of a federal tax exemption and how did you feel? Personally I think you deserved pay your pay increase or adjustment this year.

CUT OFF BY MAYOR BEFORE COMPLETION OF PARAGRAPH

And people in the 55 to 64 demographic deserve their \$67 dollar discount on an annual fitness pass.