



Regular Council Meeting

Monday, February 8, 2010

- Time:** 7:00 p.m.
- Place:** Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall
- Present:** Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Councillor Linda Barnes
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Evelina Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Greg Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Sue Halsey-Brandt
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Harold Steves
- Director, City Clerk's Office – David Weber
- Call to Order:** Mayor Brodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

- R10/3-1 1. It was moved and seconded
That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, January 25, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- R10/3-2 2. It was moved and seconded
That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:01 p.m.).

CARRIED



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3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items

Item No. 12 – Proposed Youth Park at Burnett Thompson Community Park

Kim Jones, President of the Thompson Community Association (TCA), spoke in favour of the proposed youth park at Burnett Thompson and noted that (i) TCA is contributing \$250,000 towards the proposed project; (ii) the proposed park would provide healthy and social activities for youth; (iii) the design of the proposed park will not only serve youth, but families, and the adjacent residents as well. Mr. Jones read from his submission attached to and forming part of these Minutes (Schedule 1).

Item No. 8 – Prohibition on the Sale of Rabbits in Pet Stores

Christie Lagally, volunteer at the Richmond Animal Protection Society (RAPS), was in favour of the proposed bylaw to ban the sale of rabbits in pet stores. Ms. Lagally referenced a recent advertisement placed in a local paper by the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council of Canada (PIJAC) and noted that since the advertisement was placed, RAPS has received numerous phone calls from pet industry businesses. She noted that some callers wished to no longer affiliate with RAPS in light of their support for the proposed bylaw; one business even advised that it would no longer donate food for the shelter animals.

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Ernest Ang, representing Pet Habitat, advised that Pet Habitat has been in business at Richmond Centre since 1980 and that banning the sale of rabbits in pet stores will not resolve the problem at hand. Mr. Ang stated that he wished to work with the City and any other relevant party in an effort to reach a mutual solution.

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Heriatta Ho, representing PJs Pets, spoke in opposition to the proposed bylaw and was of the opinion that banning the sale of rabbits in pet stores is not a solution. She noted that many rabbits are in the wild and will continue to reproduce. Ms. Ho stated that without rabbits in pet stores, children will have to learn about rabbits through other mediums such as the internet and books.



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Geoff Urton, representing the BC Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), noted that the SPCA is Canada’s largest animal welfare society and spoke strongly in favour of the proposed bylaw. Mr. Urton advised that the SPCA has seven shelters in the lower mainland and in 2009, over 300 rabbits were taken in. He noted that these rabbits are in addition to the rabbits taken in by RAPS and was of the opinion that rabbits are impulse purchases. Mr. Urton thanked City Council for its proactive approach and listed other cities in Canada and the United States that have either banned the sale of cats and dogs in retail outlets or are considering mandatory neutering of pets before they can be sold in retail outlets.

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Lisa Hutcheon, representing the Small Animal Rescue Society of BC (SARS BC), spoke in favour of the proposed bylaw and commented on animal behaviour post-neutering. She also advised that any person considering acquiring a rabbit, can learn about the care of rabbits by simply visiting a shelter. Ms. Hutcheon noted that SARS BC offers community and school programs as well as volunteer opportunities, which allow people to learn about small animals.

- R10/3-3 4. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (7:28 p.m.).

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

- R10/3-4 5. It was moved and seconded
That Items 6 through 20 be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED

Councillor E. Halsey-Brandt left the meeting (7:42 p.m.) and returned (7:47 p.m.).



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6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Finance Committee meeting held on Monday, February 1, 2010;*
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meeting held on Monday, February 1, 2010;*
- (3) the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday, January 26, 2010;*
- (4) the Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday, February 2, 2010;*
- (5) the Council/Board Liaison Committee meeting held on Wednesday, January 27, 2010;*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. RECRUITMENT OF MANAGEMENT STAFF

(File Ref. No. :)

That staff be directed to bring the replacement of management staff to Council for consideration prior to the recruitment process.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. PROHIBITION ON THE SALE OF RABBITS IN PET STORES

(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8566) (REDMS No. 2772185, 2816433, 2770719)

- (1) That Business Regulation Bylaw No. 7538, Amendment Bylaw No. 8566 be introduced and given first, second and third reading to ban the sale of rabbits in Richmond pet stores, provided that it be implemented one month from adoption;*
- (2) That a letter be sent to all Metro Vancouver cities regarding Richmond's bylaw;*
- (3) That staff be directed to consider ways to work with the Richmond Animal Protection Society to communicate to the public regarding rabbits available for adoption; and*



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- (4) *That a resolution be forwarded to UBCM and the Lower Mainland Local Government Association regarding the proposed bylaw.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. NEW LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENCE APPLICATION GREAT CANADIAN CASINOS INC. UNIT #105 - 8888 RIVER ROAD

(File Ref. No.: 12-8275-05) (REDMS No. 2803514)

That the application from Great Canadian Casinos Inc., doing business as River Rock Casino Resort, for a Liquor Primary Licence at 8888 River Road Unit #105, to offer liquor service be supported, and a letter be sent to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch advising that:

- (1) *Council recommends the issuance of the proposed license based on the community responses received and that the operation will not have a significant negative impact on the community.*
- (2) *Council's comments on the prescribed review criteria are as follows:*
 - (a) *The establishment is located on the ground floor of a 7 storey parking structure and Canada Line transit station. To the north is the River Rock Hotel and Casino. To the west and east are commercial buildings housing light industrial uses and to the south is a bus loop and commercial buildings.*
 - (b) *The proximity to other social or recreational facilities and public buildings was considered as no schools or parks are within a 500-metre radius.*
 - (c) *The application for a 200 person capacity operation with liquor service hours from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Monday to Sunday from where the game of poker is offered to patrons will not pose a significant negative impact on the community based on the lack of responses from the residents and businesses in the area.*
 - (d) *The number and market focus or clientele of liquor primary licence establishments within a reasonable distance of the proposed location was considered.*
 - (e) *There are no concerns regarding additional noise, traffic or parking in the area if the application is approved.*



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- (f) The zoning of the establishment, Casino Hotel Commercial (ZC17) – Bridgeport Village (City Centre), was reviewed and conforms to the regulations.*
 - (g) The 2008 population figure of 42,600 for the City Centre area with a projected growth to 90,000 by 2031 and relevant socio-economic information was considered.*
 - (h) The impact on the community if the application is approved was considered.*
- (3) As the operation of a licensed establishment may affect nearby residents the City gathered the views of the residents as follows:*
- (a) As per City Policy, residents, property owners and businesses within a 100 metre radius of the subject property were contacted by letter detailing the application and were provided with instructions on how community comments or concerns could be submitted.*
 - (b) In addition, signage was posted at the subject property and three public notices were published in a local newspaper. This signage and notice provided information on the application and instructions on how community comments or concerns could be submitted.*
- (4) Council's comments and recommendations respecting the views of the residents are as follows:*
- (a) Since there was no public responses received from residents within a 100-metre radius, Council considers that the application is acceptable to the majority of the residents in the nearby area.*

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10. **TEMPORARY REQUEST FOR EXTENDED HOURS OF SERVICE FOR LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENCE**

(File Ref. No.: 12-8275-05) (REDMS No. 2806917)

That Council provide a no objection comment to LCLB on the temporary increase of hours to liquor service on the Liquor Primary Licence held by Fairmont Vancouver Airport Hotel as the increase in hours will not have an impact on residential areas and traffic and noise in the area will not be adversely affected.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. **ADDITIONAL HOTEL ROOM TAX AND FUTURE LOCAL TOURISM FUNDING**

(File Ref. No.: 08-4150-03-01/2010-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2802682)

That a letter be sent to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts and UBCM, providing comments on current local tourism funding scenarios, as outlined in the attached staff report dated January 18, 2010.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. **PROPOSED YOUTH PARK AT BURNETT THOMPSON COMMUNITY PARK**

(File Ref. No.: 06-2345-20-BTHO1/Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2794498)

That:

- (1) the Thompson Youth Park Concept be endorsed as described in the staff report dated January 5, 2010 entitled "Proposed Youth Park at Burnett Thompson Community Park";*
- (2) staff be authorized to negotiate a Contribution Agreement with the Thompson Community Association for \$250,000 to support Phase 1 development of the Thompson Youth Park; and*
- (3) staff be directed to conduct a public consultation process for the Thompson Youth Park which includes the general public, youth and residents in the Thompson neighbourhood.*

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13. RICHMOND COMMUNITY WELLNESS STRATEGY

(File Ref. No.: 07-3040-01/2010-Vol 01) (REDMS No. 2792394)

That:

- (1) the 'Richmond Community Wellness Strategy', as attached to the staff report dated January 4, 2010 from the Acting Director, Recreation, be endorsed;***
- (2) the 'Richmond Community Wellness Strategy', as attached to the staff report dated January 4, 2010 from the Acting Director, Recreation, be sent to Vancouver Coastal Health and the Richmond Board of Education, with the request that they endorse the strategy; and***
- (3) the Richmond Community Wellness Strategy Steering Committee members be thanked for their assistance in developing the document.***

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

14. RICHMOND SPORT FOR LIFE STRATEGY 2010-2015

(File Ref. No.: 11-7000-10-02) (REDMS No. 2797258)

That:

- (1) staff seek feedback from stakeholders on the DRAFT Richmond Sport For Life Strategy 2010-2015, as attached to the staff report dated January 12, 2010 from the General Manager, Parks and Recreation, and then bring back a revised strategy document for endorsement; and***
- (2) the Richmond Sport For Life Strategy Working Group be thanked for their assistance in developing the DRAFT Richmond Sport For Life Strategy 2010-2015.***

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15. **HOUSING AGREEMENT BYLAW NO. 8406 TO PERMIT THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A HOUSING AGREEMENT TO SECURE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS – 9340 - 9400 CAMBIE ROAD**
(File Ref. No.: 06-2280-30-017, 12-8060-20-8406) (REDMS No. 2797172, 2790705, 2797154)

That Bylaw No. 8406 be introduced and given first, second and third readings to permit the City, once Bylaw No. 8406 is adopted, to enter into a Housing Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto in accordance with the requirements of s. 905 of the Local Government Act to secure the Affordable Housing Units required by Rezoning application 07-366342 and the associated Bylaw No. 8395.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

16. **2009 ANNUAL REPORT AND 2010 WORK PROGRAM: RICHMOND INTERCULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
(File Ref. No.: 01-0100-20-RIAD1-01) (REDMS No. 2804645, 2778742)

That the “2009 Annual Report and 2010 Work Program: Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee”, as referenced in the staff report dated January 19, 2010 from the General Manager, Community Services, be approved.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

17. **APPLICATION BY RALPH A. MAY (ON BEHALF OF OCEAN SPRAY OF CANADA) FOR REZONING AT LOTS 61 TO 70 SECTION 4 BLOCK 4 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST NWD PLAN 1593 (5700 DHILLON WAY) FROM GOLF COURSE (GC) TO AGRICULTURE (AG4)**
(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8581, RZ 09-493545) (REDMS No. 2796258, 2757175, 2800014, 2808081)

That Bylaw No. 8581, to create the Agriculture (AG4) zone and for the rezoning of Lots 61 to 70 Section 4 Block 4 North Range 4 West NWD Plan 1593 (5700 Dhillon Way) from “Golf Course (GC)” to “Agriculture (AG4)”, be introduced and given first reading.

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- 18. APPLICATION BY DENIS TURCO ARCHITECT INC. FOR REZONING AT 22331 WESTMINSTER HIGHWAY FROM AGRICULTURE (AG1) TO TOWN HOUSING (ZT61) – HAMILTON
(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8575, RZ 07-361639) (REDMS No. 2487695, 2253795, 2800718, 2800726)

That Bylaw No. 8575, to amend "Town Housing (ZT61) – Hamilton" and to rezone 22331 Westminster Highway from "Agriculture (AG1)" to "Town Housing (ZT61) – Hamilton", be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 19. APPLICATION BY AMRIT PAUL ATWAL FOR REZONING AT 9640 PATTERSON ROAD AND THE EASTERNMOST 1.0 M OF 9620 PATTERSON ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/B)
(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8576, RZ 09-500596, 08-4430-00) (REDMS No. 2797266, 280279, 2797426, 2797429)

That Bylaw No. 8576, for the rezoning of 9640 Patterson Road and the easternmost 1.0 m of 9620 Patterson Road from "Single Detached (RS1/E)" to "Single Detached (RS2/B)", be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 20. APPLICATION BY CHRISTINE LEI FOR REZONING AT 9171/9191 NO. 3 ROAD FROM SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E) TO COACH HOUSE (RCH)
(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8577, RZ 09-494705) (REDMS No. 2797486, 2799704, 2799706)

That Bylaw No. 8577, for the rezoning of 9171/9191 No. 3 Road from "Single Detached (RS1/E)" to "Coach House (RCH)", be introduced and given first reading.

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CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE
CONSENT AGENDA



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**FINANCE COMMITTEE –
Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Chair**

- 21. **2010 OPERATING BUDGET**
(File Ref. No.: 03-0970-01) (REDMS No. 2810540)

R10/3-5

It was moved and seconded
That the 2010 Operating Budget with a net expenditure increase of \$5.10M and a corresponding 3.45% tax increase be approved and form the basis of the City's 5 Year Financial Plan (2010 – 2014).

CARRIED

Opposed: Cllrs. E. Halsey-Brandt
 G. Halsey-Brandt
 Johnston
 McNulty

**PLANNING COMMITTEE –
Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair**

- 22. **APPLICATION BY BALBIR JAWANDA FOR REZONING AT 16780 RIVER ROAD – REQUEST TO CONSIDER REZONING APPLICATION PRIOR TO 12 MONTH RESUBMISSION INTERVAL**
(File Ref. No.: 12-8060-20-8500, RZ 09-503308) (REDMS No. 2792423, 2303774)

R10/3-6

It was moved and seconded
That permission be granted to the rezoning application submitted for 16780 River Road (RZ 09-503308) to be processed and considered by Council prior to the minimum 12 month resubmission interval as required in Zoning Bylaw 8500 (Section 2.7).

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PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE –
Councillor Harold Steves, Chair

- 23. **2010 – 2014 SPORT HOSTING STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND SPORT HOSTING TASK FORCE TERMS OF REFERENCE**
(File Ref. No. 01-0100-20-RSH01-01, 11-7000-09-01) (REDMS No. 2793750 v5, 2818098, 2780874)
- 24. **RICHMOND SPORT HOSTING PROGRAM REFERRALS**
(File Ref. No. 01-0100-20-RSH01-01, Xr: 11-7000-10-01, 03-1085-00) (REDMS No. 2816222, 2816842, 2805748, 2806995, 2802531, 2780874)

R10/3-7

It was moved and seconded

That:

- (1) *the Sport Hosting Strategy, as outlined in the staff report dated January 5, 2010 from the General Manager, Community Services entitled “2010 – 2014 Sport Hosting Strategy and Implementation Plan and Sport Hosting Task Force Terms of Reference” be endorsed;*
- (2) *a copy of the Richmond Sport Hosting Strategy and Implementation Plan, upon approval, be forwarded to stakeholders and the Richmond School Board, for information;*
- (3) *the authority to grant funds from the Richmond Sport Hosting Incentive Grant Program be delegated to the Richmond Sport Hosting Task Force subject to any applicant being able to appeal the Task Force’s decision to Council through the Parks Recreation and Cultural Services Committee and that the City be responsible for administering the Richmond Sport Hosting Incentive Grant Program;*
- (4) *the draft Richmond Sport Hosting Policy be approved as outlined in the staff report dated February 4, 2010 from the General Manager, Community Services, to include the above authority to grant funds and a two-tiered grant application process;*



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- (5) *the Sport Hosting Task Force Terms of Reference be approved as outlined in the staff report dated February 4, 2010 from the General Manager, Community Services, to include the above authority to grant funds; and*
- (6) *the Richmond Sport Hosting Incentive Grant Program be reviewed prior to the 2011 budget process.*

CARRIED

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

It was announced that City Council endorsed a recommendation regarding the long time Richmond company International Marine Products. The recommendation includes the design and partial installation of an exhibit showcasing the ships wheel manufacturing business prior to the 2011 Maritime Festival. Funding for this is to come from future Steveston Road Ends Reserve Funding with assistance to be considered in the 2010 Capital Budget.

Chak Au has been appointed as the Board of Education Liaison to the Child Care Development Advisory Committee for a two-year term to expire on December 31, 2011.

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

R10/3-8

It was moved and seconded

That the following bylaws be adopted:

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8253
(10180 Railway Avenue, RZ 07-366402)*

*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8439
(6760, 6780, 6800 Eckersley Road, 8500, 8520, 8540 Park Road, 6751, 6760,
6771, 6780, 6791, 6800, 6831 Park Place, RZ 07-397063)*



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*Zoning & Development Bylaw No. 5300, Amendment Bylaw No. 8509
(4900 Garry Street, RZ 09-465180)*

Housing Agreement (8600 Park Road) Bylaw No. 8540

*Flood Plain Designation and Protection Bylaw No. 8204, Amendment
Bylaw No. 8567*

*Commercial Vehicle Licencing Bylaw No. 4716, Amendment Bylaw No.
8570*

*Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122,
Amendment Bylaw No. 8571*

Traffic Bylaw No. 5870, Amendment Bylaw No. 8572

*Parking (Off-Street) Regulation Bylaw No. 7403, Amendment Bylaw No.
8573*

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

- R10/3-9 25. It was moved and seconded
- (1) *That the minutes of the Development Permit Panel meeting held on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, and the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meeting held on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, be received for information.*
 - (2) *That the recommendations of the Panel to authorize the issuance of:*
 - (a) *a Development Permit (DP 07-399354) for the property at 8600 Park Road (Formerly 6760, 6780, and 6800 Eckersley Road, 8500, 8520, and 8540 Park Road, 6751, 6760, 6771, 6780, 6791, 6800, and 6831 Park Place, and the Park Place Road Right-of-Way); and*
 - (b) *a Development Permit (DP 09-500638) for the property at 9888 Keefer Avenue;*
- be endorsed, and the Permits so issued.*

CARRIED



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ADJOURNMENT

R10/3-10 It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (9:06 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Council of the City of Richmond held on
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Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (David Weber)

Thompson Community Association

Speaking Notes: "Thompson Youth Park" presentation to Council

(February 8, 2010)

- Good evening Your Worship Mayor Brodie, and, Councillors
- Introduce myself *Kim Jones
Pres., Thompson Community Association*
- The Thompson Community Association is contributing \$250,000 to the 'Thompson Youth Park' project. This is our largest financial contribution to the community in our history.
- This proposal before you today will result in the creation of an exciting new 'Youth Park' at the Thompson Community Centre that will provide a combination of healthy activity and social opportunities for youth.
- The park's design will also serve more than just our youth. This new park will also be multi-purpose and family oriented. It will provide an appealing 'backyard' environment for our many neighbouring apartment dwellers.

Project Background:

- A great many grade 8 and 9 youth from the Burnett S.S. utilize the current (much smaller) children's playground equipment, at the Thompson Community Centre, during lunch and after school. Unfortunately, this interferes with the ability of the preschoolers, plus the younger children from the Blair E.S., to make use of the playground equipment that is really appropriate for their age group. The older high school kids want active play and they need something suitable for their size and play needs.
- Their need has been our Association's priority for quite some time.
- Two years ago our Board took the initiative and approached the City to begin work on developing an older ages playground that would incorporate some skateboarding elements.
- In November 2009 our Board adopted a motion to fund Phase 1 work up to \$250,000 with the expectation that the City will fund Phase 2 work with a matching \$250,000 contribution. Phase 3 work will be negotiated with the City at a future date.
- We are asking the City to join with us by committing to fund the second phase of this project with a matching \$250,000 contribution.
- We look forward to a partnership with the City on this project.