



Public Works and Transportation Committee

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2015

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Chak Au, Chair
Councillor Harold Steves
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Alexa Loo

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Public Works and Transportation Committee held on July 22, 2015, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

October 21, 2015, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

PRESENTATION

With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office), Cameron Cartiere, Associate Professor, Emily Carr University of Art and Design, presented on the Pollinator Pasture at Bridgeport Industrial Park. She advised that the public art pollinator pastures in Richmond and Kelowna are part of a larger, collaborative research project, noting that the projects aim to transform brown field sites and greenways into pollinator pastures, which are aesthetically pleasing, educational, and ecologically beneficial.

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Ms. Cartiere reviewed the various phases of the Pollinator Pasture at Bridgeport Industrial Park, and spoke of the design of the pasture including its shape as bumblebee wings and the various species of flowers utilized throughout the design. Also, she highlighted that in partnership with the Richmond Art Gallery and the City's Sustainability Department, several well-attended workshops that taught participants to make seeded paper from recycled paper from Richmond City Hall were held.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

1. TRANSLINK 2016 CAPITAL PROGRAM COST-SHARING SUBMISSIONS

(File Ref. No. 01-0154-04) (REDMS No. 4618500 v. 2)

It was moved and seconded

- (1) That the submission of pedestrian, bicycle and transit facility improvement projects for cost-sharing as part of the TransLink 2016 Bicycle Infrastructure Capital Cost Sharing Regional Needs Program and Transit-Related Road Infrastructure Program, as described in the report, titled, "TransLink 2016 Capital Program Cost-Sharing Submissions" dated August 17, 2015 from the Director, Transportation, be endorsed.*
- (2) That, should the above submissions be successful and the projects receive Council's approval via the annual capital budget process, the Chief Administrative Officer and General Manager, Planning and Development be authorized to execute the funding agreements and the 2016 Capital Plan and the 5-Year Financial Plan (2016-2020) be updated accordingly dependant on the timing of the budget process.*
- (3) That the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director, Transportation be authorized to execute a data licensing agreement with TransLink to obtain the 2011 Trip Diary dataset for Richmond.*

CARRIED

ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION

2. DRAINAGE, DYKE AND SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM BYLAW NO. 7551, AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 9219

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-009219) (REDMS No. 4505875)

In reply to a query from Committee, Romeo Bicego, Manager, Sewerage and Drainage, reviewed the City's notification protocol to homeowners with regard to completing inspection and maintenance on private property of the City's drainage and sanitary sewer systems.

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It was moved and seconded

That Drainage, Dyke and Sanitary Sewer System Bylaw No. 7551, Amendment Bylaw No. 9219, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

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3. SERVICING AGREEMENT WITH ECOWASTE INDUSTRIES LTD.

(File Ref. No. 10-6060-01) (REDMS No. 4687425 v. 2)

In reply to a query from Committee, John Irving, Director, Engineering, advised that development cost charges will be triggered at the development permit stage of the project.

It was moved and seconded

That the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Engineering & Public Works be authorized to finalize and execute a Servicing Agreement between the City and Ecowaste Industries Ltd., to fill and preload Savage Road between Williams Road to Francis Road and to fill and preload Francis Road from Savage Road to a point 210 m to the east, containing the material terms and conditions set out in the staff report titled "Servicing Agreement with Ecowaste Industries Ltd." dated August 31, 2015 from the Director, Engineering.

CARRIED

4. 2015 CLOTHES WASHER REBATE PROGRAM UPDATE

(File Ref. No. 10-6650-02) (REDMS No. 4714455)

In reply to queries from Committee, Corrine Haer, Project Engineer, advised that as a result of lower than anticipated participation in the clothes washer rebate program that ran from May 1 to June 30, 2015, BC Hydro has extended the program from October 1 to November 30, 2015; also, she noted that the specifications for the fall campaign have been adjusted in an effort to increase participation. Ms. Haer advised that advertisements in the local newspaper and the distribution of posters throughout the City's facilities advise the public of the program, and she stated that the rebate program is currently offered for energy efficient clothes washers and toilets.

It was moved and seconded

(1) That the City extends the current partnership with BC Hydro to the end of this year to offer a combined rebate program, which will provide a rebate of up to \$200, equally cost shared between BC Hydro and the City, for the replacement of an inefficient clothes washer with a new high efficiency one; and

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- (2) *That the Chief Administrative Officer and General Manager, Engineering and Public Works, be authorized to execute an updated agreement with BC Hydro to extend the current program and update the specifications.*

CARRIED

5. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

(i) *TransLink 2015 Capital Program Cost-Sharing Submission*

Victor Wei, Director, Transportation, spoke to projects submitted as part of TransLink's 2015 Capital Program Cost-Sharing program, highlighting that the Crosstown Bikeway project has successfully received 50/50 funding from TransLink.

(ii) *Southwest Area Transport Plan Senior Advisory Committee*

Mr. Wei provided background information regarding TransLink's Southwest Area Transport Plan Senior Advisory Committee. He stated that Council appointed Councillor Au to serve on this Committee in July 2015, however a meeting has yet to be set; once the Committee begins meeting, staff will notify Council accordingly.

(iii) *BC Coast Weather*

Mr. Bicego referenced an article regarding El Niño weather patterns anticipated to hit BC's coast this year, noting that staff are continually carrying out maintenance works in an effort to be prepared for the anticipated extreme weather.

(iv) *Sewer Heat Recovery System*

In reply to queries from the Chair, Robert Gonzalez, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works, commented on the Gateway Theatre sewer heat recovery system, highlighting that the project has resulted in reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and cost savings in gas consumption. As a result of the project's success, Mr. Gonzalez advised that staff are examining the potential to implement similar technology to capture heat from the Gilbert Trunk sewer line.

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

It was moved and seconded

That staff report back on the potential to recover heat from the Gilbert Trunk sewer line.

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ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:26 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Public Works and Transportation Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Wednesday, September 23, 2015.

Councillor Chak Au
Chair

Hanieh Berg
Legislative Services Coordinator