

Present:

Councillor Gill - Chair
Mayor Watts
Councillor Bose
Councillor Hepner
Councillor Rasode
Councillor Hunt

Absent:

Councillor Martin
Councillor Steele
Councillor Villeneuve

Staff Present:

City Manager
General Manager, Finance & Technology
City Clerk
General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Planning & Development
General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture
General Manager, Human Resources
City Solicitor
Deputy City Manager

A. CORPORATE REPORTS

1. The Corporate Reports, under date of January 25, 2010, were considered and dealt with as follows:

Item No. Foo1

Implications of the Harmonized Sales Tax to the
City of Surrey
File: 1965-01

The General Manager Finance and Technology submitted a report to provide information about the background to and implications of the implementation of the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) to the City of Surrey.

The General Manager, Finance and Technology was recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in her report.

It was

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Hepner

That the Finance Committee recommends

that Council:

1. receive Corporate Report Foo1 as information; and
2. recommend that Council request that the Mayor forward a letter on behalf of Council to the Provincial Minister of Finance requesting that the Province take action to ensure that the implementation of the HST is cost neutral to municipalities relative to the current PST and that a copy of this report be included as background information in the letter and further that the letter and attached report be forwarded to all UBCM member local governments.

Carried

Item No. Foo2 2010 Grant Appeals & Late Grant Applications
 File: 1850-20

The General Manager Finance and Technology submitted a report concerning 2010 Grant Appeals and Late Grant Applications.

The General Manager Finance and Technology was recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in her report.

It was	Moved by Mayor Watts Seconded by Councillor Hepner That the Finance Committee recommends
that Council:	

1. Advise the Bridgeview Community Association that their grant application appeal does not meet the criteria outlined in the "Policy on City Grants" since no new information was submitted and as such no additional grant funding is available from the City;
2. Advise the Critter Care Wildlife Society that their appeal for additional grant funding does not meet the criteria for appeals as outlined in the "Policy on City Grants" since no new information was submitted and as such no additional grant funding is available from the City;
3. Advise the Bula! Fiji Association of BC that grant funding in relation to their late grant request will not be provided by the City since the amount of the request is beyond the financial scope of the City's Grant Program; and
4. Provide a grant of \$500 to the Royal Canadian Theatre Company.

Carried

Item No. Foo3 Cultural Spaces Canada Funding for Expansion to Vault at
 Surrey Art Gallery
 File: 1855-01

The General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Culture and the General Manager of Finance and Technology submitted a report concerning Cultural Spaces Canada Funding for Expansion to Vault at Surrey Art Gallery.

The General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Culture and the General Manager of Finance and Technology were recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in their report.

It was
that Council:

Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Mayor Watts
That the Finance Committee recommends

1. Receive Corporate Report Foo3 as information; and
2. Authorize the use of \$122,600 of capital funding from the Legacy Fund to match a \$122,519 grant from the Canadian Heritage Cultural Spaces of Canada Program for the purposes of expanding the storage vault at the Surrey Art Gallery.

Carried

B. ADJOURNMENT

It was
now adjourn.

Moved by Councillor Hepner
Seconded by Councillor Hunt
That the Finance Committee meeting do

Carried

The Finance Committee adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Gill, Chairperson
Finance Committee