

**Present:**

Councillor Gill - Chair  
Mayor Watts  
Councillor Bose  
Councillor Hepner  
Councillor Rasode  
Councillor Hunt  
Councillor Martin  
Councillor Steele  
Councillor Villeneuve

**Absent:****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  
Manager, Area Planning & Development, South Division  
Manager, Area Planning & Development, North Division  
Land Development Engineer

**A. CORPORATE REPORTS**

1. The Corporate Reports, under date of July 27, 2009, were considered and dealt with as follows:

**Item No. F011**

Heritage Rail Demonstration Project - Fraser Valley  
Heritage Rail Society  
File: 8710-20 (Heritage)

The General Manager, Engineering submitted a report that summarizes some of the history of the involvement of the Fraser Valley Heritage Rail Society (FVHRS) in attempting to establish a Heritage Railway Demonstration Project (HRDP) in Surrey, outlines a revised funding request by the FVHRS to allow the Project to be operational in 2010 and provides an evaluation of the request. It also seeks direction from Council in relation to responding to the request.

The General Manager, Engineering was recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in his report.

It was

Moved by Mayor Watts  
Seconded by Councillor Steele  
That the Finance Committee recommend

that Council:

1. authorize staff to advise the Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society (FVHRS) that the City will only consider funding requests from the FVHRS for a heritage rail demonstration project if the FVHRS is successful in executing an operating agreement with the Southern Railway of BC for the

operation of the project and is able to obtain firm commitments from funding partners for a minimum of 50% of the costs for the heritage rail demonstration project; and

2. consider the merits of providing a \$65,000 grant from the Council Initiatives Fund to the FVHRS for the purpose of covering 50% of the costs to install a fire protection system at the Sullivan Car Barn facility.

Carried

**Item No. Fo12**

Late Grant Applications

File: 1850-20-2009

The General Manager, Finance and Technology submitted a report concerning late grant applications.

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

It was

Moved by Councillor Rasode

Seconded by Councillor Hepner

That the Finance Committee recommend

that Council:

1. approve a grant to the Ma'au Natul Islam Association of BC in the amount of \$568;
2. approve a grant to the Surrey Urban Farmers Market Association in the amount of \$2,000;
3. authorize staff to advise Ms. Suneet Maan, representing the Teddy Bears of Hope Organization, that the grant request received in relation to that Organization does not meet the City Grants Policy since it is a contribution to another fundraising organization; and
4. approve a transfer in the 2009 approved grants budget of \$1,300 from 'High School Dry Grad' funding to 'One-time Grant' funding.

Carried

**Item No. Fo13**

Grant Request - Langley Lodge

File: 1850-01

The Deputy City Manager and the General Manager, Finance and Technology submitted a report concerning a grant request for Langley Lodge.

The Deputy City Manager and General Manager, Finance and Technology were recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in their report.

It was Moved by Mayor Watts  
Seconded by Councillor Rasode  
That the Finance Committee recommend  
that Council direct the City Clerk to forward a letter to the representatives of the  
Langley Lodge that appeared before Council, which advises that Council is not in a  
position to provide a grant in support of the upgrading work that is proposed for  
Langley Lodge.

Carried

**B. ADJOURNMENT**

It was Moved by Councillor Steele  
Seconded by Councillor Rasode  
That the Finance Committee meeting do  
now adjourn.

Carried

The Finance Committee adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

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Jane Sowik, City Clerk

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Councillor Gill, Chairperson