
Present:

Chairperson – Councillor Gill
Councillor Bose
Councillor Hepner
Councillor Martin
Councillor Rasode
Councillor Steele
Councillor Villeneuve

Absent:

Councillor Hunt

Staff Present:

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

A. DELEGATIONS**1. Bonnie Burnside, Lighted Truck Parade Committee**

File: 4710-01; 0550-20-10

Was in attendance before Council to provide an update on the Surrey Christmas Bureau Parade and request sponsorship in support of the parade.

The following comments were made:

- The delegation provided a brief history of the Lighted Truck Parade.
- Noted this year's route begins with the Santa Claus parade in Cloverdale, proceeds to Newton (the 73 Avenue complex with Shoppers Drug Mart) and finishes at Holland Park. Old Yale Road will be closed from University Drive so people can walk through and visit the truckers and children can climb up and blow the horns. There will be games, face-painting and balloon artists.
- In the future, the Lighted Truck Parade Committee hopes to tie in the truck parade to the City of Surrey tree-lighting.
- This year's parade is planned for Sunday, December 4; the delegation invited Mayor and Council to attend the event and ride in the big rigs and noted that transportation will be arranged back to Cloverdale.

It was

Moved by Councillor Villeneuve
Seconded by Councillor Martin
That correspondence provided by the
delegation in support of the Lighted Truck Parade be received as information.
Carried

The Lighted Truck Parade Committee requested City of Surrey provide support for the following:

1. The City to waive the Holland Park washroom fee on December 4, 2011 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.;
2. Associated road closure costs for the parade be waived;
3. That the Lighted Truck Parade event be profiled on the City of Surrey website; and
4. Funding in the amount of \$300.00 to cover the cost for portable toilets and generators.

The delegation noted Surrey Christmas Bureau is now requesting donations of food, toys, and cash to assist local families in need. Council requested staff to review and report back at the next Council meeting.

2. **J. Boan, Transportation Manager**

5400-80-03200; 0550-20-10

Staff provided a brief history of 32 Avenue and noted that in 2011 a road-widening project was initiated to:

- Meet demands of existing and future traffic volumes,
- Co-ordinate widening with repaving needs, and;
- Provide safer access to Nuvo Strata

Mayor Watts clarified that City of Surrey has lobbied the Ministry of Transportation to have gravel trucks travel only on HWY 10 over a 10-year period as follows:

- 1999** Council prepared a letter with a recommendation to the Ministry requesting trucks be banned on 32 Avenue;
- 2001** The Ministry granted an extension for a temporary ban, and;
- 2003** The City of Surrey requested the removal of the 32 Avenue truck route and TransLink declined.

With respect to air quality concerns, staff clarified the following:

- Metro Vancouver (MV) is responsible for monitoring air quality in the region
- In 2010, the City requested MV to undertake air quality monitoring at several locations in Surrey - results awaited
- The Province regulates air quality and emissions
- The Province has implemented heavy-duty truck programs such as the Provincial Diesel Retrofit Requirement and AirCare On-Road
- Surrey is participating in a new study on Reducing Exposure to Traffic Emissions (RETE). Metro Vancouver will lead this project with MoE, local health authorities and local municipalities sitting on the steering committee.

Mayor Watts reiterated that TransLink has the ultimate approval authority for the removal of truck routes.

Staff clarified in terms of support, the Ministry's office is supportive; however, in terms of funding at a Provincial level, no commitment has been made.

Next Steps:

1. Mayor and Council will seek senior government funding for 16 Avenue and 24 Avenue interchanges,
 2. Staff will review project design to maximize tree retention and minimize impacts,
 3. Stop gravel trucks hauling along 32 Ave from Campbell Heights pit – stop planned for end of October (reduces 32 Ave truck volumes 15-25%), and;
 4. Review Metro Vancouver's air quality results from several locations in Surrey (once available)
3. **Pauline Cremin, Dave Deane, Gord Nicoletti and Paul Sandhu, 32 Avenue Community Alliance**
File: 5400-80-03200; 0550-20-10

Were in attendance before Council to present on the removal of the truck route status from 32 Avenue (West of 176 Street) and the cessation of the proposed widening of 32 Avenue between the 15400 and 16000 block.

The following comments were made:

- Urged Mayor and Council to remove 32 Avenue from the truck corridor.
- Requested to cease work on the widening of the corridor.
- Put the trucks back on the proper truck routes.
- Several residents in the community shared their concerns regarding noise, odour of diesel fuel, associated health concerns, and truck traffic. Noted the Nuvo development was falsely marketed as having 'greenspace'.
- Requested Mayor and Council to instruct TransLink.

Mayor Watts clarified that the 32 widening program has been halted. In terms of TransLink, the City of Surrey will provide the delegation with both letters and supplemental information regarding historical requests made to the Ministry. Mayor Watts recommended the 32 Avenue Community Alliance make their presentation directly to TransLink's board.

Staff were asked to send a letter of endorsement to the TransLink Board on behalf of Council requesting a delegation for Ms. Cremin.

Council requested that this item will be included as an on-going item on the Transportation Committee agenda and further noted the issue of diesel trucks is also listed on the Metro Vancouver agenda and there is an effort to regionally reduce allowable amount of particulate levels generated from diesel engines.

B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**C. CORPORATE REPORTS**

- D. DELEGATION REQUESTS
- E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS
- F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS
- G. ADJOURNMENT

It was

now adjourn.

Moved by Councillor Steele
Seconded by Councillor Hepner
That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Gill, Chairperson