



City of Surrey

Council-in-Committee

Minutes

Council Chamber
City Hall
14245 - 56 Avenue
Surrey, B.C.
MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2002
Time: 4:45 p.m.

Present:

Mayor McCallum
Councillor Tymoschuk
Councillor Steele
Councillor Eddington
Councillor Bose
Councillor Watts
Councillor Hunt
Councillor Higginbotham

Absent:

Councillor Villeneuve

Staff Present:

City Manager
Acting City Clerk
General Manager, Planning & Development
General Manager, Finance, Technology & HR
Manager, Area Planning & Development Division
Manager, North Surrey Section
Manager, South Surrey Section
K. Swaele, Administrative Coordinator

A. DELEGATIONS

1. Hal Parker Canada Custom and Revenue Agency File: 0550-10

Mr. Hal Parker was in attendance to make a presentation regarding the redevelopment of the Douglas Border Crossing. Mr. Parker stated:

- That since the June 21 public information session the results of the feasibility study have been shared with stakeholders.
- That the feasibility study has been well received by the community and addresses the ongoing concerns of the Peace Portal golf course.
- That a tender call has been issued, and they are in the process of evaluating the bids that were received.
- That a major component of the next phase is an environmental assessment which will look at the environmental impact and identify mitigating factors.
- That the environmental assessment will be done by a non-government organization, before any final decisions are made.
- That the environmental assessment will address all stakeholder concerns and determine how best to proceed with the project.
- That the next steps include continuing with ongoing negotiation with the stakeholder community, including the Semiahmoo First Nations, the golf course, B.C. Parks and other groups such as the City of Surrey.
- That they are very conscious of the golf course, and they are asking the architect to come up with a schematic with no impact or encroachment on the Peace Portal golf course, and which will reduce the impact on surrounding neighbourhoods.
- That they expect it will be approximately 12 to 18 months before final design and the environmental assessment are completed.
- That the design architect will meet with individual stakeholders to have a full and complete understanding of the issues and concerns of the surrounding community.

In response to questions, Mr. Parker stated:

- That the new facility will be built over the existing facility.
- That a temporary facility will be set up south of the current location.
- That the new facility will have 10 primary inspection lanes, which are required to meet current demand.
- That they are early enough in the design phase to include any recommendations that come out of the September 11 circumstance.
- That will work with the design architects to come up with something that will keep the ambience of the golf course during and after construction.
- That the 18 month time frame is a conservative estimate, and they will be looking at accelerating the project if possible.
- That the facility will be designed to serve the next 25 to 35 years.
- That they work closely with the United States and keep them advised of plans and requirements.

It was

Moved by Mayor McCallum
Seconded by Councillor Hunt
That the report be received.
Carried

B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

C. CORPORATE REPORTS

D. DELEGATION REQUESTS

E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

G. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Hunt

Seconded by Councillor Higginbotham

That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Chairperson