



# City of Surrey

## *Council-in-Committee*

### *Minutes*

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
14245 - 56 Avenue  
Surrey, B.C.  
**MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2002**  
Time: 5:00 p.m.

#### **Present:**

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

#### **Absent:**

Councillor Eddington

#### **Staff Present:**

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

## **A. DELEGATIONS**

- Deer Run Homeowners Association**  
**Morgan Creek Homeowners Association**  
**Rosemary Heights Homeowners Association**  
**Wedgewood Homeowners Association**  
**c/o John Timms**  
**32 Avenue Action Committee**  
File: 0550-10; 5440-80-03200

Andy Bennett, 3481 Canterbury Drive advised that he is Past President of the Morgan Creek Homeowners Association, and that in attendance were members of the Morgan Creek Homeowners, Rosemary Heights Homeowners, Grandview Heights Homeowners, the Carrington Townhouse project and concerned residents on 32 Avenue.

Mr. Bennett stated:

- That 32 Avenue is a community problem, which must be solved by Council.
- That 32 Avenue has not always been a truck route, but the proposed truck route network was brought into existence December 14, 1998.
- That the community objected to the initial assessment and in 1999 pointed out to Council that the Reid Carruthers Report was deficient.
- That there has been a 300% increase in traffic and congestion on 32 Avenue over the last 12 months.
- That there is inadequate enforcement and noise abatement.
- That residential areas, recreational areas, environmentally sensitive areas and schools do not mix well with traffic.
- That if the permanent removal of 32 Avenue from the truck route network requires approval of TransLink, residents are prepared to attend before the TransLink Board.

Kim Thiessen, 3268 Cross Creek Court, advised:

- That her home backs onto 32 Avenue and she is keenly aware of the increased traffic.
- That trucks over 10,000 kg use 32 Avenue at any time of the day or night.
- That the existence of schools around and along 32 Avenue brings children who may have to cross 32 Avenue.
- That the intersection of 152A Street and 32 Avenue requires traffic lights to facilitate the movement of traffic and people.
- That RCMP statistics show there have been 25 non-fatal vehicle incidents in the last 6 months.
- That she has seen traffic ignoring school bus lights.
- That there should be more vigilance in the area of policing and by-law enforcement.
- That despite 32 Avenue not being currently designated as a truck route, trucks over 10,000 kg, are not allowed.
- That they would like to request more speed checks, policing and by-law enforcement for vehicles.

John Timms, 3268 Cross Creek Court, presented written recommendations to Council and stated:

- That there is definite potential for a future fatal accident as trucks continue to use 32 Avenue.
- That they object to encouraging development along this corridor without noise abatement and consideration of quality of life for residents.
- That not all arterial roads become truck routes.
- That they receive conflicting stories about future development in the area.
- That they are concerned that there has not been accurate information on a timeline for the widening of 32 Avenue.

Mr. Timms advised that the residents are requesting the following:

1. That crosswalk lines be painted at 32 Avenue and 160 Street.
2. The reposting of "no truck" signs on 32 Avenue at the entrances of 152 and 176 Streets.
3. Increased vigilance regarding trucks on 32 Avenue between 152 and 176 Streets.
4. That Council consider other viable alternative routes for trucks.
5. Council support a motion to TransLink that 32 Avenue between 152 Street and 176 Street be permanently removed as a designated truck route.
6. Council's support of a change to the By-law which would allow a sound buffer to be erected on 32 Avenue from 160 Street to 164 Street.
7. Clarification and timely notification as to what developments are planned on 32 Avenue, between 160 and 168 Streets.

It was  
32 Avenue Action Committee be received.

Moved by Councillor Watts  
Seconded by Councillor Villeneuve  
That the seven recommendations from the  
Carried

The Committee discussed the issue of 32 Avenue with the delegation and it was suggested that the recommendations include:

8. That staff review the contents of the Reid Carruthers report.
9. That staff review the issue of safety concerns along 32 Avenue.

**B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

**C. CORPORATE REPORTS**

**D. DELEGATION REQUESTS**

**E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

**F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

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Chairperson