



# City of Surrey

## *Council-in-Committee*

### *Minutes*

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
14245 - 56 Avenue  
Surrey, B.C.  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2002**  
Time: 4:30 p.m.

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#### **Present:**

Acting Mayor - Councillor Watts  
Councillor Villeneuve  
Councillor Tymoschuk  
Councillor Steele  
Councillor Priddy  
Councillor Bose  
Councillor Hunt  
Councillor Higginbotham

#### **Absent:**

Mayor McCallum

#### **Staff Present:**

City Manager  
Acting City Clerk  
General Manager, Planning & Development  
General Manager, Engineering  
General Manager, Finance, Technology & HR  
City Solicitor  
Manager, Land Development Engineering

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## **A. DELEGATIONS**

### **1. Michael Wilson, Executive Director Phoenix Drug & Alcohol Recovery & Education Society File: 0550-20-10; 4900-03**

Mr. Roy Dickie, President, Phoenix Drug & Alcohol Recovery & Education Society, was in attendance to present a proposal to develop a multi-service treatment facility in North Surrey.

Mr. Dickie introduced Mr. Michael Wilson, Executive Director; Anne Wilson, Administration Coordinator; and the following members of the Development Committee: Mr. Chip Barrett; Sandy Wightman; Dave Mitchell, CA; and Jock Cory, President, VanCity Enterprises. Mr. Dickie also introduced Elaine Covell, Development Consultant, who has an interest in the proposal.

Mr. Wilson then reported the following:

- That the Phoenix Drug & Alcohol Recovery & Education Society has been active in Surrey for 12 years and currently operates two facilities which address the need to reduce the social, health and safety impacts of substance abuse in our communities.
- That for many years, Phoenix Drug & Alcohol Recovery & Education Society has been developing a vision to construct an integrated service delivery facility on their property at 13686 - 94A Avenue, opposite Surrey Memorial Hospital.
- That recent initiatives by the Lower Mainland Drug Strategy, the Regional Homelessness Plan, the Fraser Health Authority and the City of Surrey's Drug and Crime Task Force have offered encouragement to make this vision a reality.
- That the program would involve the construction of a \$4 Million treatment facility which would include a small detox unit, employment and education services, administration offices, co-located residential services

including mental health, medical and addiction staff, Ministry of Health office, a 5000 sq. ft. treatment facility for early stabilization, and graduated recovery social housing units providing an essential, secure environment. He added that a dining and kitchen unit would also be an integral part of the facility.

Mr. Barrett then reported the following:

- That Phoenix Drug & Alcohol Recovery recognizes the needs of citizens to build a healthier and safer community and has seen lives transformed allowing people to return back to productive citizenship.
- That the Society has researched best practices around the globe.
- That the Development Committee for this particular project first met in September 1998.
- That the property is approximately 38,000 sq. ft., zoned RSM-1A (Special Care Housing) and there is temporary parking available to the west.
- That the Society is asking the City of Surrey to partner with the Society on this initiative and contribute \$20,000 for Phase One pre-development funding to articulate the design of the building.
- That children day care programs have not yet been addressed.
- That the project would provide 30 social housing units, 28 treatment beds, and an additional 10 to 12 detox beds, totaling 70 beds.
- That the Society is looking at multiple partners for additional funding.
- That a community consultation process had been followed with area residents.

It was

Moved by Councillor Steele

Seconded by Councillor Higginbotham

That the request for funding be referred to

the Finance Committee for review.

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 Tymoschuk

That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

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Chairperson