

City of Surrey

Council-in-Committee Minutes

Council Chamber
City Hall
14245 - 56 Avenue
Surrey, B.C.
MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2008
Time: 4:13 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Watts
Councillor Villeneuve
Councillor Steele
Councillor Gill
Councillor Martin
Councillor Hepner
Councillor Bose
Councillor Hunt

Absent:

Councillor Higginbotham

Staff Present:

City Manager City Clerk Deputy City Clerk City Solicitor

General Manager, Planning & Development

General Manager, Engineering

General Manager, Finance & Technology General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture

General Manager, Human Resources

The Council-in-Committee meeting was called to order at 4:13 p.m.

The Agenda was varied.

C. CORPORATE REPORTS

1. The Corporate Report, under date of April 14, 2008, was considered and dealt with as follows:

Item No. C006

Major Review of Surrey's Official Community Plan

File: 6440-20-2008

The General Manager, Planning & Development submitted a report concerning a major review of Surrey's Official Community Plan.

The General Manager, Planning & Development was recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in his report.

Don Luymes, Policy Planning Manager, Planning & Development, provided a short PowerPoint presentation to accompany Corporate Report C006.

Council commended Staff for their efforts to integrate many of the planning documents and policies created over the last number of years in to the review of the OCP. This creates the requirement to apply due process with respect to generalized plans.

Council further commented:

• It is important to ensure, given the negotiation phase, that Surrey's Transportation Plan, the Provincial Transit Plan for 2040 and the Livability Accord are well incorporated into the OCP.

- Transportation will be very significant in the OCP. The issue of transportation is quite critical as we go forward in terms of the land mass and concentrate development.
- The importance of rail is going to increase; Surrey could show leadership in accomplishing many issues by considering some of the opportunities and alternatives available for both passenger traffic as well as goods movement, such as:
 - o community rail; and
 - o the relocation of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway, away from the waterfront, which could realize the potential of high speed rail to San Francisco.

Considering opportunities such as these, and having a corridor reserved in our plans, will have a great affect on the OCP.

- Legislation provides for the OCP to scope a wide range of topics, this is an opportunity to get a dialogue going on how Surrey governs itself. The question of governance should be rolled into discussion, focus groups, etc., regarding the value of neighbourhood, community and civil society.
- With so many new industries that have never been considered in our zoning bylaw, and many more to come based on global movement relative to climate change, etc., the review of the OCP should also look at land use to better define business/industry to provide more latitude to avoid rezoning around businesses that have not yet been developed or developed fully.

It was

Moved by Councillor Bose Seconded by Councillor Steele That Council:

- 1. Receive this report as information; and
- 2. Authorize staff to proceed with a major review of the Surrey Official Community Plan By-law, 1996, No. 12900 (the "OCP"), based on the proposed planning and public consultation process outlined in the Terms of Reference attached as Appendix I to this report, including consideration of the comments made by Council.

Carried

A. DELEGATIONS

1. Sue Zhang, Event Coordinator
Divine Performing Arts Spectacular, Surrey Steering Committee
File: 7800-01; 0550-20-10

Sue Zhang, Event Coordinator, Divine Performing Arts Spectacular, Surrey Steering Committee was in attendance with respect to the Chinese Spectacular playing at the Bell Performing Arts Centre April 25 through 28, 2008. A PowerPoint presentation and a short movie were provided for information.

Council expressed their appreciation for the presentation and extended their best wishes for continued success of the Chinese Spectacular.

2. Simon Ho, Associate Partner, DYS Architecture (Agent)
Development Permit Application No. 7904-0434-00
Jung Developments Inc., Inc. No. 703281

13678 - 100 Avenue and 9887 East Whalley Ring Road in order to provide general development guidelines for future phases of the Infinity project at King George Highway and 100 Avenue in Surrey City Centre.

Simon Ho, Associate Partner, DYS Architecture (Agent), was in attendance to discuss urban design and architecture of the Infinity project. A review of some of the drawings from its inception to present was given, noting the various characteristics of the buildings and their positions within the property.

- B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL
- C. CORPORATE REPORTS (continued)
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This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

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

G. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Hunt Seconded by Councillor Martin

That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

Margaret Jones, City/Clerk

Chairperson