

**Present:**

Chairperson - Councillor Gill  
Councillor Bose  
Councillor Hepner  
Councillor Hunt  
Councillor Rasode  
Councillor Steele  
Councillor Villeneuve  
Mayor Watts

**Absent:**

Councillor Martin

**Staff Present:**

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

**A. DELEGATIONS**

1. **Shawn Paloposki, Student**  
**Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Blue Bin Businesses**  
File: 5280-01; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council regarding commercial recycling in Surrey.

The following comments were made:

- The delegation was comprised of students from the Kwantlen Polytechnic University Environmental Protection Technology Program. The students addressed the merits of implementing a mandatory commercial recycling program within the City of Surrey.
- The delegation reported a number of commercial businesses in Surrey do recycle on a voluntary basis; however, 50% of waste disposed by industrial businesses could have been recycled.
- Major benefits of recycling include reducing greenhouse gas emissions and climate change impacts. Recycling also saves energy and provides employment opportunities.
- Targets of the mandatory commercial recycling program would include: landlords of strata's, small business owners, shopping centres, strip malls, offices and stand alone businesses.
- Commercial businesses should be educated and have bins made available to them. It was suggested that compliant companies could be awarded a "Green Certification" for meeting the criteria.
- The delegation has attended several community events to generate support for mandatory commercial recycling and has obtained signatures on a petition requesting implementation of a program within Surrey.
- Council suggested that Metro Vancouver could benefit from their information.

The students requested a mandatory commercial business recycling program be implemented in Surrey and asked Council to implement a by-law to ensure compliance.

Council shared that the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) is focusing on solid waste issues and suggested the delegation observe and/or participate in the workings of the committee.

It was Moved by Councillor Villeneuve  
Seconded by Councillor Hepner  
That the petition presented by the Kwantlen  
delegation be received as information.  
Carried

2. **Gillian Yeh, Surrey Buddhist Compassion Relief  
TZU Chi Foundation (on behalf of Mr. Gary Ho, CEO TZU Chi)**  
File: 0250-20; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to make a presentation regarding the future for the victims of Haiti after the major earthquake.

The following comments were made:

- The mission of the TZU Chi Foundation is to help the needy, both locally and internationally, in order to achieve a world where people can live in harmony with each other and with nature.
- The relief team has travelled the world to help out with various relief projects. Recently they went to Haiti to help with earthquake relief. In total there were 41 volunteers from Canada with two from Surrey.
- Victims of disasters need not only food, blankets and shelter but also love and respect.
- The TZU Chi philosophy is to serve with gratitude, cultural respect and unconditional love. Provisions are delivered to victims personally by TZU Chi Foundation workers by hand and as a sign of respect the relief workers bow to each recipient. By handling relief items in this way, disaster victims receive love and respect.
- Currently there are 300 local volunteers in Haiti. Many of the members of the TZU Chi Foundation are members of the Surrey community and also do work to provide relief locally.
- Mayor Watts thanked the TZU Chi Foundation members for positively contributing to the well being of Surrey.

It was Moved by Councillor Villeneuve  
Seconded by Councillor Hunt  
That informational pamphlets provided by  
the TZU Chi Foundation to Mayor and Council be received as information.  
Carried

3. **John Sprung, Chairperson,  
Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society (FVHRS) Cloverdale**  
File: 0250-20; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to discuss the Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society (FVHRS) establishing its headquarters in Cloverdale.

The following comments were made:

- The FVHRS is very pleased to say that they are almost ready to go operational. In order to move forward and become fully operational, additional funding is requested to establish a headquarters in Cloverdale.
- The delegation presented two options, and associated costs for Council consideration:

1. **Phase 1 - Cost \$1.6 Million:**

- Connecting the main line at Sullivan and relocating the barn and operations to Cloverdale.
- One-year demonstration run of the 1225 between Cloverdale and Sullivan.
- Car 1225 will be operated by a donkey system (clean diesel system).
- Includes restoration of car 1304 in 2011.

2. **Phase 2 - Cost \$1.5 Million:**

- Extends the operation from Cloverdale to Newton.
- Includes a baggage car and road crossing upgrades.

- Councillor Steele offered that the project will serve the city well. It has been the centre of attention for this year's Heritage Advisory Commission and as a showcase for all that is Heritage in Surrey.
- Council suggested that the preference should be to relocate the FVHRS to Cloverdale. Cloverdale has more historic value and is a historic precinct. The new facilities should be situated on a more permanent site.

The delegation requested funding from Council in support of Phase 1. It was noted that Phase 2 is a future funding request for consideration to be combined with various clean energy options which range from \$250,000 to \$1,500,000.

4. **Engineering Department**  
File: 0450-20 (swmp); 0550-20-10

Rob Costanzo, Engineering Department, Deputy Operations Manager was in attendance before Council to discuss Corporate Report R154 - Draft Regional Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan (ISWRMP).

**Note:** See Corporate Report R154 of the Regular Council - Public Hearing agenda.

The following comments were made:

- A brief overview of the Solid Waste Management Plan was presented. The plan requires the BC Ministry of Environment approval prior to implementation.
- There is a significant amount of waste that is deemed "divertible" such as food waste, plastics and yard waste. The target is to meet diversion levels at 75%. Surrey's residents do a phenomenal job of recycling. Only 5% of Surrey's waste stream contains recyclables.
- The ISWRMP implements the 5 R's:
  1. Reduce
  2. Reuse
  3. Recycle
  4. Recover
  5. Residuals
- The ISWRMP goals include:
  - Minimizing waste reduction
  - Maximizing reuse, recycle and waste recovery
  - Recovering energy from waste stream after recycling
  - Disposing of all remaining waste in landfill after material and energy.
- The City of Surrey is contemplating how to engage commercial recycling in a significant way, at present it is a voluntary process. The City will also look at implementing recycling on job sites. Emphasis of outreach on commercial recycling is required to reach the 75% diversion goal.
- A full curbside organics waste production program will be piloted this fall to monitor volumes, determine how rodent proof the containers are and how easy they are to use and store. An extensive public consultation is being conducted on organic waste collection.
- The Ministry directed Metro Vancouver to look at alternatives and waste energy was explored; the intent is to dispose of waste energy materials within the region. City Staff recommend that waste energy be supported in principle; the caveat is that Metro Vancouver should conduct more research.
- Metro Vancouver has conducted a comprehensive analysis but has not yet gone to market. Much will depend on cost and public acceptance.
- Next steps are to receive comments from the public by July 14. A final draft will be presented to the full board of Metro Vancouver by late July 2010. A final draft will be forwarded to the Province by September/October. The plan will be accepted regionally and Metro Vancouver will follow through.
- Council suggested that the "reuse" section of the plan is important and should have more emphasis placed on it to foster community involvement and participation.
- A question was posed whether an RFP would yield the types of responses needed. Staff responded that the draft plan was crafted with enough flexibility to include world class solutions. It is hard to predict what type of interest the RFP will attract but believe it will initiate a lot of interest.

Council requested an amendment to the wording "site specific options" to ensure the intended definition is clearly defined.

## B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

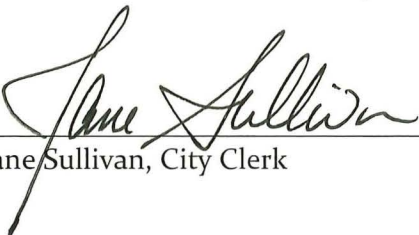
- C. CORPORATE REPORTS
- D. DELEGATION REQUESTS
- E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS
- F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS
- G. ADJOURNMENT

It was  
  
now adjourn.

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

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

  
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Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

  
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Councillor Gill, Chairperson