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Council-in-Committee

Minutes

Council Chamber City Hall 14245 - 56 Avenue Surrey, B.C. MONDAY, JULY 26, 2010 Time: 4:31 p.m.

Present:

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

Absent:

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.

Gordon Price, Director, SFU City Program File: 0510-20; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to report on the SFU & City of Surrey Transportation Lecture Program.

The General Manager, Engineering provided an introduction of the delegation.

The following comments were made:

- The idea behind the SFU & City of Surrey Transportation Lecture Program started originally in Portland, Oregon. A City Councillor wanted to mitigate many of the debates where neighbourhoods went head-to-head with City Hall. The Councillor created a program (held on neutral territory) for laypeople to better understand what it is like to be on the other side of the decision making table. The program made a positive difference between the City and members of the community and has been successfully run for the last 20 years.
- SFU & City of Surrey Transportation Lecture Program is the first time a course of this nature has been offered in Canada. It is a tremendous opportunity for the region. Staff will create and evaluate the curriculum.
- The SFU and City of Surrey Transportation Lecture Program will start in October 2010 as a 10 week course, three hours each week. There will be a fee for the course to encourage participant commitment. The registration fee is \$300 and there will be a scholarship available to help offset the expense and make it accessible to individuals from all backgrounds.
- The premise of the course is to give people broad ideas of the transportation issues faced in the community and region as a whole.

The delegation expressed his sincere appreciation with the caliber of Surrey Staff. Simon Fraser is proud to be a part of this pioneering program.

2. Sean Simpson, GIS Section Manager

City of Surrey Engineering Department

File: 1310-01; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to report on the new COSMOS software.

The following comments were made:

- COSMOS was first launched in 2005 and was regarded as "Best in Class". The newer release was launched in May this spring.
- According to a City of Surrey web survey conducted, COSMOS is a popular "*hit*" on our website, second after only the careers page. The quantity and quality of information sets City of Surrey apart from other municipalities.
- The reason COSMOS was upgraded was largely because the vendor was phasing out the technology. The new version accommodates mobile applications and it is easier for the IT group to respond to staff requests for additional functionality.

New features include:

- The system is now 20% faster
- A basic version is now available with only 5 key buttons
- Key information from other land use systems
- The mapping information is readily available.
- Aerial view button with most current images available.
- Property reports
- o Google Street View
- Oblique Imaging. Gives the opportunity to view different perspectives.
- Additional searches to provide access to general land use plans, right-away search and point of interest
- Integration with Amanda
- Smart Phone Applications. COSMOS developers are working to bring live GIS information into the field.
- Spacial perspective; i.e., traffic camera live.

Council thanked Engineering for their work on continuous improvements associated with COSMOS.

3. Frieda Schade and Craig Sobering, Metro Vancouver Regional Parks with Owen Croy, Manager, Parks Recreation and Culture File: 0450-01; 0550-20-10

Note: See Corporate Report R178 of the Regular Council - Public Hearing agenda.

In attendance before Council to present an overview of the Surrey Bend Regional Park Management Plan.

The following comments were made:

• The City of Surrey is working in partnership with Metro Vancouver Regional Parks to bring public access to the Fraser River through Surrey Bend. The

parcel is owned equally by Vancouver and the City of Surrey. The lands are bordered on the SW side by Canadian National (CN) Rail Services. Access currently is off of 104 and 176 Street.

- An MOU between the Surrey and Metro Vancouver stated Surrey would develop detailed designs with Vancouver and through a lease would turn over the Surrey portion of the land as a regional park at <u>no cost</u> to the City of Surrey.
- The collaborative process between Metro Vancouver and Surrey began on February 2009. A consultant was hired to assist the process in moving ahead along with a Community Advisory Committee. Open Houses were hosted to vet the vision and review the goals. Preliminary concept plans were developed and taken to open houses and considerable public feedback was received.
- One of the key stakeholders identified was the First Nations. Three First Nations groups expressed interest in participating to some degree to ensure that there is no loss of productivity for fishing in how the land is developed. Government agencies at the Provincial and Federal Level were consulted. And have provided comments that have helped shape the plan.
- The Surrey Bend Regional Park Management Plan responds strongly to protection of the environment. Sensitive public access will be provided to the areas the park can withstand visiting. Surrey Bend is the last undiked area and has some interesting natural qualities.
- The park is divided into active units that respond to the different design concepts. There are restrictive covenants on other parcels of the land which state that the underlying soils shall not be disturbed.
- Park design work was concentrated in the entrance and the activity zone. Parking will be made available for 110 vehicles, with a viewing pier and a dock and a picnic area for families. An interpretative program is planned to tell people about the beauty and value of the park.
- The Surrey Bend Regional Park Management Plan deals with connections to regional greenways and the connection to South Fraser and beyond as well as project phasing and funding. The full details of the plan are included in the July 26, 2010 Regular Council Corporate Report R178.

4. Don Luymes, Manager, Community Planning Division Planning & Development

File: 6520-20 (Anniedale-Tynehead); 0550-20

Note: See Corporate Report R181 of the Regular Council - Public Hearing agenda.

In attendance before Council to report on the Anniedale-Tynehead Neighbourhood Concept Plan - Stage 1 Land Use Concept.

The following comments were made:

Two months ago Council received a presentation on the Anniedale-Tynehead Neighbourhood Concept Plan. The NCP is rather large and is bisected East and West by Golden Ears Way.

- The Southern edge of the NCP is bounded by the ALR. A key criterion was to protect the ALR lands. An ecosystem management study was done which helped to frame the land use plan.
- Transportation networks with extensive regional and provincial highways bisecting it were key considerations.
- There are important corridors that cut north and south through the NCP and one leads directly to the Fraser River.
- A location of a major commercial centre was included in the plan along with a continuous belt of employment. There were two smaller commercial neighbourhood centres located at the core of the NCP.

A public open house was held on June 9, 2010 and Staff will be presenting the Stage 1 plan approval for consideration at the July 26 Public Hearing.

- 182 individuals attended the public consultation and 77 comment forms were returned. 86% of the people returning forms supported the concept.
- Key concerns received related to densities on the west side of the plan as it moves toward the Regional Park and the floodplain of the Serpentine River.
- There is an area near the head waters of the river where more study is required to determine what density is appropriate in those areas. The study will be completed in September 2010.
- The results of a traffic modeling study will be completed in August and will help to clarify the number of access points.
- An adjustment was made to one of the community parks to accommodate a future community centre.
- The NCP will present a challenge to service from a sanitary waste system perspective. There are 5 sanitary pumping stations required for the sewage to be pumped up over the hill for treatment at Annacis Island.
- Along the ALR boundary and areas with environmental qualities there is a cluster designation. Along the ALR edge this strategy will allow 100 metres of buffer (green treed natural buffer) between the ALR and housing above.
- Planning worked hard to establish a green network, connecting existing riparian areas through a series of park locations and density bonusing as well as a wild life underpass under HWY 1.
- There are a number of local neighbourhood community sites identified at local crossroads. There are three on the plan and they will serve as the "heart" of the neighbourhoods.
- Should Council approve Stage 1, the next stage of development will involve more detailed servicing, financing and design development guidelines. It is expected that the final Stage 2 will be spring 2011.
- Cost estimates for the development have been conservative. In Stage 2 one thing that will be looked at will be ways of mitigating a potential shortfall to make the NCP more viable. There is a possibility of refining the sanitary waste concept further and cost reductions could be realized there. The traffic modeling study might also yield some further savings.

Council requested Engineering Staff to provide a memo regarding projected costs associated with Stage 2.

- **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 Martin Seconded by Councillor Hunt That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

<u>Carried</u>

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Gill, Chairperson