

Present:

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

Absent:**Staff Present:**

City Clerk
City Manager
City Solicitor
Deputy City Clerk
General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Finance and Technology
General Manager, Human Resources
General Manager, Investment & Intergovernmental Relations
General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture
General Manager, Planning & Development
Manager, Area Planning & Development, North Division
Manager, Area Planning & Development, South Division
Manager, Land Development, Engineering

A. DELEGATIONS**1. Bob Davidson, Community Energy Solutions Manager
Terasen Gas**

File: 5500-01; 0550-20-10; 5500-07-01

In attendance before Council, to report on Terasen/Surrey Clean Energy Collaboration.

The following comments were made:

- Collaboration between the City of Surrey and Terasen can further establish the City as a leader in green/clean energy. Terasen is committed in working with City staff to find projects where joint collaboration can occur relative to district energy nodes, energy efficient buildings, and biogas deliberation.
- Terasen is in a unique position to offer reduced risk at capital cost. Financial risk can be reduced, capital can be invested, and financial models can be adapted to meet Surrey's goals and objectives. Terasen is currently involved in a number of municipal projects with Quesnel and Kelowna; additionally, Terasen is working to create more energy efficient projects within various school divisions.
- Engineering staff shared that a biogas project is being developed in partnership with Metro Vancouver. A RFP has been issued and applications are being accepted. Staff has had discussions with Terasen in the development of this process and how the gas can be utilized.
- Council requested information on the Lonsdale Energy Corporation Project. The delegation explained that Terasen was involved in the design of the system and the original setups necessary for Lonsdale Energy Corporation; currently Lonsdale has an independent contractor who does the work on the system.

2. **Al Schulze, Chairman with Bob Campbell, Vice-Chairman
Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC)**

File: 5280-01; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide an EAC progress report and provide comment on the draft Ecosystem Management Study (EMS).

The following comments were made:

- The EAC's primary function is to provide assistance and advice to Council on environmental issues. Since April 2010 the EAC has looked at:
 - Solid and Waste Management
 - Green Design Standards
 - Effects and Feedback of Pesticide By-law
- The EAC expressed concerns with both the Sustainability Charter and Ecosystem Management Study and the ramifications of both documents. At the November 2010 EAC meeting, presentations were heard from the Surrey Environmental Partners and the David Suzuki Foundation. The following points raised from both presentations were of particular concern:
 - Insufficient EMS Mapping System
 - Surrey's inaction to protect major tracks of land with high environmental value.
 - The City needs to establish a moratorium preventing the development of EMS sites or hubs until proper policies are in place as identified in the Surrey Sustainability Charter.
 - Serious underfunding in City departments responsible for looking at sustainability issues.
 - Lack of direction regarding management and transfer of energy credits.
 - Surrey's heavy reliance on consultants to determine sensitive environmental issues.

The delegation requested that the David Suzuki Foundation be heard as a delegation at Council-in-Committee (CIC) and that Ms. Deb Jack, President, Surrey Environmental Partners (SEP) be invited to appear before Council to reiterate the SEP presentation delivered at the December 13, 2010 CIC.

Council raised caution that information the environmental groups referred to when making their presentations to Council was incorrect which led to misconceptions with the public. Council shared that the amendments to the pesticide by-law will be before Council at the January 10, 2011, Public Hearing.

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 Hepner
Seconded by Councillor Villeneuve
That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:35 p.m.



Jane Sullivan, City Clerk



Councillor Martin, Chairperson