
Present:

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

Absent:

Staff Present:

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

A. DELEGATIONS

1. **Alison Soroka, Executive Director and John Banovich, Creative Director
Smiles and Laughter Entertainment**

File: 5080-01; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to make a presentation regarding "Smiles and Laughter Entertainment" – social media campaign (called "The Honest Truth") increasing awareness and educating the public on domestic abuse.

The following comments were made:

- The delegation shared that on the morning of November 24, 2009, Maria Catroppa, mother of four was murdered by her husband. Before her death, the warning signs of domestic violence were present; unfortunately, her family did not know that their mother was in danger.
- Like many Surrey residents, the Catroppa family was unaware of the risk factors that increase the probability of serious bodily injury or death resulting from domestic violence.
- Aligned with the primary objectives of the City of Surrey's *Crime Reduction Strategy*, '*The Honest Truth*' is a social media campaign designed to raise awareness about domestic violence. The primary goals of the campaign are:
 1. To increase the popular understanding of domestic violence and high risk factors leading to serious bodily injury or death; and,
 2. To increase victims' knowledge of and access to critical resources in the City of Surrey.

- Using social media as a primary tool and source of information, the campaign will include the production of an online video public service announcement, an interactive website with links to Surrey resources and social media tools such as Facebook and YouTube, all geared to connect women to available City of Surrey services.
- The delegation requested the City of Surrey contribute \$7,400 in support of the campaign and noted that the project will officially launch on November 24, 2011, on the anniversary of Maria Catroppa's death.
- Council commented it is important to bring this information to the forefront and it is important to bring awareness and make women and men feel there is an opportunity for them to begin to heal and suggested the campaign be presented in various languages to reach all residents of Surrey.

The delegation thanked Mayor Watts and Councillor Rasode for their work in reducing domestic violence such as the Surrey Coalition Against Domestic Abuse (SCADA).

Council thanked the delegation for the work they have done in increasing awareness and were pleased to announce that the \$7,400 requested in support of '*Honest Truth*' campaign will be provided by a private entity; a public announcement with further detail regarding the charitable donation will be made in upcoming weeks.

2. **George Hoffman**
Tynehead Community Association
File: 6800-01; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to make a presentation regarding their request to relocate the Anniedale Heritage School to the Tynehead Community Hall site.

The following comments were made:

- The delegation provided a brief overview of the history of the Anniedale Heritage School and how it came to be relocated to its current location.
- The ownership of the school is a subject of on-going negotiation between the School Board and the Tynehead Community Association. The Association expressed frustration regarding the status of the school.
- A newspaper article was placed regarding a tender and the Association is concerned with the fate of the school.
- Council suggested that if the Association owns the school, they should take the necessary steps to obtain a permit to move the school and relocate it to the Tynehead Community Association.

Council requested staff to meeting with School Board #36 and provide a report back to Council on the disposition of the Anniedale School.

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved by Councillor Hunt
Seconded by Councillor Hepner
That staff meet with School Board #36 and
provide a report back to Council on the disposition of the Anniedale School.
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 Martin
That the Council-in-Committee meeting do
now adjourn.
Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:50 p.m.



Jane Sullivan, City Clerk



Councillor Bose, Chairperson