

## Council-in-Committee Minutes

Council Chamber City Hall 14245 - 56 Avenue Surrey, B.C. MONDAY, NOVEMBER **5**, 2012 Time: 5:00 p.m.

Present:
Councillor Rasode - Chairperson
Councillor Gill
Councillor Hayne
Councillor Hunt
Councillor Martin
Councillor Steele
Councillor Villeneuve
Mayor Watts

<u>Absent:</u> Councillor Hepner Staff Present: City Clerk City Manager Assistant City Solicitor General Manager, Engineering General Manager, Finance & Technology General Manager, Human Resources General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture General Manager, Planning & Development

The agenda was varied

## A. DELEGATIONS

2. Karen Sidhu, Executive Director with Gary Tymoschuk, Board President, Surrey Crime Prevention Society (SCPS) File: 0250-20; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide an overview of successes, recent changes and enhancements of the SCPS and how they benefit the residents and businesses in the City of Surrey.

- SCPS is committed to supporting community safety and public awareness programs through our dedicated and qualified volunteers while aligning with the goals of the City of Surrey Crime Reduction Strategy <a href="http://www.surrey.ca/files/Crime\_Reduction\_Strategy.pdf">http://www.surrey.ca/files/Crime\_Reduction\_Strategy.pdf</a>
- The delegation noted that recently programs were rebranded to include more than just crime as the primary focus but to be more holistic in order to address the Community as a whole. Rebranded programs include the following: Citizen's Community Safety Watch *formerly* Citizen's Crime Watch and Community Safety Volunteer Tours *formerly* Community Volunteer Patrols.

The group is actively recruiting volunteers to support programs such as:

- 1. Community Safety Tours
- 2. Citizen Community Safety Watch
- 3. Anti-Graffiti Program
- 4. Traffic Safety Program
- 5. Special Events

Council thanked the delegation for their work in not only enhancing partnerships within the Community but also in building an excellent volunteer base to carry out their many worthwhile programs.

 Christopher Libby, Regional Operations Manager, Canadian Red Cross (CRC) <u>http://www.redcross.ca</u>
File: 0220-05; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide an overview of Canadian Red Cross Services (CRC) and the benefits extended to the citizens of Surrey.

The following comments were made:

- The CRC works with governments and other humanitarian organizations to provide for people's basic needs including shelter, family reunification, assistance finding support, first aid, information, food and clothing.
- The delegation noted the CRC recently opened an expanded warehouse operation in the City of Surrey to better serve the community. The CRC not only provides disaster relief it also provides training and support in the following areas:
  - 1. First Aid & CPR
  - 2. Swimming and Water Safety
  - 3. RespectED: Violence and Abuse Prevention
  - 4. Homecare Services
  - 5. Health Equipment Loan Programs

Over the past year, services delivered include:

- o 12,000 children trained in water safety,
- o 300 residents trained in first aid (provided in 18 different languages),
- o 18,000 pieces of medical equipment lent,
- Anti-bullying education through partnerships with local schools, and;
- o 10,000 assisted who were victims of disaster
- As an example of the international support and dedicated volunteerism within the City of Surrey; local resident Robbin Stephens, a 13-year veteran volunteer with the Canadian Red Cross Disaster Management program was deployed within 20 hours of hurricane Sandy hitting land and was on site to assist in the disaster effort in New Jersey.

The delegation noted the Red Cross supplements public services in the case of disaster and their important and ongoing relationship with the City of Surrey provides important collaborative emergency response for Surrey residents in need. The delegation noted that the CRC is grateful for their excellent relationship with staff and that they look forward to fostering their partnership with the City in the years to come.

Mayor and Council acknowledged the Canadian Red Cross for the tremendous work done locally and as a global perspective and thanked the delegation for his presentation.

- **B.** ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL
- C. CORPORATE REPORTS
- D. DELEGATION REQUESTS
- E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS
- F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS
- G. ADJOURNMENT

It was

now adjourn.

**Carried** 

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

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Rasode, Chairperson

Moved by Councillor Hunt

Seconded by Councillor Gill

That the Council-in-Committee meeting do