

## Council-in-Committee Minutes

Council Chamber
City Hall
13450 - 104 Avenue
Surrey, B.C.
MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2014
Time: 5:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairperson - Councillor Rasode

Councillor Gill

Councillor Hayne

Councillor Hepner

Councillor Martin

Councillor Steele

Councillor Villeneuve

Mayor Watts

Absent: Staff Present:

City Manager City Clerk

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. Craig Richmond, Vancouver Airport Authority (VAA) and Anne Murray, Vice President Marketing and Communications

File: 8400-01; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide a brief overview of Vancouver Airport Authority (VAA) Annual Report.

The following comments were made:

- With safety and security as the primary concern for the Vancouver Airport Authority (VAA), in April 2013, the largest emergency planning exercise in the history of the Vancouver Airport (YVR) was conducted. The post-event review provided valuable information and insights on how to improve safety-related matters.
- Air service in 2013 increased by 2.1% over 2012. This was attributable in part to increased service to China and an increase in intra-BC regional services.
- Several major construction projects took place at YVR in 2013, including:
  - Re-paving of Russ Baker Way;
  - Expansion of Domestic Terminal Pier A;
  - Ongoing infrastructure work on roads, dykes, bridges, sewer, water, and electrical supply;
  - Improved transfer facility with more direct passenger walkways from international to domestic terminals, and a new high speed baggage system; and
  - More efficient and direct access to air field for Emergency Services,
     Maintenance and Operations.
- Completion of the Designer Outlet Centre will bring 1,000 new jobs when complete, and the new Canada Post facility in Airport North is scheduled to open in June 2014.

- As part of their commitment to open communication with the community, VAA launched their summer festival series, supporting local community events by being in attendance to provide informative details about the airport, and to that end will be participating in Surrey's Fusion Festival.
- In the park area near the South Runway, VAA created a play area for children, including picnic tables and improved landscaping. A free bike service station was also installed.
- As well as offering the School Tour Program for grade five and six classes,
   VAA donated more than \$760,000 to 69 different community organizations, including:
  - o The Great Canadian Shoreline Clean-up;
  - Quest Outreach Society;
  - YVR for Kids;
  - Vancouver Adaptive Snow Sports;
  - Adaptive Music Society;
  - o YVR Art Foundation; and
  - Spinal Cord BC's orientation program for first time fliers.
- VAA completed a five-year Noise Management Plan in partnership with internal and external stakeholders. The Aeronautical Noise Management Committee was comprised of citizen and staff representatives from neighbouring municipalities as well as representatives from the Musqueam Indian Band, airlines, NAV Canada, Transport Canada and the Airport Authority, with final review and approval by Transport Canada. With the new design of the Ground Run-up Enclosure, night time engine run-up noise in the nearby community has decreased by more than 50%.
- YVR's mandate includes contributing to the growth of BC's economy. More than 3,100 Surrey residents work at YVR.
- VAA is working with governments and like-minded organizations to open up air service treaties with other countries to allow more air service to YVR. As such, attempts are being made to remove barriers to trade by simplifying the process for obtaining tourism visas.
- VAA has recently joined the Surrey Board of Trade (SBOT) in order to better share information with the business community and participate on the Board's Transportation Committee.

In response to a question from Council regarding sustainability, the delegation noted that there are 55,000 fewer take-offs and landings then there were in the 1990's. This is due to larger aircraft with the capability of carrying more passengers. Aircraft have also become quieter in the last ten years and are 20% more fuel efficient.

Council questioned the justification behind the runway extension. The delegation noted that runways are currently sufficient for take-offs and landings, and that the extension is a precautionary safety measure.

- 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 Steele

That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Rasode, Chairperson