

Present:

Chairperson - LeFranc
Mayor Hepner
Councillor Gill
Councillor Hayne
Councillor Starchuk
Councillor Steele
Councillor Villeneuve
Councillor Woods

Absent:

Councillor Martin

Staff Present:

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

A. DELEGATIONS

1. **Anita Huberman, CEO
Surrey Board of Trade**
File: 4320-20; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide a presentation regarding the Inter-Municipal Business Licence Program.

The following comments were made:

- In BC there are eleven (11) existing mobile business license agreements and seventy-three (73) participating municipalities;
- Businesses save time and money by purchasing one mobile business license instead of multiple non-resident permits which reduces the administrative burden and allows businesses to operate where their services are needed;
- There are currently four (4) similar programs available within the Lower Mainland region with a total of twenty-three (23) participating municipalities. Other municipalities and First Nations within the region
- There is strong support from business sectors, but some respondents cautioned that if the fee structure becomes too expensive, it would be onerous on small businesses and would inhibit businesses from expanding their client base;
- The Surrey Board of Trade requests that Council and staff work with the Ministry of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction and municipalities from Hope to West Vancouver to:
 - Implement an additional Regional Inter-Municipal Business License Program for the Lower Mainland BC Region; and,

- Develop educational and awareness strategies to ensure members are able to take advantage of the opportunities the program provides, and to ensure members are compliant with the various municipalities licensing requirements.

The delegation noted that the next steps in the Public Consultation Process would be a joint presentation to Metro Vancouver.

2. Anna Mathewson, Manager, Sustainability

File: 0512-02; 0550-20-10

Note: See Corporate Report 2016-R055 of the Regular Council – Public Hearing Agenda.

In attendance before Council to provide a presentation regarding the Draft Sustainability Charter 2.0.

The following comments were made:

- Key features of Charter 2.0 are the following:
 - Higher level policy document;
 - As the overarching policy, it guides the granular plans;
 - 2058 remains the long-term target;
 - Evolving from three pillars to eight themes
 - Vision-statement based on Official Community Plan;
 - Focusing on community outcomes;
 - Strategic directions identified; and
 - Sustainability indicators are integrated and refined.
- The updated Charter is organized around eight overlapping community themes:
 1. Inclusion;
 2. Built Environment and Neighborhoods;
 3. Public Safety;
 4. Economic Prosperity and Livelihoods;
 5. Ecosystems;
 6. Education and Culture;
 7. Health and Wellness; and,
 8. Infrastructure.
- Charter 2.0 Vision Statement is taken from the new Official Community Plan, the vision of a sustainable Surrey looking ahead to the next 40 years is: "A thriving, green, inclusive City."

- The draft document acknowledges corporate successes and moving forward over the next five years, areas proposed for further corporate sustainability include:
 - Sustainable purchasing;
 - Staff training;
 - Waste Diversion; and,
 - Corporate GHG target.

- Steps to completion include the following:
 - Final consultations in March;
 - Prepare Communication Plan;
 - Finalize appendices and design; and,
 - Final Report to Council for approval April 18.

B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

C. CORPORATE REPORTS

D. DELEGATION REQUESTS

E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

G. ADJOURNMENT


It was

now adjourn.

Moved by Councillor Hayne
Seconded by Councillor Starchuk
That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:07 p.m.



Jane Sullivan, City Clerk



Councillor LeFranc, Chairperson