

Council-in-Committee Minutes

Council Chambers City Hall 13450 - 104 Avenue Surrey, B.C. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017 Time: 5:20 p.m.

<u>Present:</u> Chairperson - Councillor Woods Councillor Gill Councillor Hayne Councillor LeFranc Councillor Starchuk Councillor Steele Councillor Villeneuve Mayor Hepner 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. Liane Davison, Visual and Community Arts Manager File: 7800-01; 0550-20-10

Staff members were in attendance before Council to provide a presentation on our new Arts and Culture Mapping initiative.

The following comments were made:

- The 2012 Surrey Cultural Plan outlined the concept of Cultural Mapping as an effective way to inventory the many artistic, cultural and heritage venues, resources, and assets available to the community to support more effective planning and decision making.
- Several departments also saw effective uses and benefits for the City and the public through this initiative and suggested that the map could be something much bigger than first envisioned.
- After working with several departments and bringing these findings to the Cultural Advisory Committee, the Surrey Arts and Culture Map was officially launched at the 2016 Creative City Summit held here in Surrey last October.
- The map is a geographical hub, connecting people to Surrey's vibrant Arts, Heritage and Culture and attracting investment in the creative economy.
- The map is hosted on the City's website with links from many different pages. It is a responsive map so it works well on any device including smart phones which residents can access using the "MySurreyApp".
- It shows another way the City is utilizing COSMOS, and is an example of a collaboration of different areas of the city to achieve a common goal providing quality information to residents. Since launching in July 2016, over 1600 views, average over 7 per day.

- The Arts & Culture Map currently has seven tabs each with a different collection of information including:
 - 1. The Cultural Corridor on King George Blvd;
 - 2. Cultural Venues;
 - 3. Public Art Map;
 - 4. Indigenous Public Art;
 - 5. Art walks;
 - 6. Events, where a listing of upcoming celebrations, including Canada 150 and other events being hosted in the City; and a
 - 7. Heritage tab that demonstrates our local history with access to 130 highlights of our built and natural heritage.

Council saw great potential with tourism as well and staff responded that they were working with Tourism Surrey, keeping them informed and were working on a marketing plan for this site.

It was suggested that a brochure could be created to hand out and various City venues and performances and also to have the site included on Vancouver's "MaxGuide" and use Surrey's Arts Umbrella to get the information out in the region.

- 2. Ted Ulrich, Research and Design Manager, Parks Planning File: 6140-20/G; 0550-20-10
 - Note: See Corporate Report 2017-R041 of the Regular Council Public Hearing Agenda.

In attendance before Council to provide a presentation on the Glades Master Plan.

The following comments were made:

- A Master Plan for the Glades Garden Park will be brought forward later this evening for Council approval.
- The Glades Garden Park is in a beautiful woodland setting with an extraordinary Rhododendron collection which is truly unique and makes the park a regionally significant destination located in south Surrey north of 4 Ave on 172 Street.
- The five acre property at the centre of the park was gifted to the City in 2002 by Jim and Elfriede DeWolf. The DeWolfs' live on the property in a Life Estate and continue to contribute to the operation of the park. The City has continually invested in the gardens over the past 15 years.
- Two properties were acquired by the City, one to the north and one to the south to expand the park to its current size of 15 acres.
- In past years the garden has been opened to the public on a limited basis for events such as the "Sounds of Summer" and the "Mother's Day Tea". In

2016 the Mother's Day Tea had 1,400 guests which did create traffic and parking issues in the area.

- The Master Plan outlines details of phased improvements to the Park with adding parking, larger grassed areas for outdoor events, the construction of trail networks with accessible loops, a garden house for indoor events and a new entrance to keep privacy for the DeWolf family.
- Staff noted that the work detailed in the Plan will allow for longer, more frequent openings and more events for the public in future.

Council thanked the DeWolfs' and the Parks staff for all of their work on this project.

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

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Woods, Chairperson