

Council-in-Committee

Minutes

Council Chambers City Hall 13450 - 104 Avenue Surrey, B.C. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2017 Time: 5:00 p.m.

Present:	Absent:	<u>Staff Present:</u>
Chairperson - Councillor Villeneuve Councillor Gill Councillor Hayne Councillor LeFranc Councillor Martin Councillor Starchuk Councillor Steele Councillor Woods	Mayor Hepner	City Manager City Clerk Deputy City Clerk General Manager, Engineering General Manager, Finance General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture General Manager, Planning & Development City Solicitor

A. DELEGATIONS

1. Stephen Wu, Manager, Economic Development, and Mr. Dumani Zozo, Executive Mayor, King Sabata Dalindyebo Municipality File: 6750-01; 0550-20-10

The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation overview of the City of Surrey's partnership with King Sabata Dalindyebo Municipality as part of Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) Building Inclusive and Green Municipalities Initiative. The following information was highlighted:

- The FCM launched the Building Inclusive and Green Municipalities (BIGM) Initiatives in 2017 to improve the capacity of select municipalities to deliver inclusive economic development services, in particular for women and vulnerable groups. The partnership between Surrey and King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality has been facilitated between the FCM and the South African Local Government Association (SALGA).
- The goal of the partnership is to improve the capacity of select municipalities to deliver inclusive economic development services, in particular for women and vulnerable groups.
- Surrey is one of six Canadian municipalities that were selected in a competition to participate in the Initiative.
- As part of the BIGM Initiative, Surrey staff travelled to the local municipality of King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality in October 2017. In reciprocation, a delegation from King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality travelled to Surrey in November 2017.
- King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality is approximately ten times the geographical size of Surrey and has 450,000 residents.

- King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality and Surrey share a similar population size, a large youth population, geography, including agricultural and urban, as well as a focus on building metropolitan areas and economic empowerment.
- Examples of programs that focus on economic opportunities for women and youth include: a craft hub, a sewing program, an informal market that sells traditional clothing and medicine, and a furniture and technology hub.
- During a workshop meeting between King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality and Surrey representatives, it was determined that the two focus project of the BIGM Initiative would be developing a local economic development strategy and capacity building.
- Surrey's contribution to the Initiative will be to demonstrate how Surrey is administered as a local government, how Surrey developed an economic development strategy and how Surrey works and engages with the community.

Executive Mayor Dumani Zozo provided an overview of King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality and highlighted the following information:

- In 2009, the municipality adopted Vision 2030 to upgrade infrastructure to support the development of King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality.
- The economic competitive advantages of King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality include being a university town, a regional economic hub and a thriving tertiary sector, including community services, retail, trade and finance.
- There are currently plans to develop a new harbour in Coffee Bay Town. Land studies and landscaping plans are currently being completed for the harbour. It is anticipated that the harbour will bring economic opportunities to the area.
- Staff are currently working on industrial revitalization in Mthatha in order to attract more industrial-based businesses to the area.
- A special economic zone has been established around the Mthatha airport. 500 hectors of land have been identified for the development of an agroprocessing hub that will produce commodities for export and local consumption.
- There are numerous proposed partnerships between King Sabata Dalindyebo municipality and Surrey, including the preparation of business plans, capacity building and human resource development, business forum development, and the formation of networking opportunities.

Council thanked the delegation for travelling to Surrey, and presented the delegation with a plaque to the delegation commemorating the partnership between the two cities.

2. Patricia Bell, Community Energy Association File: 0250-20; 0550-20-10

The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding what is happening around BC with respect to local government climate change and energy actions including Community Energy Association (CEA) key activities. The following information was highlighted:

- CEA is a charitable non-profit society that is an independent advisor to local government.
- Surrey is a leader in addressing climate change. Recent achievements include:
 - West Clayton Neighbourhood Plan Energy Star density bonus;
 - Surrey City Energy;
 - Support for electric vehicles (including alternative fuels bylaw);
 - Development of requirements and best practices for BC Energy Step Codes;
 - Support for clean energy technology sector; and
 - o Green waste biofuel facility.
- Local governments are able to influence energy emissions through policy for buildings, transportation and waste. Surrey has been a leader in addressing these policies.
- CEA is currently the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Regional Climate Advisor for BC and the Yukon, and can provide municipalities with free support.
- Surrey has been a CEA member since 1996 and has achieved the top corporate and community milestones.
- Opportunities for emission reduction include the implementation of step code, green infrastructure, cross-community collaboration and utilizing big data.
- It is anticipated that there will be funding or grant opportunities through FCM or BC Municipal Affairs to support green infrastructure. FCM will also have a new program in January 2018 that will support new staff positions related to green infrastructure.
- There are several organizations across Canada that are reviewing new methods to attain transportation data more accurately and quickly.

In response to a question from Council, the delegation advised that the new methods of attaining transportation data include the proposed use of information

from smart phones and apps. Currently, transportation data is collected from fuel sales. In previous years, transportation data was not provided for cities located outside of Metro Vancouver. There is a currently a pilot program to collect transportation data in Kelowna.

- **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 Gill Seconded by Councillor Hayne That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

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