

**Present:**

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

**Absent:****Staff Present:**

City Manager  
City Clerk  
Deputy City Clerk  
General Manager, Corporate Services  
General Manager, Engineering  
General Manager, Finance  
General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture  
General Manager, Planning & Development  
Acting City Solicitor

**A. DELEGATIONS**

1. **Anna Mathewson, Manager, Sustainability, Dr. Tania Bubela, Simon Fraser University Dean of Health Sciences, and Diane Purvey, Kwantlen Polytechnic University Dean of Arts**  
File: 0250-20; 0550-20-10

Note: See Corporate Report 2018-R184 of the Regular Council – Public Hearing Agenda.

The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining background information and seeking Council approval of a proposed learning lab in partnership with Simon Fraser University and Kwantlen Polytechnic University, located in City Centre. The following information was highlighted:

- A working group comprised of City, Kwantlen Polytechnic University (KPU) and Simon Fraser University (SFU) representatives has developed a proposed City Studio model for Surrey called City Lab.
- City Lab is proposed to be a three year partnership agreement with KPU, SFU and the City to support student experiential learning focused on Surrey's priorities and challenges. City Lab will be an interdisciplinary learning space in City Centre that empowers students to effect positive change. City Lab will build on existing collaborations and provide integrated opportunities for students to learn together.
- The first year objectives of City Lab are:
  - Hire a coordinator;
  - Finalize branding and communications;
  - Offer SFU and KPU courses, beginning with current individual courses, co-ops and initiatives;
  - Finalize joining the City Studio network;
  - Hold key public presentations and showcases; and
  - Confirm dedicated space in City Centre.

- Proposed budget items include cost-sharing the coordinator position, staff time and some material costs totalling an average of \$46,000 per year. The City's contribution would be shared by Parks, Recreation and Culture, Planning and Development and Engineering.
- City Lab supports numerous City priorities such as student research, entrepreneurship and innovation, building downtown vibrancy, improving civic youth engagement and increasing long-term youth retention and employment.
- A soft launch of City Lab is proposed for Fall, 2018 to complement existing KPU and SFU courses.

In response to questions from Council, the following information was provided:

- The Coordinator position would be hired by the City and the individual would be a City employee. Funding for the position would be shared amongst the City, KPU and SFU. Ideally, the Coordinator would work from the Lab, once it is established.
- Ownership of projects created at the Lab could vary. An Intellectual Property agreement that supports open knowledge should be initiated.

Council noted the following comments:

- City Lab has the potential to create and support vibrancy in City Centre.
- SFU and KPU are excellent partners on Innovation Boulevard and City Lab can help strengthen the City's relationship with the institutions.
- There could be opportunities for City Lab participants to collaborate on the Mayor's Challenge on Smart Cities, on topics such as autonomous mobility and corridors.

2. **Anna Mathewson, Manager, Sustainability, and Maxwell Sykes, Climate and Energy Manager**

File: 0510-01; 0550-20-10

Note: See Corporate Report 2018-R179 of the Regular Council – Public Hearing Agenda.

The delegation provided a PowerPoint overview of the proposed approach to adopt and implement the BC Energy Step Code in Surrey and noted the following information:

- The BC Energy Step Code is a performance-based building code that provides a Province-wide standard for new buildings that will guide the Province to net-zero ready buildings by 2032.
- Each local government can determine how they wish to implement the Code. Staff are proposing to implement Steps 1 - 3 for building permit

applications filed on or after April 1, 2019 - January 2, 2021. Steps 4 - 5 could be adopted by 2023 - 2025, depending on experience, stakeholder feedback and staff review. The proposed approach has been developed in response to stakeholder engagement and feedback.

- The implementation plan will address City processes and internal operations, provide industry support and capacity building, are to be based on data-driven decision making and eventually provide a long-term market transformation.
- The plan for successfully implementing the code include: continued collaborative integration into existing City processes and roles; designing a low-carbon path, benchmarking and home energy labelling components; informing industry and the public; launching the City's Energy Step Code webpage; providing on-site education incentives and developing local capacity building supports; and maintain ongoing engagement and collaboration with key stakeholders.

In response to questions from Council, the following information was provided:

- There will be benchmarking data available to help determine if the proposed energy consumption models are accurate.
- The province is creating a system to track actual building costs of the Step Code implementation.

**B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

**C. ADJOURNMENT**

It was

Moved by Councillor Villeneuve

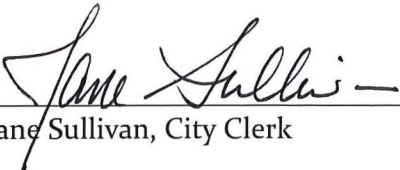
Seconded by Councillor Martin

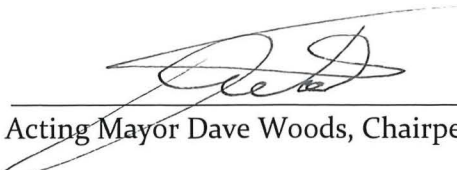
That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

  
Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

  
Acting Mayor Dave Woods, Chairperson