

**Present:**

Chairperson – Mayor McCallum  
Councillor Annis  
Councillor Elford  
Councillor Guerra  
Councillor Hundial  
Councillor Locke  
Councillor Nagra  
Councillor Patton  
Councillor Pettigrew

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

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

**A. DELEGATIONS****1. Laura Ballance, Board of Directors, and Greg Timm, Bid Chair, 2019  
America's Olympic Qualifier Bid Committee**

File: 0250-20; 0550-20-10

The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining their bid to host the 2019 America's Softball Olympic Qualifier Event in Surrey and highlighted the following information:

- Softball and baseball will be events in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and the qualifying tournament process will be a six-team round robin, with spots five and six hosted in the Americas.
- The decision to return baseball and softball to the Olympics was made in 2016 following the highly successful World Baseball and Softball Confederation (WSBC) XV Women's World Championships held at Softball City. The event was attended by numerous International Olympic Committee delegates and is considered an influencing factor in the decision to return the games to the Olympics.
- The Canadian bid named the host city as Surrey, with the event will be hosted by the Canadian Amateur Softball Association in partnership with the WSBC 2019 Americas Olympic Qualifier Organizing Committee.
- The round robin tournament will be held from August 25 – September 1, 2019 and is the only Olympic qualifier scheduled for Canada and is expected to draw over 75 International Olympic Committee (IOC) delegates, as well as national and international baseball and softball fans. Canada will enter the tournament ranked #1 and is expected to be a strong medal contender.
- The event has a \$1.1 million operating budget with contributions requested from the City of Surrey, as well as the provincial and federal governments. The Organizing Committee's internal mandate is to work with local

companies to allow them the opportunity to be part of an Olympic event. Surrey businesses will be granted the right of first refusal for sponsorships. The minimum projected economic benefit is \$10 million and will support Surrey hotels, restaurants and businesses.

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

- As a sanctioned Olympic event, there are parameters with respect to advertising and the use of the Olympic ring logo. The Organizing Committee received assurances from the IOC throughout the bid process that there would be sponsorship opportunities for local businesses. It is anticipated that there will be a two-tiered sponsorship program, with Tier One intended for Surrey businesses.
- Complimentary tickets to the event will be provided to baseball and softball players 12 and under.
- The Organizing Committee is currently establishing whether broadcast rights to the event can be secured. CBC Sports has expressed an interest in broadcasting the event, which would provide national exposure.

Council commended the Organizing Committee on their successful bid and noted that they look forward to the event. Council requested that the delegation provide a summary report following the event outlining the actual economic outcomes.

2. **Karen Reid Sidhu, Executive Director, Surrey Crime Prevention Society**  
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The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the support and commitment of Surrey Crime Prevention Society (SCPS) volunteers towards the enhancement of community safety in Surrey. The following information was noted:

- Over the past four years, SCPS volunteers contributed a total of 120,975 service hours. Programs are provided in collaboration with community partners such as the City of Surrey, Surrey Fire Services, RCMP, Transit Police and local Business Improvement Associations (BIAs).
- In 2018, there were 415 volunteers who contributed 25,595 hours towards the enhancement of community safety in Surrey. The three pillars of SCPS programs are public education and awareness, community engagement and civic pride and community safety.
- Community Safety Volunteer Tours are provided in Newton, South Surrey, Cloverdale and Clayton Heights, Guildford, Downtown Surrey and Fleetwood. Volunteers spent 13, 272 hours total completing Community Safety Volunteer Tours by foot and bicycle, observing and reporting unsafe behaviours. Tours are conducted covertly four nights a week from 9:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m.

- The Community Enhancement Program is operated in partnership with funding from BC Hydro to remove graffiti from BC Hydro utilities. SCPS is currently seeking partnership opportunities with other utility providers to be able to remove graffiti from more locations.
- The Traffic Safety Program is operated in partnership with the City, RCMP and ICBC. Statistics gathered from the Traffic Safety Program are shared with the RCMP and ICBC to assist with enforcement.
- The Civic Pride Program is operated in partnership with School District #36 and is now offered to Grade 7 students, as feedback received indicates that it is important to communicate with kids at an earlier age. The Program outlines the importance of giving back to the community and provides safety information, such as a Distracted Walking Test.
- Community Safety Volunteer Mentorship Program has been reintroduced as the LIFT (Lean Inform Focus Trust) Program that will be integrated into school curriculum. Students will be required to complete 100 volunteer hours prior to graduation. SCPS also works with at-risk youth who may not be in high school through referrals from community groups such as Options. Volunteers participate in the Traffic Safety Program and assist with special events and projects.
- 447 volunteers contributed 2,257 hours to assist with special events such as Remembrance Day and City events.
- The Citizen's Community Safety Watch completed 186 tours and assisted with stolen vehicle recovery and called in drug, alcohol and emergency situations. Due to the increased funding received from the City, SCPS was able to purchase additional radios to assist with the Citizen's Community Safety Watch Program.
- The 2019 SCPS Symposium will be youth-led and seek feedback regarding how community safety can be improved. The SCPC will be seeking a partnership with the City to host two additional youth-led symposiums for students and organizations that work with at-risk youth.

In response to questions from Council, staff advised that the City does not currently have a formal relationship acknowledging SCPS volunteers, such as through complimentary recreation passes; however, establishing such a relationship could be explored.

Council thanked the delegation and SCPS for their community work and noted that the safety and prevention have a positive effect on reducing crime.

## **B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

C. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Guerra  
Seconded by Councillor Patton  
That the Council-in-Committee meeting

adjourn.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk

  
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Mayor Doug McCallum, Chairperson