

Council-in-Committee Minutes

Council Chambers
City Hall
13450 - 104 Avenue
Surrey, B.C.
Livestreamed at www.surrey.ca
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

Time: 4:59 p.m.

Present:

Chairperson - Councillor Stutt Councillor Annis Councillor Bains Councillor Bose Councillor Elford Councillor Hepner Councillor Kooner Councillor Nagra Absent:

Mayor Locke

Staff Present:

Acting City Manager
Deputy City Clerk
General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Planning & Development
Manager, Area Planning & Development, North Division
Manager, Area Planning & Development, South Division
Land Development Engineer

A. DELEGATIONS

Student Presenters
 PowerPlay Young Entrepreneurs

The delegation provided an update on their vision for the future of Surrey and showcased concepts and solutions to key issues identified by students and highlighted the following information:

- PowerPlay Young Entrepreneurs is a Canadian based charity that helps kids explore entrepreneurship and social responsibility. The charity has worked with over 70% of elementary schools within Surrey.
- A summer camp consisting of 27 students across Surrey came together to create a
 vision focusing on city innovators. With the help of Councillor Stutt and
 Councillor Kooner visiting the camp and helping the students, this concept was
 created.
- Students presented on various topics such as:
 - o electric City of Surrey construction vehicles;
 - mobility issues;
 - o youth clubhouse: Girls Empowerment Education Klub and Zen Zone;
 - o skate parks; and
 - o Surrey as a 15-minute city.

Surrey Leadership Youth Council (SLYC) 2. City of Surrey Healthy Communities Youth Engagement Staff

The delegation provided an update regarding their Youth Speak-Up Forum 2022 report findings and their plans for the 2023 Youth Speak-Up Forum that will be held on November 10th at Surrey City Hall and highlighted the following information:

- SLYC was formed in 2007 and consists of 15 youth participants, aged 14 to 18 years old, who are passionate about civic engagement and helping other Surrey Youth amplify their voice on important topics within the community. They help create leadership opportunities for other youth in the city and consult with various departments within the City of Surrey to be the representative "youth voice" when providing input for policy and planning. Through this work, SLYC members build capacity in a variety of skills including public speaking, workshop development, advertising, and report writing.
- On October 21, 2022, SLYC hosted the 14th annual Youth Speak Up Forum. Over 200 youth attended the event and participants ranged from 13 to 18 years old. SLYC led 3 workshops: Surrey Transportation Plan in partnership with the City of Surrey's Engineering department, Youth Relationship with Law Enforcement in partnership with Surrey Police Services, and Youth Truth in partnership with City of Surrey's Community Safety Division. From the event, the attendees found the skit of having difficult conversations with parents relatable in the Youth Truth workshop, gained insight from the perspective of law enforcement officers and transportation department engineers, and learned about the inner workings of the City of Surrey.
- This year, SLYC will be hosting the 15th annual Youth Speak Up Forum on November 10, 2023 at Surrey City Hall. Surrey Youth will share their voices on the Official Community Plan, the Social Equity Plan, and Newton Community Engagement.

В. **ADJOURNMENT**

| It was adjourned. | Moved by Councillor Bains Seconded by Councillor Kooner That the Council-in-Committee meeting be |
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| The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:31 | <u>Carried</u> p.m. |
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| Stephanie Nichols, Deputy City Clerk | Councillor Stutt, Acting Mayor |