

# *Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee - Minutes*

**Present:**

Chair – Councillor Starchuk  
L. Bykowski  
N. Hogan  
S. Mossop  
S. Sabharwal  
M. Sharma  
D. Skaey  
S. VanKeulen (AFSAC Rep.)

**Regrets:**

G. James  
A. Luu (Youth Rep.)  
K. Otting  
J. Zelazny (Rep. to AFSAC)

**Staff Present:**

S. Godwin, Environment Manager, Engineering  
L. Luaifo, Legislative Services

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**A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee Minutes of April 26, 2017, be approved.

It was

Moved by L. Bykowski

Seconded by S. Mossop

That the minutes of Environmental

Sustainability Advisory Committee (ESAC) meeting held on April 26, 2017 be approved.

Carried

**B. DELEGATIONS****C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS****D. NEW BUSINESS****1. Roundtable Discussion**

- The Chair noted that in 2015, a Truck Park application for 1200 parking spots was proposed in Surrey in the area of 16 Avenue and 196 Street. The application was removed and the existing property is part of the Local Area Planning (LAP).
  - Staff noted that in the past, the ESAC has not been involved in the development review process and that the Committee generally looks at higher, broader level initiatives. These initiatives would help set up policy or procedure that would then be applied to development applications.
  - The Chair noted that Application No. 7913-0169-00 for a galvanizing plant in Campbell Heights is in the process of litigation. EBCO Metal Finishing (applicant) attended the April 22, 2016 ESAC meeting to address the
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questions and concerns with residents about the galvanizing plant. The City has since placed a restrictive covenant on the parcel of land on 188 Street and 26 Avenue and will look at creating a bylaw where owners/tenants cannot operate a business that would require a Metro Vancouver permit in an Industrial Business (IB) zoned area.

- Staff noted that on April 22, 2015, the ESAC recommended that Council write a letter to Metro Vancouver to request that the galvanizing plant project in Campbell Heights be required to install a 24/7 air quality monitoring system and that the project meet Metro Vancouver's requirements relative to air quality.
- The Committee highlighted some of the work that the ESAC has been a part of such as the Tree Bylaw and Pesticide Bylaw and reviewed the process of delegations and the Committee's objective.
- The Committee was encouraged to forward any ideas that members may have in regards to the Committee's mandate to staff.

#### **E. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL**

#### **F. CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **G. INFORMATION ITEMS**

##### **1. Agriculture and Food Security Advisory Committee (AFSAC) Update**

No report was provided.

##### **2. Coastal Flood Protection Strategy (CFPS) Update**

Staff noted that the large project is ongoing with lots of other smaller projects that derive from the Strategy. Staff is working through the analysis that has been collected to date and continue to seek public feedback. It was further noted that staff would like to boost participation of the online survey for Phase 1. It is important to get the general awareness of the Strategy out to the communities and share what the process and timeline entails. When a particular phase is complete, an update will be provided to ESAC.

The Committee noted that sea level is rising and Surrey is ahead of other coastal cities in addressing the issue.

3. **Grandview Heights NCP#3 Citizens Advisory Committee Update**

The Grandview Heights NCP#3 Citizens Advisory Committee has met twice to date. At the May meeting, 20 people were in attendance and placed into groups and asked to write down 5 things that they wanted to see in the area and 5 things they didn't want to see. The general feedback was that people do not want high rises or clear cutting to take place. An environmental study will be done and presented when the committee meets next. A heritage study is planned for as well.

4. **Green City Award**

Staff advised that the closing date for nominations has been extended to June 10, 2017. The ESAC will receive packages for consideration at the June 28 ESAC meeting.

**H. OTHER BUSINESS**

1. **Waste Reduction at Public Events**

File: N/A – Verbal Update

Staff advised that the Parks team are busy with Canada150 events and will plan to attend the September ESAC meeting to provide a presentation on the use of products at events in relation to Styrofoam.

2. **Milestone 5 Award – Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)**

The Chair advised that Surrey will receive the Milestone 5 award from the FCM on Saturday, June 3, 2017 in Ottawa.

3. **Godwin Farm Biodiversity Preserve Grand Opening**

The Chair noted that the Godwin Farm Biodiversity Preserve (9016-164 Street) was gifted to the City of Surrey by the Godwin family through the Federal Eco-Gifting program. The grand opening event was held on Saturday, May 27 and the Chair noted that it is a phenomenal park and the opening event was very successful.

4. **Light Rail Transit (LRT)**

The Committee inquired about LRT and whether funding has been approved. The Chair advised that funding is committed to in principle and confirmed that design of the line is ongoing.


The Committee requested that an update be provided to ESAC on transportation in Surrey in general, including the LRT, as well as land-use planning along the LRT corridor in relation to density and access to parkland.

I. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 28, 2017** at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, in room 1E Committee Room B.

It was Moved by D. Skaey  
Seconded by M. Sharma  
That the Environmental Sustainability  
Advisory Committee meeting do now adjourn.  
Carried

The Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee adjourned at 7:00 pm.

  
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Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

  
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Councillor Starchuk, Chair