

Finance Committee Minutes

Council Chambers City Hall 14245 - 56 Avenue Surrey, B.C.

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2010

Time: 4:04 PM

Present:

Councillor Gill - Chair Mayor Watts Councillor Bose Councillor Hepner Councillor Rasode Councillor Hunt

Absent:

Councillor Martin Councillor Steele Councillor Villeneuve

Staff Present:

City Manager

General Manager

Finance &

General Manager, Finance & Technology

City Clerk

General Manager, Engineering

General Manager, Planning & Development General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture

General Manager, Human Resources

City Solicitor Deputy City Manager

A. CORPORATE REPORTS

1. The Corporate Reports, under date of January 25, 2010, were considered and dealt with as follows:

Item No. Fooi

Implications of the Harmonized Sales Tax to the

City of Surrey File: 1965-01

The General Manager Finance and Technology submitted a report to provide information about the background to and implications of the implementation of the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) to the City of Surrey.

The General Manager, Finance and Technology was recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in her report.

It was

Moved by Councillor Hunt

Seconded by Councillor Hepner

That the Finance Committee recommends

that Council:

- 1. receive Corporate Report Foo1 as information; and
- 2. recommend that Council request that the Mayor forward a letter on behalf of Council to the Provincial Minister of Finance requesting that the Province take action to ensure that the implementation of the HST is cost neutral to municipalities relative to the current PST and that a copy of this report be included as background information in the letter and further that the letter and attached report be forwarded to all UBCM member local governments.

Carried

Item No. Foo2

2010 Grant Appeals & Late Grant Applications

File: 1850-20

The General Manager Finance and Technology submitted a report concerning 2010 Grant Appeals and Late Grant Applications.

The General Manager Finance and Technology was recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in her report.

It was

Moved by Mayor Watts

Seconded by Councillor Hepner

That the Finance Committee recommends

that Council:

- 1. Advise the Bridgeview Community Association that their grant application appeal does not meet the criteria outlined in the "Policy on City Grants" since no new information was submitted and as such no additional grant funding is available from the City;
- 2. Advise the Critter Care Wildlife Society that their appeal for additional grant funding does not meet the criteria for appeals as outlined in the "Policy on City Grants" since no new information was submitted and as such no additional grant funding is available from the City;
- 3. Advise the Bula! Fiji Association of BC that grant funding in relation to their late grant request will not be provided by the City since the amount of the request is beyond the financial scope of the City's Grant Program; and
- 4. Provide a grant of \$500 to the Royal Canadian Theatre Company. <u>Carried</u>

Item No. Foo3

Cultural Spaces Canada Funding for Expansion to Vault at

Surrey Art Gallery

File: 1855-01

The General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Culture and the General Manager of Finance and Technology submitted a report concerning Cultural Spaces Canada Funding for Expansion to Vault at Surrey Art Gallery.

The General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Culture and the General Manager of Finance and Technology were recommending approval of the recommendations outlined in their report.

It was

Moved by Councillor Hunt Seconded by Mayor Watts

That the Finance Committee recommends

that Council:

- 1. Receive Corporate Report Foo3 as information; and
- 2. Authorize the use of \$122,600 of capital funding from the Legacy Fund to match a \$122,519 grant from the Canadian Heritage Cultural Spaces of Canada Program for the purposes of expanding the storage vault at the Surrey Art Gallery.

Carried

B. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Hepner

Seconded by Councillor Hunt

That the Finance Committee meeting do

now adjourn.

Carried

The Finance Committee adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Gill, Chairperson

Finance Committee