

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Geoff Freer, Executive Director of the Gateway Program, updated Council on the progress of the construction of the South Fraser Perimeter Road (SFPR). Mr. Freer provided an overview of the project including environmental mitigation measures and construction progress, seen through aerial photographs of the alignment.

South Fraser Perimeter Road Table of Commitments and Assurances Update

Council received an update on the commitments made during the Environmental Assessment certification of the SFPR. There are currently no issues of non-compliance with the SFPR Environmental Certificate identified by the BC Environmental Assessment Office or any of the federal and provincial agencies represented on the Interagency Environmental Review Committee. The update included an overview of the third annual report relating to implementation of the SFPR Table of Commitments, which staff continues to monitor closely. Future updates to Council will be provided.

MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transcending Vision Exhibit at Tsawwassen Longhouse Gallery

Mayor Lois E. Jackson recognized the hard work of all those involved in organizing the “*Transcending Vision*” exhibit at the Tsawwassen Longhouse Gallery. The exhibit, hosted by the South Delta Artists’ Guild, features a collaborative show of student artists and creative writers from South Delta Secondary School with paintings inspiring the written word and vice versa. The exhibit is open Thursdays to Sundays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm until January 29th.

Annual Release of BC Police Crime Data

Mayor Jackson highlighted some key crime statistics pertaining to Delta, noting that Delta’s crime rate is at a historic low. Mayor Jackson referred to the report released in late 2011 by the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General Police Services Division entitled “British Columbia Policing Jurisdiction Crime Trends 2001 – 2010”.

BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND & THIRD READINGS

Bylaws No. 7034, 7035, 7036 – Highways Bylaw Amendment

Council gave three readings to bylaws no. 7034, 7035 and 7036, which will amend Delta's Highways Bylaw and provide concurrent amendments to the Municipal Ticketing Information Bylaw and the Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw in order to address the emerging neighbourhood issue of vehicles being stored on streets while attached to a tow truck or on a trailer.



BYLAWS FOR FIRST & SECOND READINGS & REFERRAL TO PUBLIC HEARING

Bylaws No. 7030 & 7031 – 8264 112A Street

Council gave first and second readings to bylaws no. 7030 and 7031, which would amend the Official Community Plan and rezone the property at 8264 112A Street to permit a two-lot subdivision. The bylaws will now be scheduled for an upcoming Public Hearing.

CONSENT REPORTS

Grant Application for Canada Day Celebration at Chalmers Park

Council approved proceeding with an application for funding for 2012 Canada Day celebrations. The Corporation of Delta has been successful in securing a Celebrate Canada grant every year since 2008. Staff has asked Celebrate Canada for consideration of an increase in funding for the 2012 event based on the yearly increase in participation by the community and the success of the events in Delta.

Delta Lacrosse Association – Licence Agreement Renewal

Council approved the renewal of the licence agreement between the Corporation of Delta and the Delta Lacrosse Association for use of storage space at the Holly Park Fieldhouse in Ladner.

Sungod Community Garden Society – Licence Agreement Renewal

Council approved the renewal of the licence agreement between the Corporation of Delta and the Sungod Community Garden Society for use of the 1,165 square metre portion of the lands located in the northwest corner of 7815 112 Street (McKitrick Park) at the Sungod Recreation Centre.

Ladner Girls Soccer Club – Licence Agreement at Holly Park Fieldhouse

Council approved a licence agreement between the Corporation of Delta and the Ladner Girls Soccer Club for use of storage space at the Holly Park Fieldhouse in Ladner.

Ladner Soccer Club – Licence Agreement Renewal

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Delta Falcons Field Hockey Association – Licence Agreement Renewal

Council approved the renewal of the licence agreement between the Corporation of Delta and the Delta Falcons Field Hockey Association for use of storage space at the Holly Park Fieldhouse in Ladner.

Vehicle Fuel – Contract Award

Council awarded a contract to Chevron Canada for the supply and delivery of vehicle fuel for municipal fleet vehicles.



DISCUSSION REPORTS

Animal Shelter – Contract Award

Council awarded a contract to Humphrey Construction Ltd for the design-build of Delta's new animal shelter. Awarding this contract will facilitate a turnkey operation with a fully functional new animal shelter anticipated to be complete by December 2012. [View the media release and presentation about the new shelter.](#)

80 Street Overpass Update

Council received an update on the status of the 80 Street Overpass project, which remains on budget and is scheduled for completion prior to June 2012.

2012 Boundary Bay Airport Airshow

Council approved Alpha Aviation's request to hold its annual airshow with a beer and/or wine garden at Boundary Bay Airport on Saturday, July 28, 2012 and approved a financial contribution and in-house support towards the event.

2012 Tourism Fee-For-Service Agreement

Council approved the 2012 fee-for-service agreement for the Delta Chamber of Commerce to operate the Visitor Information Centre and provide tourism services through 2012. Council also requested that the Chamber be invited to appear as a delegation at a future Regular Meeting and look at improving access to tourism information on the Chamber's website.

Request for Relaxation of the Delta Noise Control Bylaw for Work in the Vicinity of River Road and Nordel Way

Council approved a relaxation of the Delta Noise Control Bylaw for utility relocation work in the vicinity of River Road and Nordel Way as part of the South Fraser Perimeter Road project. These works will occur between February 12 and May 12, 2012.

Subdivision in the Agricultural Land Reserve – 9096 Ladner Trunk Road

Council denied a subdivision application to create two agricultural lots at 9096 Ladner Trunk Road within the Agricultural Land Reserve, as subdividing agricultural land is inconsistent with Official Community Plan policies and is not considered an acceptable initiative for promoting viability or economic diversification of the agricultural industry in Delta.

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