

QUAYSIDE COMMUNITY BOARD

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MINUTES OF THE QUAYSIDE COMMUNITY BOARD FEBRUARY 23, 2005 – 1235 QUAYSIDE DRIVE NEW WESTMINSTER, BC

1. REPRESENTED WERE:

Unfortunately the sign sheet was not circulated. However the meeting was well attended.

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with Larry Widen in the chair.

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA

Added to the agenda were the following:

- Treasurer's report
- Consideration of a request to have the Quayside bus stop at Columbia Square
- Property management survey forms.
- Service from Shaw Cable.

M/S/C To adopt the agenda as amended.

3. OLD BUSINESS

It was reported that the negotiations between New Westminster and BC Hydro regarding Power Smart grants were on-going and that the city reported that the negotiations were going well and in the final stages.

It was reported that the city of New Westminster had received our request to the city to host a public review of the process for dealing with, processing and granting development applications and that it had been provided to the Mayor and City Council Members. It was noted that there was no response to a February 8th request for an update on action taken on this request.

M/S/C To receive the reports

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report from the Security Concerns Committee

There was no report, or guest speaker on the potential of a joint security patrol for number of complexes on the Quay under one contract.

Report from Railway Concerns Committee

Guest Brian Allen provided a great deal of information collected by him and his father concerning the problems relating to the railways operating on the Quay from the point of view of the residents.

There was a great deal of discussion regarding whether or not a committee should have the right to invite a guest to make a presentation to the board. The Chair expressed the position that a committee had the right to invite a resource person or guest speaker to make a presentation to the board on the subject matter assigned to the committee. A committee could take advantage of or involve resource people but resource people were not members of the committee and cannot speak or act on behalf of the board.

M/S/C To receive the information provided by Brian Allen and to provide a copy by e-mail to the full contact list of the delegates and alternates.

M/S/C To thank Brian Allen for his time and effort to assemble the information provided and his presentation to the board.

M/S/C To have the delegates seek information from the strata councils and cooperative housing boards regarding support for the Quayside Community Board calling for the creation of a round table committee made up of all the stakeholders involved in, or affected by the railway operation in the Quayside and surrounding area to review all the concerns and search for joint solutions. (i.e., railway companies, city governments, residents associations, the MLA, the MP, area transportation authorities and affected employee organizations).

NEW BUSINESS

M/S That the Quayside Community Board sponsor an all candidates meeting during the May 2005 provincial election.

M/S/C That the motion be amended to impose a spending limit of \$500.00 and to first investigate to see if other community organizations would like to jointly sponsor such an all candidates meeting.

M/S/C To adopt the motion as amended with a report to the next meeting.

James Crosty accepted the appointment as the committee of one to investigate hosting an all candidates meeting and report back at the next meeting.

Consideration of when, or if, the board will or should schedule access to the complexes to allow for door to door canvassing and leaflet distribution for the provincial election was brought the floor from the agenda. Action on this matter failed due to the lack of a mover and seconder.

How and should the board recommend the displaying of election signs in the complexes in suite windows and balconies for the provincial election was introduced from the agenda. **There was no action taken on the item for lack of a mover or seconder.**

M/S/C That the City be requested to sponsor forums, including community organizations for an extensive public review of the complete city and community development plans with time between meetings for community groups to consider positions and responses.

M/S To request the city to construct a sound barrier wall or fence along the south side of the Stewardson Way truck route between the foot of 12th Street east to the McGinnis Overpass similar to those found along busy routes where there are residential developments in the area.

M/S/C To amend the motion by requesting the city to investigate the effectiveness of such a sound barrier wall or fence, considering that in this case the sound protection being requested involves high-rise towers, before consideration of such a construction project.

M/S/C To adopt the main motion as amended.

Consideration of a submission to the final hearing set for March 15th in the council chambers regarding the five tower Larco development east of the market was introduced from the agenda. **There was no action taken on the item for lack of a mover or seconder.**

M/S/C To request Translink to include bus stop service at Columbia Square for the bus route that goes along Quayside Drive.

The agenda item concerning the property management survey forms was discussed. There was a complaint that the survey form did not include the costs of garbage pickup and several similar cost items. The chair explained that the request for the survey was to provide the strata corporation with some measurement of the cost and quality of service between management companies, not the cost of other services. There was no action taken on the item for lack of a mover or seconder.

Consideration of quality of TV signal from Shaw Cable was introduced from the agenda. It was determined that this was a problem in the suite or in the complex and should be brought to the attention of Shaw Cable.

M/S That board committees cannot invite guests or speakers to meeting of the board and that guest or speakers can only be invited by the board. **The motion was defeated.**

It should be noted that First Vice-President Bruce Campbell and Val Ross are moving away from the Quay. This will leave open the position of First Vice-President also require new members for the Railway Concerns Committee. Bruce and Val were involved in the formation of the Quayside Community Board.

M/S/C That the meeting stand adjourned at 9:48 PM.

NEXT MEETING - MARCH 30, 2005