



ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

DATE: TUESDAY, 2015 NOVEMBER 10

TIME: 6:00 PM

PLACE: Council Committee Room, Main Floor, City Hall

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ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, 2015 October 13

An 'Open' meeting of the Environment Committee was held in the Council Committee Room, Main Floor, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Tuesday, 2015 October 13 at 6:00 PM.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Councillor Anne Kang, Chair
 Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Vice Chair (*arrived at 6:07 p.m.*)
 Mr. Bill Brassington Jr., Citizen Representative
 Mr. Peter Cech, Citizen Representative
 Ms. Peggy Hua, Citizen Representative
 Mr. Frank Zhao, Citizen Representative

ABSENT: Councillor Pietro Calendino, Member

STAFF: Mr. Dipak Dattani, Deputy Director Engineering
 Ms. Lee-Ann Garnett, Assistant Director Long Range Planning
 Ms. Gisele Caron, Purchasing Manager
 Ms. Heather Edwards, Manager Parks Planning & Design
 Ms. Lise Townsend, Eco System Planner
 Ms. Melinda Yong, Environmental Technician, Parks Design
 Ms. Blanka Zeinabova, Administrative Officer

The Chair called the Open meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. MINUTES

a) Open meeting of the Environment Committee held on 2015 June 09

MOVED BY MR. BRASSINGTON JR.
SECONDED BY MR. CECH

THAT the minutes of the 'Open' meeting of the Environment Committee held on 2015 June 09 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED BY MS. HUA
SECONDED BY MR. ZHAO

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**a) Correspondence from Jerry Muir, Community Relations
Manager, BC Hydro
Re: 2015 BC Hydro Community Champions Program**

Correspondence was received from Mr. Jerry Muir, Community Relations Manager, BC Hydro advising that on 2015 August 18th, BC Hydro launched the 2015 edition of our Community Championships Program. BC Hydro is looking for non-profit organizations from across BC to submit video entries that tell what they are doing to make their community more sustainable. Up to 15 finalists will be selected for public voting between October 15th and November 30th. Results of the public voting will determine the five winners on December 15th.

4. REPORTS

MOVED BY MR. CECH
SECONDED BY MR. ZHAO

THAT the reports be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Dhaliwal arrived at 6:07 p.m. and took his place at the Committee table.

**a) Report from the Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural
Services
Re: Update on the Burnaby Invasive Plant Management
in Parks**

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services submitted a report seeking authorization to proceed with the Invasive Plant Management work plan in Burnaby parks.

The Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services recommended:

1. THAT Council authorize staff to proceed with the proposed 2015/2016 work plan, as outlined in this report.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission for information.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL
SECONDED BY MR. CECHE

THAT the recommendations of the Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be adopted.

Staff provided a Power Point presentation summarizing the report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee noted that the City is doing its part removing invasive plants, and inquired if the Province can take some measures, i.e. control what is sold in the nurseries and stores, etc.

Staff undertook to review this matter and report back to the Committee.

b) Report from the Director Planning and Building
Re: Climate Change Warning Labels on Gas Pump Nozzles

The Director Planning and Building submitted a report responding to Council's request for a report on the issue of climate change warning labels on gas pump nozzles, based on the delegation from the non-profit group Our Horizon.

The Director Planning and Building recommended:

1. THAT Council consider future opportunities for public communication about climate change in the context of the regional and municipal sustainability policy framework, including Burnaby's Environmental Sustainability Strategy and Community Energy and Emissions Plan.
2. THAT copies of this report be provided to John Nguyen representing Our Horizon, to the Metro Vancouver Climate Action Committee and to Metro Vancouver member municipalities.

*** Mr. Zhao retired from the meeting at 6:49 p.m. ***

MOVED BY MR. CEC
SECONDED BY MR. BRASSINGTON JR.

THAT the recommendations of the Director Planning and Building be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Director Engineering

Mr. Dattani provided an update on nematode sale to treat European Chafer turf pest. It was noted that 696 properties were treated with 1,257 packages sold in total.

Mr. Zhao returned to the meeting at 6:59 p.m. and took his place at the Committee table

Mr. Peter Cech

Mr. Cech suggested a maximum support of the Environmental Sustainability Strategy (ESS) by the Committee, and requested the Committee's involvement and possible referendum to provide for dedicated funds to support the Strategy.

Staff provided an overview of the ESS process and noted that the Committee members will have an opportunity to promote the ESS in the future.

Councillor Anne Kang

Councillor Kang noted a recent water shortage and climate change, and requested a consideration be given to different plants and vegetation on City's boulevards (i.e. rock art).

Staff advised that work is in progress on a landscape management strategy.

6. INQUIRIES

There were no inquiries brought before the Committee at this time.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY MS. HUA
SECONDED BY MR. BRASSINGTON JR.

THAT this Open Committee meeting do now adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Blanka Zeinabova
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Councillor Anne Kang
CHAIR

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SECTION 2 COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE
 City Manager
 Deputy City Managers (2)
 Environment Committee

Re: Smoking, Butts, Garbage Can.

Dear Mayor and Council,

Once a month my office holds Coffee with Richard, which gives the constituency residents an opportunity to come and share their concerns about any issues.

At our September 26th coffee session a constituent raised the issue of the Forest Fires that gripped British Columbia this past summer, and the number that had been started with a cigarette butt tossed out a car window.

The constituent then went on to say how he has observed many cigarette butts in the city just tossed on the ground, around bus stops and shopping malls, parking lots and wondered if an education drive about putting it into a container might be in order.

He felt that if people were used to using a container (metal trash cans), then perhaps when traveling they might think twice about just tossing the butt out onto the ground.

He wondered if your environment committee had tackled this problem?

I trust that you will give this some thought and all members of council are welcome to join myself and other constituents for a coffee the last Saturday of each month at Caffè Artigiano 4359 Hastings St in "The Heights".

Richard T. Lee

Member of the Legislative Assembly for Burnaby North
 Deputy Speaker
 October 2015



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COMMITTEE REPORT

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: 2015 November 5

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING

FILE: 33000-01
Reference: Environmental Awards

SUBJECT: 2016 ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS PROGRAM

PURPOSE: To seek approval for the 2016 Environmental Awards Program call for nominations and an expenditure for promotion and advertising.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **THAT** Council approve the call for nominations for the 2016 Environmental Awards Program.
2. **THAT** Council approve an expenditure of \$2,500 from the Boards, Committees and Commissions' operating budget for promoting and advertising the Environmental Awards Program call for nominations.

REPORT**1.0 BACKGROUND**

The City of Burnaby's Environmental Awards Program recognizes significant achievements in environmental sustainability of people, businesses and organizations in our community. The program was established in 1996 based on policy direction in the State of the Environment Report for Burnaby (1993) that supported community stewardship, environmental awareness and public information. The Environmental Awards and Environment Week programs are delivered on an annual basis and the upcoming year, 2016, will be the 20th Anniversary of both programs.

The Environmental Awards Program begins with a call for nominations, followed by a selection process, whereby the citizen representatives on the Environment Committee review each submission and recommend worthy nominees to the Environment Committee and then Council for approval. The awards are presented at a reception that is scheduled in conjunction with Burnaby Environment Week. A nomination program and City-sponsored reception is proposed for 2016 to select and recognize Award recipients.

This report seeks Council approval for the 2016 Environmental Awards Program call for nominations and an advertising expenditure from the Boards, Committees and Commissions' budget to promote the nomination process.

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2.0 ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS PROGRAM

The Environmental Awards Program has six categories: Business Stewardship, Communications, Community Stewardship, Green Choices, Planning and Development and Youth, as described in *Appendix A (attached)*. As established in 2000, there are two designations in each category:

- Environmental Awards, for recognition of environmental achievements of a larger scale, such as long-term commitments to an organization or cause, leadership of numerous other individuals, and projects of a significant size and relatively complex scope, and
- Environmental Stars, for recognition of environmental achievements of a smaller or more individual scale that may nevertheless serve to catalyze larger initiatives and inspire others.

For each of the six categories, only one recipient will be selected to receive an Environmental Award. The Environmental Stars component of the program was established in 2000 to recognize other deserving nominees. The number of stars awarded in each category will be generally limited to a maximum of two nominees, in order to recognize worthy candidates.

For 2016, a six week long nomination period is proposed to open on Monday, January 18th and close on Monday, February 29th. The call for nominations will be promoted across the City using the City's web page, poster placement in all civic facilities, direct email contact with the local environmental community and the City's community partners, social media, the City's new environmental e-newsletter, and advertising in local newspapers (funds requested for advertising are discussed in Section 3.0).

After the nomination period closes, the citizen representatives and Chair of the Environment Committee will meet to review the nominations and recommend recipients for endorsement by the Environment Committee, at their April 2016 meeting, and approval by Council at a regular meeting prior to the start of Environment Week, which will begin in late May or early June.

The awards reception will be scheduled to take place adjacent to Environment Week. The exact date and location will be presented in the report outlining the approach to Environment Week, which is scheduled for the February 2016 meeting of the Environment Committee.

In past years, the nomination period opened in late February and closed in mid-April. For 2016, the nomination period is proposed for earlier in the year (January 18 to February 29) for administrative purposes, specifically to meet the Environment Committee's meeting schedule for the first half of the year.

3.0 CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP AND REQUESTED EXPENDITURES FOR ADVERTISING

Staff plans to solicit corporate sponsorship, as in previous years, to provide supplementary support for Environment Week events and activities and the Environmental Awards Reception. Sponsorship provides corporations in the community the opportunity to become involved in local environmental stewardship. Last year, Covanta Burnaby contributed to Environment Week and the Environmental Awards Reception.

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Council approval is also sought for an expenditure of \$2,500 from the Boards, Committees and Commission's operating budget to advertise and promote the Environmental Awards Program call for nominations. This amount will provide for a combination of online and print advertising in the Burnaby Now and other print media, printing costs for posters and promotional materials and paid advertising on social media. The requested expenditure is \$150 less than the amount approved in 2015 to reflect actual expenditures from last year. Staff will also promote the Environmental Awards program using the City's environmental e-newsletter, website, and social media.

4.0 CONCLUSION

The Environmental Awards Program celebrates those individuals, groups, businesses, and institutions that are contributing to the environmental sustainability of Burnaby's natural and built environments. It is recommended that the Committee seek Council approval for the 2016 Environmental Awards Program call for nominations and an advertising expenditure from the Boards, Committees and Commissions operating budget for promotion and advertising of the program.


 Lou Pelletier, Director
 PLANNING AND BUILDING

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Attachment

Copied to: City Manager
 Deputy City Managers
 Director Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
 Director Engineering
 Director Finance
 Chief Librarian
 Officer in Charge, RCMP
 Fire Chief
 Manager, Environmental Engineering
 City Clerk
 President, CUPE Local 23

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Environmental Awards Program

20TH ANNIVERSARY

burnaby.ca/environmentawards



The City of Burnaby Environmental Awards Program recognizes contributions made by individuals, groups, organizations and businesses to the environmental sustainability of our community. This year is the 20th anniversary of the program.

The City's Environmental Awards Program consists of the Environment Awards and the Environmental Stars. The Environment Awards recognize the outstanding environmental achievements of an individual or group over a number of years, while the Environmental Stars acknowledge a significant environmental achievement at a smaller scale.

Make a nomination today and show your support for Burnaby's environmental leaders!

Environment Awards 2016

burnaby.ca/environmentawards

Award Categories

1 Business Stewardship

This category identifies businesses located in Burnaby, whose exemplary environmental activities have promoted sustainability in the workplace or in the community. Nominated businesses should demonstrate excellence in raising awareness of environmental issues with staff or clients, reducing the business' ecological footprint and/or notably enhancing or rehabilitating the City's environment.

2 Communications

This category includes newspaper articles, publications, and video, audio or multi-media presentations that help to increase the understanding of environmental issues in Burnaby. The nominated work should demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of an environmental issue and its relationship to the citizens of Burnaby.

3 Community Stewardship

This category identifies citizens of Burnaby who have been actively involved in promoting environmental stewardship for several years and who, through their efforts, have increased public awareness of an environmental issue or notably enhanced or rehabilitated the City's environment.

4 Green Choices

This category recognizes residents of Burnaby who demonstrate an exemplary commitment to environmentally friendly choices in the home, garden and community. Nominated individuals should demonstrate commitment to reducing their impact on the natural environment through any or all of the following means: household energy, waste and water efficiency, innovation in natural garden practices, and other sustainable lifestyle choices.

5 Planning and Development

This category highlights exemplary developments that demonstrate innovative environmental features that may include environmentally sensitive site planning, alternative energy and climate control, water conservation, storm water or wastewater management, conservation of energy, reuse of materials, the protection and enhancement of urban streams or the enhancement of wildlife habitat in the City. Developments may range in scale from large commercial, industrial, institutional or residential projects to individual new or renovated buildings.

6 Youth

This category recognizes the contributions that children or teenagers have made, either through their own initiatives or through school programs that have resulted in enhanced public awareness of environmental issues or notably enhanced or rehabilitated the City's environment.

Nomination Information

Multiple recipients can be identified in any and all award categories. The deadline for nominations is Monday, February 29th, 2016. Visit the City's webpage at burnaby.ca/environmentawards to complete an on-line nomination form. A print version is also available.

Award Process

The Environment Awards are given annually during Environment Week. Recipients are recommended by the Citizen Representatives of the City's Environment Committee. The list is then forwarded by the Environment Committee to City Council for review and approval. The award recipients are scheduled to be announced at Council (TBA). The awards will then be presented at a special reception (TBA).

Additional Information

If you have any questions, comments, or require additional information, please contact:

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burnaby.ca/environmentawards

Nomination Deadline: February 29th, 2016