



ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, 2015 November 10

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 November 10 at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Councillor Anne Kang, Chair
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Vice Chair
Councillor Pietro Calendino, Member
Mr. Bill Brassington Jr., Citizen Representative
Mr. Peter Cech, Citizen Representative
Ms. Peggy Hua, Citizen Representative
Mr. Frank Zhao, Citizen Representative (*arrived at 6:26 p.m.*)

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

The Chair called the Open meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. MINUTES

a) **Open meeting of the Environment Committee
Held on 2015 October 13**

MOVED BY MR. BRASSINGTON JR.

SECONDED BY MS. HUA

THAT the minutes of the Open meeting of the Environment Committee held on 2015 October 13 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO
SECONDED BY MR. CECH

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) **Correspondence from Richard Lee, MLA for Burnaby North**
Re: Discarded Cigarettes and Fire Hazard

Correspondence was received from Mr. Richard Lee, MLA for Burnaby North, expressing his constituent's concerns regarding forest fires in BC this past summer, and the number that had been started with cigarettes tossed out a car window. In addition, the constituent noted cigarette butts are tossed on the ground in the City, around bus stops, shopping malls, and parking lots, and wondered if an education awareness drive might be in order.

Staff advised the City does not have an active educational program.

Arising from discussion, Councillor Calendino was granted leave to introduce the following motion:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO
SECONDED BY MR. CECH

THAT staff provide a memorandum to the Committee in response to this issue.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee requested the following be included in the memorandum: potential cost of the educational pilot program, areas of problem, resource allocation, and jurisdictional review.

4. **REPORTS**

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

THAT the report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) Report from the Director Planning & Building
Re: 2016 Environmental Awards Program

The Director Planning and Building submitted a report seeking approval for the 2016 Environmental Awards Program call for nominations and the expenditure for promotion and advertising.

The Director Planning and Building recommended:

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.

Mr. Zhao arrived at the meeting at 6:26 p.m. and took his place at the Committee table.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee suggested the following:

- staff review award categories for 2017;
- advertise the Program in InfoBurnaby and explore other advertising options, i.e. malls, digital ads, bus stops, BIAs, etc.;
- review circulation of Burnaby Now newspaper;
- explore creating a resource page for teachers and contact individual school coordinators;
- create a hashtag for Twitter, and expand use of social media and possible incentives if people share the City's content.

Arising from discussion, Councillor Dhaliwal was granted leave to introduce the following motion:

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO

THAT staff investigate the feasibility of changing the venue for the Environmental Award Program, and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee further suggested the Environment Award ceremony be held in conjunction with Council meeting.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Dhaliwal

Councillor Dhaliwal requested staff provide an overview of the streetlight conversion program.

Staff advised the City successfully completed trial installations to test and demonstrate the benefits of light-emitting diodes (LEDs) streetlights. The LED streetlights last up to five times longer, requiring less maintenance, provide a whiter light source and are 'dark sky' compliant. By replacing 1,900 streetlights, the City is expected to save about 760,000 kilowatt hours each year.

Complete conversion of the City's 11,000 streetlights is expected to be completed by 2018.

Councillor Kang

Councillor Kang encouraged Committee members to attend City's environmental events and other public events, provide feedback to staff, network with community members and share the City's Facebook and Twitter posts.

6. INQUIRIES

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

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO

SECONDED BY MR. ZHAO

THAT this Open Committee meeting do now adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Blanka Zeinabova
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Councillor Anne Kang
CHAIR