



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

An Open meeting of the Public Safety Committee was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. on Tuesday, **2018 September 18** at 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT:

Councillor Pietro Calendino, Chair
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Vice Chair
Ms. Donna Dawson, Burnaby Crime Prevention Society
Trustee Larry Hayes, Burnaby Board of Education
Mr. Cory Redekop, Burnaby Board of Trade
Mr. Stephen Baron, Citizens' Representative
Mr. Lloyd Paul, Citizens' Representative
Mr. David Pereira, Citizens' Representative
Mr. Dave Reid, Citizens' Representative
Mr. Aki Ediriweera, Chair District #2 – Burnaby Mountain
Ms. Tazul Nisha Ali, Chair District #3 – Southeast
Ms. Mary Gates, Chair District #4 – Southwest

ABSENT:

Councillor James Wang, Member
Councillor Nick Volkow, Member (*due to illness*)
Ms. Emily Li, Citizens' Representative
Ms. Bethany Matricardi, Citizens' Representative
Ms. Serena Mawani, Citizens' Representative
Ms. Lisa Bruschetta, Vice Chair District #1 – Hastings/Brentwood

ADVISORY

ORGANIZATIONS:

Mr. Ken Robb, Burnaby HUB
Ms. Laura Ward, District Parent Advisory Council Representative

STAFF:

Mr. Dave Critchley, Director Public Safety and Community Services
Chief Superintendent Deanne Burleigh, Officer in Charge, RCMP
Deputy Fire Chief Dave Samson, Fire Department
Mr. Doug Louie, Assistant Director Engineering, Transportation Services
Sergeant Lorena Rostie, Strategic Planning NCO, RCMP
Ms. Margaret Manifold, Senior Social Planner
Ms. Lauren Cichon, Administrative Officer

The Chair called the Open meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

2. **MINUTES**

a) **Minutes of the Open meeting of the Public Safety Committee held on 2018 July 17**

MOVED BY TRUSTEE HAYES

SECONDED BY MR. BARON

THAT the minutes of the Open meeting of the Public Safety Committee held on 2018 July 17 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL

SECONDED BY MR. BARON

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) **Correspondence from Keri Brummitt Re: Cariboo Road at Cariboo Drive**

Correspondence was received from Ms. Keri Brummitt requesting the City to install a light on Cariboo Road and Cariboo Drive.

The writer has been informed the City has installed a special rectangular rapid flashing beacon crosswalk with pedestrian actuated push buttons at the intersection of the church's driveway. It is to be converted to a full signal by the end of the year. There are also changes being made to the T-intersection of Cariboo Road and Cariboo Drive. Pedestrian crossings are not encouraged here and the bus stop nearby will be relocated.

b) **Correspondence from Katy Alkins-Jang Re: Request for Traffic Calming Measures for Victory Street between Royal Oak Avenue and Nelson Avenue**

Correspondence was received from Ms. Katy Alkins-Jang expressing concerns for Victory Street between Royal Oak Avenue and Nelson Avenue of noticeable increase in volume and speeding vehicles as a pass thru.

MOVED BY MR. PAUL
SECONDED BY MR. PEREIRA

THAT the writer's concerns be **REFERRED** to staff for review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c) **Memorandum from the Director Public Safety and
Community Services**
Re: Update on Highgate Greenway Concerns and Activities

A memorandum was received from the Director Public Safety and Community Services advising that at the 2018 July 17 meeting, the Committee requested an update regarding the concerns raised of undesirable activity at the Highgate Greenway.

Staff advised the benches have been removed, installed temporary fencing around the common area for landscaping, and random weekday and weekend patrols have been conducted for proper use of the area.

Residents who raised the initial concerns advised troubling activities have been reduced or eliminated. Staff will continue to monitor the area and ensure proactive measures are taking place.

d) **Memorandum from the Director Public Safety and Community
Services**
Re: Pickup Procedures on Discarded Syringes on City Property

A memorandum was received from the Director Public Safety and Community Services advising that at the 2018 July 17 meeting, the issue of discarded needles on City property was raised. Staff advised the following departments are responsible for discarding hypodermic needles located on/in:

Engineering Department:

- roads, sidewalks and walkways;
- public boulevards and vacant City lots;
- bridges; and
- bus shelters.

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services:

- parklands;
- trails;
- civic facilities; and
- horticulture beds.

Staff further advised the issue will be closely monitored and programs will be considered, if needed.

4. REPORTS

MOVED BY TRUSTEE HAYES
SECONDED BY MR. PAUL

THAT the reports be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) Report from the Director Engineering
Re: Traffic Concerns along Duthie Avenue, north of Hastings
Street

The Director Engineering submitted a report seeking approval to review and recommend measures to address traffic concerns along Duthie Avenue, north of Hastings Street.

The Director Engineering recommended:

1. THAT the Committee recommend that Council approve the traffic management measures outlined in this report to address traffic concerns along Duthie Avenue north of Hastings Street.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to Audrey Flagel and Anne Van Akker for information.

MOVED BY MR. PAUL
SECONDED BY MR. PEREIRA

THAT the recommendations of the Director Engineering be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b) Report from the Director Engineering
Re: Traffic Concerns at Kitchener Elementary School

The Director Engineering submitted a report to respond to traffic concerns along Gilmore Avenue in front of Kitchener Elementary School.

The Director Engineering recommended:

1. THAT the Committee receive this report for information.
2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the Kitchener Elementary School PAC and others copied on the letter from the PAC to the Public Safety Committee.

MOVED BY MR. PAUL
SECONDED BY MR. REID

THAT the recommendations of the Director Engineering be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

MOVED BY MR. EDIRIWEERA
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL

THAT the monthly reports be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a) **District #1 - no submission**

No report was provided at this time.

There was no meeting held in July or August 2018.

b) **District #2 - July/September 2018**

Mr. Ediriweera, Chair, provided a report of activities that took place in District #2 during July and September 2018:

- A complaint was brought up from one of the community members regarding safety on the Highway #1 Gaglardi Way exit in the direction towards Loughheed Highway/Cariboo Road. The member expressed concern while exiting the highway eastbound, attempting to turn right on Cariboo Road while vehicles coming westbound from the exit are driving too fast.

The Chair of CPAC D2 inquired to the Committee any recommendations how to implement reducing speed or increasing safety in the area for vehicles to travel on Cariboo Road.

Staff undertook to follow up with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

- There has been an increase in drug use around the Cameron Recreation Complex (including the library). Staff members are concerned as individuals are using the facility to pick up/sell drugs.

The Committee requested staff to monitor the facility.

- Teenagers are bringing alcohol and drugs at the park by the Creekside Youth Centre.

Staff undertook to investigate.

- The Bike Patrol in the North Road area has been very successful and residents are thankful for the service being provided.

The Chair noted there was no meeting held in August 2018 due to a lack of quorum.

c) District #3 - no submission

No report was provided at this time.

d) District #4 - no submission

No report was provided at this time.

There was no meeting held in July 2018 due to a lack of quorum and no meeting held in August 2018.

e) RCMP

Chief Superintendent Burleigh submitted a report providing an overview of activities that took place during June and July 2018. The Chief Superintendent highlighted the following items:

- statistics have decreased except theft from automobiles;
- robberies and automobile crime are high concern in the Metrotown area;
- Strike Force had been investigating series of break and enters into garages in the North Burnaby area in April 2018. They executed a search warrant in June 2018 of the suspect who is identified as a 51 year old male from Burnaby recovering hundreds of stolen items;
- in early June, a complaint noted a male suspect in a grey Ford pick-up truck attempted to steal a trailer from a closed business in the area of Ingleton Avenue and Kitchener Street. The Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) has recommended a number of charges against a 47 year old man from Langley;

- on July 07, Burnaby RCMP received notice a bait vehicle was activated in the Edmonds Area. The suspect was detained and Burnaby POST confirmed the suspect was in possession of property stolen from the bait vehicle;
- the Community Response Team has been conducting foot patrols in June and July at Brentwood Mall, Lougheed Mall, Metrotown Mall, Highgate Park, Central Park, Confederation Park and the Bob Prittie Library area;
- the Crime Prevention Unit have been very active and represented the Burnaby RCMP at the Willingdon Linear Park opening;
- Community Police Office volunteers checked 667 vehicles at speed watch locations along with 675 vehicles checked at cellphone watch locations;
- the Youth Investigate Team (YIT) coordinated with School District officials took steps to be prepared for possible pranks and criminal activities during the last few weeks of the school year which helped substantially;
- on June 14, Burnaby RCMP YIT were dispersed to different school zones to remind motorists to slow down and enforce traffic laws;
- YIT conducted foot and bike patrols in crime hotspots;
- the Victim Services Unit opened 125 files for June; and
- in July, 12 Auxiliary Constables contributed to 202 hours to events which included Canada Day, VSO, Giro di Burnaby and more.

The Chair thanked the Chief Superintendent, Officer in Charge, RCMP for conducting foot and bike patrols in the City.

f) Fire Department - July/August 2018

The Fire Chief submitted a report providing an overview of activities that took place during July/August 2018. The Deputy Fire Chief highlighted the following items:

- there were significant fire events in July and August and advised nobody was hurt in these incidents;
- thanked Emergency Support Services for helping residents in multitude of events;
- significant decrease in medical emergency responses;
- the City was on standby for the BC wildfires, but didn't actually get deployed;
- training division was busy in the summer with many events;
- continuing routine inspections; and
- thanked the Burnaby Firefighters Charitable Society for all their volunteer time and work in the community.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Calendino – Resignation from Serena Mawani

Correspondence was received from Ms. Serena Mawani, Citizens' Representative, informing the Committee of her resignation. Ms. Mawani has moved from Burnaby and will no longer meet the residency requirement.

MOVED BY MR. PAUL
SECONDED BY MR. REID

THAT the Committee send a thank you letter to Ms. Serena Mawani for her service.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. INQUIRIES

Stephen Baron – Deer Lake Parkway and Royal Oak Avenue

Mr. Baron inquired about the left hand turn lane on Royal Oak Avenue going northbound on Deer Lake Parkway and Royal Oak Avenue raising concerns it can be a blind spot.

Staff undertook to liaise with ICBC on the crash history and data for the intersection.

Dave Reid – 7402 17th Avenue

Mr. Reid inquired about the concerns raised by the delegation at the 2018 July 17 meeting and whether any of the concerns addressed by Mr. Ivankovic have been resolved.

Staff advised they have been in contact with the delegation, executing bike and foot patrols in the area and are in the process of creating long term solutions.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY TRUSTEE HAYES
SECONDED BY MR. REDEKOP

THAT this Open Committee meeting do now adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Open meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Lauren Cichon
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Councillor Pietro Calendino
CHAIR

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