

PUBLIC HEARING

September 13, 2010 7:02 p.m.
Council Chamber
City Hall

PRESENT:

Mayor Wayne Wright
Councillor Jonathan Coté
Councillor Bill Harper
Councillor Betty McIntosh
Councillor Bob Osterman
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy
Councillor Lorrie Williams

STAFF:

Mr. Paul Daminato	- City Administrator
Mr. Rick Page	- Corporate Officer/Director of Legislative Services
Ms. Lisa Spitale	- Director of Development Services
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Randy Grant	- Acting Director of Finance & Information Technology
Chief Tim Armstrong	- Fire Chief
Ms. Judi Turner	- Assistant Corporate Officer

The Public Hearing was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

BUSINESS

1. [Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 7396, 2010 \[a Bylaw to adopt the Downtown Community Plan as an Official Community Plan\]](#)

- i) The Acting Director of Development Services summarized the intent of the bylaw and gave a description of the proposal.
- ii) The Corporate Officer advised about the written submissions received in response to the Notice of Hearing.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following correspondence be received:

- *City of Richmond re: support*
- *British Columbia Ministry of Transportation re: support*
- *Metro Vancouver re: support*
- *Translink re: support*

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- iii) The Mayor invited persons having an interest in the above bylaw to address Council.

Paul Johanson, New Westminster resident, made the following comments:

- Commented on the replacement of Patullo Bridge and encapsulation plans of Front Street – noting these plans are not mentioned in the proposed OCP
- These plans will affect zoning, business, property lines, roadways, property values, businesses, buildings from Royal Avenue to the Waterfront
- Suggested these dramatic changes should be reflected in the OCP as they will profoundly reshape the Downtown core and urged the proposed bylaw be deferred until that takes place.

Mary Rosen, New Westminster resident, made the following comments:

- Is interested in the land use designations
- Development of mid and low rise areas creates concerns over parking
- The bylaw will greatly impact areas for development
- Is concerned over the term “comprehensive development” in the proposed bylaw, which is a very broad term
- Every other plan over the next 5 years will have a significant impact on this bylaw.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following be referred to Council for consideration:

- *Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 7396, 2010.*

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR

RICHARD L. PAGE
CORPORATE OFFICER