

Present:

Chair - Councillor Villeneuve
Councillor Gill
Councillor Hayne
Councillor LeFranc
Councillor Martin
Councillor Starchuk
Councillor Steele
Councillor Woods
Mayor Hepner

Absent:**Staff Present:**

City Clerk
City Manager
City Solicitor
General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Finance & Technology
General Manager, Human Resources
General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture
General Manager, Planning & Development

A. DELEGATIONS**1. Michael Buda, Interim Executive Director
Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation**

File: 8310-01; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide an update on the Transportation and Transit Referendum.

The following comments were made:

- One million people are expected to move into the Region over the next 25 years. By 2045, Surrey's population will have grown one and a half times what it is today, and will have more than twice as many jobs.
- Six in ten Surrey residents leave Surrey to go to work. Four in ten trips overall that start in Surrey are headed to other parts of the Metro Vancouver region. Residents and businesses rely on the regional roadway and transit networks to travel to work and school, as well as to run errands, and visit family and friends.
- The Mayors' Council developed a comprehensive and integrated plan to address the region's transportation needs, with the plan being funded by users and taxpayers.
- The Mayors' Plan calls for a \$7.5 billion capital investment in the regional transportation network. Investment is supported in three ways:
 - fare and toll revenues
 - new regional revenues
 - funding partnerships
- Different than other taxes, the new funding source will include protections such as independent audits and ensuring the public is regularly informed of progress towards implementing the Plan.
- Light rail transit will be built in Surrey, the region's most significant passenger rail investment since the completion of the Expo Line. The LRT

network will be integrated into the SkyTrain system and the new B-Line bus routes.

- Significant additional bus service in Surrey will improve connections to rail and other transit networks. Beginning in 2018, there will be increased bus service on currently busy/crowded corridors. Expanded bus service will reach neighbourhoods currently without any service at all, namely:
 - Clayton
 - Grandview Heights/Morgan Creek
 - South Port Kells/Anniedale
- Throughout the region there will be a 30% increase in HandyDART service with more than 100 new HandyDART vehicles.
- There will be \$36 million per year for rehabilitating, upgrading and maintaining the major road network, including sidewalks, bike lanes, lighting, intersection safety upgrades and improving signal timing.
- Other projects include building a new Pattullo Bridge and upgrading the existing rail system.
- With the Plan, the number of residents in Surrey within walking distance of the frequent transit network will increase from 27% to 56%.

2. **Emily Watson, Manager, Demographics and Facilities Planning;
Tina Munro, Senior Manager, Business Management Services; and
Kerry Magnus, Associate Director, Business Management Services,
School District #36**

File: 0510-20; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide a brief presentation on how the School District student projection calculations are arrived at.

The following comments were made:

- Year One projections are used for budgeting, staffing, catchment changes, and portable moves. Year One to Ten projections are used for Capital Planning and Long-Term Facility and Educational Planning. Longer range projections, such as the Five-Year Capital Plan, are submitted to the Ministry of Education.
- Projections are influenced by many factors, such as:
 - existing population of school-aged children in a catchment
 - new residential development
 - building permit activity
 - birth rates
 - new registration information
- The School District works with City staff to monitor new residential developments, and with schools to closely monitor new trends and

anomalies. Enrolment projection is critical for the capital planning process.

- The Ministry of Education transfers responsibility for planning and managing capital projects to boards of education. The Ministry submits its consolidated capital plan through the Capital Planning Secretariat for approval of government in its corporate capital plan.
- Building new space takes time, with a long lead-in. Before being considered for capital, a pre-feasibility plan must be developed. A new secondary school, from pre-design through construction, takes four years; three years for a new elementary school.
- The feasibility plan is completed five years before a new school opens, and things can change during that time. With the pace of Surrey's growth, there are 80 portables on sites which cost \$4 million annually from the operating budget.

Discussion

Council inquired whether the assessment model is working or if it should be revisited in terms of the accuracy of the numbers. The delegation stated that the School District does go back and look at the numbers. Templates apply to the average rate across the district. Under some catchments, where there are laneway houses and suites, they are pulling out more school aged children than expected.

3. **Jane Adams, President & CEO, Surrey Hospital & Outpatient Centre Foundation, and Andy Libbiter, Executive Director, Mental Health & Substance Use**
File: 0460-20; 0550-20-10

In attendance before Council to provide information on the development of a regional 10-bed Child and Youth Psychiatric Unit at Surrey Memorial Hospital.

The following comments were made:

- Fraser Health has the youngest population among the regional Health Authorities in B.C. with 30% under the age of 24.
- 17-20% of this age bracket may experience mild to moderate mental health issues which can be addressed through access to primary care; 7-10% will have more serious mental health issues requiring a range of secondary services. Approximately 3% (15,000) of young people will have emerging serious mental illness such as schizophrenia or bipolar disorder.
- Half of all lifetime mental illness starts by age 14; 75% by age 24. Onset typically occurs during adolescence - depression, substance abuse, eating disorders and self-harm. Suicide is the second leading cause of death in this age group.

- Severe mental illness such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder typically present in late adolescence & early adulthood.
- Community mental health services for children and youth are provided by the Ministry of Children and Family Development. Acute care, crisis response, and adolescent day treatment services are provided by Fraser Health.
- One signifier of increasing demand is the number of admissions to Fraser Health hospitals. Between 2008 and 2012 there were 650-700 admissions into ER of children and youth presenting with psychological disorders. In 2013 that number rose to 1,000 and jumped again in 2014 to 1,200.
- In 2013 there were 2,000 visits (non-admissions) of children and youth to ER for psychological and substance use reasons, and 2,416 in 2014. The numbers could approach 4,000 by the end of 2015.
- Increased collaboration is required between Fraser Health and the Ministry of Child and Family Development. There needs to be a provincial collaborative process; enhanced child youth crisis response service; and the establishment of a Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Stabilization Unit (CAPSU).
- CAPSU would provide a short stay assessment and crisis stabilization for children and youth 6-17 years of age with acute psychiatric crisis requiring urgent hospital intervention that cannot be managed with current community supports.
- CAPSU would operate seven days a week, 365 days a year and would provide ten adolescent psych beds. A specialized multidisciplinary team with dedicated child and adolescent psychiatrists would provide assessment, consultation, and treatment, with an average stay of five to seven days.
- Currently, children and youth are being admitted to adult psychiatric units and pediatric units. While good care is provided in these units, they are not recommended for optimal care.
- CAPSU will be located on the Surrey Memorial Hospital (SMH) campus. Opening is anticipated for September 2016.
- The delegation requested that these minutes reflect Council's endorsement and extended an invitation to tour the pediatric services already existing at SMH and get a sense of where the unit will be located.

Discussion

The Mayor requested that the minutes reflect Council's strong support for the CAPSU project and consider it an urgent matter for Fraser Health consideration.

- B. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

- C. CORPORATE REPORTS

- D. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- E. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

- F. OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

- G. ADJOURNMENT

It was

now adjourn.

Moved by Councillor Steele
Seconded by Councillor Martin
That the Council-in-Committee meeting do

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Councillor Villeneuve, Chairperson