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Minutes September 26th, 2007

At Anchor Pointe – 7:30PM - 1135 Quayside Common Room

Special Guest: Brian Allen regarding C-11 and trains: Section 95 of C-11 refers to noise, and resolving noise contentions. First step is for the concerned parties to try to come to a mutual resolution. If that fails the act then puts the ministry of transportation to become involved.

With the passing of C-11, Allen has sent letters to both Burlington Northern (who are not a significant problem) and to Southern Railway, which is. As of this meeting it has been 4 weeks since their dispatch and no reply has been received. Find attached additional information and the act as it relates to the Quayside area. Contact Brian Allen at brian.allen@blackshire.com

A. **CALLED TO ORDER:** 7:41PM - 10 of 17 attended with regrets Geraldine Harder, Dockside, Ted Eddy & Allan Morris, Promenade, Fran Jull & Lynn Bourrier, Westminster Landing, Andrew Sinclair, Riviera. Missing: Excelsior, Quayside Terrace, Rialto, and Tower II.

B. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM QCB MEETING:** August 1st, 2007 with changes to Tower I report MSC: YES

C. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

1. **Azure Towers (Plaza 88) report:** Update Allan Morris: Email regarding property located at 8th and Columbia as a public square and concerns about future problems and negative activity. Request to have an understanding of the plans for this space. Answer: Property is privately owned not by city or Plaza 88. Idea has been floated to secure the space as connection to sky train but purely speculation at this time.

Email sent regarding garbage bin place at the exit from McInnis overpass again. Response from Kathy Prothero of the city that they will contact the developer and this should be address immediately. That was September 25th as of today it is still there.

2. **Website:** Has been updated with Festival results and pictures. Further updates on new board members and direct email address are being considered. Motion to approve invoice for festival banner and June minutes' update for \$53.00 MSC: YES.

It was proposed for discussion to use Google Mail as a means of consolidating and unifying the QCB members' emails. It was suggested that each member get a Google mail account, which is free, which would receive via forwarding emails directed to the QCB address. This is a relatively simple way of delegating the email management from a QCB administrator back to the individual members. This would also give the members an opportunity to set up their own email system within their strata. It is to be noted that Google mail also provides simple web services and will procure a domain name for \$10.

3. **Mail box for west end of Quayside Drive:** Matthew: NTR

4. **Quayside Market Membership Card Report:** James C: Very few responses from the BIA. Motion to remove from the minutes until next year. MSC: YES.

5. **Strata Council update:** Michele Sereda has moved from the Quay. New appointment is Marta Nykl.

6. **Poplar Landing Development:** Allan: No movement on this parcel yet but the city knows we want to participate. Special mention was made at city council on the 27th to consider a community center for the Quayside area, as we have no such facility at this time.

8. State of Arts and Culture: Guy: Attached to the minutes. Guy elaborated that the on-line questionnaire seemed to be token gesture, stating that the nature and structure of the questions felt contrived so as to give the pretext of wanting to appear interested. He added that he couldn't put his finger on why he felt that way. He also added that the BC created web links to community arts and festivals was quite good.

9. CHOA: Membership renewal requested. Email Janet Haberfield concerning value of membership and what we get for our membership. After some discussion on the usefulness of CHOA to the QCB, it was felt that its better use was at the individual strata level. As a consequence it was moved to not rejoin CHOA MSC: YES. It is to be noted, however, that this was not because CHOA was seen as not worth joining, because all agreed that there was value there, but simply that as a board the benefits were marginal, and better utilized at the strata level. It was also brought to the QCB's attention that the CHOA's fall education program is beginning and to go to their web page for details and registration. <http://www.choa.bc.ca/>

10. Urban Sustainability: Matthew: There is to be a meeting in a few weeks.

D. PRESIDENTS REPORT: James: Notice from City Hall that Variance permits for residents must now be presented to RA first prior to going to council effective August 28th. Good start. Is there any support to extend this to developers as well? Yes MSC: YES.

City council passed a resolution to be informed about developments before they come to council for a vote. Discussion around the potential for conflict or councilors having made up their minds before it goes to vote.

Attended council on August 27th and thanked the parks and recreation department for support on Festival and to give Councilor Williams her prize of tickets to the RCM Westside Story show. Meeting has been set for RA to attend city hall on Oct 11th and I will attend.

E. TREASURER'S REPORT: Maureen: Festival Review. Budget was \$1000.00 Balance left over was \$769.17. Total cost for the festival was \$230.83 after T-Shirt Sales. Please note QCB T-Shirts are still available for \$10.00each. Cost for festival was less than expected and a motion to increase donation to the Royal City Musical Group from \$358.00 to \$500.00 was tabled, MSC: YES. Balance in the account will be provided at next meeting. Invoices for 2008 fees will be sent out this month.

F. NEW BUSINESS: Port Royal Hi-Rise has requested 12 members for a committee to review the project and make suggestions to the proposal prior to going to council. Allan reports that he attended the development on Sunday and was told by the salesperson that the tower will be between 16 and 22 floors. He then said he heard it was confirmed at 19. Mr. Roppel informed James that they want to start fresh with not preconceived heights until they hear from Quayside and Queensborough. Queensborough is scheduled to meet on Oct 4th and James will attend this meeting as an observer with Gavin attending our meeting to ensure continuity of discussion between our groups. Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Oct 2nd time and place TBA. Volunteers: James, Allan, Maxine, Mathew, Pat, Jay, Mike, Paul, Brian and Gavin to date.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS:

1. Special events committee: Matthew and James Festival Review: Lions raised \$616.00 in the hotdog sale and expressed thanks for opportunity and will be there next year. Aristata was extremely happy to perform for us. All the table renters were pleased with the sales and expressed intentions to come back next year. Parks and Recreation department helped out with electricity and garbage collection. Tents from Hyack Festival and Root Source Inc were provided. Special thanks to all the members that helped on Friday night and Saturday with the tables. Offer from the Hyack Football team to help next year. Several Bands also offered to play next year and a sponsor for tents will help out next year as well.

Light Up the Quay event. Event organizers appointed. Aaron Johnson was appointed chair in absentia. MSC: YES. Hopefully this will be organized earlier than last year and the weather will be better!

2. Traffic and Boardwalk committee: Guy, Matthew & Jaime: Jaime will not be able to represent the board next year. She enjoyed the experience. The QCB thanked her for participating.

3. Gateway report: Guy & Matthew: NTR

4. Port Royal Dust: Tabled from last meeting Mel Dale – Email concerning sand blasting at the Fraser Shipyards across the river pictures submitted. Request that the QCB forward this to city hall for evaluation and comment.

5. Plaza 88 Security: Recent article in Record re crime and crackdown on street activities. Additional resources from the city are trying to deal with the homeless issue. Motion to remove MSC: YES

H. STRATA REPORTS: It was suggested that the QCB host a meeting of building caretakers and maintenance people to discuss issues common to all strata complexes. This option to be considered by strata councils and decided at next QCB meeting. Tabled from last meeting. Motion to remove MSC: YES

Anchor Pointe: NTR **Dockside:** Dealing with the membrane repairs and a change of agent. Congrats on Festival success and request to extend the time till 5PM or even over onto Sunday. **Excelsior:** NTR **Laguna Landing:** Recent AGM – will investigate upgrading security to include fobs and cameras. **Lido:** SGM – surplus-piping funds; security upgrade deferred. **Promenade:** Re-piping continues. **Quay West:** Currently working to get quotes on decks, pavers and garden ties very challenging. **Quayside Terrace:** NTR **Rialto:** NTR **Riverbend Co-op:** Break-in in parking – car remote stolen from car. **Riviera:** NTR **Tiffany Shores:** Envelope repair progressing. **Tower I:** Envelope repairs progressing well – completion end of Oct re-piping approved. Sharing security with Tower II. **Tower II:** NTR **Murano:** NTR **Westport:** Great work on the Festival congratulations. Parking remediation almost complete. **Westminster Landing Co-op:** NTR.

I. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

Michelle Morgan – Speeding on Quayside and report to City Hall. Response from Kathy Prothero to forward concern to Traffic Division and Police services to monitor speeding.

Matt Lorenzi – A polite email regarding the lights from the Key West car dealership on Columbia off 3rd Ave. Comment that the lights from the Toyota dealership are designed to shine down and are less intense. Mr. Lorenzi was wondering if this is a concern from other members?

Don Coulson – Email asking for support on a smoking ban in public places and request for QCB to support this effort.

Email congratulations on the Festival success: Janet Haberfield, Ron Hutchison, Bob Osterman, Betty McIntosh, Gord Lee, Colleen & Dean Morrisette, Allan Pringle and many more.

L. MOTION TO ADJOURN: MSC 9:10PM

Next meeting October 24th, 2007 Anchor Pointe 7:30PM.