



**DOWNTOWN SURREY BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at Neptune Restaurant

**Attending**

FIFTY people REPRESENTING SIXTY-ONE properties (11 people), NINETEEN businesses (17 people), and guests. The City of Surrey was represented by Councillor/Acting Mayor Bruce Hayne, Councillor Linda Hepner, Councillor Barinder Rasode, and Kiran Kooner of Economic Development. The RCMP was represented by Staff Sergeant Scott Campbell, CSOs Josh Waltman and Simon Wong.

**Welcome & Introductions:**

Welcome by James Stewart DSBIA President. Elizabeth Model, CEO called the 2014 Downtown Surrey BIA AGM was called to order: at 8:05 am and a quorum was established.

**Agenda:**

**MOTION:** That the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

**MOVED/SECONDED** David Pel/Wolfgang Degemann ..... **Carried**

**Minutes of AGM February 28, 2013:**

**MOTION:** That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on February 28, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

**MOVED/SECONDED** Kelly Botchar/Greg Mitchell ..... **Carried**

**Annual Report:**

The Annual Report for 2012 was distributed. It summarizes the work and accomplishments for the year and included a brief overview of the plans for 2013 and the budget that was adopted at the EGM on September 22, 2011 as part of the BIA Renewal.

**MOTION:** That the Annual Report be accepted.

**MOVED/SECONDED** James Stewart/Bill Rempel ..... **Carried**

**Financial/Auditor's Report:**

**MOTION:** That the Audited Financial Statements prepared by Bouchard & Company for the period January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013 as presented by David Pel be accepted as circulated.

**MOVED/SECONDED** James Stewart/Greg Mitchell ..... **Carried**

**MOTION:** That the Proposed budget for 2014 as presented by David Pel be accepted as circulated.

**MOVED/SECONDED** Bill Rempel/Greg Mitchell ..... **Carried**

**Bylaw Amendments**

**The following amendments were proposed and voted on by paper ballot.**

1. Terms for Directors – Directors can stand for four consecutive terms of two years each commencing with the next election. **52 for; 17 against. Carried**
2. Individuals wishing to stand for the Board must put their name forward 15 days prior to the AGM **58 for; 11 against. Carried**
3. Change the title of the Executive Director from Executive Director to CEO and President to Chair. **58 for; 11 against. Carried**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Bylaws of the Association be amended as follows:

- A. That Bylaw 5.6 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair” and by replacing the word “Vice-President” with the word “Vice-Chair”, wherever those words appear.
- B. That Bylaw 6.2 be amended by inserting the following as subparagraph (e):  
“6.2(e) Directors shall be permitted to stand for up to four consecutive two-year terms of office.”
- C. That Bylaw 6.4 be amended by deleting the existing wording in its entirety and inserting in its place the following:  
“6.4 Any individual who wishes to be nominated for election to the Board of Directors must submit his or her name to the nominating committee at least fifteen days prior to the Annual General Meeting.”
- D. That Bylaw 6.14 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair”, by replacing the word “President’s” with the word “Chair’s” and by replacing the word “Vice-Presidents” with the word “Vice-Chairs”, wherever those words appear.
- E. That Bylaw 6.15 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair”.
- F. That Bylaw 7.3 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair”.
- G. That Bylaw 7.4 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair”.
- H. That Bylaw 8.1 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair”.
- I. That Bylaw 8.2 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair” and by replacing the word “Vice-President” with the word “Vice-Chair”, wherever those words appear.
- J. That Bylaw 8.7 be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair”.
- K. That Bylaw 9.1 be amended by replacing the words “Executive Director” with the words “Chief Executive Officer”, wherever those words appear.
- L. That Bylaw 9.2 be amended by replacing the words “Executive Director” with the words “Chief Executive Officer”.
- M. That Bylaw 9.4 be amended by replacing the words “Executive Director” with the words “Chief Executive Officer”.
- N. That Bylaw 12.1(a) be amended by replacing the word “President” with the word “Chair” and by replacing the word “Vice-President” with the word “Vice-Chair”.

**Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Board of Directors:**

Directors with one year remaining in their term

Charan Sethi	Elfie Stumpf	Joanne Curry	Kelly Botchar
Michael Wilson	Cheryl Christensen	James Stewart	Melissa Bailey
Tony Hui	Larry Fisher	Greg Mitchell	

Directors Nominated and standing for re-election

Bob Dominick	David Halkett	Wolfgang Degemann	Glenda Sawatzky
Jay Redmond	Bill Rempel	David Pel	

Nominated for election

Micheal McNaught	Andrew Westlund
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**MOTION:** That the Nominating committee Report be accepted as presented.

**MOVED/SECONDED** James Stewart/Greg Mitchell ..... **Carried**

Nominations from the Floor: none

Election of Directors: By acclamation

A Special Thank-you and presentation to Michael Nielsen for his seven years of service as a DSBIA Director.

Members were asked if there were any additional items of business to address. None identified.

**MOTION:** To conclude the AGM at 8:25 am

**MOVED/SECONDED** Glenda Sawatzky/Kelly Botchar ..... **Carried**

AGM ended at 8:25 am

Following the AGM, Cheryl Christensen introduced guest speaker, Mr. Michael Goldberg who gave a talk on the economic benefits of transit for commercial districts and an overview of SCDC.