

## Citizens' Advisory Panel

**Date:** Friday, March 12, 2010  
**Time:** 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM  
**Place:** Victoria City Hall – Committee Room 1

## MEETING NOTES

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### Attendance

**Members:** Cara Segger, Jim Kerr, David Cubberley, Don Prittie, Andrew Turner  
**Staff:** Gail Stephens [Chair], Mike McCliggott, Peter Sparanese, Katie Josephson, Howard Markson, Allison Ashcroft, Mike Lai

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The Chair called the meeting to order at about 7:30 am and introduced two new members to the Advisory Panel – Don Prittie, Chair of the Greater Victoria Harbour Authority and Andrew Turner, Managing Director, Colliers International. Short biographies of the new members were read to the Panel.

The Chair provided a brief overview of the process for the Johnson Street Bridge Project for the benefit of the new members from the Condition Assessment Report to the outcome of the Alternate Approval Process, including the need to undertake technical work for the rehabilitation option as directed by Council at the February 18, 2010 Governance & Priorities Committee [GPC] meeting.

Some amendments were suggested the for the February 11, 2010 meeting notes and these were adopted as amended.

Peter Sparanese provided members with an overview of the February 18, 2010 GPC report and presentation. At their meeting, Council approved Option “B” in the report towards a fall referendum as follows:

- To develop detailed design drawings and Class “C” cost estimate for the rehabilitation option,
- Update the cost for the replacement bridge,
- Conduct a peer review,
- Initiate public engagement,
- Undertake an economic impact assessment relative to possible bridge or lane closures associated with bridge work,
- Assess the cost differences associated with different levels of seismic upgrade, and
- Conduct a fall referendum

Mike Lai provided a brief overview of the changes to Terms of Reference for the Panel. This included the inclusion of the rehabilitation option in addition to the replacement option. An amended version of the Terms of Reference is to be brought back at the next meeting for approval.

Katie Josephson provided members with a brief overview on the public engagement process for a fall referendum:

- Phase 1 – Baseline survey of City residents
- Phase 2 – Presentation of the rehabilitation and replacement options to the public to seek input
- Phase 3 – Public awareness of the referendum once Council has defined the project and determined a referendum date

A confidential copy of the survey questionnaire was distributed to members for review and discussion. Discussion ensued on how to determine community value of the bridge. Members were thanked for their input.

Meeting adjourned approximately 9:00 am.