

## Citizens' Advisory Panel

**Date:** Tuesday, July 15, 2014  
**Time:** 7:30 – 8:30 AM  
**Place:** Victoria City Hall – Committee Room 1

## MEETING NOTES

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### Attendance

**Members:** Don Prittie, Richard Linzey, Ken Kelly, Iain Russell  
**Staff:** Dwayne Kalynchuk, Katie Hamilton, Bridget Frewer, Laura Baker (recording secretary)

#### 1. Agenda and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 am. There being no additions to the agenda, it was adopted as circulated.

#### 2. Approval of CAP Meeting Notes

Notes for the meeting held April 8, 2014 were approved as distributed.

#### 3. Project Update

Recent staffing changes with respect to the project management structure were addressed. It was explained that Ken Jarvela is no longer with the project, and that independent consultant, Jonathan Huggett, has been retained by the City on a part-time basis as Interim Project Director. A report on the project has been prepared by Mr. Huggett; it will be presented along with the July 24<sup>th</sup> JSB Quarterly Update to Council.

#### 4. PCL Change Order and Budget

The City received a request for a change order from PCL on March 17, 2104. The change order indicates a delay of the project of 5.5 months and scope growth worth \$7.9 million. MMM Group provided a response to PCL's request for a change order in May and recommended rejecting the request. This continues to be reviewed in further detail as the City undertakes additional dialogue with PCL.

It was mentioned that \$7.5 million of the \$9.4 million MMM budget has been invoiced to date. Also, a portion of the construction contingency has been allocated to an owner's quality assurance program for structural steel in China; this is designed to audit PCL to confirm that their quality management system is effective and properly implemented.

#### 5. Construction Progress

Construction is progressing steadily on a day to day basis. An overview of the following elements of construction progress was provided regarding the bascule pier and bascule pier concrete pour, the rest pier and west abutment, grading of the west approach road, and bascule leaf fabrication. It was mentioned that ATEMA, a sub-contractor of MMM

Group, has been retained in addition to the City's owner's quality assurance program. These were both put in place as measures to overlook steel fabrication in China for the bascule leaf.

To date, the contractor has maintained a high level of compliance regarding safety and environment. It was noted that PCL has robust safety and environmental programs in place, with no recordable incidents. Additionally, there is an independent environmental monitor in place to ensure compliance with the Ministry of Environment and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans regulations.

## **6. Upcoming Construction Activity**

A summary of upcoming construction activity on both the east and west sides of the bridge was provided. Activity on the west side of the bridge, including the new intersection at Harbour and Esquimalt Roads and the new connection to the existing bridge, are anticipated to be completed by the end of September 2014. Once complete in the fall, the new intersection will include new sidewalks and crosswalks and a new extension of Harbour Road south of Esquimalt, connecting to the Delta Ocean Pointe Resort and future waterfront green space. Also, once this new intersection is finished, all major road work related to the bridge project will be complete on the west side.

## **7. Public Realm Renderings**

In September 2013, Council requested that staff bring forward more information related to the public realm for the bridge to help inform further discussions regarding public art; subsequently, updated public realm renderings prepared by Sharp and Diamond were provided for the project this past May. These drawings will be presented in a report to GPC on July 24<sup>th</sup> along with the JSB Quarterly Update. Top priorities of the public realm budget included investing in landscaping, plaza amenities, pathway lighting, and pedestrian safety. A detailed review of the elements that will be provided on the north east, south east, and west plazas was also provided.

Features of the new bridge and the surrounding area, such as plantings, furnishings, and surfacing were also addressed. Plantings will be kept natural and native plantings will be used on the west side. Additionally, the following furnishings will be included: bike racks on the north east plaza; drinking fountains with pet bowls on the downtown side; modern wood benches and wall seating; trash and recycling receptacles; pathway lighting, and recessed wall lighting for safety in plaza spaces.

There being no additional items, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 am.