



REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

January 30, 2012 7:03 p.m.
Council Chamber
City Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Wayne Wright
Councillor Jonathan Coté
Councillor Bill Harper
Councillor Betty McIntosh
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy
Councillor Chuck Puchmayr

ABSENT:

Councillor Lorrie Williams

STAFF:

Mr. Paul Daminato	- City Administrator
Mr. Rick Page	- Director of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
Gary Holowatiuk	- Director of Finance & Information Technology
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Director of Engineering Services
Ms. Lisa Spitale	- Director of Development Services
Ms. Bev Grieve	- Manager of Planning, Development Services
Mr. John Stark	- Senior Social Planner, Development Services
Mr. Terry Dunlop	- Recording Secretary

Reconvene as Council in the Council Chamber.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 9, 2012.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 9, 2012 be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council voted in favour of the motion.

2. Motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council Working Session held January 23, 2012.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council Working Session held January 23, 2012 be approved and adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

3. Motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 23, 2012.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 23, 2012 be approved and adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

PRESENTATIONS

4. Mr. David Brown and Mr. Enzo Guerriero of The New Westminster Community Development Society Trustees to present the City of New Westminster with a \$37,800.00 cheque in support of the Public Art Initiative in the Downtown core.

On behalf of the New Westminster Community Development Society, Mr. David Brown and Mr. Enzo Guerriero presented the City with a cheque in the amount of \$37,800, to support the Public Art Initiative in the Downtown core. The initiative involves creation of artwork for mosaic tile projects as part of the Public Art Initiative in the Downtown core. The presenters noted the possibility that two more mosaics might be added to the already highly successful projects in the downtown. The funds will also help finance other arts initiatives in the City.

His Worship, Mayor Wayne Wright thanked the Trustees for their generous contribution to the community and expressed appreciation on behalf of the City for the Society's continued support and involvement.

DELEGATIONS

5. Open Delegations

- a) **Gerda Suess, resident**, commended the New Westminster Police Service on their attendance at an incident in one of her residential apartments involving a deceased tenant and for their prompt, kind and efficient response. Ms. Suess praised Officers Arloa Popke, Camille Oliviera and Nick Ferguson for their sensitive and professional handling of such a difficult situation.

- b) **Tony Antonias, resident**, announced the forthcoming Royal City Musical Theatre Company's (RCMTC) production of *Hello Dolly* that will run April 14-28, with two preview shows scheduled April 12 and 13. The highly acclaimed Company's production will feature local talents Colleen Winton and David Adams in the lead roles. RCMTC fans have already booked from as far afield as Alberta, Kamloops, Victoria and Seattle, Washington. Tickets sales are already brisk and discounts are offered for seniors, students and children. Parking at the Massey is free. Tickets may be ordered by calling 604 521 5050.
- c) **Christopher Bell, resident**, addressed the members of Council regarding the City's Living Wage Policy. The speaker discussed allegations that individuals working for sub-contractors working at the Multi Use Civic Facility worksite were not being paid a living wage, as required under the City's current Living Wage Policy. Accordingly, Council was urged to direct staff to conduct an audit of any contractors working for the City to ensure that they adhere to City policy. The speaker also alleged that some contractors are adding an "administrative hourly surcharge" to the City for implementing the Living Wage Policy.

Questions/Comments:

In response to a Councillor's request for report on the issue, Lisa Spitale, Director of Development Services advised that the delegation's correspondence had already been circulated to all City departments for the appropriate investigation and response.

- d) **Dave Brown, resident**, spoke to the matter of Street Beautification and informed of a citizen (identified only as *Patrick*) whose love of plants, trees and flowers has inspired him to contribute his time and resources in acts to beautify certain areas of the city. For a number of years, Patrick has planted shrubs and flowers to beautify some of the downtown's backstreets and to bring pleasure to local citizens. Mr. Brown advised that he simply wished to ensure that the City was made aware of Patrick's selfless actions to beautify otherwise ordinary areas of the city, which brings pleasure into the lives of those who live and work there.

Questions/Comments:

In response to a Councillor's suggestion that the City recognise Patrick's contributions in some way, the delegation advised that it was his own initiative to raise awareness of Patrick's generosity and selflessness rather than to identify or reward him for his actions.

- e) **Mr. Caleb Kim, resident**, representing the *World Mission Society Church of God* (located near 6th and Columbia Streets), which participates in various voluntary activities such as street cleaning, blood donation and helping support UN initiatives. The delegation advised of his members' wish to share their love of God through volunteer actions and initiatives. On Sunday, January 29, 2012, members of the Church were joined by

other volunteers and Councillor Puchmayr for cleaning and litter removal along Columbia Street in the downtown.

Questions/Comment:

Councillor Puchmayr noted that the volunteers worked for three hours and collected seven large garbage bags full of litter. It was suggested that during future initiatives, the City might help coordinate collected garbage disposal using its dumpsters.

- f) **Margaret Mason (Chair) and Catherine Oulet-Martin (Executive Director), Fraser River Discovery Centre (FRDC)** – updated Council on current activities and events. It was noted that the recently hosted Royal City Kids Fair brought more than 3,000 people to the event. The FRDC also looks forward to unveiling interpretive panels along the waterfront in September. A major project is the BC Rivers Fest. Artists on the River, the Hyack Festival Association and others all plan collaborating with the FRDC to reinvigorate annual events and combine them to create a single, more widely appealing celebration. The FRDC is committed to working closely with other organizations to build relationships and strengthen the quality of events.

CORRESPONDENCE

6. Fraser Health Authority seeks implementation of an enhanced Smoking Control Bylaw.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive the correspondence from the Fraser Health Authority for information and refer to staff for update on status of bylaw.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

Procedural Note:

Councillor Puchmayr advised of receipt of correspondence regarding the Youth Employment Program's *Chance to Choose* initiative, which he will hand to staff for inclusion in the next regular agenda of Council.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

7. Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held January 9, 2012.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held November 28, 2011.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

8. **Recommendation from the Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held January 9, 2012:**

- a) [School District No. 40 \(New Westminster\) Board of School Trustees seek a \\$3,000.00 one –time grant from the City to offset printing costs for a two year supply of the grade 5 resource book titled *My New Westminster*.](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the December 15, 2011 letter from School District 40 requesting financial support for the Grade 5 resource “My New Westminster” be received for information; and

THAT a onetime grant in the amount of \$3,000 be awarded to offset the printing costs for a two-year supply of the Grade 5 resource book titled “My New Westminster.”

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

9. **Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held, January 30, 2012:**

- a) [Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 7508 \(Bylaw 7508, 2012\)](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 7508, 2012 be referred to Regular Council for Three Readings.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

- b) [Proposed Amendment to Development Permit 025 \(S\) for the Brewery District at 290 East Columbia Street](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Development Permit 025 (S) Amendment #1 to allow development of the eighth floor on Parcel 1B in the Brewery District project be approved and issued.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

- c) [Child Care Strategy Year 2 Progress Report](#)

Comments from Council (responses shown in *Italics*)

- A member of Council noted the success of the program which has now added 327 child care spaces.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive the January 30, 2012 progress update on the Child Care Strategy for New Westminster for information.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council voted in favour of the motion.

d) [Development Variance Permit No. 530 for 240 Philips Street – Preliminary Report](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive the January 30, 2012 preliminary report on Development Variance Permit No. 530 for 240 Philips Street for information.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

e) [NWCDS Downtown Mosaic Tile Project Update](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive the January 30, 2012 update report on the New Westminster Community Development Society Mosaic Tile Project, for information.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

f) [City of New Westminster Post – 1846 Historic Artefact Recovery Policy](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to implement the next steps for a post 1846 historic artefact recovery policy as outlined in the January 30, 2012 joint report from the Director of Development Services and the Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

g) [Master Transportation Plan Advisory Committee](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive and approve the mandate and membership of the Master Transportation Plan Advisory Committee.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

Procedural Note:

Membership of the committee was later expanded following acceptance of a recommendation presented in a Notice of Motion under New Business item #12 b), below.

h) [Report on 2011 Local Government Election in the City of New Westminster](#)

THAT Council receive the Director of Legislative Services' report on 2011 Local General Elections for information.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

i) Correspondence:

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive correspondence dated December 5, 2011 from Mayor Ralph Drew, Chair, Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

Comments from Council:

- Councillor Puchmayr advised that Metro Vancouver no longer funds the committee but he would volunteer to continue representation on the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee if Council so wished.

Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee seeks nominees from local government jurisdictions within the respective Katzie and Tsleil-Waututh Statement-of-Intent areas to participate in respective treaty negotiations.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Councillor Chuck Puchmayr be appointed to represent the City of New Westminster on the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee for the year 2012.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

j) Committee Recommendations:

i) Motion to adopt the Recommendations from the Arts Commission meeting of January 10, 2012:

Comments from Council:

- A member of Council commented that if the application were successful, actual benefits might result in the infusion of approximately \$1 million into the city's arts community. The City hoped to use experience from a previous application to ensure success for the 2014 bid.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Arts Commission recommend Council approve in principle an application to the department of Canadian Heritage for designation as a Cultural Capital of Canada in 2014 and commits to a \$250,000 contribution in cash and in kind services in the event of a successful application.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council authorize staff to apply for Canada Day funding through Heritage Canada.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

k) Reports for Action:

i) Criteria and Public Consultation for the Consideration of the Disposition of City Properties

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the Policy Framework for the disposition of City Owned Lands in appendix "A" of the Director of Development Services' January 30, 2012 report.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

ii) Downtown Business Improvement Association – Transportation and Parking Issues

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council make no change to the current configuration of back-in angle parking on Columbia Street; and

THAT Council maintain bicycle lanes on Columbia St. and refer the existing downtown bicycle network to the Master Transportation Plan for review; and

THAT Council direct staff to prepare terms of reference for a long term downtown parking strategy to be prepared in consultation with the BIA, Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Residents Association, and Downtown Parking Commission.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

**l) Recommendations from Closed Meeting of Council:
2012 Committee and Other Appointments**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Monica Evans be appointed to the Amateur Sports Grant Program Committee as a community member for a two year term ending January 31, 2014.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Shawna Michalek be appointed to the Environment Advisory Committee as a post-secondary student representative for a one-year term ending January 31, 2013.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Dean Lariviere be appointed to the Neighbourhood Traffic Advisory Committee as the Connaught Heights Residents' Association representative for a one year term ending January 31, 2013.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Dean Wells be appointed to the Neighbourhood Traffic Advisory Committee as the Queensborough Residents' Association representative for a one year term ending January 31, 2013.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT two AIBC members be appointed to the New Westminster Design Panel for a two year term ending January 31, 2014:

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Alana McIntyre be reappointed to the Remembrance Day Committee as a community member for a one year term ending January 31, 2013.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bruce Warren be appointed to the Special Services and Access Committee for a one-year term ending January 31, 2013.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the appointment of Bruce Clark to the Family Court Committee is rescinded; and further

THAT Sanda Turner be appointed to the Family Court Committee for a one year term ending January 31, 2012.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

1) [Queensborough Official Community Plan – Industrial Land Update](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council accept land designations recommendations in the Director of Development Services' report for land use designations in Areas 1,2,3,5 and 6 and that Site 4 be designated as a separate study area; and

THAT the 2008 moratorium on land use for Queensborough be lifted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

BYLAWS

10. Bylaws coming forward from the Committee of the Whole meeting held January 30, 2012:

- a) [Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 7508 \(Bylaw 7508, 2012\)](#) **THREE READINGS**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 7508, 2012 be read a first time.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 7508, 2012 be read a second time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 7508, 2012 be read a third time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council present voted in favour of the motion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. There was no unfinished business for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

12. Notices of Motion

Notices of Motion were brought forward regarding two items raised at the earlier meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole. Council gave leave to vote on both propositions at this meeting.

- a) **Councillor Chuck Puchmayr re Amateur Sports**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Parks, Culture and Recreation staff be directed to work with the amateur sports organizations within the City to develop a process that will provide an opportunity for such organizations to advertise team registration events as required, in high volume areas to assist with the increase of team memberships.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council voted in favour of the motion.

b) Councillor Jaimie McEvoy re Master Transportation Plan Advisory Committee

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Master Plan Transportation Advisory Committee expand membership by appointing a representative from the local Taxi Drivers Association and from the Fraser Health Authority for consultative purposes.

CARRIED.

All members of the Council voted in favour of the motion.

REPORTS

13. Council Members:

Councillor McEvoy...attended Homeless Coalition meeting; attended New Westminster Police Pipe Band's 46th year annual Robbie Burns dinner with Councillor Williams; Fraser Health Municipal Advisory Committee; had discussion with Fraser Health Authority on Master Transportation Plan emergency access issues; attended Master Transportation Plan Advisory Committee's Open House - well attended – much concern re truck traffic; attended New Westminster Festival of Volunteers; Massey Theatre awards; will chair Community Heritage Commission this week and Queen's Park turf field opening.

Councillor Harper...attended New Westminster Festival of Volunteers - well attended and more people are joining; Arts Council meeting last week- good meeting - vibrant in their work look forward to this season and creating new events; attended Economic Development Committee last week - strategy being developed by committee which is concerned about attracting more business to the city; Open House on Master Transportation Plan which revealed that traffic is the major issue in New Westminster – expect greater engagement; attended Hyack President's Tea at Centennial Lodge with the Ambassador Program's new entrants – highly successful event.

Councillor McIntosh...attended Master Transportation Plan Advisory Committee's Open House and thanked all staff for their excellent presentations – next Open House is scheduled for February 14 at Century House at 2:30pm; attended: the Robbie Burns birthday event at Century House; the New Westminster Festival of Volunteers; Hyack President's Tea at Centennial Lodge – very good new Ambassadors who will represent New Westminster; met with municipal delegation from Quezon City (Sister City) today; thanked all who offered support for daughter Lisa who is recovering from a recent attack in Queen's Park.

Councillor Puchmayr...attended: Community Church of God volunteer litter cleanup event on Columbia Street January 29 – hopes engagement will grow; the New Westminster Festival of Volunteers – city is fortunate to have such high calibre of volunteers; Master Transportation Plan Advisory Committee's Open

House – produced its own “traffic jam” in the foyer of City Hall – very well attended; welcomed addition of Fraser Health Authority to representation on the Master Transportation Plan Advisory Committee.

Councillor Coté...chaired the Parks, Culture and Recreation Committee - spent time on fees and charges bylaw; enjoyed opportunity to hear a talk from Liz Evans Executive Director of *Portland Hotels Society* who spoke about Vancouver’s Downtown East Side – would make a great keynote speaker for future events concerning homelessness; toured the Kruger Plant in New Westminster and viewed their biomass project, which creates considerable energy savings equivalent to removing 3,500 vehicles off road in terms of carbon reductions; attended New Westminster Festival of Volunteers; met earlier with municipal delegation from Quezon City.

Mayor Wayne Wright...advised of regrets from Councillor Williams who was absent for a short trip outside the city. Attended: Metro Vancouver Board Workshop in Chilliwack January 26/7; ribbon cutting ceremony for New Westminster Festival of Volunteers 10th Anniversary Celebration at Royal City Centre, January 28; greeted the Royal City yacht Club’s Annual Commodore’s Ball; Hyack President’s Tea at Centennial Lodge, January 29 (congratulations to Bill Radbourne, 2012 Hyack Festival Association President, also Citizen of the Year); welcomed Mayor Herbert Constantine M. Bautista and delegation from Sister City, Quezon City, Philippines to sign reaffirmation agreement, January 30. Announced posting of Committees, Commissions and Boards memberships on City’s website. Offered condolences to the family of Chris Sargent on this passing of his mother, a New Westminister resident for 94 years and a great contributor to the city – funeral service to be held at the Salvation Army Citadel at 1:00 pm on February 1, 2012.

NEXT MEETING

Monday, February 6, 2012

Proposed Closed Session commences at 1:00 p.m. and the Open Session at 3:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2, City Hall, reconvening at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Certified Correct,

**WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR**

**RICHARD PAGE
CORPORATE OFFICER**