



REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

April 12, 2010 3:21 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2
City Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Wayne Wright
Councillor Jonathan Coté
Councillor Bill Harper
Councillor Bob Osterman
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy
Councillor Betty McIntosh
Councillor Lorrie Williams

STAFF:

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| Mr. Paul Daminato | - City Administrator |
| Mr. Rick Page | - Corporate Officer/Director of Legislative Services |
| Bev Grieve | - Acting Director of Development Services |
| Mr. Jim Lowrie | - Director of Engineering Services |
| Mr. Gary Holowatiuk | - Director of Finance & Information Technology |
| Ms. Judi Turner | - Assistant Corporate Officer |

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 3:21 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:30 p.m. with all members of Council present.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. [**Motion to adopt the minutes of the last Regular Meeting of the Council held on March 22, 2010.**](#)

Amendments to the Regular Minutes of March 22, 2010 were requested as follows:

- Page 3, Item 4, under Andy Bradshaw – delete the following words: “advised that his premises would be used for part of” and insert the words “donated to” in their place
- Page 3, Item 4, under Wendy Harris – delete the second paragraph: “In subsequent discussion, members of Council offered the following comments:”

- Page 4, Item 4, under James Crosty – delete the word “Riverside” and insert the word “Quayside”
- Page 5, Item 5, under Councillor McIntosh – delete the word “brunch”; insert the word “announced” prior to the words Easter in the Park.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the last Regular Meeting of the Council held on March 22, 2010 be received and adopted as amended.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

2. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the last Regular Meeting of the Council, Working Session held on March 29, 2010.**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the last Regular Meeting of the Council Working Session held on March 29, 2010 be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

PRESENTATION

3. **New Westminster District Labour Council Day of Mourning**
- Mayor Wright to proclaim April 28, 2010 as the “Day of Mourning for Workers Killed and Injured on the Job” and present the Proclamation to Mr. Phil Valley members of the New Westminster and District Labour Council**
 - Presentation** –Mr. Phil Valley, member of NWDLC

Mayor Wright proclaimed April 28, 2010 as the “Day of Mourning for Workers Killed and Injured on the Job”.

Marcel Marsolais, President of the New Westminster District Labour Council, and Carolyn Chalifoux, attended to make a presentation regarding workers killed and injured on the job, commenting on the following:

- Statistics of workers killed, injured or made ill on the job
- Asked that workers take one minute of time on April 28th at 11:00 a.m. to stand in silence to remember workers who have been killed on the job
- Commented on a recent mine disaster where 29 are now confirmed dead; noting the employer company received numerous citations for violations of the laws
- Commented on the Westray Mine disaster
- The United Steel Workers went to the Federal Government to ask for more than compensation but to require companies that are willfully negligent should be held criminally responsible

- Premiums are lower than they were three decades ago – this has a major impact on enforcement which is important to help minimize risks at the work place
- Spoke of a lobby by the employer community opposing the “working alone regulations”.

Ceremonies will be held on the following days:

- Vancouver Arts Gallery April 28th at 7:00 a.m.
- PNE grounds Memorial Gardens at 10:00 a.m.

4. Prevention of Violence Against Women Week

- a) Mayor Wright to proclaim the week of April 19th to April 26th, 2010 as “Prevention of Violence Against Women Week” and present the proclamation to a member of the New Westminster Community Action Committee for Women Who Have Experienced Violence**
- b) Presentation** – member of the New Westminster Community Action Committee for Women Who Have Experienced Violence – Heather Whiteford

Mayor Wright proclaimed April 19 to 26, 2010 as “Prevention of Violence Against Women Week”.

Heather Whiteford representing the New Westminster Community Action Committee for Women Who Have Experienced Violence, attended to comment on Prevention Against Violence Week:

- Statistics on violence against women
- Events during Violence Against Women Week: hanging purple lights to announce the New Westminster is a zero tolerance city.

5. Introduction of Visiting Students From Yunfu, China

The three students visiting from the City of Yunfu, China, were introduced earlier in the evening.

DELEGATIONS

6. Teen Scene – Celidh Millar

The Teen Scene report was given earlier in the evening.

7. Open Delegations

Chuck Puchmayr, resident, rose to make a statement concerning organ donor week, as follows:

- Noted that the week of April 18 - 25 2010 is Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week
- There is a great need for organ donations

- Many die waiting for organ donations
- 750,000 persons in BC are registered donors
- A service for Eva Markvoort will be held Friday, April 30 at 4:00 p.m. at Massey Theatre (Ms. Markvoort, a former Miss New Westminster, died while waiting for a transplant)
- 211 transplants were conducted last year
- How to get on the list: BC Transplant web site
- Urged that staff review what was done in Vancouver in the matter of organ donation
- Is trying to get legislation enacted on “presumption of donation”.

Members suggested the following:

- That information be circulated with utility bills and encouraged Mr. Puchmayr to meet with staff on the matter
- That organ donation forms be made available at City Hall
- Notices be placed on City Page and on the web site about how to become a donor

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT a committee be struck in the City of New Westminster to conduct a city wide organ donor drive in memory of Eva Markvoort.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

David Brett from the Queens Park Residents Association rose to comment on a heritage alteration permit for 217 Fourth Avenue:

- The City requested that the owner present the proposal and so a meeting on the matter was held on January 31, 2010
- The Residents’ Association meets to discuss many topics, often including heritage matters
- Disagrees with the staff report which stated: the majority of local residents were in full support of the proposal – this was not correct
- Understands that heritage designation is intended to keep a property resembling its original appearance; any changes permitted are modest
- The subject renovation was major and engendered strong opposition
- Their members were surprised that the project received staff support
- 85% of person who responded to a survey agreed that alterations can occur but should be fairly minor.

BYLAWS CONSIDERED AT PUBLIC HEARING

8. [Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7385, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 20001 re: Site Boundaries for Retail Project of Plaza 88]

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7385, 2010 be read a third time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

9. [Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7387, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 20001 re: Consideration of Temporary Commercial and Industrial Land Use Applications]

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7387, 2010 be read a third time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7387, 2010 be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

CORRESPONDENCE

10. [The City of Richmond is seeking support for the prohibition of the sale of rabbits in pet stores.](#)

Councillor Williams submitted the following Notice of Motion:

THAT staff be directed to prepare a bylaw to prohibit the sale of rabbits in pet stores.

11. [New Westminster Senior Secondary School requests that the City waive the rental fee for the Queensborough Community Centre for the night of June 29th for their Dry Grad Celebration.](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the correspondence from the New Westminster Senior Secondary School requesting that the City waive the rental fee for the Queensborough Community Centre for the night of June 29th for their Dry Grad Celebration be referred to staff to review and report to Council regarding the fee waiver request.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- 11(a). **New Westminster Seniors Services Task Force (SSTF) request that the City “bag” parking meters on Sixth Street in front of Royal City centre during the “In My Back Yard – IMBY Fair” on Saturday, May 1, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to allow the Senior’s bus service to drop off and pick up passengers and that the City waive the \$66 (plus taxes) fee for this service**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the New Westminster Seniors Services Task Force (SSTF) request that the City “bag” parking meters on Sixth Street in front of Royal City centre during the “In My Back Yard – IMBY Fair” on Saturday, May 1, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to allow the Senior’s bus service to drop off and pick up passengers and that the City waive the \$66 (plus taxes) fee for this service be approved.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

REPORTS

12. Council Members:

Councillor Harper

...was pleased to attend a number of events; attended meetings around the Multicultural Festival on May 22, 2010 at the Quay and at Hyack Square; attended a Homeless Coalition meeting, the Chamber Gala fundraiser, a lunch with the students from Moriguchi, at Arts Commission meeting where Greg Magirescu, Manager of Arts and Culture Development, was introduced, a GVRD Labour Relations meeting, the Antique Car Parade, Easter in the Park, Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat musical; thanked those who sent him condolences on the passing of his mother who taught her five sons to think of others and contribute to their communities.

Councillor McIntosh

...as Acting Mayor, attended Century House where seniors received certificates for the LEADS program (Learning Educating and Developing Seniors), the opening of the Provincial Gymnastic tournament at Douglas College; attended many meetings: the Hyack Board meeting, the Ambassador Pageant; chaired a meeting of the Family Court Committee and the Special Services and Access Committee; attended the Homeless Coalition meeting, the Hyack and Chamber Gala, Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat musical, lunch with Moriguchi students; noted many events are taking place in the city such as the upcoming Rotary fundraising event to raise funds to furnish the Youth Centre.

Councillor Osterman

...offered condolences to Councillor Harper on the passing of his mother; attended the Easter Parade, the Youth Centre; greeted the Yunfu China students; offered condolences to the Munday family on their loss; noted that Teresa McManus will no longer be attending City Council sessions but will call for reports on items on the agendas – suggested the City talk with the Record about adequate coverage of Council meetings – asked the public to comment on this change; urged residents to respond to Chuck Puchmayr’s message on organ transplant donation opportunities.

Councillor Williams

...travelled to China where she visited with the four Chinese students who visited in New Westminster last year – three of them have qualified for university and the fourth for college, noted that their lives have been changed forever by the experience; also collected

the Yunfu students visiting in 2010 and escorted them to Canada; attended the Little League baseball opening, a Vancouver Solid Waste Committee where the public made presentations on the issues – was encouraged to hear people talking about zero waste; as Acting Mayor, attended the Shasta closing ceremonies where she presented the gold medals in tumbling and trampoline; offered condolences to Councillor Harper.

Councillor Cote

...hoped everyone enjoyed the Easter long weekend; attended the weekend festivities and the Petting Zoo with his family; attended openings for Little League baseball, Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat musical; offered condolences to the Harper family on the passing of their mother.

Councillor McEvoy

...offered condolences on the passing of Pegeen McCaskill and to Councillor Harper on the passing of his mother; announced the Blessing of the Animals event at Shiloh Sixth Avenue United Church on Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Wayne Wright

...assisted in the Opening of Sherlock's Café; attended a Correctional Services of Canada Discussion Group on the Federal Correctional system and community corrections; Mayors Council meeting on Regional Transportation - Education Session on the Major Road Network Program; Metro Vancouver Port Cities Committee Meeting; MFA Financial Forum and Annual General Meeting, Victoria; brought greetings to Annual Volunteer Appreciation & Awards Banquet for the Police Crime Prevention Unit; attended the crowning of Miss New Westminster and extended congratulations to Marjan Kazemzadeh, as 2010 Miss New Westminster Ambassador; thanked Michelle Murray, the 2009 Miss New Westminster Ambassador for her past contributions; attended the opening of new exhibit The Ripple Effect at the Fraser River Discovery Centre; attended a fundraising event for Cancer survivors; Hyack\Chamber gala at Executive Hotel.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

13. [Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held March 22, 2010.](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held March 22, 2010 be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

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

14. Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held April 12, 2010.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following recommendations arising from Committee of the Whole meeting be approved, with the exception of Items 14 (f, g, h, l and n):

- a) **Official Community Plan Amendment to Allow for the Provision of Density Bonus Zoning** (Bylaw 7386, 2010)

THAT Official Community Plan (Density Bonus Zoning Amendment) Bylaw No. 7386, 2010, be received.

- b) **Street Activity and Sidewalk Café Program Review**

THAT staff be directed to proceed with a review of the Street Activity and Sidewalk Café Programs and process the existing two completed street vending applications.

- c) **626 Tenth Street Heritage Designation Bylaw – First and Second Reading** (Bylaw No. 7320, 2010)

THAT the proposed Heritage Designation (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7320, 2010 be received.

- d) **Proposed Official Community Plan Land Use Designation Amendment for 510 Ewen Avenue, 306 Wood Street and 703 Ewen Avenue – Consideration for Consultation.**

THAT in consideration of Local Government Act Section 879, staff be directed to seek input on the proposed Official Community Plan amendment relating to Official Community Plan Land Use Designation Amendment for 306 Wood Street, 510 Ewen Avenue and 703 Ewen Avenue in the following manner:

1. *Direct staff to advise and consult with:*
 - a. *The Queensborough Residents Association, and the residents of Queensborough*
2. *Not require consultation with:*
 - a. *the board of the regional district in which the area covered by the plan is located, in the case of a municipal official community plan,*
 - b. *the board of any regional district that is adjacent to the area covered by the plan,*
 - c. *the council of any municipality that is adjacent to the area covered by the plan,*
 - d. *any First Nations,*
 - e. *school district boards, greater boards and improvement district boards the, and*
 - f. *the Board of School District No.40 (New Westminster)*
 - g. *the Provincial and federal governments and their agencies.*

- e) [Development Permit 035 \(Q\) for Phase 4A in the Port Royal Development](#)
(Bylaw 7389, 2010 to be circulated separately)

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw 7389, 2010 be received; and
THAT a notice be issued that Council will consider a resolution to approve and issue Development Permit 035 (Q) with variances for Phase 4A of the Port Royal Development at 180 Ewen Avenue.*

- i) [Recruitment – Child Care Grant Program Committee Terms of Reference](#)

THAT the Child Care Grant Program Committee's Terms of Reference be adopted as set out in Schedule A of the April 12, 2010 report from the Corporate Officer.

- j) [Recommendation from the Environment Advisory Committee meeting held on March 10, 2010](#)

THAT the set of ten principles for a new Species and Ecosystems Protection Act be endorsed by Council.

- k) [Recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting held on January 20, 2010 - Museum & Archives; Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference](#)

*THAT the items listed in the January 20, 2010 report from the Museum and Archives Manager be approved for de-accessioning; and
THAT the Parks and Recreation Committee's Terms of Reference Recreation Committee be amended in Paragraph 3 of the Mandate to reflect the Committee's role as a community based advisory committee to City Council in matters pertaining to the operations of the New Westminster Museum and Archives and that the Committee is further tasked with monitoring the ongoing aspects of the delivery of services at the New Westminster Museum and Archives.*

- m) **Bus Transportation Subsidy**

THAT the city approve \$200 to cover the bus transportation cost for seniors to attend the "In My Backyard Fair" on Saturday, May 1.

- o) **Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Society**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT a grant in the amount of \$5000 cash be approved for the Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Society for expansion of their multicultural festival.

CARRIED.

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

14(f) 217 Fourth Avenue – Heritage Alteration Permit Application

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff be directed to issue a Heritage Alteration Permit for 217 Fourth Avenue based on the following:

- *The house design contained in the revised application contained in the April 12, 2010 report to Council, with a kitchen design as set out in the original application and to include a deck as proposed in the original application.*

CARRIED.

Opposed: Councillors Cote, Harper and McEvoy.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT approval be granted for placement of the house at 217 Fourth Avenue up to 17.5 feet forward on the subject lot and up to 3 feet forward on the east side.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff prepare a report for Council outlining all available options for the protection of heritage buildings and properties in the City.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the role of the Community Heritage Commission in heritage alteration permits be reviewed.

CARRIED.

Opposed: Councillor McIntosh.

14(g) Green Cones

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff bring forward a recommendation to council regarding green cones and whether they should be used in the subsidy program for food waste.

Before the question on the motion was called, it was...

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT the foregoing motion be amended by the addition of the following clause:
“And that staff be authorized to purchase 20 green cones and they be referred to the Environment Advisory Committee to develop a test project for their use.”*

CARRIED.

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

The question on the main motion as amended was then called and it was...

CARRIED.

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

14(h) Heritage Register Update

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT 1013 Sixth Avenue be removed from the Heritage Register; and
THAT the following be added to the Heritage Register:*

- 1603 Hamilton Street;
- 1716 Seventh Avenue;
- 307 Fifth Street;
- 1401 Nanaimo Street;
- 227 Queen's Avenue;
- 125 Third Street;
- The 300 block Arbutus Street;
- 2 beech trees located at 308 Ash Street.

CARRIED.

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

14(l) Recommendation from Special Services and Access Committee Meeting held on March 18, 2010.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Westminster Pier Park be accessible for all individuals with both physical and sensory disabilities, including those using mobility aids, and that the playground be accessible to all children, including those with disabilities.

CARRIED.

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

14(n) Municipal Elections Task Force

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the City of New Westminster:

- Opposes allowing corporations to vote in local elections;
- Supports extending the municipal term of office from three to four years;
- Supports implementation of tax credits for municipal election donations; and
- Supports setting a campaign spending limit.

CARRIED.

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

BYLAWS

- 15. Heritage Designation Bylaw (626 Tenth Street) No. 7320, 2010** [a Bylaw of the Corporation of the City of New Westminster to designate the lands, buildings and structures located at 626 Tenth Street, as protected heritage property].

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Heritage Designation Bylaw (626 Tenth Street) No. 7320, 2010 be read a first time.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Heritage Designation Bylaw (626 Tenth Street) No. 7320, 2010 be read a second time.

CARRIED.

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

(A Public Hearing for Heritage Designation Bylaw (626 Tenth Street) No. 7320, 2010 has been scheduled for Monday, May 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chamber, City Hall).

16. [Official Community Plan \(Density Bonus Zoning Amendment\) Bylaw No. 7386, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend the Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 6476, 1998].

Council was advised that the Bylaw is revised in its title to read as follows:
“*Official Community Plan (Density Bonus Zoning Amendment) Bylaw No. 7386, 2010*”

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Official Community Plan (Density Bonus Zoning Amendment) Bylaw No. 7386, 2010, as amended, be read a first time.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Official Community Plan (Density Bonus Zoning Amendment) Bylaw No. 7386, 2010 be considered in conjunction with the City’s current Capital Expenditure Program as contained in the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 7387, 2010. and the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan and the Regional Liquid Waste Management Plan.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Official Community Plan (Density Bonus Zoning Amendment) Bylaw No. 7386, 2010 as amended be read a second time.

CARRIED.

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

(A Public Hearing for Official Community Plan (Density Bonus Zoning Amendment) Bylaw No. 7386, 2010 has been scheduled for Monday, May 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chamber, City Hall).

17. **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7389, 2010** [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: DP 035 (Q) for Phase 4A in the Port Royal Development].

TWO READINGS

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7389, 2010 be read a first time.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7389, 2010 be read a second time.

CARRIED.

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

(A Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7389, 2010 [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: DP 035 (Q) for Phase 4A in the Port Royal Development] has been scheduled for Monday, May 3, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chamber, City Hall).

NEW BUSINESS

18. Council Procedure Bylaw

The Corporate Officer reported on the Council Procedure Bylaw regulations regarding motions.

NEXT MEETING

Monday, April 19, 2010

Proposed Special Closed Meeting of Council Working Session commencing at 11:30 a.m. in Committee Room No. 2, City Hall, and a Special Regular Meeting of Council reconvening at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chamber, City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR

RICHARD L. PAGE
CORPORATE OFFICER