



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

## COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

April 16, 2007 2:15 p.m.  
Committee Room 2, City Hall

### MINUTES

**PRESENT:**

Mayor Wayne Wright  
Councillor Jonathan Cote  
Councillor Calvin Donnelly  
Councillor Bob Osterman  
Councillor Betty McIntosh  
Councillor Lorrie Williams

**REGRETS:**

Councillor Bill Harper

**STAFF:**

Mr. Paul Daminato	- City Administrator
Mr. Rick Page	- Director of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Acting Director of Development Services
Mr. Steven Lan	- Acting Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Gary Holowatiuk	- Director of Finance
Mr. Dean Gibson	- Director of Parks and Recreation
Ms. Judi Turner	- Assistant City Clerk

#### ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The following was added to the Agenda as Item 13(a)):

- Flood Control – Braid Street Industrial Area

## PRESENTATION

1. [Recommendations regarding 2007 Amateur Sports Fund Grants - Director of Parks & Recreation](#)

Jack Fulton, Chair of the Amateur Sports Fund Committee, was present and responded to questions regarding grant requests from local minor sports organizations.

- \*\* **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT the April 16, 2007 report from the Amateur Sports Fund Committee, making recommendations for grant awards to local minor sports organizations; and*  
*THAT \$37,190 in grants for amateur sport development be approved as recommended by the Amateur Sports Fund Committee in the April 16, 2007 report.*

**CARRIED.**

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

2. **Corporate Fleet Review – Bob Dolphin, R. Dolphin & Associates**

Bob Dolphin from R. Dolphin & Associates was present and discussed the Corporate Fleet Review, in terms of fleet services and operations, and outlined their recommendations. Comments and suggestions from members followed.

## REPORTS FOR ACTION

### Director of Engineering Services:

3. [Corporate Fleet Review](#)

Members discussed the April 16, 2007 report from the Director of Engineering Services summarizing the review of its vehicle and equipment fleet. The Director agreed to report further to Council.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the April 16, 2007 report from the Director of Engineering Services, regarding a review of the City's fleet vehicles and equipment and the fleet management and shop operation practices, be received.*

**CARRIED.**

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

- \*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT the April 16, 2007 report from the Acting Director of Engineering Services with accompanying Corporate Fleet Review be received;*  
*THAT staff review and prepare an implementation plan and timeline for implementation of the Corporate Fleet Review recommendations; and*  
*THAT a copy of the full report be forwarded to the Police Board.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**4. Road Closing & Land Disposition Amendment Bylaw No. 7158, 2007**

- \*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT Road Closing and Land Disposition Authorization Amendment Bylaw No. 7158, 2007 be forwarded to the April 16, 2007 meeting of Regular Council for consideration of three readings.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**Director of Parks & Recreation:**

**5. Quayside Esplanade Boulevard Tree Replacement Program**

Members discussed the April 16, 2007, report from the Director of Parks and Recreation, providing information regarding a matter that has arisen resulting from the recent boulevard tree replacement work along the Quayside esplanade.

The Director of Parks and Recreation circulated the following documents which will be added to the Agenda:

- April 13, 2007, Email from Geraldine Harder, President of Dockside Strata, advising that the Strata Council has not had an opportunity to take a position on the issue of esplanade trees
- April 11, 2007, letter from Pat Murray enclosing a petition signed by 32 owners at Dockside.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the April 16, 2007 report from the Director of Parks and Recreation, regarding boulevard tree replacement along the Quayside esplanade, be received*

**CARRIED.**

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

- \*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT the trees planted in front of 12 K de K Court be removed, with the exception of the single healthy tree recently planted to replace an original tree.*

**CARRIED.**

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

6. [New Westminster Arts Strategy Update](#)

The Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation responded to questions regarding the April 16, 2007, report from the Director, updating Council on the progress of the Arts Strategy.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the report from the Director of Parks & Recreation, dated April 16, 2007, regarding the New Westminster Arts Strategy Update, be received for information.*

**CARRIED.**

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

Members agreed that Jessica Schneider of the Massey Theatre would be appointed to the Arts Strategy Task Force.

7. [Approval of Contract Award for City Hall Tenant Improvements – Building Management Coordinator](#)

The Building Management Coordinator presented his April 16, 2007, report seeking approval for awarding the contract for the building renovations as required for the City Hall tenant RCMP Integrated Road Safety Unit and the related secured parking, the construction of a new City meeting room on the second floor level and the refurbishment of the City employees' fitness room.

The Corporate Officer requested that the staff recommendation be amended to include provision for execution of the document on behalf of the City.

**\*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**

*THAT the contract for City Hall tenant renovations in the amount of \$1,024,650 plus GST be awarded to Omicron Construction Management Ltd., as requested by the tenant; and*

*THAT the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the document on behalf of the City.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**Director of Finance and Information Technology:**

**8. Lane Paving between Sixth Avenue and Regina Street, immediately west of Second Street, Local Area Service Parcel Tax (Bylaw No. 7159, 2007)**

**\*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT Lane Paving between Sixth Avenue and Regina Street, west of Second Street, Local Area Service Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7159, 2007, be forwarded to the Regular Council meeting of April 16, 2007 for consideration of three readings.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**Acting Director of Development Services:**

**9. Rezoning of 316 Fourth Avenue (Bylaw No. 7160, 2007) & Development Variance Permit 458:**

**a) Advisory Planning Commission's report dated April 4, 2007**

**b) Acting Director of Development Services' report dated April 16, 2007**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the April 4, 2007, report from the Acting Director of Development Services, presenting the findings of the Advisory Planning Commission be received.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**\*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**

*THAT the report from the Acting Director of Development Services, dated April 4, 2007, regarding 316 Fourth Avenue, be received for information;*

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7160, 2007, be forwarded to the Regular Council Meeting of April 16, 2007 for consideration of first and second Readings; and*

*THAT Council give notice that it will consider a resolution to issue Development Variance Permit 458 to allow the following variances to permit construction of a second storey and a windowless room beneath the existing front stairs at 316 Fourth Avenue:*

- *A building height of 30.4 feet (9.3 metres), and*
- *A front setback of 13.1 feet (4 metres).*

**CARRIED.**

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

10. [Removal from the New Westminster Downtown Community Heritage Register- the Windsor Hotel at 738 Columbia Street & Approval for a Demolition Permit – the Windsor Hotel at 738 Columbia Street](#)

The Acting Director of Development Services presented his April 11, 2007, report seeking approval for the removal of the Windsor Hotel at 738 Columbia Street from the New Westminster Community Heritage Register and the National Heritage Register, and approving the issuance of a demolition permit for the Windsor Hotel at 738 Columbia Street.

Peter Newell representing Ballenas was present and responded to questions. He agreed to a request that articles having heritage merit would be secured.

- \*\* **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT removal of the Windsor Hotel at 738 Columbia Street from the New Westminster Community Heritage Register and the National Heritage Register be approved; and*  
*THAT issuance of a demolition permit be approved for the Windsor Hotel at 738 Columbia Street.*

**CARRIED.**

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

11. [Proposed Rezoning of Parcel K – Victoria Hill \(Bylaw No. 7162, 2007 circulated separately\)](#)  
[a\) Advisory Planning Commission's report dated April 4, 2007](#)  
[b\) Acting Director of Development Services' report dated April 16, 2007](#)

The Acting Director of Development Services requested that the April 16, 2007, report advising that an application has been received to rezone Parcel K at Victoria Hill from Multiple Dwelling District (High Rise) (RM-4) to Victoria Hill Comprehensive Development Districts (RM-CD-5) be deferred to next week.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the April 16, 2007, report from the Acting Director of Development Services, advising that an application has been received to rezone Parcel K at Victoria Hill from Multiple Dwelling District (High Rise) (RM-4) to Victoria Hill Comprehensive Development Districts (RM-CD-5), be deferred to the next meeting.*

**CARRIED.**

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

12. [Plaza 88/Request for Construction Noise Bylaw Exemption](#)

- \*\* **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT Degelder Construction Co. B.C. Ltd. be granted an exemption from the Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063 in order to erect a protective cover over the SkyTrain guide way within the development known as Plaza 88 from 1:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. on April 22, 2007 and on April 29, 2007.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**General Manager, Electrical Utilities:**

13. [Partnership with BC Hydro – Power Smart \(for info\)](#)

The General Manager, Electric Utilities responded to questions related to the April 12, 2007, report advising of the new partnership with BC Hydro – Power Smart.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the report from the General Manger, Electric Utilities, dated April 12, 2007, regarding Partnership with BC Hydro – Power Smart, be received for information purposes.*

**CARRIED.**

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

13(a). **Flood Control – Braid Street Industrial Area**

In response to a question from a member, the Acting Director of Engineering Services reported on meetings held with representatives in areas at risk of potential flooding to share information about flood preparation and control initiatives. He advised that he will report again to Council at the April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of Council.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

14. [Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Sub-Committee meeting held March 1, 2007.](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Sub-Committee meeting held on March 1, 2007, be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**(a) Bike Station Sponsorship - Bike to Work week**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Sub-Committee meeting held on March 1, 2007, be received and adopted; and*

*THAT the following recommendation arising from the March 1, 2007 meeting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Sub-Committee be referred to the Finance Department for consideration of a grant:*

*“THAT the City provide a commuter bike station at Moody Park for Bike to Work week (May 28 – June 1, 2007).”*

**CARRIED.**

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

**15. [Community Heritage Commission meeting held March 7, 2007.](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Community Heritage Committee meeting held on March 7, 2007, be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**16. [Family Court Committee meeting of March 14, 2007](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Family Court Committee meeting held on March 14, 2007, be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**(a) “Stop the Sexual Exploitation of Youth” Awareness Week**

**\*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends *THAT City of New Westminster become more actively involved in “Stop the Sexual Exploitation of Youth” Awareness Week and that staff in Development Services add this event to the annual work plan.***

**CARRIED.**

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

**17. [Emergency Advisory Committee meeting of March 20, 2007](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Emergency Advisory Committee meeting held on March 20, 2007, be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**(a) Flood Preparation for 2007 High Water**

**\*\* MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**  
*THAT all immediate steps required be taken to prepare the City for high water; and*  
*THAT the City distribute emergency planning information such as a list of basic home emergency supplies that residents should have in their homes and information on accessing the City's FM radio station.*

**CARRIED.**

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

Staff were directed to investigate the options for conveying a message to the public on a routine basis (perhaps three times a year) about the importance and means for remain informed about emergency preparedness information.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Certified Correct,

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**WAYNE WRIGHT, CHAIR**

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**RICK PAGE, CITY CLERK**

**\*\*** Denotes recommendations referred to Regular Council meeting of April 16, 2007, for ratification.