



COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

June 28, 2010, 3:00 p.m.
Committee Room 2, City Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Wayne Wright
Councillor Jonathan Côté
Councillor Bill Harper
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy
Councillor Betty McIntosh
Councillor Lorrie Williams

REGRETS:

Councillor Bob Osterman

STAFF:

Mr. Paul Daminato	- City Administrator
Mr. Rick Page	- Corporate Officer/Director of Legislative Services
Ms. Lisa Spitale	- Director of Development Services
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Gary Holowatiuk	- Director of Finance & Information Technology
Ms. Joan Burgess	- Director of Human Resources
Mr. Dean Gibson	- Director of Parks and Recreation
Ms. Donna Martin	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The Agenda was varied as follows:

- Retaining Wall at 201 Queens Avenue – Reconsideration of Remedial Action Order Reports for Action - Item 2 was withdrawn;
- Respectful Workplace and Human Rights Policy, added as New Business Item 27.

The Chair moved to the Consent Agenda

CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Consent Agenda be approved with the following revisions:

- *Remove items 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, and 13 for discussion.*

THAT the recommendations arising from the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

3. Development Permit 008 (TS) with Variances for 818 Twelfth Street

June 28, 2010 report providing information on this application.

- ** *THAT notice be issued to consider a resolution to issue Development Permit 008 (TS) with variances for 818 Twelfth Street*

5. 713 Fourteenth Street

a) 713 Fourteenth Street – Proposed Rezoning (Bylaw No. 7402, 2010)

June 28, 2010 report advising of this application and requesting a zoning amendment bylaw be forward for consideration of first and second readings.

- ** *THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw 7402, 2010 to rezone the site at 713 Fourteenth Street from Neighbourhood Residential Dwelling Districts (NR-1) to Neighbourhood Residential Districts (Small Lots) (NR-5) be forwarded to Council for consideration of first and second readings.*

b) Advisory Planning Commission report “ 713 Fourteenth Street – Results of June 15, 2010 Meeting”

THAT the June 28, 2010 report from the Advisory Planning Commission be received;

6. River’s Reach Pub / Sidewalk Patio Application

June 28, 2010 report providing detailed information regarding this application.

- ** **WHEREAS** *New Westminster City Council considered a staff report regarding an application from River’s Reach Pub located at 320 Sixth Street to create a sidewalk patio with 26 seats;*

WHEREAS *the operator is prepared to enter into a formal encroachment agreement pursuant to New Westminster Sidewalk Café Encroachment Bylaw No. 6370 with respect to the use of the City sidewalk;*

WHEREAS *the application is not opposed by the New Westminster Police Service;*

WHEREAS *the business has not generated noise complaints or negative community impacts and the proposed patio is not expected to result in noise impacts to the community;*

WHEREAS *the applicant placed a sign in front of the business for 30 days and two newspaper notices providing details regarding the application and inviting the public to submit comments to the City;*

WHEREAS *the City received two correspondences regarding the proposal and there are no outstanding concerns pertaining to the application; and*

WHEREAS *City bylaws require sidewalk patios associated with a Liquor Primary establishment to close at 10:00 pm;*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT *New Westminster City Council approves Rivers Reach Pub's application to develop a sidewalk patio with 26 seats subject to liquor service on the patio ceasing at 10 pm.*

9. 437 Seventh Street

a) 437 Seventh Street – Heritage Revitalization Agreement Bylaw No. 7368, 2010 and Heritage Designation Bylaw No. 7369, 2010.

June 28, 2010 report requesting Bylaws be forward for consideration of first and second readings.

** *THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (437 Seventh Street) Bylaw No. 7368, 2010 and Heritage Designation Bylaw (437 Seventh Street) No. 7369, 2010 be forwarded to the June 28, 2010 Regular Council meeting for first and second readings.*

b) Advisory Planning Commission Report “437 Seventh Street – Results of November 17, 2009 meeting”

June 28, 2010 report providing a recommendation from the Advisory Planning Commission regarding 437 Seventh Street.

14. Mosaic Art Tile Project – East Columbia Street, Sapperton

June 28, 2010 report providing information regarding mosaic art project along E. Columbia.

THAT the June 28, 2010 report from the Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation regarding a mosaic art tile project along East Columbia Street be received for information.

15. Recommendation arising from June 9, 2010 minutes of the Community Heritage Commission: 811 Columbia Street (Mc & Mc Building).

THAT the Community Heritage Commission expresses profound disappointment at the work underway at 811 Columbia Street (Mc & Mc Building) by the developer, as it honours neither the spirit nor the content of the Heritage Conservation Plan as presented and endorsed by the Commission; and further

** *THAT the Community Heritage Commission request that Council call for a more formal written rationale for the treatment of the building façade, the interior and the loss of the capitals, the latter which the developer had agreed would be retained.*

16. [MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF: the Community and Social Issues Committee meeting of April 29, 2010](#)

THAT the minutes of the Community and Social Issues Committee meeting held on April 29, 2010 be received and adopted.

17. [MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF: the Emergency Advisory Committee meeting of March 2, 2010](#)

THAT the minutes of the Emergency Advisory Committee meeting held on March 2, 2010 be received and adopted.

18. [MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF: the Family Court Committee meeting of April 21, 2010](#)

THAT the minutes of the Family Court Committee meeting held on April 21, 2010 be received and adopted.

19. [MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF: Parks and Recreation Committee meeting of March 16, 2010](#)

THAT the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting held on March 16, 2010 be received and adopted.

20. [MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF: the Senior's Advisory Committee meeting of May 6, 2010.](#)

THAT the minutes of the Seniors' Advisory Committee meeting held on May 6, 2010 be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

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

PRESENTATION

1. **Canadian Lacrosse Hall of Fame - Chuck Puchmayr**

Chuck Puchmayer gave a brief history of lacrosse in Canada. Mr. Puchmayr advised the New Westminster lacrosse organization would like to be a participant in discussions regarding the proposed multi use civic facility. They have a vision for an interactive museum and a request that banquet facilities be a part of the plan.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT this item be referred to staff for follow-up.

CARRIED.

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

REPORTS FOR ACTION

The Chair moved to Item 23.

Director of Development Services

23. Westminster Pier Park Design Update

Partnership Landscape Architects (PWL) presented On-Table updated perspectives looking eastward along the 6th Street end, looking northwest along Lytton Square and an aerial view over Lytton Square and the festival lawn at Westminster Pier Park. The drawings included key park features, interpretive elements and a materials palette.

21. [Chinese Reconciliation Process – Recommended Steps and Actions](#)

June 28, 2010 report summarizing the results of the consultation process and to seek endorsement of recommended steps in support of reconciliation.

During discussion the members made the following comments:

- China has shown interest in a joint structure in New Westminster community;
- There is a need to find a way to tell the story together;
- Need to add recognition of Chinese veterans;
- Should be a proper dedication of the Chinese cemetery; and
- Consultation should continue around the recommended steps.

** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT the steps and actions outlined in the June 28, 2010 report (Option 1) from the Director of Development Services in support of reconciliation with the Chinese community be endorsed.

CARRIED.

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

Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation

22. [Queensborough Community Centre Expansion](#)

June 28, 2010 report providing a status update and recommending formation of a subcommittee.

Council requested Councillor Cote be appointed to the Community Centre Expansion Advisory Task Force.

** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT the Community Centre Expansion Project as outlined in the June 28, 2010 report from the Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation be approved in principle;
THAT staff be directed to commission a design team to begin the detailed design and technical analysis work in consultation with the community;
THAT the formation of a Community Centre Expansion Advisory Task Force be endorsed;

THAT Councillor Jonathan Cote be appointed to the Community Centre Expansion Advisory Task Force; and

THAT staff is directed to develop terms of reference and a task force recruitment process.

CARRIED.

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

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

4. 333 Keary Street

a) **Proposed Rezoning and Development Variance Permit Application**

June 28, 2010 report providing information on this application and requesting a zoning amendment Bylaw be forwarded for consideration and that a notice be issued.

In response to a question about the variance, staff indicated the variance is minimal.

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

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw 7401, 2010 to rezone the site at 333 Keary Street from Single Detached Dwelling Districts (RS-1) to Single Detached Dwelling Districts (Small Lots) (RS-5) be forwarded to Council for consideration of first and second readings; and

THAT a notice be issued to consider a resolution to issue Development Variance Permit No. 512 to allow lot frontages of 9.96 percent of the lot perimeters.

CARRIED.

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

b) **Advisory Planning Commission Report “333 Keary Street – Results of June 15, 2010 Meeting”**

June 28, 2010 report providing the Advisory Planning Commission’s recommendations.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the June 28, 2010 report from the Advisory Planning Commission’s be received

CARRIED.

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

7. **Adaptable Housing Policy – Proposed Work Plan and Consultation Process**

June 28, 2010 report outlining a proposed work plan and consultation process.

During discussion, members offered the following comments:

- Suggest a sooner rather than later timeline;
- Consider type of housing to be included in policy;
- Adaptable housing should be mandatory;
- Accessibility features are not always more costly.

** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT the proposed work plan and consultation process as outlined in the June 28, 2010 report from the Director of Development Services be endorsed.

CARRIED.

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

8. **Proposed Rezoning and Special Development Permit for 125 Columbia Street Mixed Use Commercial and Multiple Family Residential Development – Preliminary Report**

June 28, 2010 report providing information on proposed rezoning and special development permit for 125 Columbia.

During discussion, members offered the following comments:

- Not enough commercial space on ground floor;
- Commercial area looks like an orphan next to park with steep grade;
- Concerned about the viability of the commercial portion, but the neighbourhood needs commercial.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the June 28, 2010 report from the Director of Development Services regarding the proposed rezoning and Special Development Permit for 125 Columbia Street be received for information.

10. **Metro Vancouver Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management – Draft Solid Waste Management Plan**

June 28, 2010 report presenting the Metro Vancouver Draft Integrated Solid Waste Resource Management plan.

During discussion, members offered the following comments:

- Recommending support at this time seems premature;
- With the exception of incinerators options do not seem very well developed;
- Environmental evaluation seems to be lacking;
- Green house gas emissions should be a considered further;
- Environmental Advisory Committee has expressed disappointment the percentage of recycling in the Metro area is so low (16%);
- Diversion target not a goal to reduce waste;
- Consider less public control;
- Need to further develop timelines and cost estimates;
- Suggest a reward for recycling;
- More education in schools;
- Multi-family buildings need recycling;
- Suggest exploring ways to reduce junk mail;
- Need for strict guidelines to make plan work.

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT the Metro Vancouver “Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan dated April 28, 2010 be received;
THAT Metro Vancouver Board be advised that the City of New Westminster supports the “Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan” dated April 28, 2010;
THAT staff continue to work with Metro Vancouver and neighbouring municipalities to achieve high efficiencies and optimal levels of service associated with the future regional Solid Waste Management Plan; and
THAT recommendations from the June 22, 2010 City Environmental Advisory Committee meeting be endorsed and forwarded to Metro Vancouver Board.

CARRIED.

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

11. Request for Local Area Service for Ditch Infill – Wood St.

June 28, 2010 report requesting a Local Service Area to undertake ditch infilling and associated road widening improvements on Wood, Boyd and Boyne Streets.

During discussion, members offered the following comments:

- City needs a plan for dealing with this issue in the future;
- Cost is a major concern.

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT a Local Area Service for ditch infilling of portions of Wood Street, Boyne Street, and Boyd Street be commenced as requested based on a 50% cost sharing arrangement as outlined in Option 1 of the June 2j8, 2010 report from the Director of Engineering.

CARRIED.

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

12. 2009 Statement of Financial Information

During discussion members offered the following comments:

- Consider a different format for reporting Council members expenses;
- Suggest members expenses be reported quarterly.

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT the 2009 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) be received and approved.

CARRIED.

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

13. Update Regarding Debt Financing for Westminster Pier Park

June 28, 2010 report seeking approval to proceed with securing debt for Pier Park from MFA.

In response to a question suggesting the City’s expenditure be left until the end of the project, staff indicated the Federal government will only reimburse the City after the money has been spent. This item is being brought forward at this time is in order to be prepared for consideration by MFA in the fall.

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia (MFA), as part of their 2010 fall issue, \$8.3 million as authorized through the Westminster Pier Park Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 7377, 2010 be approved;
- ** *THAT the Greater Vancouver Regional District be requested to consent to the City borrowing \$8.3 million over a 20 year term and include the borrowing in their security issuing bylaw;*
- ** *THAT Westminster Pier Park Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 7400, 2010 be forwarded to the June 28, 2010 Regular Meeting of Council for three readings; and*
- ** *THAT the City Clerk be authorized to sign the CMHC Loan Commitment Letter.*

CARRIED.

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

NEW BUSINESS

24. Student Visitation Program – Councillor Williams

Councillor Williams reported the student visitation from China has been deemed a success by participating students and the Chinese government. Host families are receptive to having student visitation on an annual basis.

During discussion, members offered the following comments:

- Suggest program be amended to include students from other Sister Cities and Friendship Cities;
- Consider gender equity;
- Evaluate appropriate time of year for visitation and length of stay;
- Have Legislative Services Director draft a policy on student visitation for the July 12, 2010 Council meeting.

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT the City support an annual student exchange program from Sister Cities and Friendship Cities; and
THAT a policy be established to govern the program.

CARRIED.

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

25 Business License Bylaw – Proposed Amendments – Councillor Williams

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT staff be directed to review regulations related to home based business licenses in residential areas.

CARRIED.

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

26. Ed Zacharuk Vice President New Westminster Baseball seeks \$3,500.00 funding for the 2010 Provincial Baseball Tournament Welcome Barbeque.

During discussion, members offered the following comments:

- Preference would be for food sponsors;

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends:**
THAT staff is directed to assist New Westminster Baseball on the 2010 Provincial Baseball Tournament Welcome Barbeque to a maximum of \$3,500.

CARRIED.

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

Recess was called at 5:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at p.m.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR

RICHARD L. PAGE
CORPORATE OFFICER

****** Denotes recommendations referred to Regular Council meeting of June 28, 2010 for ratification.