



COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

October 31, 2011
Committee Room 2, City Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Councillor Jaimie McEvoy

STAFF:

Mr. Rick Page	- Director of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Gary Holowatiuk	- Director of Finance & Information Technology
Mr. Dean Gibson	- Assistant Director, Parks, Culture and Recreation
Ms. Bev Grieve	- Manager of Planning, Development Services
Mr. Terry Dunlop	- Recording Secretary

Regular Council meeting called to Order at 3:47 p.m.

Motion to adjourn to Committee of the Whole

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adjourn to a meeting as a Committee of the Whole with resumption of the regular meeting of Council immediately following the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.

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

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following item be added to the Agenda:

- Committee Minutes Distribution – as item #7

CARRIED.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Note: Council members may adopt in one motion all recommendations appearing on the Consent Agenda or, prior to the vote, request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for debate or discussion, voting in opposition to a recommendation, or declaring a conflict of interest with an item.

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council remove items, 1 and 3 from the Consent Agenda and postpone their consideration until the November 7, 2011 meeting..

CARRIED.

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

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends THAT the following Consent Agenda item recommendations be approved:**

Director of Development Services

THAT Council receive the report for information.

CARRIED.

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

2. 212 Eighth Avenue – Community Heritage Commission Opposition to Demolition Application

October 31, 2011 report advising of the Community Heritage Commission's opposition to the demolition of 212 Eighth Avenue.

THAT Council direct staff to issue the demolition permit for 212 Eighth Avenue.

CARRIED.

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

THAT Council receive this report for information.

CARRIED.

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

Director of Engineering

4. Ewen Avenue – Streetscape Improvement Functional Design

October 31, 2011 report presenting the functional design concept of the Ewen Avenue streetscape improvement program and seeking endorsement prior to moving forward with detailed design and construction.

THAT Council endorse the Ewen Avenue Functional Design Concept as presented in the report.

CARRIED.

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

Director of Engineering and Director of Finance and Information Technology

5. 2012 Water, Sewer & Solid Waste Rates Bylaws

(Bylaw No. 7498, 2011; Bylaw No. 7499, 2011; Bylaw No. 7500, 2011)
October 31, 2011 report presenting bylaws to implement the 2012 utility rates, as outlined in the October 24, 2011 report.

THAT the report be received for information; and

THAT Water Works Amendment Bylaw No. 7498, 2011 be forwarded to Council for three readings; and

THAT Sewerage System User Charge Amendment Bylaw No. 7499, 2011 be forwarded to Council for three readings.; and

THAT Garbage Amendment Bylaw No. 7500, 2011 be forwarded to Council for three readings.

CARRIED.

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

Recommendations

6. Motion to adopt the recommendations from the Family Court Committee meeting of October 19, 2011

a) Seniors and Family Festival Joint Subcommittee Debriefing: Co-Chair

For clarification, Councillor McIntosh informed that the joint event had resulted in a net budget saving of \$4,000.00

THAT a similar event be held in honour of Seniors and Family Day in 2012.

CARRIED.

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

THAT a request be made from the Family Court Committee to the City for a budget of \$4,000 for a similar festival in 2012.

CARRIED.

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

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

1. Chinese Reconciliation Process Progress Report

October 31, 2011 report updating on the progress made in implementing the steps and actions in support of reconciliation with the Chinese community as contained in the Council Report of June 28, 2010.

Consideration of this item was postponed to the Council in Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 7, 2011.

3. Update on Emergency Shelter, Longer-Term Transitional and Supported

Housing in New Westminster

October 31, 2011 report informing on the number of extreme weather response mats, emergency shelter beds, and longer-term transitional and supported housing units serving people who are homeless in New Westminster. The report also provides information regarding the number of non-market (subsidized) housing units in New Westminster.

Consideration of this item was postponed to the Council in Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 7, 2011.

REPORTS FOR ACTION

No reports were presented.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Committee Minutes Distribution

Members of Council noted that receipt of finalised draft minutes frequently takes from four to six weeks, which often makes recall and action problematic. Councillors suggested that they receive copies in a more timely manner and clearly marked as “draft”, possibly in electronic form. The Corporate Officer took the requests under advisement and also undertook to investigate the matter of placement of minutes on the City’s Webpage.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR

RICHARD PAGE
CORPORATE OFFICER

** Denotes recommendations referred to Regular Council meeting of October 31, 2011 for ratification.