

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON CANADA GAMES POOL / CENTENNIAL COMMUNITY CENTRE**

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June 26, 2019 at 9:00a.m.

With immediate adjournment to Closed Meeting

**Regular Meeting reconvened immediately following the Closed Meeting**  
City Hall Boardroom A

### **MINUTES**

#### **PRESENT:**

Mayor Jonathan Cote (Chairperson)  
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy  
Councillor Patrick Johnstone

#### **STAFF:**

Ms. Lisa Spitale	- Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. Dean Gibson	- Director of Parks & Recreation
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Director of Engineering
Mr. Steve Kellock	- Sr. Manager of Recreation Services and Facilities
Ms. Colleen Ponzini	- Acting Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Don Driedger	- Manager, Major Projects
Ms. Emilie Adin	- Director of Development Services
Ms. Denise Tambellini	- Intergovernmental and Community Relations Manager

#### **GUESTS:**

Mr. Geoff Watson, Turnbull Construction Project Managers  
Mr. Paul Fast, HCMA Architects + Design  
Ms. Alexandra Kenyon, HCMA Architects + Design

The meeting was called to order at 9:38 a.m.

## EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

### 1. **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT pursuant to Section 90 of the Community Charter, members of the public be excluded from the Closed Meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Canada Games Pool / Centennial Community Centre immediately following the Regular Meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Canada Games Pool / Centennial Community Centre on the basis that the subject matter of all agenda items to be considered relate to matters listed under Sections 90(1)(k) of the Community Charter:*

- (k) *negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;*

Purpose of the meeting:

Consideration of provision of new municipal service.

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

## ADJOURNMENT

### 2. **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Mayor's Task Force on Canada Games Pool / Centennial Community Centre in Open Session be adjourned and proceed to Closed Session.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

## RECONVENE TO REGULAR TASK FORCE

### 3. **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Regular Mayor's Task Force on Canada Games Pool / Centennial Community Centre be reconvened in City Hall Committee Room #2 at 1:47 pm.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**  
**Urgent/time sensitive matters only**

**4. No Items**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**5. No Items**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**6. MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Minutes of the Mayor's Task Force on CGP/CCC meeting held June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be adopted and circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

**PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS FOR ACTION**

**7. Naming the future New West Aquatics and Community Centre: – Steve Kellock, Senior Manager, Recreation (oral report)**

Mr. Kellock provided information to the group on the importance of naming the future facility and provided background information on the work done to date and future work that needs to be undertaken. Currently the working name for the future facility is being called the New Westminster Aquatics and Community Centre (NWACC).

- As the Schematic design is coming to a completion, programming and wayfinding is being looked at by the project team and it was recommended to choose a name for the future facility early on so that there could be an opportunity to tie branding with the facility name which is important in setting a tone and consistency.
- Through early indigenous engagement sessions a recommendation came forward to consider an indigenous name, which would tie in with the City's truth and reconciliation goals.
- By pursuing an Indigenous name, the City may be precluding the option to pursue facility naming rights/sponsorship. There would be still opportunities for naming rights and sponsorships through internally allocated spaces. Concerns were voiced that this might need more discussion possibly at a Council level since naming rights has been a topic of discussion on prior projects. Also, a recommendation

was made that there be two council members on the advisory panel for naming to help facilitate discussions.

- The Castlemain Group has been approached on a naming exercise and they have proposed a framework on how to proceed. This will coincide with HCMA's branding and communications work that would help in the proposal of naming the future facility and help with the look and feel of wayfinding and related branding on a go forward basis.
- A question was raised as whether there is a process for the community to suggest names for the facility? The group was informed that while this approach is available in the existing policy, it is not recommended given past experience and the priority being given to indigenous people's participation. It was recommended that there be a way that the project team engage the broader community as the current name of the Canada Games Pool has significant meaning to residents of the city.
- In regards to timing, it was recommended to initiate the naming process over summer and the early fall months and come up with recommendation to Council in October or November.
- A question was asked whether having a name for the facility is time sensitive. HCMA spoke to this point, informing the group that it is important for designing and a best practice is to have it earlier but wayfinding and branding is usually the last tender package so best to go ahead with the proper process for naming.

#### **8. Design Update:** Ali Kenyon, HCMA Architecture + Design (oral report)

Ms. Kenyon gave members an overview of the presentation and updated the group on the design updates that have taken place.

- Many user groups have been spoken to and designs have been adjusted, including design and materials. Furthermore, the City's Design Panel gave their approval for the design as presented to them on June 25<sup>th</sup>.
- A question about the possibly having parking underneath the building for more greenspace was asked. Ms. Kenyon informed the group that given the geotechnical considerations, the site is not good for parking underneath because of loose fill and water from the ravine which would be very expensive to excavate. It would essentially cost \$40,000-\$50,000 per stall. Also exercises were done with Justice Institute of BC and that option is not viable.

- A concern was mentioned regarding the walkway on 6<sup>th</sup> avenue and McBride Boulevard for pedestrians as it looks dark. Ms. Kenyon informed the group that they will give consideration for lighting for that corner to the edge of the building for pedestrians. Overall, HCMA will do an assessment to look at what other lighting considerations need to be made for the site.
- A question was asked about McBride Boulevard and how airborne particulates might impact the new site's maintenance regime. Ms. Kenyon informed the group that a meeting has been set with City staff to look at those street considerations and maintenance consideration. Also, the area that faces McBride is mostly glass and steel so it is very durable but HCMA continues to look at coatings to keep it durable and easy to maintain.
- Question about lighting throughout the play zones and high flying basketballs and the durability of these poles. HCMA notified the group that the intended poles are very robust and also allow for light heads to be attached.
- Concern about light pollution also arose in regards to the environmental and sensitivity issues. It was commented that the Cobra lighting is not the best in terms of stray light emissions.
- Children's perspective of disability play was also mentioned and whether that had been considered. Ms. Kenyon notified the group that the landscape architect will have that perspective and also a Rick Hansen accessibility consultant will be looking at those play spaces regarding accessibility. Also, the project team has heard through broad community engagement that for the outdoor play spaces that we need to be aware of inclusion for those with disabilities.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **No Items**

**NEXT MEETING**

Monday, August 19, 2019 –Council Chambers Meeting Room at 12:30pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting was adjourned at 10:28am.

Original Signed

**Sonia Parmar**  
Recording Secretary

Original Signed

**Jonathan Cote**  
Chairperson