



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

## REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

January 11, 2010 3:14 p.m.  
Committee Room No. 2  
City Hall

### MINUTES

#### PRESENT:

Councillor Lorrie Williams, Acting Mayor, Chair  
Councillor Bill Harper  
Councillor Bob Osterman  
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy  
Councillor Betty McIntosh

#### REGRETS:

Mayor Wayne Wright  
Councillor Jonathan Cote

#### STAFF:

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

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 3:14 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 9:08 p.m. with all those listed earlier present.

#### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. [Motion to adopt the minutes of the last regular meeting of the City Council held December 14, 2009.](#)

A correction was requested to the December 14, 2009 Regular Minutes of Council in Section 8, Reports, Council Members by deleting the name "Councillor McEvoy" which occurs immediately following the words "8. Council Members" and inserting "Councillor Harper" in its place.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT*** the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, held December 14, 2009, be received and adopted, as amended.

**CARRIED.**

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

**PRESENTATIONS**

**2. The SAFERhome Standards Society – Patrick Simpson, Executive Director**

Patrick Simpson, Executive Director of the SAFERhome Standards Society, circulated information on SAFERhome. They promote standards that encourage safer building practices. Mr. Simpson referred to changes occurring in the community (rising seniors population) and the opportunity to address this through application of SAFERhome solutions. He outlined some solutions that are simple and effective: safety support bar in bathrooms, a reduced standard for plumbing to allow residents to sit at a sink, 42 inch height for light switches and 18 inches for electric boxes. The program has a significant effect on a house and addresses senior and child safety, higher energy efficiency, and is a physically measurable sustainable program. Senior deaths and visits to children's hospitals relate to accidents that are preventable. With a growing seniors population, 6 to 7 people a day will die from preventable circumstances if changes are not made to building practices. The SAFERhome proposed solutions require a modest cost to install and have already been included in many homes and developments. Mr. Simpson requested that the City help to present these opportunities to the community as a policy to build to the SAFERhome standard.

**3. Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy: *Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping Our Future and Request for Comments* – Johnny Carline, Chief Administrative Officer, Metro Vancouver**

Johnny Carline, Chief Administrative Officer of Metro Vancouver, circulated a booklet entitled Metro Vancouver 2040 Shaping our Future, and made a presentation on the subject of Metro Vancouver's Regional Growth Strategy. His presentation focused on the following:

- Metro Vancouver vision statement
- What can a successful strategy accomplish
- Regional Growth Strategy's five goals
- 2009 consultation process
- Results and conclusions
- Level of regional authority
- Municipal and other agency consultation

- Responding to feedback in a number of areas: urban centres, frequent transit development corridors, industrial lands, industrial and mixed employment areas, rural areas, protecting the environment, updated environmental policies, housing diversity, updated housing policies, supporting transportation choices, implementation and amendment process
- Ways to amend the strategy
- Implementation special study areas
- Land use designations
- New Westminster comments
- Next steps.

#### 4. **Song Search New West – New Westminster Torch Relay Committee**

Don McLeod, School Alliance of Student Songwriters (SASS), New Westminster resident, advised the arrival of the Olympic Torch will be celebrated locally on February 9. As a song writer and record producer he is the founder of an organization that teaches students how to write songs and produce records among many other life skills. SASS is a co presenter with the Torch Relay Committee on an initiative called Song Search New Westminster. To enter submit an original song on what inspires you or what you aspire to with a digital video upload to YouTube. There are prizes for the winning entry. Mr. McLeod invited the audience to attend the Olympic Torch event.

### DELEGATIONS/OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD

5. [210 Brunette Avenue, Village at Historic Sapperton](#) (former Labbatt's site)
- a) [Development Permit 022\(S\)](#) and
  - b) [Development Permit 023\(S\)](#)

Larry Kerr, Development Manager for the proposed project, and his team, representing Wesgroup, made a presentation that summarized the subject Development Permit applications. He reviewed:

- Construction phases
- Landscaping of first phase
- Cross section view to the east of the development and another showing building height
- Lower retail level site plan
- Main level of retail site plan
- Building 2 office levels
- Elevations
- The significance of the name "The Brewery District".

During discussion of the presentation, members debated the use of the name "The Brewery District" for the area.

No others rose to address Development Permits 022(S) and 023 (S).

## 6. Open Delegations

**Gavin Palmer representing the Queensborough Residents Association**, rose to voice a major concern the construction and operation plans for a bus depot on Hamilton Street in Richmond. One Open House was held and a second will be held this week on the project. Mr. Palmer urged that Council attend the second meeting to obtain more information about the project. There will be 350 buses in the yard, creating 600 jobs – 100 on the site and the balance serving as drivers. This means 300 buses and other vehicles will be traveling through Queensborough to reach the depot at early morning hours and other times of the day. There will be a Public Hearing in Richmond which New Westminster City should attend to seek mitigation for Queensborough.

### **MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT** the matter of the Hamilton Street bus depot project be referred to staff for a report to Council.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**John Ashdown, New Westminster resident, representing the West End Business Association**, rose to update Council on the Associations' projects:

- Thanked the city for installing lights on 12<sup>th</sup> Street
- Upcoming events include completion of the mosaics, four murals to be completed in the spring, a pocket park which is in preliminary planning, a walking tour brochure for 12<sup>th</sup> Street
- The 12<sup>th</sup> Street Festival
- Presented Council with copies of the 12<sup>th</sup> Street calendar.

## **BYLAWS CONSIDERED AT PUBLIC HEARING**

7. [Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7365, 2009](#) [a Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: 1932 Eighth Avenue] **THIRD READING**

Deferred to February 8, 2010.

**ISSUANCE OF DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMITS**

8. [210 Brunette Avenue, Village at Historic Sapperton](#) (former Labbatt's site) – the Brewery District
- a) [Issuance of Development Permit 022\(S\)](#) to vary off-street parking - number of parking spaces
  - b) [Issuance of Development Permit 023\(S\)](#) to vary height and signage

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the following Development Permits be approved for 210 Brunette Avenue:*

*Development Permit 022(S) with the following variances to permit construction of the first phase of the Village at Historic Sapperton (The Brewery District):*

- *Exempt the site from satisfying Zoning Bylaw Section 150 Off Street Parking Sections 150.7 – 150.32 Required Number of Parking Spaces; and*
- *Establishing a standard of 1650 parking spaces for the site as a whole and requirements for each phase of the development; and*

*Development Permit 023(S) with the following variances to permit construction of the first phase of the Village at Historic Sapperton (The Brewery District):*

- *A maximum height of 65 feet (19.8 meters)*
- *Directional sign with an area of 38 square feet (3.6 square meters);*
- *Four fascia identification signs for each tenant or premise with an area no greater than 328 square feet (10 square meters);*
- *Freestanding identification signs with an area no greater than 172 square feet (16 square meters);*
- *Projecting signs with an area no greater than 86 square feet (8 square meters);*
- *Ground level window signs with an area no greater than 194 square feet (18 square meters);*
- *Awning signs with an area no greater than 129 square feet (12 square meters);*
- *Business directory signs with an area no greater than 86 square feet (8 square meters); and*
- *Under canopy signs with an area no greater than 65 square feet (6 square meters).*

**CARRIED.**

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

## CORRESPONDENCE

### 9. Review of Community Television Policy Framework:

- a) [Metro Vancouver Board requests support for Metro Vancouver Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission \(CRTC\) submission](#)
- b) [Shaw Communications opposes Metro Vancouver's submission to CRTC](#)

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the following correspondence be received:*

- *Metro Vancouver Board requests support for Metro Vancouver Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) submission*
- *Shaw Communications opposes Metro Vancouver's submission to CRTC*

**CARRIED.**

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

## REPORTS

### 10. Council Members:

#### **Councillor McIntosh**

...wished a happy new year to all; attended the Annual General Meeting of Hyack Festival Association and an earlier Board meeting; attended Community Heritage Commission meeting, a Hyack event, a neighbourhood Residents Association; the indoor Farmers' Market; the tree chipping event; offered condolences to the family of Dolores Finlay and to the Cipriano family on the passing of their mother.

#### **Councillor Osterman**

...offered condolences to the family of Morrison McVey; attended the tree chipping event - mentioned community volunteers: Tim Hortons, Fire Services staff who attend to support the event; commented on the Record and its service to the community.

#### **Councillor McEvoy**

...just returned from vacation; mentioned that Council appoints committee members for the upcoming year; thanked all members he has worked with on Committees over 2009; thanked the volunteers who work for the city.

### **Councillor Harper**

...wished a happy new year to all; spent a happy holiday with family; offered condolences to Brian Dodd on the loss of his wife, Debby; thanked the Firefighters Charitable Association for their contributions to the community, noting the funds raised supplied the turkeys used at St. Barnabus Church.

### **Acting Mayor Williams**

...Announced that appointments to committees, boards and commissions for the term ending January, 2011 will be announced and appointees will take their oath of office at City Council meeting, February 8, 2010.

On behalf of Council extended condolences to:

Barry Dykes, New Westminster Museum and Archives on the passing of his father; Judi Turner, Legislative and Information Services on the passing of her uncle; Donna Martin, Legislative and Information Services on the passing of her uncle; Brian Dodds, former Executive Director of BIA, on the passing of his wife; to the family on the passing of Dolores Finlay.

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **11. [Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held December 14, 2009.](#)**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held on December 14, 2009, be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

### **12. Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held January 11, 2009.**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the following motions be approved (with an additional added to Item 12(e):*

#### **Director of Finance and Information Technology**

##### **a) [2010 City Partnership Grants](#)**

*THAT the 2010 City Partnership Grants be approved as follows:*

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| <i>Arts Council of New Westminster</i>          | <i>\$15,000 + \$5,000<br/>in kind</i> |
| <i>Massey Theatre</i>                           | <i>\$62,000</i>                       |
| <i>New Westminster Chamber of Commerce</i>      | <i>\$41,000</i>                       |
| <i>New Westminster Tourism &amp; Convention</i> | <i>\$40,000</i>                       |

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| <i>Hyack Festival Association</i>                  | \$150,000 +\$30,000<br><i>in kind</i> |
| <i>Fraser River Discover Centre</i>                | \$15,000                              |
| <i>CERA Communities/Restorative Administration</i> | \$14,000                              |
| <i>Family Services of Greater Vancouver</i>        | \$15,000                              |
| <i>Fraserside Community Services</i>               | \$20,000                              |
| <i>BC Senior Services &amp; Housing</i>            | \$23,000                              |
| <i>New Westminster Victim Assistance</i>           | \$25,000                              |

## **Director of Development Services**

### **b) [Gas Works Site – 2331 Twelfth Street](#)**

**THAT** the City:

- *pursue interest in acquiring the Gas Works site for community/institutional use through a sponsored Crown Grant (Free Crown Grant);*
- *indicate to the Province a willingness to accept responsibility for the Gas Works building should the site be transferred to the City, and to work with the Province to protect the Gas Works building prior to any such transfer;*
- *indicate a willingness to enter into an Agreement with the Province to allocate an additional 20 non-market housing units to B.C. Housing, if an agreement is reached to transfer the site to the City;*
- *indicate a willingness to enter into detailed negotiations with the Province to resolve specific issues listed in Schedule A of the Memorandum of Understanding;*
- *allocate \$250,000 in the 2011 budget process to be considered within the overall capital program for the City to pay for the costs of protecting the heritage building during excavation of the contaminated soil from the site should the City receive the Gas Works site; and*
- *investigate proceeding with the utility work on Twelfth Street in coordination with the excavation of the contaminated soils should the City receive the Gas Works site.*

### **c) [Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy: Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping Our Future – City of New Westminister Comments](#)**

**THAT** a copy of the report titled “Metro Vancouver Growth Strategy: Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future – City of New Westminister Comments” containing the City of New Westminister’s comments on the November 2009 draft of the Regional Growth Strategy be submitted to the Metro Vancouver Board of Directors



*for incorporation into the next draft of the Regional Growth Strategy.*

**d) Ministerial Appointment for 2010**

*THAT Pastor Shannon of the Shiloh United Church be appointed as the Ministerial Appointee for the City for 2010.*

**e) Amendment to the Council Schedule of Meetings**

*THAT the 2010 Schedule of Regular Council meetings be amended as follows:*

- *March 1, 2010 meeting will be scheduled as a Working Session*
- *March 22 will be scheduled as a regular Council day with Closed, Committee of the Whole and Regular meetings;*
- *March 29, 2010 will be scheduled as a Working Session; and*
- *May 31, 2010 Working Session is cancelled.*

**f) Stride Project**

*THAT the City support the Purpose Society in its efforts to seek restoration of funding for the Stride Program; and*

*THAT the City send a letter to the Provincial Health Minister, Kevin Falcon, requesting that funding for the program be fully restored.*

**ITEMS CONSIDERED IN THE CONSENT AGENDA AT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:**

**g) [333 Keary Street – Demolition Application](#)**

*THAT staff be directed to issue a demolition permit for 333 Keary Street.*

**h) [Boston Pizza New West, 1045 Columbia Street / Application to Extend Hours of Liquor Service](#)**

*THAT the following resolution be approved:*

***WHEREAS** New Westminster City Council considered a staff report regarding an application from Boston Pizza New West located at 1045 Columbia Street to amend its Food Primary Liquor License by changing the hours of liquor service to 11:00 am - 2:00 am seven days per week;*

***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 requested extension to the hours of liquor service 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 inviting the public to submit comments to the City;

**WHEREAS** the City has not received any objections regarding the application; and

**WHEREAS** the requested amendment is consistent with the establishment's primary purpose as a restaurant;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

**THAT** New Westminister City Council approves Boston Pizza New West's application to extend its hours of liquor service to 11:00 am - 2:00 am seven days per week.

**ITEMS REFERRED FROM Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 30, 2009:**

**i) Emergency Advisory Committee meeting of October 6, 2009**

**THAT** the Emergency Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be amended as set out in Schedule A of the October 6, 2009 meeting minutes of the Emergency Advisory Committee.

**ITEMS REFERRED FROM Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 14, 2009:**

**j) The Corporation of Delta seeking support for their request to Metro Vancouver to implement a reduced rate for bulk water used for agriculture.**

**THAT** staff be directed to correspond with Metro Vancouver expressing support for the Corporation of Delta's request to Metro Vancouver to implement a reduced rate for bulk water used for agriculture.

**CARRIED.**

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

**BYLAWS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

**THAT** the following bylaws be adopted:

- 13. [City of New Westminister Arts Commission Bylaw No. 7367, 2009](#) [a bylaw to establish an Arts Commission for the City of New Westminister]** **ADOPTION**

*City of New Westminister Arts Commission Bylaw No. 7367, 2009.*

14. [Heritage Revitalization Agreement \(221 Ninth Street\) Amendment Bylaw No. 7372, 2009](#) [a bylaw to amend a Heritage Revitalization Agreement] **ADOPTION**

*Heritage Revitalization Agreement (221 Ninth Street) Amendment Bylaw No. 7372, 2009.*

**CARRIED.**

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

#### **NEXT MEETING**

**Monday, January 18, 2010**

Proposed Closed Working Session commencing at 1:00 p.m. and proposed Open Working Session commencing at 3:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2, City Hall. No evening meeting scheduled.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting adjourned at 11:06 p.m.

Certified Correct,

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**WAYNE WRIGHT**  
**MAYOR**

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**RICHARD L. PAGE**  
**CORPORATE OFFICER**