



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

February 16, 2009 3:29 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2
City Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Wayne Wright
Councillor Jonathan Cote
Councillor Bill Harper
Councillor Bob Osterman
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy
Councillor Betty McIntosh
Councillor Lorrie Williams

STAFF:

Mr. Jim Lowrie - Acting City Administrator
Ms. Judi Turner - Acting Corporate Officer
Ms. Lisa Spitale - Director of Development Services

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 3:29 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:01 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 February 2, 2009.](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, held February 2, 2009, be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

PRESENTATIONS

2. Heritage Plaque Awards

Mayor announced the 2009 Heritage Plaque presentations and was assisted by Councillors McIntosh and McEvoy with their distribution.

3. Lijiang City Visit – Matthew Laird

The presentation by Matthew Laird about a visit to the New Westminster Sister City, Lijiang City, was deferred to a future meeting.

DELEGATIONS

4. Open Delegations

Tony Antonias, 805 Fourth Street, was present on behalf of the Arts and Culture Commission, to announce a New Westminster Symphony Concert on March 1, 2009 where three pieces by J. Brahms will be performed.

It was also announced that Mayor Wayne Wright is now a patron of the New Westminster Symphony.

Christopher Bell of 1006 Nanaimo Street, was present and questioned the wisdom of seeking a \$10 M loan for purchase of the Westminster Pier site without public consultation. He asked that the bylaw listed under item 11 of the agenda be deferred to allow his concerns to be considered. (Jim Lowrie, Acting City Administrator, advised that the bylaw in question establishes the actual budget for 2008 although it does anticipate the budget for a five year period. He added that a report on the matter will come before Council shortly.)

Mr. Bell reviewed and presented his questions for later response by the Director of Finance and Information Technology (the questions will be added to the Agenda package).

Neil Powell of 432 Sherbrooke Street commented that Mayor Wright attended the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Meeting where a decision was made not to continue with acquisition of the Canfor lands for use as an incinerator site. He suggested that the Mayor was responsible for the initial suggestion that this land be used for incinerator use and stated that the community has had a year of worry over this potential use.

CORRESPONDENCE

5. The Board of Directors and Organizing Committee of the 2009 World Police and Fire Games is seeking a minimum financial commitment of \$25,000 from the City to support the 2009 World Police and Fire Games being hosted across the Lower Mainland and Sea to Sky Regions of British Columbia from July 31 to August 9 this summer.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the correspondence from the 2009 World Police and Fire Games seeking a minimum financial commitment of \$25,000, be received and referred to staff for follow up/clarification whether the costs are related to cash or in lieu services.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

6. The Royal City Farmer's Market requests the following:
(a) further use of the 4th Street parking lot in Tipperary Park every Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. from June 25th to October 8th 2009
(b) all fees including their business license fee be waived by the City

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following request from the Royal City Farmer's Market be approved:

- (a) *further use of the 4th Street parking lot in Tipperary Park every Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. from June 25th to October 8th 2009*
(b) *all fees including their business license fee be waived by the City.*

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

REPORTS

7. **Council Members:**

Jointly, Council made the following reports:

- Attended the opening of Michael Hwang's new law office in the Westminster Building on Columbia Street; noted he has installed a video machine that projects historical pictures of New Westminster onto a frosted front window to be viewed by pedestrians walking by;
- Attended the 150th anniversary tea where Chief Rhonda Larabee gave an excellent speech on the history of her people;

- Commented on a 150th event that will be held at Glenbrook Middle School which will tie in with Heritage Week celebrations
- Attended the renovated Westminster Mall whose LEEDS rating has been upgraded to the gold standard, making it the first such building in the Lower Mainland;
- Were pleased to see the number of volunteers at the Civic Dinner and the commitment of those volunteers
- Toured Moody Park Pool construction site and noted it is progressing
- Attended the Premier's announcement on the new gang controls
- Attended the official opening for Victoria Heights – Good Samaritan Canada
- Proclaimed February 16 to 22, 2009 as Heritage Week in the City;
- Proclaimed February 25, 2009 a Anti-Bullying Day in the City.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8. [Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held February 2, 2009](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 2, 2009, be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

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

9. **Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held February 16, 2009**

Director of Engineering:

a) Automated Waste Collection Services

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff be directed to undertake public consultation on the proposed service change and report back to Council prior to implementation of the program.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

b) Municipal Access Agreement – Telus Communications

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Municipal Access Agreement with Telus Communications in the form attached to the February 16, 2009 report from the Director of Engineering Services be approved.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

c) Early 2009 Capital Budget Approval For Building Repair Work

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the 2009 Capital Budget for scheduled roof replacement and repair work at various civic facilities in the amount of \$539,500.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

d) Amendment to Animal Control Bylaw 7037, 2005 – Bylaw No. 7297, 2009

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Animal Control Amendment Bylaw No. 7297, 2009 be received.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

e) Seven Day Operation of Parking Meters

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the proposal for seven day operation of parking meters be referred to staff for public consultation (to include local businesses and churches).

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

Director of Development Services:

f) 101/107 Agnes Street Heritage Revitalization Agreement - Update

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council support the time extension to the Heritage Revitalization Agreement based on the conditions as outlined in the

February 16, 2009 report from the Director of Development Services.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- g) Official Community Plan Amendment for the Redevelopment of 401 Jardine Street (former Western Forest Products site) Bylaw No. 7298, 2009**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Official Community Plan Designation Bylaw No. 7298, 2009 be received.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- h) Sign Permit Application for a Freestanding Sign at 734 Boyd Street**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council support the issuance of the sign permit, once the lease agreement has been finalized.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- i) New Westminster Child Care Strategy**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT City Council endorse the Child Care Strategy in principle;

THAT City Council endorse the implementation of the Year 1 recommended actions as listed in Option #2;

THAT Items 16 and 17 listed in the document entitled "Child Care Strategy for New Westminster, February 16, 2009" be moved to Year 1;

THAT Item 21 from the same document be referred to the 2010 Budget discussions;

THAT School District No. 40. be made aware of the needs evidenced by the staff report;

THAT high priority be given to child care for children with special needs and more space for emergency child care in New Westminster; and

THAT staff prepare a child care resolution for submission to UBCM.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

j) Plaza 88/Request for Construction Noise Bylaw Exemption

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Degelder Construction Co. B.C. Ltd. be granted an exemption from Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063 in order to carry out construction work within the development known as plaza 88 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on March 1, 2009.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

Director of Finance:

k) 2009 City Partnership Grant – Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society of BC.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff report back to Council on the Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society Partnership Proposal with the following:

- *Additional details on proposed expenditures; and*
- *Future uses of the Samson V to maximize it for tourism.*

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

Director of Parks and Recreation:

l) 2009 Canada Day Funding

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation staff be authorized to apply for the Heritage Canada Grant for Canada Day.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

m) Contract Award for Youth Facility Design & Construction Management Services

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT contracts for Design Services and Project Management/Construction Management services for the New Westminster Youth Facility be awarded as follows:

- *Architectural Design services contract awarded to CEI Architecture in the amount of \$100,800 plus disbursements, and*

- *Project Management/Construction Management services contract awarded to Task Construction Management for the fixed fee amount of \$126,000 plus a variable fee of approximately \$120,800 for on-site personnel, plus general disbursements.*

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

n) Moody Park Arena Rink Slab Replacement – Contract Award for Project Management / Construction Management Services

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the contract for Project Management & Construction Management Services for the Moody Park Arena Rink Slab Replacement Project for the fixed fee amount of \$84,000 and a variable fee of approximately \$29,600 for on-site personnel rates, plus general disbursements, be awarded to TASK Construction Management Inc.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

BYLAWS

10. [Five-Year Financial Plan \(2008-2012\) Amendment Bylaw No. 7269, 2009 \[a Bylaw to amend the five-Year Financial Plan for the years 2008 – 2012, inclusive\]](#) **ADOPTION**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Five-Year Financial Plan (2008-2012) Amendment Bylaw No. 7269, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

11. [Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw \(815 Milton Street\) No. 7087, 2006 \[a bylaw to designate the lands, buildings and structures located at 815 Milton Street, a protected heritage property\]](#) **ADOPTION**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw (815 Milton Street) No. 7087, 2006, be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- 12. Animal Control Amendment Bylaw No. 7297, 2009** [a Bylaw to amend New Westminster Animal Control Bylaw 7037, 2005] **THREE READINGS**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Animal Control Amendment Bylaw No. 7297, 2009, be read a first time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Animal Control Amendment Bylaw No. 7297, 2009, be read a second time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Animal Control Amendment Bylaw No. 7297, 2009, be read a third time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- 13. Official Community Plan Designation Amendment bylaw No. 7298, 2009** [a Bylaw to Amend Official Community Plan Designation bylaw No. 6476, 1998 and Official Community Plan Designation Bylaw No. 6266, 1995] **TWO READINGS**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Official Community Plan Designation Amendment bylaw No. 7298, 2009, be read a first time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Official Community Plan Designation Amendment Bylaw 7298, 2009 is considered in conjunction with the City's Financial Plan and Waste Management Plan.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Official Community Plan Designation Amendment bylaw No. 7298, 2009, be read a second time.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

(A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, March 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall)

NEXT MEETING

Monday, February 23, 2009

Proposed Regular Council – Working Session commencing at 1:00 p.m. in
Committee Room No. 2, City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR

JUDI TURNER
ACTING CORPORATE OFFICER