



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

March 23, 2009 3:09 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2
City Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT:

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

REGRETS:

Councillor Bob Osterman

STAFF:

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

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 3:09 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:08 p.m. with all members of Council present except Councillor Osterman.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Heritage Week Presentations

Mayor announced the Heritage Week presentations for 2009 and was assisted by Councillors McEvoy and McIntosh in distributing the prizes.

RECESS

2. Motion to recess to Public Hearing

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regular meeting of Council recess.

CARRIED.

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

The Regular Meeting of Council recessed at 7:30 p.m. and reconvened at 7:42 p.m. with all members of Council present except Councillor Osterman.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3. Motion to adopt the minutes of the last regular meeting of the City Council held March 2, 2009

MOVED and SECONDED

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

CARRIED.

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

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The agenda was varied by the addition of the following as item 3(a)

- Presentation on FCM and GVRD.

PRESENTATION

3(a). Presentation FCM and GVRD

Councillor Williams reported on the following matters:

FCM:

- Has passed resolutions asking municipalities to phase out bottled water in their facilities where appropriate and to encourage citizens to carry their own containers

The Environment Committee's key concerns:

- Climate change; Earth Hour initiative
- Waster Water regulations: national regulations will be developed by December 2009 and all municipalities will be urged to adhere to them
- Solid Waste: will call for a national plan to deal with packaging and hazardous materials

- Other matters considered: drinking water, brown fields, energy, pesticides (a ban on cosmetic pesticide use), invasive species, national building code, compact fluorescent lights, municipal solid waste and the need for a national strategy
- Resolutions for Whistler will include TILMA, recycling of single use batteries; chronic offenders

The BC Report dealt with Municipal taxes on industry, aboriginal rights, the Evergreen Line, Olympic security and costs, in 2008 recovery of gas tax to municipalities was made permanent, infrastructure funding, that P3's is not cost effective, that a national action plan is needed for Affordable Housing, child care

The Municipal Finance and Inter-government Relations Committee considered: excessive reliance on property tax; to increase Federal funding for police, crime prevention and substance abuse

The International Committee considered: exchanging knowledge; expanding sister city relationships; increasing the number of women who enter politics.

The GVRD/Metro Vancouver Environment and Energy Committee considered:

Ecological health framework to maintain and enhance an eco-system; protecting bio-diversity; adhere to the precautionary principle – limit intervention whenever possible; double hulled tankers; to connect people and nature and foster a stewardship ethic; development of wood smoke emission reduction program; non-road diesel emissions; future of the regional sustainable dialogues; Canada wide waste water and secondary treatment; liquid natural gas to supply power for cruise ships; the monitoring system for New Westminster will continue.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Regular Meeting recess.

CARRIED.

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

The Regular Meeting recessed at 7:58 p.m. and reconvened at 8:23 p.m. with all members of Council present except Councilor Osterman.

DELEGATIONS

4. Open Delegations

Andrew Murray of 707 Belyea, was present to represent the Save Our Rivers Society and Environmental Partners to invite council to attend the upcoming Run of the River event on Wednesday, March 25, 2009.

Mr. Murray then spoke of the environmental benefits of canceling the use of bottled water.

Tony Antonias of 805 Fourth Street, congratulated Council on implementation of the reader board located on McBride. He congratulated the Royal City Musical Theater on their anniversary. They will celebrate with performances of *A Chorus Line* which ran on Broadway for 16 years.

Karen Jacobsen of 404, 221 Eleventh Street, representing the PAC of John Robson School, read a letter aloud that has been sent to the School Board, Council, and the MLA, asking that the new Middle School be located at City Hall and not on the St. Mary's site because of the \$11 million cost. She asked for open discussion on this proposal.

BYLAWS CONSIDERED AT PUBLIC HEARING

5. **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] **THIRD READING**

MOVED and SECONDED

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

CARRIED.

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

6. **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7304, 2009** [a Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: extension of the land use designation in the Official Community Plan to allow temporary commercial and industrial use permits in all areas in the Downtown neighbourhood] **THIRD READING**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7304, 2009, be read a third time.

CARRIED.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

7. [The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver challenges all member municipalities of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities to participate in Earth Hour, Lights Out Across Canada For Earth Hour on March 28, 2009.](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the correspondence from the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver regarding Earth Hour on March 28, 2009, be received.

CARRIED.

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

Note further action on this item took place following Item 14.

REPORTS

8. Council Members:

Councillor Cote

...as acting mayor, attended Police mess dinner, a flag raising ceremony to honour the Lions Club; welcomed a new daughter - Leah; mom and daughter are well.

Councillor McEvoy

...attended meetings of CHC and Seniors Advisory Committee meetings; an RCH fund raising event; the Columbia Institute Centre For Civic Governance where many issues were considered; noted the New Westminster's Child Care Plan is well received in other communities; the Hyack Chamber Glitter Gala; visited Downtown Vancouver's First United Church where homelessness is being addressed; attended the Dunwood Place St. Patrick's Tea; the Royal City's Humane Society pub night fund raiser; the display of waste management; spoke of the Lenten series, where homelessness was discussed at various churches; noted that St. Barnabus and Shiloh 6th Avenue United Church have yet to meet; attended the Miss New Westminster Ambassador event; a rally of the Acorn Group; a tour of the Fraser River Discover Centre; the Leadership Connect Dinner; attended the Chinese Christians Committee dinner.

Councillor Harper

...spent four days with his 92 year old mother; attended the Arts Council meeting and noted many events will take place shortly; the BC Capacity Initiatives Council composed of First Nations Chiefs around the Province who review applications for building communities around the Province; the GVRD Labour Relations Bureau meeting; the Downtown Plan meeting at City Hall; the Hyack Glitter Gala; the Fraser River Discover Centre tour; the Ambassador Pageant; congratulated Jonathan And Alex Cote on the birth of their second daughter.

Councillor McIntosh

...hoped that families enjoyed spring break; congratulated Jonathan And Alex Cote on the birth of their new daughter; as Acting Mayor, attended the Ambassador Pageant, congratulated all the participants and volunteers who made the event possible; attended the waste collection display event at City Hall; noted that Fraser River Discover Centre will have a resource room available; Tourism will also be present at the Centre; noted her mother underwent surgery

for a broken hip that occurred yesterday; thanked all the staff at RCH for the work they do.

Councillor Williams

...attended a play at Douglas College called Imperfect which looks at how society views those with special needs; commented on an exhibit at Douglas College on cemeteries; attended the Miss New Westminster Pageant and congratulated the leading candidate; the Royal City Humane Society fundraiser event; the St. Patrick's day tea at Dunwood Place; the FCM conference; the Metro Vancouver Environment And Energy Committee; the Fraser River Discover Centre tour.

Mayor Wayne Wright

...thanked Councillors for helping with Acting Mayor duties during his recent absence; enjoyed a vacation in Australia; attended: Second Choice store opening; commented on the McIntyre family, including Maurice who supports his wife and daughters and the Hyack Committee in their endeavours; noted his father celebrated his 93rd birthday; wished Lisa Spitale, Director of Development Services, a good vacation; offered condolences to the family of E. Thornhill, a former City employee with Parks and Recreation.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

9. Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held March 2, 2009

MOVED and SECONDED

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

CARRIED.

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

10. Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held March 23, 2009

Director of Legislative Services/Chief Election Officer

a) Proposed 150th Commemorative Book of Poems – 150 YEARS OF TRADITIONS – City of New Westminster

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the 150th Celebrations budget be expanded by \$14,980 plus GST to allow publication of 500 soft cover commemorative books of poetry, known as "150 Years of Traditions – City of New Westminster", as part of the 150th Anniversary Celebrations.

CARRIED.

Opposed: Councillor McIntosh.

b) 2008 Local Government Election – Late Filing of Campaign Disclosure Statements

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the March 20, 2009 report from the Chief Election Officer reporting on late filing of Campaign Disclosure Statements for the 2008 Local Government Election, be received.

CARRIED.

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

Director of Engineering Services:

c) Development Cost Charges Program - Consultation Review and Options Development

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff proceed with the currently proposed Development Cost Charges (DCC) program identified as Option 3 in the February 16, 2009 report from the Directors of Engineering and Parks and Recreation with a 15 month grace period; and

THAT staff undertake an additional round of consultation prior to a bylaw being brought forward for consideration.

CARRIED.

Opposed: Councillor McIntosh and Mayor Wright.

d) Application for Grant Funding – Canada – BC Building Canada Fund

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff undertake a high level business case for each of the identified projects contained within the Director of Engineering Services March 23, 2009 report, and base the City's grant application to the Canada – BC Building Canada Fund for the project that delivers the greatest net benefit to the community.

CARRIED.

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

e) Proposed Amendment to Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Metro Vancouver be advised of the City's concerns related to the possible transportation impacts associated with the Waste Management Inc. proposal; and

THAT Metro Vancouver be also advised that while New Westminster City Council is reluctant to support the export of the Region's solid waste, it strongly favours the Rabanco Proposal and it objects to more truck traffic through the City of New Westminster.

CARRIED.

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

Director of Finance:

- f) **Parcel Tax Roll for the asphalt paving of the lane between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue)**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the lane paving between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue, Parcel Tax Roll Bylaw No. 7300, 2009 (Attachment A) directing staff to prepare a parcel tax roll for consideration of the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel, be forwarded to the Regular Council meeting of March 23, 2009, for three readings;

THAT the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel consisting of all members of the Council convene on April 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 511 Royal Avenue, New Westminster, to identify, confirm, and authenticate the parcel tax roll and that staff be directed to provide for notification in accordance with the requirements of the Community Charter; and

THAT staff be directed to prepare a Parcel Tax Bylaw for subsequent consideration by Council, with respect to the lane paving between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue, Parcel Tax Roll Bylaw No. 7300, 2009.

CARRIED.

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

- g) **2009 Community Grants – City Partnership Grants**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following 2009 City Partnership Grants be approved:

- Arts Council of New Westminister – \$15,000
- Massey Theatre - \$62,000
- Chamber of Commerce - \$41,000
- Tourism & Convention Development Association - \$25,000
- Farmers' Market - \$10,000
- Communities Embracing Restorative Action (CERA) (formerly Fraser Burrard Community Justice Society) - \$14,000

- *Family Services of Greater Vancouver “The Edge” - \$15,000*
- *Fraserside Community Services Society Gardens - \$5,000*
- *BC Senior Services & Housing Information - \$23,000*
- *New Westminster Victims Assistance - \$25,000.*

CARRIED.

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

Director of Development Services

h) Proposed Development Permit and Rezoning for 303-307 Jardine

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7309, 2009, be received.

CARRIED.

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

i) 707 Eighteenth Street – Time Extension for DVP Application

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council give notice that it will consider a resolution to issue a time extension for Development Variance Permit 475 to allow front yard setbacks of 17 ft./5.2 m. and lot frontages of 8.3 percent of the lot perimeters.

CARRIED.

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

j) Draft Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy: Comments for Consultation Process and Timeline for Review

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff be directed to:

- a. Forward the March 23, 2009 report from Director of Development Services and the summary of comments to Metro Vancouver’s Board with a request that the comments be included as part of the package for public consultation on the draft Regional Growth Strategy;*
- b. Invite a staff member from Metro Vancouver to make a presentation on the draft Regional Growth Strategy at the April 20, 2009 Council Meeting;*
- c. Host a public meeting in late April 2009 to give residents and the business community in New Westminster an opportunity to learn more about the draft Regional Growth Strategy;*
- d. Request that Metro Vancouver hold at least one public consultation event in the City of New Westminster;*

- e. *Advise Metro Vancouver that the City does not support removal of Green Zones; and*
- f. *Request that Metro Vancouver report back on compliance with the last plan.*

CARRIED.

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

k) Downtown Community Plan - Workshop Update

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to proceed with the consultation process on the Downtown Community Plan as outlined in the Director of Development Services March 23, 2009 report.

CARRIED.

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

l) Detached Accessory Buildings Bylaw

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7289, 2009 be received as amended.

CARRIED.

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

m) Recommendation from Special Services and Access Committee meeting of February 19, 2009 – City Watch Program

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the City approach CUPE to move forward with the implementation of the City Watch program.

CARRIED.

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

n) Recommendation from Community Heritage Commission Meeting of January 7, 2009 – Houses with Heritage Designation Bylaws

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the letter outlining the need for Heritage Alteration Permits is sent out to homeowners now and every two years in the future so owners are aware of Heritage Alteration Permits and grant opportunities for protected heritage buildings.

CARRIED.

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

o) Recommendation from Environment Advisory Committee Meeting of February 11, 2009 – Electric Car Bylaw

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to monitor the status related to the use of electric cars and bring forward information to the Environment Advisory Committee as it becomes available.

CARRIED.

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

BYLAWS

11. [New Westminster Pesticide Use Bylaw No. 7288, 2008 \[a Bylaw to regulate the cosmetic use of pesticides within the City of New Westminster\]](#) **ADOPTION**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT New Westminster Pesticide Use Bylaw No. 7288, 2008, be adopted.

CARRIED.

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

12. Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7289, 2009 [A Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: Detached Accessory Buildings]

TWO READINGS

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7289, 2009, be read a first time.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7289, 2009, be read a second time.

CARRIED.

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

(A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, April 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall)

- 13. Lane Paving Between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue, Parcel Tax Roll Bylaw No. 7300, 2009** [a Bylaw to direct the preparation of an Parcel Tax Roll for the purpose of imposing a Parcel Tax for the asphalt paving of the lane between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue] **THREE READINGS**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Lane Paving Between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue, Parcel Tax Roll Bylaw No. 7300, 2009, be read a first time.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Lane Paving Between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue, Parcel Tax Roll Bylaw No. 7300, 2009, be read a second time.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Lane Paving Between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue, Parcel Tax Roll Bylaw No. 7300, 2009, be read a third time.

CARRIED.

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

- 14. Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7309, 2009** [a Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680. 2001 re: 303, 305 and 307 Jardine Street]

TWO READINGS

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7309, 2009, be read a first time.

CARRIED.

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

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7309, 2009, be read a second time.

CARRIED.

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

(A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, April 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. **The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver challenges all member municipalities of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities to participate in Earth Hour, Lights Out Across Canada For Earth Hour on March 28, 2009 (cont'd)**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Earth Hour, Lights Out Across Canada For Earth Hour on March 28, 2009 initiative be supported.

CARRIED.

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

NEXT MEETING

Monday, March 30, 2009

Proposed Open Meeting of Council (Working Session) commencing at 1:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2, City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR

JUDITH TURNER
ACTING CORPORATE OFFICER