



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

April 7, 2008 3:10 p.m.
Committee Room 2, City Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Wayne Wright
Councillor Jonathan Cote
Councillor Calvin Donnelly
Councillor Bill Harper
Councillor Bob Osterman
Councillor Betty McIntosh
Councillor Lorrie Williams

STAFF:

Mr. Paul Daminato	- City Administrator
Mr. Rick Page	- Corporate Officer/Director of Legislative Services
Ms. Lisa Spitale	- Director of Development Services
Mr. Jim Lowrie	- Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Gary Holowatiuk	- Director of Finance and Information Technology
Chief Carl Nepstad	- Director of Fire and Rescue
Mr. Dean Gibson	- Director of Parks and Recreation
Ms. Judi Turner	- Assistant Corporate Officer

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The following items were added to the Agenda:

- Records Retention (added as Item 14)
- Moody Park Pool (added as Item 15)

REPORTS FOR ACTION

Endowment Fund Committees:

1. **Recommendations for 2008 Amateur Sports Fund Grants**

Vince Kreiser, representing the Amateur Sports Fund Committee and the Director of Parks and Recreation responded to questions regarding the proposed 2008 Amateur Sports Fund grants.

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends THAT \$39,000 in grants for amateur sport development be approved as recommended by the Amateur Sports Fund Committee:**

Applicant	APPROVED
<i>Minor Hockey</i>	\$5,025
<i>Little League</i>	\$5,100
<i>Royal City Track & Field Club</i>	\$475
<i>Minor Softball</i>	\$700
<i>Shasta Trampoline</i>	\$5,500
<i>Minor Lacrosse</i>	\$9,250
<i>Youth Soccer</i>	\$3,450
<i>Hyack Swim Club</i>	\$1,200
<i>New West Spartans Track and Field Club</i>	\$2,800
<i>Intermediate A Lacrosse</i>	\$500
<i>Administration Grants</i>	\$2,000
<i>Travel Grant Allocation</i>	\$3,000

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

2. **Arts and Culture Endowment Fund Grants Recommendations**

Tony Antonias, representing the Arts and Culture Endowment Committee and the Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation responded to questions regarding the proposed Arts and Culture Endowment Fund grant.

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends THAT the following grants as recommended by the Arts and Culture Endowment Fund Committee be approved:**

2008 Arts and Culture Endowment Grant Requests

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Program Description</i>	<i>APPROVED</i>
<i>Arts Council of New Westminster</i>	<i>a) Arts in the Park b) Yam Jam</i>	<i>\$5,500 \$5,500</i>
<i>Arts Council of New Westminster</i>	<i>Outdoor Movie Theatre</i>	<i>\$1,580 + \$5,420 (from Heritage Endowment Funds)</i>
<i>BC Romanian Community Centre</i>	<i>Romanian Festival</i>	<i>\$1,500 + \$1,000 (from Heritage Endowment Fund)</i>
<i>City of New Westminster Community Pipe Band</i>	<i>Parades and events</i>	<i>\$2,100</i>
<i>Maple Leaf Singers</i>	<i>2008 Spring Shows</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>
<i>N.W. Symphony Society</i>	<i>Music & Dance Christmas Festive Celebration</i>	<i>\$3,000</i>
<i>NWSS Music Auxiliary</i>	<i>Professional workshops</i>	<i>\$3,520</i>
<i>Queensborough Special Programs Committee</i>	<i>Outdoor performances</i>	<i>\$1,750 + \$1,750 (from Heritage Endowment Fund)</i>
<i>Royal City Musical Theatre</i>	<i>Batteries for head microphones</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>
<i>Royal City Youth Ballet Company Society</i>	<i>Dance World Cup & Celebration of 20th Anniversary</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>
<i>Royal Westminster Regiment Volunteer Band</i>	<i>Purchase & repair of instruments</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>
<i>School District #40 Elementary Band Program</i>	<i>Purchase of instruments</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>
<i>Tourism New Westminster</i>	<i>New Westminster Cultural Crawl</i>	<i>\$1,250</i>
<i>Vivo Children's Choir</i>	<i>Chorfest</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

3. Heritage Endowment Fund Grants Recommendations

The Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation responded to questions regarding the proposed Heritage Endowment Fund grant. Members discussed the proposed grant for the New Westminster Heritage Preservation Society and suggested consideration be deferred pending receipt of a report from the Engineering Department on cemetery operations, how families would be consulted regarding repairs/restoration to deteriorated stones, and whether any program that is developed can be transferred to staff for continued implementation.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT consideration of the Heritage Endowment Fund Committee grant proposal of \$6,300 to the New Westminster Heritage Preservation Society be tabled pending receipt of a report from the Engineering Department.

CARRIED.

Opposed: Councillors Harper and Williams

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MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends

THAT the following grants as requested by the Heritage Endowment Fund Committee be approved:

2008 Heritage Endowment Grant Requests

Applicant	Program Description	Proposed
Century House Association	50 th Anniversary Project	\$3,000
New Westminster Heritage Foundation	Heritage Home Improvements	\$10,000
Royal Westminster Regiment	Volunteer Band	\$4,500
Senior Writers Discovery Group	Publication of Book	\$680

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

Director of Engineering Services:

4. Queensborough Streetscape Alternatives

The Director and Assistant Director of Engineering Services presented the April 7, 2008, report presenting the status of the Queensborough Streetscape Alternative Study and proposing an implementation strategy. They responded to questions. Concern was expressed about the cost for properties which have significant frontage and it was noted that owners will need information about how to opt out, if desired. Staff was directed to communicate with the public about

this project and ensure the public is thoroughly apprised of percentages paid by homeowners, time it will take for work to be done, how to opt out, etc.

- ** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**
THAT the April 7, 2008 report from the Director of Engineering Services updating Council on the status of the Queensborough Streetscape Alternative Study and proposing an implementation strategy, be received for information;
THAT staff be directed to undertake community consultation on the findings of the Queensborough Streetscape alternatives, including the proposed Local Area Service implementation and recommended cost share; and
THAT Council support the proposed process for subdivision developments within the historic area.

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

Director of Finance and Information Technology:

5. Ipsos Reid Questions (circulated separately)

The Director of Finance and Information Technology circulated the April 7, 2008, report (which will be added to the Agenda package) providing supplementary questions for the 2008 Ipsos Reid municipal survey. Members made suggestions for changes to the questions.

- ** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**
THAT the additional questions to be asked of the citizens in the 2008 IPSOS Reid survey be approved as amended during the discussion at Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

Director of Development Services:

6. City-wide Signage Design

The Director of Development Services responded to questions regarding the April 7, 2008, report providing the final design for a comprehensive, city-wide signage program and recommending an implementation plan. During discussion, members made suggestions for consideration (addition of the word “celebrate” and ensuring signs and lettering can be well seen at night). The Director agreed to bring those to the Consultant for consideration.

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**
THAT the recommended comprehensive signage design as presented in the April 7, 2008 report from the Director of Development Services, be approved; and THAT the implementation Plan: Phase I, be approved and staff be directed to prepare a detailed budget for those two components and report back to Council.
CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

7. **Work Program for Housing Study in Queensborough**

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**
THAT staff be directed to proceed with the work program to examine the introduction of duplex dwellings in the Queensborough neighbourhood, as outlined in the April 7, 2008 report from the Director of Development Services.
CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

8. **Commercial Vehicle Amendment Bylaw No.7225, 2008**

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**
THAT Commercial Vehicle Amendment Bylaw No. 7225, 2008, be forwarded to the Regular Council Meeting of April 7, 2008, for consideration of three readings.
CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

9. **Boston Pizza, Queensborough, P100 – 805 Boyd Street/application to extend hours of liquor service**

Members commented on the April 3, 2008, report from the Director of Development Services, providing information regarding an application from Boston Pizza Queensborough to amend its liquor license in order to permit the restaurant to provide liquor service until 2:00 am.

- ** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**
WHEREAS New Westminster City Council considered a staff report regarding an application from Boston Pizza Queensborough located at P100 – 805 Boyd Street to amend its Food Primary Liquor License by extending the hours of liquor service to 2:00 am;
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 public comments or 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 Westminster City Council approves Boston Pizza Queensborough's application to extend its hours of liquor service to 2:00 am.

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

10. [Creating Housing Choice in Metro Vancouver Forum](#)

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**

THAT the April 7, 2008 report from the Director of Development Services regarding the City's interest in becoming a sponsor to the "Creating Housing Choice in Metro Vancouver" Forum, be received for information; and
THAT the City sponsor events in the range of \$300 to \$500 for the forum to be held in New Westminster.

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

Director of Parks & Recreation:

11. Moody Park Arena Rink Slab Update (verbal)

The Director of Parks and Recreation circulated a document dated April 7, 2008 (which will be added to the Agenda package) which updates Council on the status of the Moody Park Arena floor surface and highlights key points. He noted that as the situation continues to develop the City will continue to monitor and will contact upcoming user groups. At present, lacrosse practices may continue although the condition of the floor will not support competitive games. Staff is considering other options for the games and is considering long term solutions for the floor as well. The Director noted that funds are allocated within the 5 year plan for replacement of the rink slab in 2010. He responded to questions.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

12. [Special Services & Access Committee meeting held March 13, 2008 and notes of January 24, 2008.](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Special Services & Access Committee meeting held March 13, 2008 and notes of January 24, 2008, be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

(a) 10 by 10 Challenge

A member explained the 10 by 10 Challenge for encouraging the employment of persons with disabilities. It was suggested that the Special Services and Access Committee might offer a public forum for employees and residents about the program.

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends
THAT the City of New Westminster participate in the 10 by 10 Challenge.
CARRIED.**

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

(b) Call for SSAC Representative on Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends
THAT Kuljit Dhaliwal be appointed to represent the Special Services and Access Committee on the Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee.
CARRIED.**

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

(c) Off-Leash Dogs

**** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends
THAT staff be requested, through education and enforcement, to remind residents of the need to have pets on leash and that residents are responsible for cleaning up after their pets to ensure the safety of children and people with disabilities; and
THAT the New Westminster Police Service Walking and Bicycle Patrol watch for off-leash dogs and take the appropriate action.
CARRIED.**

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

13. [Arts & Culture Commission meeting held March 12, 2008](#)

MOVED and SECONDED
THAT the minutes of the Arts & Culture Commission meeting held March 12, 2008, be received and adopted.
CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

(a) Community Arts Strategy

- ** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends THAT Council send a letter to the Fraser River Discovery Centre to ask for details about the programming that would benefit arts and culture once construction is completed.**

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

- ** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends THAT Council confirm the mandate of the Arts and Culture Commission to offer advice on the development of facilities for the creation and presentation of arts and culture in New Westminster.**

CARRIED.

Opposed: Councillor Harper.

(b) Vancouver 2010 Cultural Olympiad.

- ** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends THAT Parks and Recreation be directed to inquire how New Westminster venues can be included in the Vancouver 2010 Cultural Olympiad for the 2009 series as a location for cultural events and activities.**

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS

14. Records Retention

A member requested a report on retentions for minutes, bylaws, and election documents in the

- ** MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends THAT Legislative Services report to Council outlining the records retention policy for Council minutes, City bylaws, and all documents pertaining to the municipal elections.**

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

15. Moody Park Pool Replacement Budget

Members discussed the Moody Park Pool budget and a suggestion that the budget be revised. Debate ensued on the merits of the proposal.

** **MOVED and SECONDED and CARRIED, this Committee recommends**
THAT the budget for the Moody Park Pool project be revised to not exceed \$2.8 to \$3.3 million (including both hard and soft costs).

CARRIED.

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
CHAIR

RICK PAGE
CORPORATE OFFICER

** Denotes recommendations referred to Regular Council meeting of April 7, 2008, for ratification.