



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

## REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

May 5, 2008 2:15 p.m.  
Committee Room No. 2  
City Hall

### MINUTES

**PRESENT:**

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

**REGRETS:**

Councillor Betty McIntosh

**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
Ms. Judi Turner	- Deputy Corporate Officer

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 2:15 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:03 p.m. with all those listed earlier present.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. [Motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held April 21, 2008 & Parcel Roll Tax Review Panel meeting held April 21, 2008](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held April 21, 2008 & Parcel Roll Tax Review Panel meeting held April 21, 2008, be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

## PRESENTATION

2. **Mayor Wright to proclaim May 10, 2008 as “World Lupus Day” in the City of New Westminster and present the proclamation to Susan Milliken and Dean Nakamura of Lupus Society.**

Mayor Wright proclaimed May 10, 2008 as “World Lupus Day” in the City of New Westminster and presented the proclamation to Susan Milliken and Dean Nakamura of the Lupus Society. The delegation received the proclamation and announced World Lupus Day run as an awareness and fund raising campaign. As well, there will be a Walk for Lupus and related events at the public market this coming Saturday. All were invited to attend.

- 2(a). **Mayor Wright to proclaim May 10, 2008 as “Municipal Clerk Week” in the City of New Westminster and present the proclamation to Rick Page, City Clerk**

Mayor Wright proclaimed May 10, 2008 as “Municipal Clerk Week” in the City of New Westminster and presented the proclamation to Rick Page, Corporate Officer.

- 2(b). **Youth Week**

Mayor Wright announced that Youth Week was proclaimed on the inauguration of Youth Week 2008. Meghan Railton, Nicholas Samimi and Tarryn Bates announced upcoming activities for Youth Week.

3. **Solid Waste Facilities (England, Japan) – Lisa Spitale, Director of Development Services and Councillor Bill Harper.**

Councillor Bill Harper made a presentation on Solid Waste Facilities he visited in Japan, which in Japan are called “Clean Centres”.

Lisa Spitale, Director of Development Services, reviewed her observations on her tour waste to energy facilities in Hampshire County, England. Following her presentation, the Director outlined her recommendations.

## DELEGATIONS

### 4. Open Delegations

**Anita Riddell of 419 Kelly Street** was present to voice concerns over incinerators proposed for the city and that the GVRD has begun the expropriation process of New Westminster lands. She voiced the hope that other options will be explored (such as composting).

**Monica Hardjonasito of 408 Garrett Street** rose to raise a concern over the lack of information on waste management issues. As a resident of Sapperton, New Westminster, and the City of Vancouver, she was concerned over the regional plan presented recently by Metro Vancouver and the impact on air quality of such facilities. The construction of three to six facilities in the Lower Mainland requires much public consultation. She suggested incentives for more responsible products and packaging, long term plans that foster personal and corporate waste management practices, and innovative solutions. The type of plant designed for the Canfor lands is not a risk free solution – there is no emission free facility. She felt that consultation will not impact on Metro Vancouver's plans to proceed. Her concerns included air quality matters and truck traffic.

**Matthew Laird of 2 Renaissance Square** spoke favourably of waste to energy facilities as an opportunity for New Westminster. On another matter, Mr. Laird urged support for a mid block crosswalk across Eighth Street. He thanked Council for rejecting the street barrier option. He appreciated that pedestrian needs are the focus of a recent report on the matter.

**Elmer Rudolph of 1809 Eighth Avenue, representing the West End Residents Association**, rose to discuss pedestrian needs in the City. He spoke of the closure of a pedestrian crossing which means pedestrians of River Drive cannot safely cross River Drive or Stewardson Way removing safe access to Grimston Park. River Drive pedestrians are isolated from the rest of their neighbourhood and this will continue until a safe crossing is provided. He urged that the pedestrian overpass project be given a proper priority.

## REPORTS

### 5. Council Members:

#### **Councillor Donnelly**

...attended the Lower Mainland Purpose Society's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the street fair, an evening of Youth Awards at Massey Theatre; urged others to view the Trapp Block building; attended the Spring Tea at Knox Church.

#### **Councillor Harper**

...attended Queens Sweep, the Day of Mourning ceremonies, the Monday Night Movie, a meeting of the Multiculturalism Advisory Committee, the Youth Awards, the New Westminster horticultural plant sale, the Korean Dance Festival; offered condolences to his neighbours on the loss of their son.

#### **Councillor Osterman**

...attended the anniversary for the Purpose Society; spoke of the contribution of Purpose Youth; viewed the Hyack Float "Back to the Future" featuring the gold rush; wished all the best for upcoming Hyack Week.

#### **Councillor Williams**

...presented at the Youth Awards; chaired a meeting of the Special Services and Access Committee; attended the Monday Night at the Movies, Queens Sweep, the Art Volunteer Lunch, the Purpose Street Fair, the New Westminster Honour Society special presentation, a homeless coalition meeting; the Council of Women AGM, the Home for Less event.

#### **Councillor Cote**

...attended Queens Sweep, Purpose Society's street fair, the Arts Council luncheon, the Youth Awards – congratulated all nominees and winners of awards, the Horticulture Society plant sale.

#### **Mayor Wayne Wright**

Proclaimed the following:

- May as Multiple Sclerosis Month
- May 1 to May 7, 2008 as Naturopathic Medicine Week.

Attended the following: Canadian Club of New Westminster & the Fraser Valley dinner meeting, the Long Service Awards, the New Westminster Lawn Bowling Club Opening Day, a density bonusing meeting for community members, the Day of Mourning for Workers Killed & Injured on the Job, a farewell Dinner for Mindy Smith, Assistant Director of Finance & IT; a Social Marketing Waste Reduction Executive Breakfast, the Royal Columbia Hospital Foundation, a public Open House for The Trapp Block at 668 Columbia Street, an event with Minister Rona Ambrose; dropped the first game ball for the Royal City Capitals Senior B Lacrosse game at Queens Park Arena; extended condolences to the family of

Dave White; wished a happy birthday to Councillor Calvin Donnelly and to Rick Page, Corporate Officer.

## COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

6. **Motion to receive and adopt the [minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held April 21, 2008](#).**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held April 21, 2008, be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

7. **Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held May 5, 2008.**

**Director of Development Services:**

- a) **[Use of Board of Variance \(Bylaw No. 7226, 2008\)](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council support the reactivation of the Board of Variance, as outlined in the May 5, 2008 report from the Director of Development Services including amendments to the Terms of Reference as discussed; and*

*THAT New Westminster Board of Variance Bylaw No. 7226, 2008, be received.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**Corporate Officer:**

- b) **[Moody Park Outdoor Pool Bylaw No. 7209, 2008 – Results of Alternative Approval Process](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*WHEREAS the deadline of 4:30 p.m. April 14, 2008 for the Alternative Approval Process regarding Moody Park Outdoor Pool Bylaw No. 7209, 2008, has passed;*

*AND WHEREAS 10% (4,090) of electors are required to complete the Elector Response Form indicating they are opposed to adoption of the bylaw in order to prevent Council from proceeding without the assent of the electors;*

*AND WHEREAS 49 elector responses were received by the deadline;*

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** the Certificate of Sufficiency for the Alternative Approval Process regarding Moody Park Outdoor Pool Bylaw No. 7209, 2008 be received and that Moody Park Outdoor Pool Bylaw No. 7209, 2008 be forwarded to Council for consideration of adoption.

**CARRIED.**

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

**Director of Engineering Services:**

- c) [Eighth Street at New Westminster Station – Mid Block Crossing Evaluation](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT*** staff be directed to construct the interim mid block crosswalk on 8<sup>th</sup> Street between Carnarvon Street and Columbia Street.

**CARRIED.**

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

**Director of Finance and Information Technology:**

- d) [2008 Tax Rates \(Bylaw No. 7230, 2008\)](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT*** the Tax Rates Bylaw No. 7230, 2008 be received.

**CARRIED.**

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

- e) [BIA Parcel Tax Bylaws \(Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area \(Primary Area\) Bylaw No. 7219, 2008 & Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area \(Secondary Area\) Bylaw No. 7220, 2008\)](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT*** the following bylaws be received:

- “Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Primary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7219, 2008.”
- “Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Secondary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7220, 2008.”

**CARRIED.**

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

f) [Five Year Financial Plan \(2007 – 2011\) Amendment Bylaw \(Bylaw No. 7234, 2008\)](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT “Five-Year Financial Plan (2007-2011) Amendment Bylaw No. 7234, 2008” be received.*

**CARRIED.**

Opposed: Councillors Donnelly and Osterman.

**Director of Development Services:**

g) [School Parking and Drop-Off Requirements](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the consultation process as outlined in the May 5, 2008 report from the Director of Development Services, be approved.*

**CARRIED.**

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

h) [Update on the Downtown Community Plan Review](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the membership of the Downtown Community Plan Task Group be endorsed as indicated in Attachment 1 of the May 5, 2008 report from the Director of Development Services.*

**CARRIED.**

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

i) [Application Fees – Amendments to Bylaw No. 5658 and Bylaw No. 5859 \(Bylaw No. 7233, 2008\)](#)

The City Administrator advised that, since the afternoon meeting, staff has determined that it is not necessary to repeal Downtown New Westminster Redevelopment Bylaw No. 5859, 1989, and are suggesting that this portion of the recommendation not be passed.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Development Approval Procedures Amendment Bylaw No. 7233, 2008, be received.*

**CARRIED.**

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

j). [Proposed Workplan for the City's Affordable Housing Strategy](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council approve the proposed workplan as outlined in the May 5, 2008, report from the Director of Development Services, for a new Affordable Housing Strategy for the City of New Westminster; and*

*THAT staff explore options for reducing the time line to complete the workplan.*

**CARRIED.**

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

k) [Policies for the Use of Heritage Revitalization Agreements – Study Proposal](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT staff be directed to proceed with the work program as outlined in the May 5, 2008 report from the Director of Development Services regarding Policies for the Use of Heritage Revitalization Agreements.*

**CARRIED.**

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

l) [Proposed Rezoning of 41 and 175 Duncan Street - Preliminary Report](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT staff continue working with the proponent on the rezoning application for the property addressed as 41 and 175 Duncan Street.*

**CARRIED.**

Opposed: Councillor Cote.

**Director of Development Services/Engineering:**

m) [Royal City Farmers Market Association/Request to Waive City Fees](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the Royal City Farmers Market Association and market vendors not be required to obtain business licenses;*

*THAT the Royal City Farmers Market Association and market vendors not be required to obtain permits for the use of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street parking lot as a location for the market; and*



***THAT** the Royal City Farmers Market Association and market vendors not be required to obtain Street Occupancy Permits or pay meter rental fees for the use of the Royal Avenue parking meters in front of City Hall.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**Director of Parks & Recreation:**

n) [\*\*Youth Facility Space Planning Process\*\*](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT** the May 5, 2008 report from the Director of Parks and Recreation regarding Youth Facility Space Planning Process, be received for information; and*

***THAT** Council endorse the formation of a Project Advisory Task Force and adopt the associated Terms of Reference.*

**CARRIED.**

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

o) [\*\*Community and Social Issues Committee meeting of March 13, 2008 - New Westminster Victim Assistance Association\*\*](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT** the staff liaison individual (Police Services – Victim Assistance Association) be encouraged to attend the Community and Social Issues Committee meetings; and*

***THAT** the request from the New Westminster Victim Assistance Association to the Community and Social Issues Committee dated February 26, 2008 to amend the Terms of Reference to create a position for a representative from the New Westminster Victim Assistance Association Board, be denied and Board Members are invited to apply for future vacancies in community positions.*

**CARRIED.**

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

p) [\*\*Family Court Committee meeting of March 19, 2008 - Family Day 2008\*\*](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

***THAT** Family Day 2008 be held at Royal City Centre on October 4, 2008.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**Referred from Closed Council for Information only:**

- q) **Outstanding Committee Appointment for 2008 – Seniors Advisory Committee** – Director of Legislative Services

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Herb Hamm be appointed to the Seniors Advisory Committee as a Community representative for the remainder of the current term ending January 2009.*

- r) **12<sup>th</sup> Street Neighbourhood Society** – Director of Finance & Information Technology

*THAT up to \$3,500 be allocated from existing grant monies to fund the completion of annual financial statements for the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Neighbourhood Society.*

*THAT staff review the benefits and options for the façade improvement programs and report back to Council.*

**BYLAWS**

8. [Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7177, 2007 \[a bylaw to rezone 559 Garfield Street from Single Detached Dwelling Districts \(RS-1\) to Single Detached Dwelling Districts \(Small Lots\) \(RS-5\)\]](#) **ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7177, 2007, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

9. [Moody Park Outdoor Pool Bylaw No.7209, 2008 \[a bylaw to authorize borrowing for Construction of Capital Infrastructure\]](#) **ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Moody Park Outdoor Pool Bylaw No.7209, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- 9(a) [Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area \(Primary Area\) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7219, 2008 \[a bylaw to impose a tax on frontage on owners of land pursuant to the provision of Section 200 of the Community Charter in the area of the downtown of the City of New Westminster designated as Business Improvement Area in the "Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area \(Primary Area\) Bylaw No. 7184, 2007\]](#) **THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Primary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7219, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Primary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7219, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Primary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7219, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

- 9(b) [Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area \(Secondary Area\) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7220, 2008 \[a bylaw to impose a tax on frontage on owners of land pursuant to the provision of Section 200 of the Community Charter in the area of the downtown of the City of New Westminster designated as Business Improvement Area in the "Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area \(Secondary Area\) Bylaw No. 7185, 2007\]](#) **THREE READINGS**

*THAT Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Secondary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7220, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Secondary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7220, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Area (Secondary Area) Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 7220, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**9(c) [New Westminster Board of Variance Bylaw No. 7226, 2008](#) [a bylaw to provide for the establishment of a Board of Variance]**

**THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT New Westminster Board of Variance Bylaw No. 7226, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT New Westminster Board of Variance Bylaw No. 7226, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT New Westminster Board of Variance Bylaw No. 7226, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**9(c) [Tax Rates Bylaw No. 7230, 2008](#) [a bylaw for the levying of rates for Municipal, Regional District and other Authority purposes for the year 2008]**

**THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Tax Rates Bylaw No. 7230, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Tax Rates Bylaw No. 7230, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Tax Rates Bylaw No. 7230, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

10. [Local Improvement Bylaw No. 7231, 2008 \[a bylaw to authorize the asphalt paving of the lane between Fenton Street and Pembina Street, south of Ewen Avenue\]](#) **ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Local Improvement Bylaw No. 7231, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

11. [Development Approval Procedures Amendment Bylaw No. 7233, 2008 \[a bylaw to amend Development Approval Procedures Bylaw No. 5658, 1987\]](#) **THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Development Approval Procedures Amendment Bylaw No. 7233, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Development Approval Procedures Amendment Bylaw No. 7233, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Development Approval Procedures Amendment Bylaw No. 7233, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

12. [Five-Year Financial Plan \(2007 – 2011\) Amendment Bylaw No. 7234, 2008 \[a bylaw to amend the Five-Year Financial Plan for the years 2007-2011 inclusive\]](#) **THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Five-Year Financial Plan (2007 – 2011) Amendment Bylaw No. 7234, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Five-Year Financial Plan (2007 – 2011) Amendment Bylaw No. 7234, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Five-Year Financial Plan (2007 – 2011) Amendment Bylaw No. 7234, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**13. Thanks to Fire Department**

A member passed on thanks to the Fire Department and to Victims Assistance for their assistance at a recent fire incident.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**14. Metro Vancouver/GVRD – Incinerator Proposal**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT staff draft a resolution for Council's consideration to contact Metro Vancouver with a request to initiate an education and communication campaign on the incinerator project (particularly in the Sapperton and Braid Industrial areas) to deal with misinformation on the matter.*

**CARRIED.**

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

**NEXT MEETING**

**Monday, May 12, 2008**

Proposed Closed Session commencing at 1:00 p.m. and the Open Session at 3:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2, City Hall, reconvening at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall.

- Issuance of Development Variance Permit 485 (312 Johnston Street)
- Opportunity to be Heard on an application to relocate a liquor primary license from 740 Carnarvon Street to 642 Columbia Street.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Certified Correct,

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**WAYNE WRIGHT**  
**MAYOR**

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