



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

August 31, 2009 3:18 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. Paul Daminato	- City Administrator
Ms. Judi Turner	- Acting Corporate Officer
Ms. Lisa Spitale	- Director of Development Services
Mr. Roger Emanuels	- Acting Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Gary Holowatiuk	- Director of Finance and Information Technology
Ms. Donna Martin	- Committee Clerk

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 3:18 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:03 p.m.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Motion to adopt the minutes of the last regular meeting of the City Council held July 13, 2009

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, held July 13, 2009, be received and adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

2. Motion to adopt the minutes of the Electric Utility Commission meeting held June 9, 2009

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the Electric Utility Commission meeting held on June 9, 2009 be received and adopted.

CARRIED

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

PRESENTATION

3. New Westminster Salmonbellies – Dan Richardson, President

Mr. Richardson announced the New Westminster Salmonbellies is hosting the Senior Men's Canadian Championship on Labour Day weekend where they hope to win the Mann Cup. There will be a "Kickoff Luncheon" at 11:45 a.m. on Thursday, September 3, 2009 with a reunion in the evening at Centennial Lodge. The Mayor and Council were presented with T-shirts and everyone was invited to get out and cheer on the Salmonbellies

DELEGATIONS

4. Open Delegations

Geraldine Mercer, 202 Blackman Street, expressed concern regarding the following issues:

- loss of agricultural land
- consulting with adjacent communities re: development along boundaries
- protection of the shoreline along New Westminster waterfront
- cement surface on Hyack Square
- extension of walkway east
- casino boat on the waterfront

Paul Johansen, President of the Westminster Shrine Club #8 and Dr. Betty Mehl, Ambassador came forward to present the Mayor with a golf shirt. Outlined their fundraising activities. Shrine Club #8 is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year. In honour of their anniversary and the City's 150th, the Shriners will host events on the dock on Saturday, September 5. Everyone is invited to attend.

Roslyn Cassells, a New Westminster resident, expressed anguish over the removal of trees at the City Archives and Museum noting tree removal often leaves young wildlife without a home or protection from predators. Ms. Cassells was not satisfied with her interactions with staff and requested Council hold a public consultation process before taking this

type of action in the future. She suggested Council adopt a bylaw regulating human interference with trees and green spaces.

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT staff and the Environment Advisory Committee explore the issue of human interference with trees and green spaces and report back to Council.

CARRIED

All members of the Committee voted in favour of the motion.

Gary Pooni and Eric Schroeder, Brooke & Associates, **535 Thurlow Street**, gave an overview of the proposed Lowe's store at 401 Jardine Street. Mr. Pooni believes that development of this industrial property will bring about 175 jobs to the community, as well as 12 to 16 construction jobs, and a tax base.

Mr. Schroeder stated this project has gone before the New Westminster Design Panel for review and was generally accepted. As this is the first Lowe's store in Canada, it will be an informal training hub for other stores that may be opened in Canada at a later date. Lowe's has a partnership with Skills Canada which will also benefit the community.

Olga Gorehein thanked Council for approving the application for the Montessori School and Daycare Centre. The facility will accommodate 20 pre-school students, 24 daycare children, 10 kindergarten students and 10 after school care children in the downtown area. An invitation for the Open House will be forthcoming.

Jules Campeau, Director of Royal City Youth Ballet, acknowledged the City's support and encouragement over the past 20 years. Many of the students have moved on to careers as dancers or choreographers. He announced the relocation of Royal City Youth Ballet to the former BMO building on Columbia Street. It was also noted that Delores Kirkwood was awarded the Order of BC for her contribution to the arts.

Gavin Palmer, President of Queensborough Residents Association, offered the support of Queensborough residents and the Starlight Casino for the 401 Jardine Street (Lowe's) project.

James Crosty, President of Quayside Community Board, announced the success of the Community Festival and Garage Sale. He acknowledged the support of local businesses, volunteers and the City's Parks, Culture and Recreation Department, and Electrical Operations. \$700 was raised for the Royal City Musical Society.

Nancy Milliken, #225 – 18 Jack Mahony Place, spoke in opposition to the new parking regulations which extend to Sundays and statutory holidays.

Ms. Milliken presented a petition with over 200 signatures of residents who are also opposed to the new regulations.

Staff was directed to review the extended metered parking program and report back to Council within four months regarding: history of inception, impacts, issues raised, complaints, revenue impacts, enforcement requirements and the three hour parking limit at churches and parking exemptions for church volunteers.

Councillor Harper left the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and returned at 9:05 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

- [5. TRAC Tenant Resource and Advisory Centre requests that a motion be put forth to create a Temporary Accommodation Bylaw to make it legal for individuals to rent their homes to 2010 Winter Games visitors for periods of less than 30 days if their homes meet certain conditions.](#)

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the correspondence from the Tenant Resource and Advisory Centre dated August 14, 2009 requesting a temporary accommodation bylaw be received and referred to Development Services for review and report.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

REPORTS

6. Council Members:

Councillor McIntosh

...noted the Shriner's 60th Anniversary will highlight the City's 150th and there will an event on September 9th; attended the City's Heritage Picnic and Open House, as Acting Mayor brought greetings to the Cultural Crawl, Queensborough BBQ, Downtown Residents Association BBQ, Twelfth Street Festival; went out with the Special Services and Access Committee and visited 14 bus stops to determine access needs; anticipating the Royal City Builders' Awards; reminded everyone of the upcoming Hyack Zest of New Westminster in September and the Farmer's Market on Thursdays.

Councillor Osterman

...cautioned everyone to slow down next week as school begins, commended community volunteers, and especially Gerda Suess and Tony Antonias who contributed despite illness and setbacks; received a call from a CPA asking to volunteer and suggested he volunteer at the Arts

Council; felt the City's Heritage Picnic was the best family event of the summer, well attended and enjoyed by diverse age groups.

Councillor Williams

...reminded everyone of the Annual Variety Show for the Royal City Humane Society; attended a Waste Management Committee meeting in Vancouver noting that what to do with garbage has become a serious problem and suggested the City try a pilot project to reduce garbage for a month or two to see if there is a noticeable change; visited Nanaimo Civic Centre and appreciated use of natural elements in the design; encouraged residents to apply for upcoming committee appointments (watch local paper for notice).

Councillor Cote

...Busy summer with lots of events – attended opening of Moody Park Outdoor Pool, Heritage Picnic, Downtown Residents' Association BBQ, and as Acting Mayor in August attended the closing ceremony of the Police & Fire Games, Quayside sale, 35th New Westminster Stakes at Hastings Race Course, and Doggy Fun Day at Queens Park.

Councillor McEvoy

...Expressed concern as to what budget cuts will mean for New Westminster residents in healthcare, the Library, the domestic violence program, and the Seniors Mental Health team; acknowledged the opening of Save-On Foods, attended Tamara's Block Party, Fraserfest, Moody Park Outdoor Pool opening; met with Preservation Society; announced opening of Centre for African Immigration, met with Multicultural Council, thought the Heritage Picnic was a great success and should be held every year; attended Builders' Awards, Twelfth Street Festival, World Police and Fire Games dog competition, screening of "Iron Road", Community Heritage Commission August meeting, Royal Columbia Hospital pediatric fundraiser, Celebrating Seniors Festival, a visit to Nanaimo Civic Centre, and 150th poetry readings Acknowledged the passing of Irene Petrick a volunteer for St. Mary's Auxiliary.

Councillor Harper

...Acknowledged the good work of the 150th Celebration Committee, attended a family reunion and a High School reunion, Save-On Foods opening, antique car show, Tamara's Block Party, and St. Barnabas breakfast. He noted the expansion of the Thursday Farmers' Market and the opening of Moody Park Outdoor Pool. Encouraged everyone to support the Salmonbellies.

Mayor Wright

...proclaimed September 7th to 11th, 2009 as "Union Label Buying Week" and attended the following: meeting with ALDA Pharmaceuticals re: VANOC/New Westminster, special night to honour the Canadian Forces

and their families, Centre of Integration for African Immigrants Community & Training Centre Opening Ceremony, met Marlene Higgins Incoming President of the Hyack Festival Association, New Westminster Police Soccer School at Queens Park, Municipal Finance Association to hear a presentation from TransLink executive on the status of their 10 Year Plan, Queensborough Residents Association Summer BBQ, Westcoast Genesis Society Annual BBQ, Legacy Day for 2009 World Police and Fire Games at Langley Thunderbird Show Park, 12th Street Festival – unveiling community art, BBQ with Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Parks Committee “Experience the Fraser” – Province has granted 2.5 million for a trail from Hope to the Pacific Ocean, visited Nanaimo Civic Center, Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police Conference in PEI, and Canadian Association of Police Board in Sydney, N.S, suggested the City look at a Safer Community and Neighbourhood Act which allows for community law to have precedence over criminal law in order to get a quicker resolution. Finally a vacation - Alaskan cruise.

7. Public Solicitation Application – U13- Royal City Youth Soccer Association – Hot Dog and Smokies Sale

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Solicitations Application from U13- Royal City Youth Soccer for hot dog and smokies sale on September 19-20, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. be approved.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8. Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held July 13, 2009

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held on, July 13, 2009, be received and adopted with the following amendment:

- *Page 2, last bullet should read “ALR in Richmond”*

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

9. Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held August 31, 2009

a) Amendment to January 19, 2009 Regular Council Minutes - For Item 8: Development Permit 032 (Q) With Variances for Lot 5 Port Royal

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the final motion listed under Item 8 of the Regular Council minutes of January 19, 2009 be revised to read as follows:

“THAT Development Permit 032 (Q) be approved with the following variances for the proposed 163 unit 21 storey residential project proposed for Lot 5 in the Port Royal Development:

- A building height of 198 feet (60.4 metres);*
- Standard Parking spaces of 8.2 feet (2.5 metres) wide, a length of 18 feet (5.5 metres) and an aisle width of 21.7 feet (6.6 metres); and*
- Small car parking spaces of 7.25 feet (2.2 metres), a length of 15.1 feet (4.6 metres), and an aisle width of 21.7 feet (6.6 metres).”*

CARRIED

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

b) 2009 Schedule of Regular Council Meetings – Proposed Amendments

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the 2009 Schedule of Regular Council Meetings be amended as follows:

- Cancel the October 26, 2009 Council meetings;*
- Reschedule the November 2, 2009 Working Session of Council to November 30, 2009; and*

THAT the agendas for the November 30, 2009 Council meetings be adjusted as recommended in the staff report.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

c) Amendment to Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009.

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT third reading of Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009, given on June 1, 2009, be rescinded;

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009 be revised as set out in the August 31, 2009 report from the Director of Development Services; and

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009 be forwarded to Council for consideration of third and fourth reading, as revised.

CARRIED

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

d) Construction Noise Bylaw Variance – Fraser River Pile & Dredge Ltd. – North Arm of the Fraser River

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT a construction noise bylaw variance application from Fraser River Pile & Dredge allowing work outside the permitted hours of construction be approved to facilitate dredging of the North Arm of the Fraser River.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

e) Construction Noise Bylaw Variance to Allow Metro Vancouver to Carry Out Sewer Interceptor Maintenance

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT a construction noise bylaw variance application from Metro Vancouver be approved to allow scheduled maintenance of the sewer interceptor on Columbia Street from September 8, 2009 to September 18, 2009.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

f) Asia Pacific Twinning Initiative – Trade Mission to China, Korea and Japan, October 19 to November 2, 2009

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT a trade mission to China, Korea, and Japan in October 2009 be approved;

THAT a budget not to exceed \$35,000 (\$25,000 from Community Development Fund and \$10,000 from remaining Provincial Grant) be approved for the trade mission; and

THAT an official delegation representing the City be approved at 8 persons (Mayor, 4 Councillors, and 2 staff members).

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

g) Draft Downtown Community Plan

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the public consultation process as outlined in the Director of Development Services' August 31, 2009 report be endorsed following a workshop with Council; and

THAT a copy of the draft Downtown Community Plan be submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

h) Development Permit 031 (Q) for Site 2 – 401 Jardine Street

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Development Permit 031(Q) for Site 2 – 401 Jardine Street be approved in principle with final issuance of the Development Permit being subject to the rezoning of the site and approval of the subdivision; and

THAT a No Build covenant be endorsed as a condition of subdivision as outlined in the August 31, 2009 report from the Director of Development Services.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

i) Request from the City of Coquitlam to Participate in a Joint Planning Process for the Area Bounded by Highway 1, North Road, Braid Street and Brunette Avenue

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Planning Division staff be directed to develop Terms of Reference with the City of Coquitlam Planning staff for a joint planning process affecting the area bounded by Highway 1, North Road, Braid Street, and Brunette Avenue; and

THAT the draft Terms of Reference be forwarded to Council for endorsement.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

j) Proposed Reconciliation Process with the Chinese Community

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the proposed reconciliation process with the Chinese Community in New Westminster, as outlined in the Director of Development Services' August 31, 2009 report, be endorsed.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

k) LEED Standard for New Civic Buildings – Director of Engineering

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Leadership in Energy and Environment Design (LEED) Gold Canada Building Rating System be adopted as a standard by which to assess new civic building performance; and

THAT the proposed Green Building Policy as outlined in the Director of Engineering's August 31, 2009 report be approved.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

l) Bylaw Adjudication System Bylaw and Amendment

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 7318, 2009 be referred to Council for three readings;

THAT Street Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 7317, 2009 be referred to Council for three readings; and

THAT the Screening Officer Policy as outlined in the Director of Engineering's August 31, 2009 report be endorsed.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

m) Application for Grant Funding – BC Brownfield Renewal Program

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT staff be directed to make application for grant funding under the BC Brownfield Renewal Program for the preparation and implementation of a Remediation Action Plan for the Westminster Pier lands.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

n) 2009 City Partnership Grants – Hyack Festival Association Update

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the remaining balance of \$40,000 of the 2009 Partnership Grant be released to the Hyack Festival Association.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

o) Overview of Draft 2010 Budget Survey

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Ipsos Reid be retained at an estimated cost of \$17,000 (to be accommodated within the City's existing 2009 operating budget) to conduct an independent telephone survey using the City's 2010 budget questionnaire as amended at Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

p) BC Geographical Names Office Request

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the proposed name of "Salish Sea" to describe the inland waters adjacent to Washington State and southwest British Columbia be supported.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

BYLAWS

10. Heritage Revitalization Agreement (230 Third Avenue) Bylaw No. 7327, 2009 [a Bylaw to enter into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement under Section 966 of the Local Government Act re: 230 Third Avenue]

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (230 Third Avenue) Bylaw No. 7327, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

11. Land Sale Authorization Bylaw No. 7333, 2009 [a Bylaw to authorize the sale of certain lands in the City of New Westminster re: 409 Boyne]

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Land Sale Authorization Bylaw No. 7333, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

12. Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 7336, 2009 [a Bylaw to enter into a housing agreement under section 905 of the Local Government Act re: rental housing at 190-200 Salter Street] **THIRD READING**

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 7336, 2009 be read a third time.

CARRIED

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

13. Street Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 7317, 2009 [a bylaw to amend New Westminster Street Traffic Bylaw No. 6027, 1991]

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Street Traffic Bylaw No. 7317, 2009 be read a first time.

CARRIED

All members of the Committee voted in favour of the motion.

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Street Traffic Bylaw No. 7317, 2009 be read a second time.

CARRIED

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

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Street Traffic Bylaw No. 7317, 2009 be read a third time.

CARRIED

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

14. Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 7318, 2009 [a bylaw respecting the enforcement of bylaw notices]

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 7318, 2009 be read a first time.

CARRIED

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

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 7318, 2009 be read a second time.

CARRIED

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

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 7318, 2009 be read a third time.

CARRIED

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

15. Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009 [a bylaw to enter into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement Under Section 966 of the *Local Government Act*]

Circulated on table: Revised version of Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009.

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the third reading of Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009 given on June 1, 2009 be rescinded.

CARRIED

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

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009 be amended as set out in the August 31, 2009 report from the Director of Development Services.

CARRIED

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

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009 be read for a third time as amended.

CARRIED

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

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement (626 Tenth Street) Bylaw No. 7319, 2009 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

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

NEW BUSINESS

16. Notice of Motion served by Councillor Williams – Garbage Reduction Pilot

Notice of motion served by Councillor Williams as follows:

THAT staff investigate the possibility of a pilot project to reduce the amount of garbage collected by using the Zero Waste Challenge.

Councillor Williams suggested the pilot project be allocated to the Sapperton area with community education through the schools, newspaper ads, etc.

NEXT MEETING

Monday, September 14, 2009

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.

Public Hearing

1. **Westminster Pier**
 - (a) **Official Community Plan Designation Amendment Bylaw No. 7330, 2009** [a Bylaw to amend Official Community Plan Designation Bylaws No. 5647, 1987 and 6476, 1998 re: Westminster Pier]
 - (b) **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7331, 2009** [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: Westminster Pier]
2. **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7334, 2009** [a Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: Method of Measuring Building Height]

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Certified Correct,

WAYNE WRIGHT
MAYOR

JUDI TURNER
ACTING CORPORATE OFFICER