



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

## REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

October 6, 2008 3:11 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 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. Randy Grant	- A/Director of Finance and Information Technology
Ms. Judi Turner	- Assistant Corporate Officer

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 3:11 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:21 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 September 29, 2008.](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 29, 2008 be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

## PRESENTATION

### 2. Homelessness Action Week

- (a) **Mayor Wright to proclaim October 12 to 19, 2008 as Homelessness Action Week and present the proclamation to Jaimie McEvoy, Executive Member, New Westminster Homelessness Coalition.**

Mayor Wright proclaimed October 12 – 19, 2008 as Homelessness Action Week in the City of New Westminster and presented the proclamation to Jamie McEvoy, Executive Member of New Westminster Homelessness Coalition.

- (b) **Jaimie McEvoy to comment on “Homelessness Action Week”**

Jaimie McEvoy acknowledged members of the Homelessness Action Coalition - Dave Brown, Lookout Society, Brian Dodd, Treasurer of the Coalition, Councillors Betty McIntosh, Lorrie Williams and Bill Harper, the work of Mayor on the Task Force on homelessness, and all members of Council for their support. He noted that stakeholders are working cooperatively to bring projects to the City to address the issues.

Mr. McEvoy announced a number of activities and events which will take place around the issue of homelessness.

### 2(a). Universal Access Facility Award – Royal City Builders Awards

Mayor Wright presented a Universal Access Facility Award from the Royal City Builders Awards ceremony to Councillor Donnelly for recent Queens Park additions and upgrades including an accessible dog park and accessible playground and for upgrades to the Bernie Legge Theatre. Councillor Donnelly will present the Award to the Parks and Recreation Committee.

## DELEGATIONS

### 3. Development Variance Permit 481 (226 Hume Street)

No persons rose to speak to DVP 481.

### 4. Development Variance Permit 488 [60 Tenth Street (Columbia Square)]

No persons rose to speak to DVP 488.

## 5. Open Delegations

**Barbara Elliott of 704 – 52 Fourth Street**, supported all aspects of the anti-idling bylaw in New Westminster. As a member of New Westminster Environmental Partners, she cited statistics relating to idling vehicles, dispelled a number of myths relating to idling vehicles and spoke of the impact of health of the chemicals created by idling vehicles.

**Matthew Laird of 2 Renaissance Square, representing New Westminster Environmental Partners**, thanked Council for passing an anti-idling bylaw. He commented on the contribution of another member of the New Westminster Environmental Partners and his tireless efforts to help staff progress with this bylaw.

Christopher Bell completed a form to speak but was not present when called upon.

## BYLAWS CONSIDERED AT PUBLIC HEARING

6. **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7235, 2008** [a bylaw to create Comprehensive Development Districts (Trapp Block) (CD-19) and rezone 660 – 700 block Columbia Street from Columbia Street Historic Comprehensive Development Districts (C-8) to Comprehensive Development Districts (Trapp Block) (CD-19)]

**THIRD READING  
ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7235, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7235, 2008 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

7. **Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw (Former Woodlands Site) Amendment Bylaw No. 7265, 2008** [a bylaw to amend Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw (Former Woodlands Site) No. 6874, 2003 to delete the Recreation Building as a designated heritage building]

**THIRD READING/ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw (Former Woodlands Site) Amendment Bylaw No. 7265, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw (Former Woodlands Site) Amendment Bylaw No. 7265, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**ISSUANCE OF DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMITS**

**8. [Issuance of Development Permit 481 \(226 Hume Street\) – to vary the following section of the Zoning Bylaw: Site Area and Site Frontage](#)**

**MOVED AND SECONDED**

*THAT Development Variance Permit 481 be approved with the following variances for 226 Hume Street to permit subdivision of the property into four lots:*

- *One lot having a frontage of 8.84 percent of its perimeter*
- *Three lots with frontages of 8.16 percent of their perimeters.*

**CARRIED**

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

**9. [Issuance of Development Variance Permit 488 \[60 Tenth Street \(Columbia Square\)\] – to vary the following section of the Sign Bylaw: Awning or canopy signs as advertising signs; Fascia signs as advertising signs; Physical form of signs permitted, fascia signs](#)**

**MOVED AND SECONDED**

*THAT Development Variance Permit 488 be approved with the following variances, to allow the new buildings being constructed at Columbia Square to have signage:*

- *One awning sign per exterior building wall for each premise in the three new buildings*
- *One fascia sign per exterior building wall for each premise in the three new buildings*
- *Six fascia signs for the Bank of Montreal*
- *Six fascia signs for the TD Bank; and*
- *Variances for two of the six fascia signs for the TD Bank to permit signs with the following dimensions: 30.9 square feet (2.9 square metres) which are mounted on a building wall that is 8.7 feet (2.6 metres) long.*

**CARRIED.**

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

## REPORTS

### **Council Members:**

#### **Councillor McIntosh**

...attended the Affordable Housing Task Group; helped prepare and serve lunch to volunteers at Dunwood Place; attended the AGM at Fraserside Community Services and a Board meeting; attended a Board meeting of annual Show and Shine volunteers; attended the barometer for the United Way Campaign, a chili cook off, a barbeque at the Operations Yard – noted that more money was raised than was expected; attended the annual Royal City Builders' Awards; spoke about the award received by the City tonight for designing for universal access; noted that many awards were also given out including the Newly Built and Renovated Homes and Businesses awards; chaired a meeting of Seniors Advisory Committee and a subcommittee meeting for Family Day for a debriefing post-event; spoke of the partnership developed with Royal City Centre Mall for Family Day; thanked the subcommittee who developed and carried out the day; noted this year there were 40 organizations participating and entertainment; thanked David Creighton and Shelly Schnee of Parks and Recreation for their help; attended her high school reunion in North Delta; attended a portion of a Metro Vancouver Sustainability meeting where liquid waste, solid waste, and the water supply were discussed; met with the four Lijiang students who are visiting to attend school in New Westminster; thanked their host families; noted that this week is the last Farmers' Market of the year.

#### **Councillor Osterman**

...attended the BIA Appreciation evening; met with Emergency Advisory Committee and the new manager, Dave Jones; spoke of the operating ethic of the committee: internal communication and internal cooperation; called upon residents to be prepared in the event of an emergency; commented on the booklet "Your Emergency Preparedness Guide", which is a good resource during emergencies; attended a Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Executive Committee meeting; noted that next year a First Nations representative will be sitting on the GVRD Board; thanked Councillor McIntosh and her committee for doing a great job for Family Day.

#### **Councillor Williams**

...attended the Fraserside AGM and enjoyed clients speaking on how Fraserside has made a change in their lives; participated as a judge on the United Way chili cook off; enjoyed the Builders' Awards ceremony which promotes heritage and the heritage look in the city; enjoyed the speaker Christian Blight from Emily Carr who challenged his students to make 64 square foot houses – saw the structures and found them incredible in their use of space; noted the structures will be displayed at Granville Island for a month next month; found Family Day very successful and vibrant; was excited to greet the Lijiang students who traveled to

New Westminster to attend school; thanked the families who are hosting the students; the students will attend school tomorrow and will stay until December 3.

### **Councillor Cote**

...attended meetings at the Heritage Grill – the Show and Shine Appreciation night – thanked the volunteers – and Green Drinks, a group of environmentalists; noted the Youth Advisory Committee held an Orientation for the start of their Committee year and advised that he attended to help them understand their role and that of Council; attended Family Day which was well attended; announced he and his wife are expecting their second child.

### **Councillor Donnelly**

...on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Committee, was pleased to accept the Builders' Award on access – thanked staff for their work on this; enjoyed the Show and Shine Appreciation night – commended the BIA for their work in staging this event; attended a meeting of the Celebrations Task Force for New Westminster's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration; noted that Family Day is based on dissemination of information about many groups in the city – noted that volunteers are what makes the city work; encouraged all to vote in the upcoming elections; wished a happy Thanksgiving to all.

### **Councillor Harper**

...spoke of the variety of programs for people with disabilities, housing programs, shelter programs, and many more; attended the Show and Shine Volunteer event; thanked John Stark, Development Services, for his participation in Homeless Action Week; thanked staff for their contribution in the Royal City Builders' Awards, Family Day, and a series of other events; noted the Builders' Awards was well done; noted the casino was a winner in a number of categories; attended a meeting of the Traffic Advisory Committee; found Family Day was very successful this year; greeted the young students from Lijiang at the airport; wished them a wonderful time in New Westminster; read an email received this week from Daniel Vickers, which commends the staff of New Westminster.

### **Mayor Wayne Wright**

...Proclaimed October 9 – 25, 2008 as National Waste Reduction Week in the City of New Westminster.

Attended the following:

Show & Shine Volunteers Appreciation; acknowledged staff's participation in United Way to raise \$27,551.71; the celebrations Task Force meeting; Fraser Basin Council Reception; the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Royal City Builders Awards; opening ceremonies for Family Day at Royal City Centre Mall; thanked Councillor McIntosh for meeting with Metro Vancouver Budget Consultation group; along with Council members, welcomed four students from China who will be in New Westminster for 2 months and during this time will have an opportunity to participate in the education system, learn the Canadian culture and tradition and experience the warmth and generosity of our community.

Offered condolences to Becky Finley, a City employee, on the passing of her mother.

Jim Lowrie, Director of Engineering, commented on the tank installation to take place at Poplar Landing and spoke of the benefits of this investment.

## COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### 10. [Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held September 29, 2008](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of Council in Committee of the Whole held September 29, 2008 be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Committee voted in favour of the motion.

### 11. Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held October 6, 2008

#### a) Lijiang Student Visit – Costs of Reception – Legislative Services

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT approval be granted to pay for costs related to a reception on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008, for the visiting Lijiang students in accordance with the Sister City Policy*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

### Director of Development Services

#### b) 809 Second Street Demolition Application

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT issuance of a demolition permit for 809 Second Street be withheld until November 6, 2008, to allow the applicant to advertise for the relocation of the house for a one month period;*

*THAT if by November 7, 2008, no one has expressed an interest to relocate the house, the demolition permit for 809 Second Street be approved; and*

*THAT the applicant produce as-found elevation drawings of 809 Second Street before it is removed and/or demolished.*

**CARRIED.**

Opposed: Councillors Cote, Harper and Osterman.

**c) Development Variance Permit No. 489 for 435 Columbia Street**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council give notice that it will consider a resolution to issue Development Variance Permit 489 for 435 Columbia Street to allow the following:*

- i) an additional canopy sign;*
- ii) a fascia sign above the third floor windows; and*
- iii) a fascia sign that has a height of 4 feet (1.2 metres).*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**d) Street Naming Bylaw for Port Royal**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Naming Bylaw No. 7268, 2008 be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**e) Naming of a New Street in Queensborough**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council approve the name 'Canil' for a new street in Queensborough and direct staff to prepare the necessary bylaw.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**f) Remove Reference to Gaming in the Downtown Zoning Districts (Bylaw No. 7258, 2008)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7258, 2008, be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**g) Historic Places Initiative Heritage Register Update Project**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council direct staff to proceed with an application to the Provincial Heritage Branch for a grant of \$50,000 through the Historic Places Initiative Heritage Register Upgrade Program;*

*THAT Council approve the expenditure of \$5,000 of City funds towards this project; and*

*THAT Council direct staff to proceed with requesting proposals from interested consultant teams.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.



**h) Preliminary Concept Plan for a Queensborough EDC Hub**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT City Council endorse in principle the preliminary concept plan for a Queensborough Early Childhood Development (ECD) Hub.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**Director of Finance**

**i) Permissive Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 7262, 2008**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council continue to support the existing permissive tax exemptions subject to an annual completed questionnaire; and  
THAT Taxation Exemption and Exempt Properties Bylaw No. 7262, 2008 be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**Director of Engineering:**

**j) City of New Westminster Anti-Idling Bylaw**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the October 6, 2008 report from the Director of Engineering Services regarding City of New Westminster Anti-Idling Bylaw, be received for information; and  
THAT Street Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 7261, 2008 be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**k) Youth Advisory Committee meeting of September 25, 2008 - Radio Ad 2008 (Eating Disorders)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the following be published in the City Page:*

- *An informative piece about the Youth Advisory Committee's 2008 radio ad on eating disorders*
- *A thank you to GGRD for their assistance in producing the ad; and*
- *A thank you to the City and the School Board for funding the ad.*

Councillor Donnelly left the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

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

## BYLAWS

### 12. Trapp Block:

- (a) [City of New Westminster Municipal Heritage Designation Amendment Bylaw \(668 Columbia Street\) No. 7237, 2008 \[a bylaw to amend Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw \(668 Columbia Street\) No. 6852, 2004 and Municipal Heritage Designation \(668 Columbia Street\) Amendment Bylaw No. 7050, 2005\]](#) **ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT City of New Westminster Municipal Heritage Designation Amendment Bylaw (668 Columbia Street) No. 7237, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

- (b) [Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw \(660 Columbia Street\) No. 7238, 2008 \[a bylaw to designate the Columbia Street façade of the Holbrook Block located at 660 Columbia Street as a protected heritage property\]](#)

**ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Municipal Heritage Designation Bylaw No. 7238, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

- (c) [Heritage Revitalization Agreement Repeal Bylaw No. 7236, 2008 \[a bylaw to repeal Heritage Revitalization Agreement Bylaws No. 6935, 2005 & 7049, 2005\]](#) **ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Heritage Revitalization Agreement Repeal Bylaw No. 7236, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

- (d) [Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7257, 2008 \[ a bylaw to authorize a Development Agreement between Salient Development \(Trapp Block\) Ltd. \(Incorporation No. 0683590\) and the Corporation of the City of New Westminster.\]](#) **ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7257, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

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

Councillor Donnelly rejoined the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

13. [Cancellation of Heritage Revitalization \(former Woodlands Site Recreation Building\) Cancellation Bylaw No. 7266, 2008 \[a bylaw cancel a Heritage Revitalization Agreement for the Recreation Building at the former Woodlands site\]](#)

**ADOPTION**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Cancellation of Heritage Revitalization (former Woodlands Site Recreation Building) Cancellation Bylaw No. 7266, 2008, be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

14. **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7258, 2008** [a bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001] **TWO READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7258, 2008 be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7258, 2008 be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, November 3, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall.

15. **Street Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 7261, 2008** [a bylaw to amend Street Traffic Bylaw No. 6027, 1991] **THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 7261, 2008, be read a first*

*time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

**THAT** *Street Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 7261, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

**THAT** *Street Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 7261, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- 16. Taxation Exemption and Exempt Properties Bylaw No. 7262, 2008** [a bylaw to authorize the exemption from taxation of certain lands and premises] **THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

**THAT** *Taxation Exemption and Exempt Properties Bylaw No. 7262, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

**THAT** *Taxation Exemption and Exempt Properties Bylaw No. 7262, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

**THAT** *Taxation Exemption and Exempt Properties Bylaw No. 7262, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- 17. Street Naming Bylaw No. 7268, 2008** [a bylaw to name two streets in the Port Royal Area] **THREE READINGS**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

**THAT** *Street Naming Bylaw No. 7268, 2008, be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Naming Bylaw No. 7268, 2008, be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Naming Bylaw No. 7268, 2008, be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**NEXT MEETING**

**Monday, October 20, 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.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Certified Correct,

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**WAYNE WRIGHT**  
**MAYOR**

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