

## **REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

December 13, 2010 3:39 p.m.  
Committee Room No. 2  
City Hall

### **MINUTES**

#### **PRESENT:**

Mayor Wayne Wright  
Councillor Jonathan Coté  
Councillor Bill Harper  
Councillor Bob Osterman  
Councillor Betty McIntosh  
Councillor Lorrie Williams  
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy

#### **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 & Information Technology
Chief Tim Armstrong	- Fire Chief
Mr. Dean Gibson	- Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation
Ms. Judi Turner	- Acting Corporate Officer
Ms. Louise Payne	- Committee Clerk

Council adjourned to Committee of the Whole at 3:39 p.m. and reconvened in the Council Chamber at 7:00 p.m. with all members of Council present.

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. [\*\*Motion to adopt the minutes of the last Regular Meeting of the City Council held November 29, 2010\*\*](#)

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the last regular meeting of the City Council held on November 29, 2010 be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

2. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the last Regular Meeting of the City Council Working Session held December 6, 2010**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the last regular meeting of the City Council Working Session held on December 6, 2010 be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**PRESENTATION**

2.a) **Mayor to Present Canada Games Flag to Dean Gibson, Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation in recognition of the 2011 Canada Games to be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia**

Mayor Wright presented the Canada Games Flag to Dean Gibson, Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation for the upcoming 2011 Canada Games in Halifax, Nova Scotia this summer.

**PROCEDURAL NOTES:**

**Additional Bylaw Coming Forward from the Committee of the Whole meeting held December 13, 2010:**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the following bylaws be brought be brought forward for adoption:*

- *Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7420, 2010*
- *New Westminster Development Cost Charges Bylaw No. 7311, 2009;*
- *Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7429, 2010;*
- *Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7430, 2010; and*
- *Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7411, 2010.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

3. **The Youth Firefighter Program** – presented by Alex Reid and Kirsten Gibson, members of the New Westminster Parks, Culture and Recreation Youth Advisory Committee

Mr. Alex Reid and Ms. Kirsten Gibson presented an overview of the Youth Firefighter program in 2010. The program has been expanded in 2011 to one week (March 21-25) and there are ten spots available for youth firefighters.

**4. Cheque Presentation to the City in Support of the Mosaic Tile Project for Downtown – Trustees of the Former New Westminster Community Development Society**

Mr. David Driscoll, Ms. Patricia Genereaux and Mr. Enzo Guierriero, trustees of the former New Westminster Community Development Society, presented Mayor Wright and the City of New Westminster with a cheque in the amount of \$40,000 in support of the mosaic tile project in the downtown.

**5. Multiculturalism and Race Relations Award Presentations to the Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Association for staging the Multicultural Festival and to Paul Mulangu for raising the profile of the African Community and addressing the needs of newcomers – John Stark, Social Planner**

Mr. John Stark, Social Planner for the City of New Westminster presented the Multiculturalism and Race Relations Award to the following on behalf of the Downtown New Westminster Business Improvement Association:

- Marise Kwasnicky, Past President and Chair of Promotions
- Michael Hwang, President

Mr. Stark also presented Mr. Paul Mulangu with a Multiculturalism and Race Relations Award for raising the profile of the African community and addressing the needs of newcomers.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**5.a) North Fraser Perimeter Road/United Boulevard Extension Resolution**

Councillor Harper read aloud the following motion recommended at the December 13, 2010 Committee of the Whole meeting of Council:

*WHEREAS in response to concerns expressed at public consultation meetings;  
AND WHEREAS New Westminster City Council is concerned over intrusive impacts on residential neighbourhoods;*

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** TransLink be requested to continue with public consultation and planning in relation to the North Fraser Perimeter Road corridor and United Boulevard Extension project;*

***THAT** TransLink be encouraged to seek an extension of their Federal funding grant;*

***THAT** Council does not support Options A, B, C or D at this time, and that the City reaffirms its position regarding the entire route and mitigation of North Fraser Perimeter Road (as resolved in 2007);*

***THAT** TransLink be requested to work with city staff and the community at large to develop alternative design options for the extension of United Boulevard and its connection with Brunette Avenue; and*

*THAT TransLink be requested to formally approve removal of the existing commercial truck route designation from the following city streets:*

- *East Eighth Avenue – McBride Boulevard to East Columbia Street*
- *East Columbia Street – Brunette Avenue to Braid Street.*

**Comments from Council:**

- Asking TransLink to work with the Federal Government to extend the funding deadline for this project;
- Complex issue that impacts on Sapperton neighbourhood; however Council wants to look at the entire corridor (Front Street/Braid Street/Patullo Bridge);
- Council has received many thoughtful suggestions from residents who want one cohesive plan that makes sense for the area;
- Proposal has too much impact (noise, environmental) on this residential area;
- Need to go back to the “drawing board” with a holistic solution and to assess the more long term issues with traffic capacity into our city.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the resolution regarding the North Fraser Perimeter Road/United Boulevard Extension be laid on the table until later in the meeting.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**DELEGATIONS**

**6. Teen Scene – Ceilidh Millar**

Ms. Ceilidh Millar reported on the activities of teens in the City as follows:

- “Free the Children from Poverty & Exploitation” event at New Westminster Secondary School;
- Completed food drive and donated to Food Bank;
- “Silence for 24 Hours” event;
- Musician’s trip to Africa, spreading message of change with his music – “me to we” – to Kenya in March, 2009;
- Opportunity to do a story on new Youth Centre; met with young people and seniors – youth teaching seniors about computers;

**7. Open Delegations**

**Andrew Feltham, resident, representing the New Westminster Environmental Partners,** commented on the United Boulevard extension project, thanking Council for their decision to reject the current TransLink proposal. He hoped that Council would work with TransLink to identify other options for moving goods and people through New Westminster.

**Monica Hardjowasito, resident**, commented on the United Boulevard extension project, thanking Council for standing up for New Westminster residents on this issue, attending public meetings, and their decision to reject the current TransLink proposal. She noted that the positive outcome of this issue is the unification of neighbourhoods by dedicated and passionate citizens. She stated that Council should reject this project and ask for benefits for the city.

**Calvin Donnelly, resident**, commented on the United Boulevard extension project, pointing out that was important that the city stand together on this issue. Any decisions/projects should be brought to Council's regular meeting, and Council should insist that TransLink come to the (televised) regular meeting.

## COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### 5.a) North Fraser Perimeter Road/United Boulevard Extension Resolution

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the resolution regarding the North Fraser Perimeter Road/United Boulevard Extension be lifted from the table.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

## DELEGATIONS

### 7. Open Delegations

**David Roppel, Port Royal Village Developments, Aragon Properties**, spoke about the proposed Development Cost Charge (DCC) increase bylaw scheduled to come into effect on January 1, 2011. He stated that there has been no opportunity for public input in regular Council meetings regarding the proposed doubling of this tax on property. The Provincial Government has taken over 17 months to review the proposed bylaw and raised questions about the City's Capital Plan assumptions on the cost of buying and developing parkland. He posed the following questions to Council:

- Will there be a public opportunity to be heard in Council before the new DCC Bylaw is adopted?
- Will the bylaw come into effect on January 1, 2011?
- Will the review of the master planned community's concerns be completed before the DCC Bylaw is adopted?

Mr. Jim Lowrie, Director of Engineering Services provided an explanation of Development Cost Charges.

**Paul Johanson, Chair of the District Parent Advisory Committee (DPAC)**, thanked Council for their decision on the United Boulevard extension project, and suggested that they work closely with Ports Canada. The DPAC is concerned about portables and is looking at different options that would not take up green

space on school property. He advised that Corrections Canada was recommending a group home and he requested that Mr. John Stark, Social Planner, attend this meeting. He also reported that air quality was being monitored at schools.

**Emma Peelstreet, resident**, expressed concern with the operation of the Century House “Member’s” Computer Lab, noting that only a membership in the New Westminster Library was required to use the computer lab. She stated that there was no printer in the lab, which made it difficult to work. There are also no “computer helpers”.

**Sava Miljanic, resident**, expressed concern for the requirement for underground connection of telecommunications in new homes. He advised that Telus is charging \$8,000 for underground connection; however it would be free if it was an overhead connection like in the rest of the neighbourhood. Mr. Miljanic requested Council’s permission for an overhead connection to his new home.

Council directed staff to investigate this matter and report back.

**James Crosty, resident**, on behalf of the Quayside Residents Association, reported on the “Light Up the Quay” celebration, with prizes for best residential displays, best building display and Clark Grissold (gawdy display) prize. He thanked all the sponsors of the event.

**James Crosty, resident**, expressed concern with the budget of the 150 Celebration, asking how Council could justify what appears to be a 500% increase over the initial budget. He requested that Council conduct a full internal accounting audit of the final costs of the 150 Celebrations. He presented an on-table review of his personal investigation into the 150 Celebration budget.

**COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**8. [Motion to receive and adopt the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held November 29, 2010](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of a meeting of Council in Committee of the Whole held November 29, 2010 be received and adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

9. **Recommendations from Council in Committee of the Whole meeting held December 13, 2010**

**Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation**

a) **[City of New Westminster Food Services Study](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the 2010 Corporation of the City of New Westminster Food Services Study report be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**Director of Development Services**

b) **[Development Permit Application – Amendment to DP 012\(Q\) for 805 Boyd Street](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council approve the amendment to Development Permit 012(Q) for 805 Boyd Street.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

c) **[Zoning Amendment Proposed for Brewery District at 210 Brunette Avenue - \(Bylaw No. 7447, 2010\)](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7447, 2010 be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

d) **[Consultation Requirements Relating to Proposed Amendments to the New Westminster Official Community Plan for the Development of 273 and 275 Sherbrooke Street](#)**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council, in consideration of Local Government Act Section 879, direct staff to seek public input on the proposed Official Community Plan amendment relating to 273 and 275 Sherbrooke Street in the following manner:*

- *Direct staff to advise and consult with:*
  - *the Royal Columbian Hospital;*
  - *the McBride- Sapperton Residents' Association; and*
  - *the Sapperton Business Association.*

- *Direct staff to seek input from interested parties in the following manner:*
  - *place an advertisement in the newspaper to notify the public of this application;*
  - *send a notification letter to the owners and occupants within 650 feet of the subject property, and*
- *request the applicant to hold an Open House in the community to provide information on the proposal.*
- *Not require consultation with:*
  - *the Board of Metro Vancouver;*
  - *the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Board;*
  - *the Boards of any Regional District adjacent to the area covered by the application, as none are considered to be affected by the application;*
  - *the Board of School District 40;*
  - *the Council of any municipality that is adjacent to the area covered by the plan, as none are considered to be affected by the application;*
  - *any First Nations;*
  - *any greater boards or improvement districts other than as noted herein, as none are considered to be affected by this application; and*
  - *any provincial or federal agency other than as noted herein, as none are considered to be affected by this application.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- e) [\*\*Development Permit 040 \(Q\) for 215 Brookes Street and Development Permit 041 \(Q\) for 245 Brookes Street – Port Royal Phase 3A\*\*](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7429, 2010 be received and that Council issue notice for Development Permit 040 (Q) with a variance for tandem parking for the project proposed at 215 Brookes Street; and*  
*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7430, 2010 be received and that Council issue notice for Development Permit 041 (Q) with a variance for tandem parking for the project proposed at 245 Brookes Street.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.



f) [Street Naming Bylaw for “Tanaka Court” in Queensborough \(Bylaw No. 7443, 2010\)](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Naming Bylaw No. 7443, 2010 be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

g) [Child Care Grant Recommendations to Council](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council accept and endorse the recommendations of the Child Care Grant Program Committee pertaining to child care grant recipients and amounts for the 2011 granting period;*

*THAT Council accept and conditionally endorse the application submitted for Kids Place Daycare by the Salvation Army subject to the receipt of detailed quotes for the expenditures as specified; and*

*THAT Council direct staff to revise the Child Care Grant Program application form so that it specifically requests that quotes be submitted for all expenditures; that it makes reference to the usefulness of photographs in the evaluation process; and that it provides examples of accessibility-related projects.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

h) [410 Columbia Street/Request to Reconsider Remedial Action Order](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the time period to submit a reconsideration request relating to the Remedial Action Order issued against 410 Columbia Street not be extended beyond the 14-day period specified by the Community Charter.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

i) **Single Detached Dwelling Rezoning Applications to Permit Subdivision – No Support for Applications Until OCP Consultation Process Completed**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT staff be directed to create a policy framework for the evaluation of small lot rezoning and subdivision applications, commence with community consultation in early 2011 and report back to Council the findings of the consultation and a draft policy by late Spring 2011;*

*AND with the exception of the existing application, do not consider further small lot rezoning and subdivision applications for mainland New Westminster until the consultation process and the draft policy have been provided to Council.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**Director of Engineering and Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation**

- j) [Update on Sustainability Option for Queensborough Community Centre Expansion](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council direct staff to design the Queensborough Centre expansion project to obtain LEED Gold certification and the overall new program space of approximately 12,800 square feet in the building.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation**

- k) [Massey Performing Arts Centre Advisory Task Force Terms of Reference](#)

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the proposed Terms of Reference and Process for Recruitment for the Massey Performing Arts Centre Advisory Task force be received; and THAT the Terms of Reference be forwarded to the School District for comment.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**Director of Legislative Services**

- l) **Consultation Process and Final Approval for New Westminster Development Cost Charges Bylaw No. 7311, 2009**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT New Westminster Development Cost Charges Bylaw No. 7311, 2009 be received.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

## Director of Development Services

- m) **Development Permit Application 040 (UT) for 609 and 625 Fifth Avenue**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Council give notice that it intends to consider a motion to approve and issue Development Permit 040 (UT) with variances to 609 and 625 Fifth Avenue.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- n) **Development Permit Application 044 (Q) for 1109, 1117, 1129 and 1135 Ewen Avenue and 301 and 305 Gifford Street**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7411, 2010 as amended be received; and*

*THAT Council give notice that it intends to consider a motion to approve and issue Development Permit 044 (Q).*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

## Director of Parks, Culture and Recreation

- o) **Community War Memorial Task Force**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Councillor Williams and staff be directed to develop Terms of Reference for a Community War Memorial Task Force to develop a Public Arts project around the photograph entitled: "Wait for me, Daddy".*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

## Director of Engineering Services

- p) **North Fraser Perimeter Road/United Boulevard Extension Resolution**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*WHEREAS in response to concerns expressed at public consultation meetings;*

*AND WHEREAS New Westminster City Council is concerned over intrusive impacts on residential neighbourhoods;*

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** TransLink be requested to continue with public consultation and planning in relation to the North Fraser Perimeter Road corridor and United Boulevard Extension project;*

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*THAT Council does not support Options A, B, C or D at this time, and that the City reaffirms its position regarding the entire route and mitigation of North Fraser Perimeter Road (as resolved in 2007);*

*THAT TransLink be requested to work with city staff and the community at large to develop alternative design options for the extension of United Boulevard and its connection with Brunette Avenue; and*

*THAT TransLink be requested to formally approve removal of the existing commercial truck route designation from the following city streets:*

- *East Eighth Avenue – McBride Boulevard to East Columbia Street*
- *East Columbia Street – Brunette Avenue to Braid Street.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

#### **BYLAWS / ISSUANCE OF DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMITS**

10. [Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Amendment Bylaw No. 7438, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend New Westminster Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 7412, 2010]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Amendment Bylaw No. 7438, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

11. [Zoning Amendment Bylaw \(Housekeeping Amendment – School and Hospital Parking Requirements\) No. 7441, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 for the City of New Westminster]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Housekeeping Amendment-School and Hospital Parking Requirements) No. 7441, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

12. [Electrical Utility Amendment Bylaw No. 7442, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend Electrical Utility Rates Bylaw No. 6502, 1998]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Electrical Utility Amendment Bylaw No. 7442, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

13. [Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7422, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: Boyd Street from un-zoned to M1 amending Plan 80]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7422, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

14. **333 Keary**

- a) [Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7401, 2010](#) [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: 333 Keary Street]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7401, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- b) **Issuance of Development Variance Permit No. 512** for 333 Keary Street to vary the following section of the Zoning Bylaw:

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Development Variance Permit No. 512 for 333 Keary Street, to vary the frontages of proposed lots to 9.96 percent of their perimeters be issued.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

15. **Bylaws Coming Forward from the Committee of the Whole meeting held December 13, 2010:**

- a) **New Westminster Development Cost Charges Bylaw No. 7311, 2009** [a Bylaw to authorize the imposition of Development Cost Charges]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT New Westminster Development Cost Charges Bylaw No. 7311, 2009 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

Councillor McIntosh opposed.

- b) **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7429, 2010** [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: 215 Brookes Street]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7429, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- c) **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7430, 2010** [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: 245 Brookes Street]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7430, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- d) **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7411, 2010** [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: 1109, 1117, 1129 and 1135 Ewen Avenue and 301 and 305 Gifford Street]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7411, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- e) **Street Naming Bylaw No. 7443, 2010** [a Bylaw to Name a Street in the Queensborough Area]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Naming Bylaw No. 7443, 2010 be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Naming Bylaw No. 7443, 2010 be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Street Naming Bylaw No. 7443, 2010 be read a third time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

- f) **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7447, 2010** [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: Village at Historic Sapperton Sub-Districts]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7447, 2010 be read a first time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7447, 2010 be read a second time.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

(A Public Hearing for Bylaw No.7447, 2010 has been scheduled for Monday, January 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chamber, City Hall)

- g) **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7420, 2010** [a Bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 re: Queensborough Townhouse Districts]

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7420, 2010 be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of Council voted in favour of the motion.

## **REPORTS**

### **16. Council Members:**

#### **Councillor McIntosh**

. . . attended the Century House Christmas dinner, Queens “Honour a Life” program, Mental Health client Christmas luncheon, Santa parade, TransLink public meetings, Shop Sapperton with Santa, Edna Anderson’s 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday party, City staff Christmas party, dinner with museum volunteers, and memorial for retired police officer Garth Winteringham.

#### **Councillor Osterman**

. . . commended the generosity of New Westminster citizens for Salvation Army’s kettle drive; attended Santa parade; Sea Cadets collected for Food Bank and left thank you notes; Merry Christmas to all.

#### **Councillor Williams**

. . . attended gymnastics event at Queens Park arena, Open House at New Westminster House, Shasta Tournament, Royal City Youth Ballet, and Sudanese dancing for Sudanese relief efforts.

#### **Councillor Coté**

. . . reported that the Queensborough Community Centre Task Force is moving along; members toured facilities in the lower mainland, and construction is scheduled to start at the end of summer, 2011. Merry Christmas to everyone!

#### **Councillor McEvoy**

. . . chaired Seniors Advisory Committee and Community Heritage Advisory Committee meetings; attended Open House of MP Peter Julian and Don Black, MLA; toured Kruger Paper plant; drove through Coquitlam, Surrey and Burnaby to investigate traffic issues. Merry Christmas to everyone!

#### **Councillor Harper**

. . . Merry Christmas to everyone! Attended a number of Christmas events for children, including the Santa parade; reported that the 150 Celebration in the city was money well spent, with result including people engaging in community activities; reported that the

Youth Ballet raised over \$100,000 for studio on Columbia Street; attended meeting of the Arts Commission, Century House Christmas dinner and book signing of new poetry book by Candice James, our poet laureate – “Inner Heart – A Journey”.

**Mayor Wayne Wright**

. . . presented a cheque for \$10,000 from 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Lawn Bowling Tournament to Royal Columbia Hospital Neonatal unit; announced the appointments of Kate Wochuk as the ICBC representative on the Youth Advisory Committee and Terry Julian to the Library Board; attended Sapperton Pensioners Annual Christmas dinner, JIBC Foundation Gala, Economic Development Advisory Committee, Arenex Christmas Open House, Hyack Christmas party, Edna Anderson’s 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday celebration, ribbon cutting at Royal City Youth Ballet, MFA trustee meeting in Victoria, Mayors’ Council on regional transportation meeting, Century House Executive Association Annual Christmas dinner, Electric Utility Commission Strategic Planning session, City of New Westminster staff Christmas party, Salvation Army Mayoral Challenge kettle drive, launch and signing of new poetry book “Inner Heart – A Journey” by Candice James, Queensborough O.A.P. #149 Christmas dinner; expressed condolences to the family of Garth Winteringham (retired police officer); noted the story on “Buster” Cairns in the Province newspaper which will be posted on City’s website; Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year to staff and residents of New Westminster.

**NEXT MEETING**

**Monday, January 10, 2011**

Proposed Closed Session commencing at 12:00 noon 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 9:49 p.m.

Certified Correct,

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**WAYNE WRIGHT**  
**MAYOR**

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**RICHARD PAGE**  
**CORPORATE OFFICER**