



REGULAR MEETING OF TASK FORCE ON FACILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC REALM

Monday, March 8, 2021

Regular Meeting of

the Task Force on Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm
which convenes at 9:00am

Meeting Held Electronically under Ministerial Order No. M192/2020 and
Order of the Public Health Officer – *Gatherings and Events February 5, 2021*

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Mayor Cote, Chair

Councillor Johnstone

Councillor Puchmayr

Jim Lowrie, Director of Engineering

Lisa Spitale, Chief Administrative Officer

Emile Adin, Director of Development Services

Eugene Wat, Manager, Infrastructure Planning

Harji Varn, Chief Financial Officer & Director of Finance

Dean Gibson, Director of Parks & Recreation

Rod Carle, General Manager

Tobi May, Manager, Civic Buildings & Properties

Erika Mashig, Manager Parks & Open Space Planning, Design and Construction

Christy Mereigh, Manager, Strategic Projects

Denise Tambellini, Intergovernmental & Community Relations Manager

Todd Ayotte, Manager, Community Arts & Theatre

Steve Kellock, Senior Manager, Recreation Services & Facilities

Catalin Dobrescu, Utilities & Special Projects Engineer

GUESTS

Joel Melanson, Metro Vancouver

Duane Odenbach, Metro Vancouver

Vanessa Anthony, Metro Vancouver

Mark MacConnell, Metro Vancouver

The meeting was called to order at 9:09am.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

1. **MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT pursuant to Section 90 of the Community Charter, members of the public be excluded from the Closed Meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm immediately following the Regular Meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm on the basis that the subject matter of all agenda items to be considered relate to matters listed under Sections 90(1)[k] of the Community Charter:

90(1)

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;

CARRIED.

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

2. **MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Task Force on Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm in Open Session be adjourned and proceed to Closed Session.

CARRIED.

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING

3. **MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Regular Mayor's Task Force on Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm be reconvened.

CARRIED.

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Urgent/time sensitive matters only

4. **No Items**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. No Items

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

6. **MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the minutes of the Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm meeting of February 18, 2021, be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS FOR ACTION

7. **2021 Task Force Workplan Overview**

Tobi May, Manager, Civic Buildings & Properties, Erika Mashig, Manager Parks & Open Space Planning, Design and Construction, and Eugene Wat, Manager, Infrastructure Planning gave a presentation highlighting:

- Review of the FIPRTF terms of reference and mandate
- Facilities 2021 workplan
- Infrastructure 2021 workplan
- Public Realm 2021 workplan

In response to a question from a task force member, Tobi May noted that significant pre-work is required in updating the Asset Management Plan which is on-going, and limits how quickly the plan update can be completed. Strategic pieces of the plan can be worked on separately to help support funding applications for specific projects.

Discussion ensued on:

- Opportunities for shared decision making between the FIPR and Environment and Climate task forces on projects
- Focused plan on land strategies and priorities

Responding to a question from a task force member, Eugene Wat advised that the artesian well on the former Labatt site was not specifically identified by the consultant for the City as a fresh water source as the

Brewery District site has now been redeveloped, but will be investigated as an accessible option.

Discussion continued on:

- Opportunities to accelerate Asset Management Plan review for building assets
- Highlighting large sewer projects as capital projects in future task force meetings
- Opportunities to begin some of the greening work, including securing contractors, while awaiting results from grant applications
- Concerns over expectations from community on Cornwall Park upgrades and opportunities to create stewardship for this neighbourhood park
- Pier Park fire replacement site technical feasibility study is on-going this year with public engagement slated for next year, and to be added to the work plan for the task force
- Communicate next steps for Pier Park to the public
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan work will be started next year
- Future of DAC funding to be brought to the task force for future discussion

8. Metro Vancouver Annacis Watermain Project

Guests from Metro Vancouver gave a presentation that noted:

- Project Overview
- Route Alignment
- Schedule
- Impacts and Mitigation
- Community Engagement

Discussion ensued on:

- Traffic impacts to surrounding streets and intersections adjacent to the project
- Alignment of the right of way to be determined by existing utilities and available space
- Significant boulevards with existing and new tree planting along 13th street route and opportunity to work with Parks Planning department for future green space improvements
- Existing street furniture and traffic calming measures and opportunities for improvement in design and street restoration

- Metro Vancouver advised of City's Good Neighbour Policy
- Planned sewer separation work will take place congruent to the Metro Vancouver works
- Metro Vancouver advised to include staff and stakeholders of Fire Hall #2 in communication and engagement plans

In response to a question from a task force member, Mr. Melanson advised that on site storage of pipes will be minimal with materials for 1 to 2 blocks of works stored on site at any given time (pipes to be delivered to site as they are being installed). Construction segments of 150m is the minimum length needed to complete work without risk of prolonging the project work due to space constraints of shorter work zones. Metro Vancouver will work with the City to minimize the work zone length as much as possible.

The presentation will be included as Attachment 1

9. Riverfront Circulation 2021 (Covid Response)

Mike Anderson, Transportation Engineer, gave a presentation on:

- Covid-19 Responses on Waterfront Esplanade
- Observations
- Proposed 2021 strategy
- Future steps

Discussion ensued on:

- Setting clear messaging on Waterfront around being respectful of other users
- Implementing signage advising users of temporary measures
- Future opportunities for fire mitigation measures on Waterfront structure
- Measures to be taken in the interim to address slippery surface of Waterfront Esplanade
- Electric scooters to be encouraged to dismount on the Esplanade or use Quayside

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm Task Force endorses the Riverfront Circulation 2021 (Covid Response) plan for implementation.

CARRIED.

All members of the Task Force present voted in favour of the motion.

The presentation will be included as Attachment 2

10. Project Updates

This item was postponed.

NEW BUSINESS

11. No Items

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Task Force on Facilities, Infrastructure and Public Realm will occur on:

Date:		May 10, 2021
Time:		9:00 a.m.
Location:		Zoom

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 11:24am.

Original Signed

MAYOR COTE
CHAIR

Original Signed

MEGAN JONES
RECORDING SECRETARY