

**DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

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Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council for the District of North Vancouver held at 6:10 p.m. on Monday, September 29, 2014 in the Committee Room of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

**Present:** Mayor R. Walton  
Councillor R. Bassam  
Councillor R. Hicks  
Councillor M. Little  
Councillor D. MacKay-Dunn  
Councillor L. Muri  
Councillor A. Nixon (6:11 pm)

**Staff:** Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mr. B. Bydwell, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits  
Ms. N. Deveaux, General Manager – Finance & Technology  
Mr. G. Joyce, General Manager – Engineering, Parks & Facilities  
Mr. J. Gordon, Manager – Administrative Services  
Mr. S. Ono, Manager – Engineering Services  
Ms. J. Paton, Manager – Development Planning  
Mr. L. Jensen, Manager – Engineering Operations  
Mr. D. Desrochers, Section Manager – Engineering Development Services  
Ms. E. Geddes, Section Manager – Transportation  
Ms. K. O'Malley, Assistant Manager – Waste Reduction  
Ms. L. Brick, Deputy Municipal Clerk  
Ms. C. Drugge, Project Engineer  
Ms. T. Smith, Transportation Planner  
Ms. N. Foth, Transportation Planning Technologist  
Ms. J. Meilleur, Communications, Marketing and Program Coordinator  
Ms. S. Vukelic, Confidential Council Clerk

**1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**1.1. September 29, 2014 Committee of the Whole Agenda**

**MOVED by Councillor LITTLE**

**SECONDED by Councillor MURI**

THAT the agenda for the September 29, 2014 Committee of the Whole be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

Absent for Vote: Councillor Nixon

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**2.1. June 16, 2014 Committee of the Whole**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**  
**SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE**

THAT the minutes of the June 16, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

**CARRIED**

Absent for Vote: Councillor Nixon

## **2.2. July 22, 2014 Committee of the Whole**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**  
**SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE**

THAT the minutes of the July 22, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

**CARRIED**

Absent for Vote: Councillor Nixon

Councillor NIXON arrived at this point in the proceedings.

## **3. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF**

### **3.1. 2014 Transportation Investments & 2015 Transportation Priorities**

File No. 16.8620.01/001.000

Presentation: Ms. Erica Geddes, Section Manager – Transportation and Ms. Tegan Smith, Transportation Planner.

Ms. Erica Geddes provided an overview of current and future transportation projects within the District, including:

- Lower Lynn Interchanges;
- East Keith Road Extension and Bridge Project;
- Phibbs Exchange design;
- Lynn Valley Road Interchange;
- Capilano Road;
- Curling Road
- Philips Overpass;
- Spirit Trail; and,
- Lynn Valley Road Bike Lanes.

Ms. Tegan Smith provided an overview of transportation studies and neighbourhood priorities throughout the District.

Ms. Smith's presentation highlighted:

- Deep Cove parking challenges;
- Panorama Drive and the Deep Cove Resident Parking Only (RPO) pilot project;
- Neighbourhood traffic calming requests;
- Crosswalk improvements and priorities;
- Bus bench and shelter improvements; and,
- Implementing recommendations of school studies.

**Council Discussion:**

Council discussion ensued and the following concerns were noted:

- Concern that the trees used to beautify the Phibbs Exchange may hinder crime prevention;
- Concern with the traffic challenges at the intersection at Lynn Valley Road and Grand Boulevard;
- Concern with the proposed installation of a traffic signal at the north end of Edgemont Village;
- Questioned how the District will patrol and enforce the parking issues in Deep Cove;
- Noted the lack of parking stalls in Deep Cove are a seasonal issue;
- Concern with the impact of speed humps for traffic calming;
- Concern about the use of traffic bulge's in general and at 29<sup>th</sup> Street specifically;
- Requested clarification regarding the online school study; and,
- Expressed concern with street lighting at Kirkstone Road and Ruffus Drive.

In response to a query about the Deep Cove RPO pilot project, Ms. Smith advised that staff will compile information from all the studies and review the issues to create logical strategies for long term parking solutions within Deep Cove.

Councillor MURI left the meeting at 6:57 pm and returned at 7:05 pm.

Ms. Geddes mentioned that speed hump designs have changed over the years; however, statistics show that they do slow people down.

Staff advised that school transportation studies must be conducted based on individual schools to better assess the needs of the community relating to transportation safety.

**Public Input:**

Mr. Kost commented on:

- The number of traffic lights proposed for Capilano Road; and,
- Suggested that the school studies be conducted by the District of North Vancouver.

Mr. Lyle Craver:

- Expressed concern with the 29th street curb bulges; and,
- Suggested that a permanent structure be installed.

The meeting recessed at 7:23 pm and reconvened at 7:29 pm.

With the consent of Council, Mayor Walton varied the agenda as follows:

**3.3. Pace of Development / Managing Impacts**

File No.

Mr. Brian Bydwell, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits, provided an overview of the development projects either currently under construction or under review, as well as possible future applications within the District.

Councillor HICKS returned at 7:30 pm.

Councillor NIXON returned at 7:31 pm.

Mr. Steve Ono, Manager – Engineering Services, commented on the realization of the OCP and

noted that the District is in the implementation stage which will disrupt traffic intermittently but allow for infrastructure upgrades.

Councillor LITTLE left the meeting at 7:34 pm and returned at 7:37 pm.

Ms. Carolyn Drugge, Project Engineer, discussed how the District is managing private and public construction impacts including:

- Shifting corporate culture from a “siloes” approach to one of coordination and communication;
- Creating two positions to manage and coordinate private construction, infrastructure improvements, and special event usage of our roads and right-of-ways;
- Requiring more rigorous traffic management plans and incorporating meaningful penalties into service agreements when those plans are not followed;
- Higher Street and Traffic Bylaw fines;
- Building relationships with other agencies including utilities, City of North Vancouver, District of West Vancouver, Metro Vancouver, Port Metro Vancouver, and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure;
- Enabling night work where works of strategic importance are required, particularly work on major transportation corridors; and,
- Incorporating new technology tools for more effective planning, tracking and communication with the residents.

Mr. Bydwell advised that the District is confident that private and public construction can be managed to minimize the disruption to residents while at the same time, realizing new infrastructure and progress towards the Official Community Plan vision.

#### **Council Discussion:**

Concern was expressed regarding major infrastructure being built next to town centres as this increases the traffic congestion in the area.

Council requested that notification be given when a major route will be shut down and re-directed.

Discussion ensued regarding traffic congestion and the need to research and identify where the transportation problems are generated before looking into solutions.

Council noted that slowing down development in the District will not rectify the traffic problems.

Staff noted that the peak traffic hours on the North Shore are larger in volume and span longer periods than in prior years.

Staff advised that focusing on the East - West traffic issues in the District would be the most viable approach towards a solution for the congestion.

Council requested that this item be brought back for a further discussion at a future meeting of Council.

The meeting recessed at 8:38 pm and reconvened at 8:41 pm.

### **3.4. Recycling Update**

File No. 11.5370.01

Ms. Kathleen O'Malley, Assistant Manager – Waste Reduction, and Ms. Jen Meilleur, Communications, Marketing and Program Coordinator, provided an update on the current waste

management contract, solid waste recommendations, the MMBC program and the results of the recycling survey.

Councillor MACKAY-DUNN returned at 8:42 pm.

Councillor NIXON returned at 8:43 pm.

Ms. O'Malley identified the following options for Council:

- Existing Curbside Recyclables Collections contract with Waste Management of Canada Inc. (WM) can be extended for another year; however, notification of extension has to be made to WM by December 31, 2014;
- MMBC will provide recycling curbside collection service through a subcontractor and will make no commitment to the level of service that it provides to residents; however, MMBC will need to be notified by December 31, 2014 if the District plans on extending Single-Family and Multi-Family recycling collection to them; and,
- Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and Request for Proposal (RFP) for a new curbside Recyclables contract will assist staff with evaluating options.

Ms. O'Malley provided an update on the solid waste recommendations for single family homes which included:

- Providing residents with a locking wildlife resistant cart for weekly collection of organics and food waste;
- Bi-weekly garbage collection using a standard locking cart with a reduced cost for residents who choose to downsize to a smaller cart; and,
- Providing residents the option to purchase an additional cart for yard trimmings.

Ms. O'Malley provided an update on the results of the Recycling Survey. Ms. O'Malley explained that residents prefer:

- Weekly multi-stream recycling;
- Curbside collection of glass rather than drop off depots;
- Garbage/yard trimmings/green can and blue box recycling be collected on the same day;
- Willing to pay an extra fee for curbside collection of glass; and,
- Maintaining municipal control over decision-making and delivery of recycling services was important.

Staff advised that there are three options regarding the recycling contract:

1. Extend the waste management contract for an additional year;
2. Accept new recycling collection contract; and,
3. Hand the program over to MMBC.

Staff advised that bi-weekly garbage collection will be reviewed after the recycling system has been set in place.

Council commented that residents have been effective in reducing garbage and increasing recycling in the District. It was noted that glass curb side collection is an important option to include for residents.

Staff advised that curbside glass pick up is being reviewed in the RFP process.

Staff advised that the current agreement with MMBC does not penalize the District for having glass mixed in with the plastic recyclables; however, this term would have to be renegotiated if renewing with MMBC.

**4. PUBLIC INPUT**

Mr. Corrie Kost:

- Requested that the District improve its website.

**5. RISE AND REPORT**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by MACKAY-DUNN**

THAT the September 29, 2014 Committee of the Whole rise and report.

**CARRIED**  
(9:13 pm)

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Mayor

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Municipal Clerk