

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

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Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of the Council for the District of North Vancouver held at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, July 8, 2013 in the Council Chambers of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Present: Mayor R. Walton
Councillor R. Bassam (7:07 pm)
Councillor R. Hicks
Councillor M. Little
Councillor D. MacKay-Dunn
Councillor L. Muri
Councillor A. Nixon (7:08 pm)

Staff: Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. S. Haid, Manager – Sustainable Community Development
Mr. S. Jenkins, Energy Project Manager
Mr. S. Ono, Manager – Engineering Services
Ms. N. Letchford, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Ms. J. Pavey, Section Manager – Environmental Sustainability
Ms. C. Rucci, Social Planner
Ms. S. Berardo, Confidential Council Clerk

Also in

Attendance: Heather Johnstone, Manager – The Edible Garden Project
Scott Rowe, New Hope Cuisine Chef

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1. July 8, 2013 Committee of the Whole Agenda

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE

THAT the agenda for the July 8, 2013 Committee of the Whole be adopted as circulated, including the addition of any items listed in the agenda addendum.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF

3.1. North Shore Food Charter
File No. 10.6440.01/000.000

Ms. Cristina Rucci, Social Planner, provided an overview of the North Shore Food Charter. Ms. Rucci advised that the draft North Shore Food Charter is an umbrella policy document that includes a vision statement and principles which capture values held by our community around food and its role in our society. The Charter will provide a strong framework for North Shore governments, agencies, and

stakeholders to guide innovative work and encourage cohesion around issues such as access to safe and healthy food and environmental responsibility that are important to the North Shore communities. Ms. Rucci further advised that the draft Charter is supportive of District OCP policies.

The five principles of the draft Food Charter include:

- Health, Access, and Equality;
- Environmental Responsibility;
- Government Leadership and Collaboration;
- Economic Vitality; and,
- Community Culture and Education.

Ms. Rucci sought Council's feedback on the North Shore Food Charter.

Council Discussion:

- Commented on the increasing interest of District of North Vancouver residents around food related issues such as community gardens and urban farming, the keeping of backyard chickens, beekeeping, management of food waste, and access to safe and healthy food;
- Suggested the Food Charter be discussed at the North Shore Congress meeting in the Fall;
- Stated that land in the Lower Mainland needs to be protected;
- Spoke in support of the "one hundred mile diet";
- Acknowledged that the District of North Vancouver's role in the community is to provide fresh water and air;
- Expressed concern with the statement "all residents have equal access to healthy and nutritious food"; and,
- Suggested educating the public on backyard gardens.

MOVED by Councillor HICKS

SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE

THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT Council approve, in principle, the draft Food Charter and convey the Committee's feedback to the Table Matters Working Group.

CARRIED

Opposed: Councillors BASSAM, LITTLE, and NIXON

3.2. North Shore Congress

File No. 10.4788.01/000.000

Ms. Cristina Rucci, Social Planner, advised that the next North Shore Congress meeting, which is a forum for elected and appointed North Shore public officials including local Governments, School District, First Nations, Health Authority, Members of the Legislative Assembly and Members of Parliament on health and social well-being matters, is scheduled to take place in the Fall of 2013. As the City of North Vancouver and District of West Vancouver have both recently hosted the event, it is suggested that it is now the District's turn to host this year's Congress and to provide leadership in setting the agenda. Ms. Rucci discussed a range of potential agenda topics for Council's consideration.

Councillor Bassam left the meeting at 8:28 pm and returned at 8:32 pm.

MOVED by Councillor MURI
SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE
THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT the District host the next North Shore Congress in the Fall of 2013.

AND THAT the agenda for the Congress include the North Shore Food Charter and the Lionsgate Hospital growth plan; including a new mental health facility and better programs for language barriers.

CARRIED

3.3. Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP)

Final Report 2012

File No. 13.6770.20/016.000

Ms. Julie Pavey, Section Manager – Environmental Sustainability, provided an update on the District's corporate energy use and greenhouse gas emissions inventory for 2012 including its progress toward carbon neutral operations under the BC Climate Action Charter. Ms. Pavey advised that in 2007, the District signed the BC Climate Action Charter. By signing the Charter, the District made the following commitments:

- Measuring and reporting community greenhouse gas emissions;
- Creating complete, compact, more energy efficient rural and urban communities; and,
- Being carbon neutral, as an organization, by the end of 2012.

Councillor MACKAY-DUNN left the meeting at 9:00 pm and returned at 9:05 pm.

Mr. Steve Jenkins, Energy Project Manager, spoke to the Building Retrofit Program. Mr. Jenkins advised that District staff are managing smaller projects internally such as installing new lighting and mechanical services at the Operation Centre and District Hall, sealing buildings, conducting thermal imaging, monitoring energy use and building performance that will build staff capacity and provide additional savings. Mr. Jenkins also spoke to the following:

- Electric bikes replacing vehicles for shorter local trips;
- Purchasing electric cars;
- Testing efficacy of solar and wind with charging stations for vehicles;
- Biomass for Karen Magnussen; and,
- District Energy Systems for Town Centres.

This work aligns with the goals and targets of the Corporate Strategic Energy Management Plan and corporate greenhouse gas reduction strategies.

Councillor MACKAY-DUNN left the meeting at 9:17 pm and returned at 9:18 pm.

Council suggested an electrical charger in Deep Cove.

Councillor LITTLE left the meeting at 9:25 pm.

MOVED by Councillor BASSAM
SECONDED by Councillor NIXON
THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT Council receive the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program 2012 Final Report for information.

CARRIED

Absent for vote: Councillor Little

4. PUBLIC INPUT

5. RISE AND REPORT

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BASSAM

THAT the July 8, 2013 Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED

(9:27 pm)

Mayor

Municipal Clerk