

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

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council for the District of North Vancouver held at 7:09 p.m. on Monday, September 16, 2013 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 L. Muri  
Councillor A. Nixon

**Absent:** Councillor D. MacKay-Dunn

**Staff:** Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mr. B. Bydwell, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits  
Mr. G. Joyce, General Manager – Engineering, Parks & Facilities  
Mr. J. Gordon, Manager – Administrative Services  
Ms. E. Geddes, Section Manager – Transportation  
Ms. T. Smith, Transportation Planner  
Ms. L. Brick, Confidential Council Clerk

Staff advised that the recording system in the Committee Room has been upgraded to provide a higher quality product for viewing on the internet.

**1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**1.1. September 16, 2013 Committee of the Whole Agenda**

**MOVED by Councillor LITTLE**

**SECONDED by Councillor MURI**

THAT the agenda for the September 16, 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**

**2.1. July 8, 2013 Committee of the Whole**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE**

THAT the minutes of the July 8, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**3. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF**

### 3.1. 2013 Transportation Investments & 2014 Transportation Priorities

File No. 16.8620.01/001.000

Ms. Erica Geddes, Section Manager – Transportation, provided an overview of the top priority projects identified in the 2012 Transportation Plan and reviewed the work completed in 2013. Council discussed the Marine Drive transportation and streetscape design; commenting on the need for increased planning for parking for Marine Drive. Staff noted that this item will be coming forward to Council in the near future.

Staff reviewed the 2013 Transportation Projects:

- Mt. Seymour Parkway widening for bike lanes – staff commented that the benefits have not yet been realized as Phase 2 has not yet been built, staff noted that there have been some issues with grants and the work is being designed so that it does not encroach on reserve lands and they are addressing landscaping issues;
- 29<sup>th</sup> Street & William Avenue curb bulges – staff advised that the project was postponed in 2012 and may be brought forward for completion in 2014. Council discussed the option of leaving this intersection in a temporary condition until 2014 and the possibility of creating a cut-through for bicycles.
- Speed Reader Boards – staff advised that the preliminary data indicates they have been effective at reducing speed where they have been installed. ICBC is currently compiling the results and the full report will be available in the future.

Council requested further information regarding the Metro Vancouver watermain project on Capilano Road; staff advised that a link can be provided from the District's web page to the Metro Vancouver project information site.

Council discussed overgrown hedges on sidewalks and roadways where the hedges are creating hazardous conditions. Staff confirmed that the current policy is to respond to residential complaints regarding hedges and notify residents of the requirement to maintain their hedges.

Council discussed the Panorama Drive parking restrictions, staff advised that parking restrictions have been in effect for a few months and they will be meeting with residents to review the results of the implemented changes.

Ms. Geddes reviewed the proposed capital projects for 2014, understanding that these projects will still need to be considered along with all other capital submissions as part of the District's regular process:

- Road projects for submission include the Philip Overpass, rail crossing upgrades and the widening and replacement of the Keith Road bridge;
- Cycling projects proposed for 2014 include Mountain Highway at Arborlynn to permit cycling on sidewalks, as well as signs and markings in various locations in the District;
- Key pedestrian and traffic calming projects to be brought forward for consideration in 2014 include Fullerton Avenue traffic calming plan and the Spirit Trail Central Section; and,

Councillor LITTLE left the meeting at 7:59 pm and returned at 8:03 pm.

- Street lights including improved pedestrian street light infrastructure at Kirkstone and Rufus and three new street lights on East 27<sup>th</sup> Street.

Council requested that the Woodcroft community be included in the consultation. Council also requested that staff investigate the possibility one way traffic in the laneways.

It was also noted that the traffic calming improvements would be referred to the 2014 Capital Budget.

Council noted that it would be beneficial to look at opportunities to introduce a second travel lane through the Lynn Valley interchange as part of the Lynn Valley bike lane project. Ms. Geddes advised that staff intend to meet with Ministry of Transportation to explore the feasibility of this project.

Ms. Geddes noted that staff will report back to Council on Spirit Trail planning. Council discussed an interest in being engaged in a hands-on manner, including looking at routing to Deep Cove and considering routing options on Dollarton.

Council discussed renaming options of the interchange when Fern Street is closed; staff informed Council that the Ministry has indicated a preference that it be named "Lillooet Road".

In conclusion staff advised that other possible 2014 activities will also include:

- Community education partnerships;
- School safety study (1 or 2 new schools);
- Deep Cove parking and circulation study;
- Parking wayfinding study;
- Review of transportation data;
- Upper Mountain Highway before/after parking study; and,
- Bus shelter contract renewal.

Council discussed interest in information about how new Broadview signal will function.

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

THAT the September 5, 2013 memo of the Section Manager – Transportation be received for information.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. PUBLIC INPUT**

##### **4.1 Mr. Corrie Kost, 2800 Block Colwood Drive:**

- Commented 2013/2014 summary of project costs;
- Expressed concern regarding the bike lanes; and,
- Requested staff raise the speed limit on Capilano Road.

##### **4.2 Mr. Rod Marining, 1200 Block East Keith Road**

- Requested the public be provided opportunities for involvement of transportation planning for the Seymour OCP; and,
- Expressed concern regarding a proposed off ramp that may be considered by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, from Highway 1 to Brooksbank Avenue at the bottom of the Cut.

#### **5. RISE AND REPORT**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor BASSAM**

THAT the September 16, 2013 Committee of the Whole rise and report.

**CARRIED**

(8:20 pm)

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Mayor

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Municipal Clerk