

## **DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

Minutes of the Council Workshop for the District of North Vancouver held at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2017 in the Committee Room of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

**Present:** Mayor R. Walton  
Councillor M. Bond  
Councillor J. Hanson  
Councillor R. Hicks  
Councillor D. MacKay-Dunn  
Councillor L. Muri

**Absent:** Councillor R. Bassam

**Staff:** Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer  
Ms. C. Grant, General Manager – Corporate Services  
Mr. G. Joyce, General Manager – Engineering, Parks & Facilities  
Mr. D. Milburn, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits  
Mr. A. Wardell, Acting General Manager – Finance & Technology  
Mr. R. Danyluk, Manager – Financial Planning  
Mr. J. Gordon, Manager – Administrative Services  
Mr. S. Ono, Manager – Engineering Services  
Mr. S. Carney, Section Manager - Transportation  
Ms. S. Dale, Confidential Council Clerk  
Mr. N. Rahman, Transportation Planning Technologist  
Ms. I. Weisenbach, Transportation Planner

### **1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

#### **1.1. November 6, 2017 Council Workshop Agenda**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor BOND**

THAT the agenda for the November 6, 2017 Council Workshop is adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

### **2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

#### **2.1. October 17, 2017 Council Workshop**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor BOND**

THAT the minutes of the October 17, 2017 Council Workshop are adopted.

**CARRIED**

## **2.2. October 23, 2017 Council Workshop**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor BOND**

THAT the minutes of the October 23, 2017 Council Workshop are adopted.

**CARRIED**

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

### **3.1. Annual Transportation Update**

File No. 16.8620.01/000.000

Mr. Steve Carney, Section Manager – Transportation, provided an update regarding the District's 2017 transportation projects, which include the following:

- Phibbs Exchange;
- Lower Lynn Interchanges;
- Transportation System Optimization;
- LED Street Lighting Program;
- Sustainment Program; and,
- North Shore Subarea Transportation Model.

Mr. Carney noted that dealing with traffic management and congestion continues to be a high priority for the District and highlighted 2018 priorities as follows:

- Marine – Main Corridor B-Line Preparation;
- Transportation System Optimization; and,
- North Shore Municipal Transportation Committee.

Mr. Carney reviewed the sources of funding for on-going transportation projects in the District.

Council discussion ensued and the following comments and concerns were noted:

- Suggested lobbying different levels of government for assistance;
- Expressed support for funding transportation projects outside of town centres;
- Questioned when the Long-term Financial Plan will be discussed;
- Spoke to the opportunities for the proposed park-and-ride lot at Phibbs Exchange;
- Expressed concern regarding the Lynn Valley bike lane noting that it is not a continuous path;
- Suggested linking bicycle routes to facilitate cycling between Town Centres;
- Questioned if the Montroyal Bridge will be built to improve earthquake resiliency;
- Questioned when the construction of Phibbs Transit Exchange is expected to start;
- Expressed concern regarding slope stability at Lower Lynn;
- Stated that East-west traffic on Highway 1 is reaching crisis levels and addressing the situation should be a high priority;
- Expressed concern regarding traffic congestion on the Ironworkers Memorial Bridge;

- Spoke regarding the traffic congestion on the North Shore and the negative impacts it has on the community;
- Commented that a long-term transportation vision is needed;
- Suggested implementing an incentives-based program to change driving habits;
- Discussed tactics to encourage people to use other modes of transportation;
- Spoke to the importance of investing in Town Centres to be complete, walkable communities;
- Expressed concern about the future tax burden on District residents;
- Commented that transportation issues are a regional issue;
- Spoke to the need for well-paying jobs in the District;
- Noted that small incremental changes overtime can be beneficial;
- Opined that walkable communities with better connections are important;
- Suggested reducing parking requirements in Town Centres;
- Commented on the importance of educating residents on other modes of transportation;
- Requested painted bicycle lines on Highland Boulevard noting that separated bicycle lanes are critical for safety and help avoid confrontation between cyclists, drivers and pedestrians; and,
- Spoke to the opportunities to utilize the waterway as an alternative mode of transportation and the feasibility of a passenger ferry service to relieve pressure on the Lions Gate and Second Narrows bridge crossings.

Council commented that implementation of school safety improvements need to be made a priority. Staff advised that the District continues to implement school safety recommendations from the prioritized list of actions and projects include: sidewalks; curb extensions; signage; crossing upgrades; traffic calming; and, parking layout. Council suggested that improvements to the south side of Ross Road are needed including improved lighting.

Discussion ensued regarding the safety of the Delbrook Recreation Centre intersection and Council requested that staff complete a traffic signal warrant study at this intersection. It was also noted that parking continues to be an issue at the Delbrook Recreation Centre and questioned possible solutions.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

**MOVED by Councillor HANSON**

**SECONDED by Councillor MACKAY-DUNN**

THAT the November 6, 2017 Council Workshop is adjourned.

**CARRIED**  
(6:48 pm)

Mayor

Municipal Clerk

