

**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 7:07 p.m. on Monday, January 26, 2015 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 D. MacKay-Dunn  
Councillor L. Muri

**Absent:** Councillor R. Hicks  
Councillor R. Bassam

**Staff:** Mr. B. Bydwell, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits  
Mr. J. Gordon, Manager – Administrative Services  
Ms. S. Dal Santo, Section Manager – Planning Policy  
Mr. P. Chapman, Social Planner  
Ms. S. Dale, Confidential Council Clerk

**1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**1.1. January 26, 2015 Committee of the Whole Agenda**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor MACKAY-DUNN**

THAT the agenda for the January 26, 2015 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. December 8, 2014 Committee of the Whole**

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor BOND**

THAT the minutes of the December 8, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**3. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF**

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

**3.2. Naming Selection Criteria and Procedures Policy**

Ms. Sarah Dal Santo, Section Manager – Planning Policy, advised that the Place Naming Committee is an inter-departmental committee with representatives from Fire Protection Services, Parks, Transportation Planning, Permits and Planning, and one Council representative. The Committee has a mandate to coordinate, for Council’s consideration, the selection of suitable names for streets, plazas, parks, open space, facilities and other civic property in the District.

Ms. Dal Santo highlighted the following elements of the policy:

- Overall procedures and general selection criteria;
- General use of honourific names;
- Engagement process;
- Decision making and approval process; and,
- Specific procedures and criteria.

Council provided feedback on the Naming Selection Criteria and Procedures Policy as follows:

- Commented that names should not be limited to ten letters;
- Commented on the sensitivity of the naming selection; and,
- Requested that Council consider honourific names before the community input process.

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor BOND**

THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT Council approve the Naming Selection Criteria and Procedures Corporate Policy as attached in the January 12, 2015 report of the Section Manager – Policy Planning entitled Naming Selection Criteria and Procedures Policy.

**CARRIED**

### **3.1. Accessible Design Policy for Multi-Family Residential Development**

File No. 13.6440.01/000.000

Ms. Sarah Dal Santo, Section Manager – Planning Policy, provided an update on the Accessible Design Policy for Multi-Family Residential Development. Ms. Dal Santo advised that the proposed new policy was developed through an interactive approach with substantive revisions in response to stakeholder feedback. This draft policy builds on the strengths of the existing Adaptable Design Guidelines and provides additional clarity and consistency with the BC Building Code. It replaces the previous multi-tiered approach with an updated, streamlined and simplified approach based on basic and enhanced accessible design elements. The policy provides direction on the percentage of units that need to comply in order to guide the consistent application of accessible design measures. It also introduces a tracking sheet to allow the District to monitor the implementation of the new guidelines.

Council commented on the Accessible Design Policy for Multi-Family Residential Development as follows:

- Commented on the demand for accessible designed units due to the District’s aging demographics;
- Commented that the units may appeal to everyone but can be adapted for those in need;
- Noted that accessible design units could be a challenge due to the small unit sizes in the District;
- Acknowledged the expense of retro-fitting;
- Suggested concentrating on making the surrounding grounds of the building accessible;
- Requested staff report back on the financial implications of accessible design units;

- Discussed the challenges of townhouses due to the topography of the District; and,
- Suggested accessible design units be in town centres which are geographically flat.

**MOVED by Councillor MURI**

**SECONDED by Councillor MACKAY-DUNN**

THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT Council approve the Accessible Design Policy for Multi-Family Residential Development as attached in the January 12, 2015 joint report of the Section Manager – Policy Planning and Social Planner entitled Accessible Design Policy for Multi-Family Residential Development.

**CARRIED**

**4. PUBLIC INPUT**

Nil

**5. RISE AND REPORT**

**MOVED by Councillor HANSON**

**SECONDED by Councillor MURI**

THAT the January 26, 2015 Committee of the Whole rise and report.

**CARRIED**  
(8:20 pm)

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Mayor

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Municipal Clerk