

**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 5:01 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 in the Committee Room of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Present: Mayor R. Walton
Councillor R. Bassam
Councillor M. Bond
Councillor J. Hanson
Councillor R. Hicks
Councillor L. Muri

Absent: Councillor D. MacKay-Dunn

Staff: Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. B. Bydwell, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits
Ms. C. Grant, General Manager – Corporate Services
Mr. D. Milburn, Deputy General Manager – Planning and Permits
Mr. S. Ono, Deputy General Manager and Manager – Engineering Services
Ms. L. Brick, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Ms. E. Geddes, Section Manager – Transportation
Mr. D. Rose, Section Manager – Parks Planning
Ms. T. Smith, Transportation Planner
Ms. S. Vukelic, Confidential Council Clerk

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1. April 21, 2015 Committee of the Whole Agenda

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BASSAM

THAT the agenda for the April 21, 2015 Committee of the Whole be adopted as circulated, including the addition of any items listed in the agenda addendum.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1. March 31, 2015 Committee of the Whole

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BOND

THAT the minutes of the March 31, 2015 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

3. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF

3.1. Sunset Boulevard – Alternative Measures

File No. 16.8620.30/000.002

Ms. Erica Geddes, Section Manager – Transportation, reported on the proposed recommendations regarding the Sunset Boulevard Alternative Traffic Calming and Speed Reduction Measures.

Her presentation highlighted the following options for Council to consider as alternative measures for Sunset Boulevard:

- Speed humps;
- Raised crosswalks or tables;
- Traffic circles;
- Curb bulges;
- Centre medians;
- Slow pavement symbols;
- Transverse bars;
- Speed reader boards;
- Reduced speed limits;
- Police enforcement; and,
- Centre delineators.

Council discussion ensued and the following remarks were made:

- Raised crosswalks and delineators could be useful tools for encouraging lower speeds, especially on the downhill section;
- Raised crosswalk may be a safety concern for those riding downhill on skateboards;
- Speed readers are an excellent idea;
- Design of road should be reviewed;
- Staff could consider the possibility of narrowing the crossing for pedestrians and reduce the speed of cars; and,
- Concern expressed that noise might be created when speed humps are installed.

Staff advised that delineators can be problematic for snow plows and that traffic circles are more expensive to install.

Public Input

Mr. Corrie Kost queried:

- If the District has authorization to change speed limits on the street.

Staff advised that the default speed limit on residential streets is 50 km per hour; however, the Municipal Engineer can change the posted speed limit.

Resident of North Vancouver queried:

- What is the predicted speed of vehicles with these measures in place?

Staff advised that they expect the speed table will result in drivers travelling between 40 and 48 km per hour.

MOVED by Councillor BOND

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT staff implement the five alternative measures listed in the April 7, 2015 report of the Supervisor - Transportation Engineering, entitled Sunset Boulevard – Alternative Traffic

Calming;

AND THAT staff also be directed to improve centreline delineation at appropriate locations on Sunset Boulevard;

AND THAT the Sunset Boulevard traffic calming measures be installed at the District's expense;

AND THAT staff be directed to organize a Committee of the Whole meeting regarding the District's Traffic Calming Policy (11-8620-1).

CARRIED

Councillor HANSON declared a potential conflict of interest in the following item due to his ownership in property on Indian Arm which he accesses through Deep Cove. He left the meeting at 5:30 pm.

Council recessed at 5:31 pm and reconvened at 5:41 pm.

3.2. Deep Cove Parking and Access Implementation Plan

File No. 16.8620.20/045.000

Ms. Erica Geddes presented regarding the Deep Cove Parking and Access Implementation Plan.

She advised that work has begun on the following "Quick Starts" approved by Council at the March 30, 2015 Regular Council Meeting:

- Increased bylaw enforcement;
- Parking protocols for special events;
- A review of parking regulations in general;
- Exploring the option of pay parking;
- Use of North Vancouver School District parking lots on weekends and evenings;
- Deep Cove Marina is being encouraged to add more parking;
- The District website and signage around Deep Cove is being updated to reflect the parking lots available in Deep Cove; and,
- The addition of ten more parking spaces in the Rockcliff Road and Panorama Drive parking lots.

Ms. Tegan Smith, Transportation Planner, reported on the long term initiatives that can be explored and implemented after further monitoring has taken place.

The long term initiatives include:

- Further study of an additional parking lot for Quarry Rock hikers;
- Additional parking to be explored if any redevelopments occur;
- Monitoring and refining requirements for event parking;
- Consideration of overnight parking; and,
- Finalizing the Panorama Drive resident parking allocation for non-District residents who live in Indian Arm.

Ms. Smith advised that monitoring of the Panorama Drive permit process will be conducted over the next few years; however, Panorama Drive residents seem satisfied with the current process.

She advised that the marina in Deep Cove has a parking deficit and therefore some water-access only residents of the District, Belcarra and Electoral Area A have been parking on Panorama Drive.

Ms. Smith noted that District residents with water-access only are entitled to one parking pass for Panorama Drive. She advised that there are less than five non-District residents who are requesting a pass at this time.

Ms. Smith reported that the Panorama Drive parking passes have been issued as follows:

- 113 Panorama Drive residents;
- 85 visitor passes for Panorama Drive residents; and,
- 34 Indian Arm water-access only residents who live in the District.

She noted that there are 55 parking spots on Panorama Drive which are currently 85% to 100% full in the evenings and on weekends.

Council discussion ensued and the following concerns were expressed:

- The safety of hikers using the Quarry Rock Trail and the environmental impact that the hikers have on the Trail;
- Regarding the possibility of a new parking lot on Indian River Drive;
- Regarding parking on Panorama Drive during the winter season; and,
- The monetary value of researching and implementing a solution to the parking issue within Deep Cove.

Council discussion ensued and the following suggestions were noted:

- District residents should have priority to parking passes issued for Panorama Drive and the remaining passes could be sold at market rate;
- Concerns of people who work and live in Deep Cove should be addressed over tourist needs;
- The importance of using school parking lots on the weekends and evenings; and,
- Prioritizing Drive parking passes for residents who do not have parking stalls on their property.

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BOND

THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT the April 7, 2015 report of the Transportation Planner entitled Deep Cove Parking and Access Implementation Plan be received;

AND THAT the long term initiatives identified in the April 7, 2015 report of the Transportation Planner entitled Deep Cove Parking and Access Implementation Plan be supported with the following adjustments:

THAT no further action be taken at this time to pursue a new parking lot off of Indian River Road for Quarry Rock hikers; and,

THAT five of the twelve new parking passes issued for Panorama Drive be made available to non-District residents.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Councillor BASSAM
Absent for Vote: Councillor HANSON

4. PUBLIC INPUT

Nil

5. **RISE AND REPORT**

MOVED by Councillor BOND

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT the April 21, 2015 Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED

Absent for Vote: Councillor HANSON

(6:26 pm)

Mayor

Municipal Clerk