

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

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Minutes of the Committee of the Whole for the District of North Vancouver held at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 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. S. Haid, Manager – Sustainable Community Development
Ms. E. Geddes, Section Manager – Transportation
Ms. T. Smith, Transportation Planner
Ms. S. Berardo, Confidential Council Clerk

Also in Attendance: Jeffery Bushby, Senior Manager, Infrastructure Planning, TransLink

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1. May 13, 2013 Committee of the Whole Agenda

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE

THAT the agenda for the May 13, 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. Phibbs Exchange Study Update

File No. 16.8620.40/022.000

Mr. Jeffery Bushby, Senior Manager, Infrastructure Planning - TransLink, provided Council with an update on the Phibbs Exchange study. Mr. Bushby advised that through the Phibbs Exchange study, TransLink is contemplating design options that will improve usability of the transit exchange for passengers by addressing personal security, accommodating pedestrian desire lines, making transfers easy, and improving exchange access. The options being considered will improve the exchange through better integration with the Lower Lynn community, weather protection and

improved lighting. The proposed exchange will create a sense of gateway into North Vancouver and provide useful services such as a coffee shop. Proposed improvements also address conditions for transit operations with measures that can reduce transit delay and improve pedestrian connectivity. An expanded facility would also accommodate TransLink's future requirements for more buses at the exchange. Mr. Bushby noted that improvements to Phibbs Exchange to address public safety and community integration are a high priority in the District.

Next steps include:

- Meeting with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure;
- A preferred concept will be selected;
- A final Concept Design and an Implementation Plan will serve as a basis for future funding considerations; and,
- It is anticipated that the study will continue through the summer and conclude early fall of 2013.

Council discussion:

- Commented on the importance of incorporating weather protection;
- Suggested providing community shuttle buses to students trying to get to Capilano University;
- Acknowledged the need for quick serve places for food and beverage;
- Commented on access to the potential park-and-ride site;
- Expressed concern with funding for this project; and,
- Commented on the importance of creating a plan that meets the needs of the stakeholders.

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor LITTLE

THAT it be recommended to Council:

THAT the Phibbs Exchange Study report dated May 1, 2013 of the Transportation Planner, be received for information

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC INPUT

4.1. Mr. Corrie Kost:

- Questioned how many residents attended the public charrette;
- Suggested engaging the frequent users of Phibbs Exchange;
- Expressed concern that the three options discussed for improving Phibbs Exchange did not have detailed descriptions; and,
- Expressed concern that this project would increase taxes for what should be considered basic services.

4.2. Mr. Lyle Craver:

- Commented that infrastructure that wears out should be replaced;
- Likes the options for improving Phibbs exchange; and,
- Commented that this is the North Shore's major transportation exchange and should be done right.

5. RISE AND REPORT

MOVED by Councillor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor BASSAM

THAT the May 13, 2013 Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED

(8:01 pm)

Committee Clerk