

**DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER
COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

Minutes of the Council Workshop for the District of North Vancouver held at 5:03 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 2018 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 (5:57 pm)
Councillor D. MacKay-Dunn
Councillor L. Muri (5:05 pm)

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. B. Dwyer, Manager – Development Services
Mr. J. Gordon, Manager – Administrative Services
Ms. S. Rogers, Manager – Parks
Ms. M. Welman, Manager – Strategic Communications & Community Relations
Mr. R. Boase, Environmental Protection Officer
Ms. S. Dale, Confidential Council Clerk

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1. March 19, 2018 Council Workshop Agenda

MOVED by Councillor HANSON

SECONDED by Councillor MACKAY-DUNN

THAT the agenda for the March 19, 2018 Council Workshop is adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Absent for Vote: Councillors HICKS and MURI

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1. February 26, 2018 Council Workshop

MOVED by Councillor BOND

SECONDED by Councillor MACKAY-DUNN

THAT the minutes of the February 26, 2018 Council Workshop meeting are adopted.

CARRIED

Absent for Vote: Councillors HICKS and MURI

3. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF

3.1. Single Family Home Renewal

File No. 13.6700.20/000.000

Councillor MURI arrived at this point in the proceedings.

Mr. Dan Milburn, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits, provided an update on single-family home renewal prioritizing four issues as follows:

- Enforcement of existing regulations;
- Erosion and sediment control;
- Preserving greenspace and landscaping; and,
- The size, form and character of single family homes.

Mr. Milburn reviewed the District's current practices, various tools the District could use to regulate, prohibit and impose requirements and recommendations for addressing the four issues that have been prioritized by Council.

Councillor MURI left the meeting at 5:53 pm and returned at 5:55 pm.

Councillor HICKS arrived at this point in the proceedings.

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

- Commented on contractor compliance with existing rules and the need for more enforcement;
- Expressed concern regarding environmental issues, including the effectiveness of erosion and sediment control measures;
- Suggested tracking enforcement action for contractors violating rules and regulations, as well as fees to ensure violators are paying the costs of additional enforcement;
- Expressed concern regarding the cost and amount of staff time to monitor job sites;
- Suggested looking at what models other jurisdictions are using;
- Expressed concern regarding the loss of green space and neighbourhood character;
- Commented on the need to further educate residents on the consequences of tree cutting;
- Noted that owners have the right to redevelop their homes within the existing bylaws;
- Spoke to the large amount of construction occurring in the District and the challenges to enforce these issues;
- Opined that the definition of a large diameter tree as stated in the Tree Protection Bylaw should be changed;
- Commented on the loss of trees and vegetation and the resulting loss of privacy for adjacent homes;
- Remarked on the amount of lighting on the exterior of new homes and the impact of light on neighbouring residents;
- Suggested working with other municipalities and the Province to amend the BC Building Code to address the issue of lighting;

- Expressed concern that the RS-1 Zone does not currently have a maximum principal building size, unique among residential zones and as a result the size of a building in the RS-1 Zone is limited only by lot size, resulting in the potential for a much larger than average size home to be built on a consolidated lot;
- Noted that eliminating basement suites would negatively impact renters in the community; and,
- Suggested reviewing neighbourhood zoning.

3.2. Deep Cove Village Demand Management Initiatives for 2018

File No. 13.6660.01/000.000

Mr. Gavin Joyce, General Manager – Engineering, Parks & Facilities, advised that this item will return to the April 16, 2018 Regular Council meeting to discuss the demand management initiatives for Deep Cove in 2018 and will outline key initiatives as follows:

- Commercial tour buses;
- Time limited parking and traffic control;
- Advisory signage;
- Solid waste;
- Ranger program; and,
- Community partners.

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

- Commented on the traffic and parking issues in Deep Cove;
- Questioned if residents could drive into Deep Cove if the parking lot is full;
- Suggested monitoring both Strathcona Road and Cliffmont Road as they are an alternate way to enter Deep Cove;
- Noted that residents of Indian Arm need to be accommodated and suggested using the lot adjacent to Deep Cove Kayak Centre for commuters;
- Commented that advisory signage needs to be placed on Dollarton Road;
- Suggested enforcing resident only parking in Deep Cove; and,
- Spoke to the importance of communicating to business owners.

4. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BOND

THAT the March 19, 2018 Council Workshop is adjourned.

CARRIED
(6:55 p.m.)

Mayor

Municipal Clerk

