DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council for the District of North Vancouver held at 7:01 p.m. on Monday, November 18, 2019 in the Council Chambers of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

- Present: Mayor M. Little Councillor J. Back Councillor M. Bond Councillor M. Curren Councillor B. Forbes Councillor J. Hanson Councillor L. Muri
- Staff:Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative OfficerMr. D. Milburn, General Manager Planning, Properties & PermitsMs. T. Atva, Manager Community PlanningMr. J. Gordon, Manager Administrative ServicesMs. A. Reiher, Confidential Council Clerk

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1. November 18, 2019 Regular Meeting Agenda

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the agenda for the November 18, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver is adopted as circulated, including the addition of any items listed in the agenda addendum.

CARRIED

2. PUBLIC INPUT

2.1. Mr. Hazen Colbert, 1100 Block Whitely Court:

- Suggested that pigeons are pests and problematic;
- Read a correspondence of complaint from strata resident regarding pigeons; and,
- Thanked Council for their efforts to update the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw.

2.2. Mr. Corrie Kost, 2800 Block Colwood Drive:

- Expressed support for the recently adopted Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw and commented about his personal experience with pigeons;
- Stated that the issue of pigeons was raised by a resident prior to their being elected as a member of Council; and,
- Suggested that the Councillor was correct to recuse herself from voting.

2.3. Mr. Peter Teevan, 1900 Block Indian River Crescent:

- Spoke about pigeons and their definition as per the Government of Canada website;
- Spoke about diseases that are associated with pigeons; and,
- Commented about news in the media regarding the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw and suggested that members of Council behaved appropriately.

2.4. Mr. Kulwant Dulay and Mr. Pala Sing, 2300 Block Kirkstone Road:

- Commented about pigeons on their property and presented pictures of the pigeon coop reflecting overall improvements and cleanliness;
- Commented about the routine to care for the pigeons and history of complaints from an adjacent neighbour;
- Stated that the pigeons are being cared for as domestic pets and are comparable to other domestic pets; and,
- Requested that that Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw be repealed.

2.5. Mr. Guy Trotter, 1300 Block Doran Road:

- Read a quote by Councillor Forbes regarding transparency in public office and requested transparency from Councillor Forbes regarding the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw;
- Expressed concern regarding communications between two members of Council on pigeons and complaints made to the District;
- Suggested a misuse of authority by a member of Council and damage to the reputation of the District; and,
- Queried about the guidance provided to Council by District staff and requested an independent review of the matter.

2.6. Mr. Vincent Santacroce, 600 Block Rosalyn Boulevard:

- Read a quote by Councillor Forbes stating her understanding of government protocols and systems;
- Commented about the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw and communications between Councillors Forbes and Muri;
- Stated that the bylaw is incomplete and that the report on pigeons authored by Councillor Muri is misleading; and,
- Queried about staff involvement in this report and suggested that there be an investigation.

2.7. Ms. Gillian Konst and Ms. Suzanne Mazoret, Lynn Valley Residents:

- Spoke as members of the Lynn Valley Community Association and expressed thanks to Council for their support of the Lynn Valley Link trail;
- Commented about the work to create the pedestrian route, the volunteer hours and staff collaboration; and,
- Presented a map and logo for the Lynn Valley Link and provided an overview of the route.

2.8. Mr. Givo Hassko, 1300 Block 92nd Avenue:

- Commented about his work of breeding, showing and rescuing pigeons;
- Suggested there are consequences on how Council conducts business and that youth do not follow politics due to a perceived political corruption;

- Suggested that Council may have been misguided and requested that the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw be opened for further debate; and,
- Stated that diseases associated with pigeons are transmitted under certain circumstances only.

2.9. Mr. Andy Hansen, 1100 Block Laity Street:

- Commented about his love of animals and ownership of pigeons and other birds;
- Commented about fancy pigeons that are presented at shows and stated that homing pigeons stay in their loft and are not considered feral;
- Commented about his participation at a recent pigeon show and suggested that it is a good recreation for youth; and,
- Requested that Council reconsider the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw and seek counsel from breeders and experts.

2.10. Mr. John Harvey, 1900 Block Cedar Village Crescent:

- Commented about the North Shore Restorative Justice Society;
- Commented about pigeons and requested a reconsideration of the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw;
- Stated that other neighbours adjacent to the property raising pigeons have not complained about the pigeons; and,
- Commented about pigeons that are prevalent in Trafalgar Square, London and other feral birds.

2.11. Ms. Krista Page-Cocon, 2300 Block Kirkstone Road:

- Spoke in support of the Dulay family and stated that their home and pigeon coop are kept clean and in good repair;
- Spoke about her belief in transparency and community and suggested there was a misuse of power;
- Requested that the Pigeon Prohibition Bylaw be reviewed; and,
- Stated that feral pigeons and domestic pigeons cannot be compared.

3. **RECOGNITIONS**

Nil

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1. Tina Parbhakar, North Shore Restorative Justice Society Re: Restorative Justice in the Community

Ms. Tina Parbhakar, North Shore Restorative Justice Society, provided a summary of the organization and its programs that are provided by active volunteers. She reported that the restorative justice is recognized in the *Criminal Code of Canada* and *Youth Criminal Justice Act*. She discussed the service statistics for 2018, the quality of survey responses received from the public as well as their school initiatives.

MOVED by Councillor HANSON

SECONDED by Councillor BACK THAT the delegation of North Shore Restorative Justice Society is received.

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

5.1. October 22, 2019 Public Hearing

MOVED by Councillor MURI **SECONDED by Councillor BACK** THAT the minutes of the October 22, 2019 Public Hearing are received.

CARRIED

5.2. October 28, 2019 Special Meeting

MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor BACK THAT the minutes of the October 28, 2019 Special Meeting are adopted.

CARRIED

5.3. November 5, 2019 Public Hearing and Public Meeting

MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor BACK THAT the minutes of the November 5, 2019 Public Hearing and Public Meeting are received.

CARRIED

6. **RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING DECISIONS**

Nil

7. **COUNCIL WORKSHOP REPORT**

Nil

8. **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF**

8.1. Bylaws 8397, 8398 and 8399: OCP Amendment, Rezoning and Development Cost Charges Waiver for 600 West Queens Road File No. 09.3900.20/000.000

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor HANSON

THAT "District of North Vancouver Official Community Plan Bylaw 7900, 2011, Amendment Bylaw 8397, 2019 (Amendment 38)" is ADOPTED;

AND THAT "District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1388 (Bylaw 8398)" is ADOPTED;

AND THAT "600 West Queens Road Development Cost Charges Waiver Bylaw 8399, 2019" is ADOPTED.

CARRIED

8.2. Bylaw 8396: Rezoning for 909 Clements Avenue File No. 08.3060.20/062.18

MOVED by Councillor BOND SECONDED by Councillor CURREN

THAT "District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1387 (Bylaw 8396)" is ADOPTED.

CARRIED Opposed: Councillor MURI

8.3. 2020 Council Meeting Schedule/2020 Acting Mayor Schedule File No. 01 .0115.30/002.000

MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor FORBES

THAT the 2020 Council Meeting Schedule and the 2020 Acting Mayor Schedule, as attached to the November 5, 2019 report of the Municipal Clerk entitled *2020 Council Meeting Schedule/2020 Acting Mayor Schedule,* are approved.

CARRIED

8.4. Bylaw 8340 and 8341: Non-medical Retail Cannabis (Rezoning) File No. 13.6440.50/000.000

MOVED by Councillor HANSON SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT "District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1379 (Bylaw 8340)" is given Second and Third Readings;

AND THAT "Business Licence Bylaw 4567, 1974, Amendment Bylaw 8341, 2019 (Amendment 50)" is given SECOND and THIRD Readings.

CARRIED

9. **REPORTS**

9.1. Mayor

Mayor Little reported on his attendance at:

- Take Your Kids To Work Day on November 6, 2019;
- The Remembrance Day Ceremony at Victoria Park on November 11, 2019;
- The Rental, Social & Affordable Housing Task Force Meeting on November 6, 2019;
- The North Vancouver District Public Library Board meeting on November 13, 2019; and,
- The 22nd Annual Business Excellence Awards Gala 2019 held on November 7, 2019.

Mayor Little recognized the following long standing businesses in the District:

- CF Interiors for 40 years of continues service; and,
- Taylor Motive for 60 years of continues service.

9.2. Chief Administrative Officer

Nil

9.3. Councillors

- **9.3.1.** Councillor Back reported on his attendance at:
 - The 22nd Annual Business Excellence Awards Gala 2019 held on November 7, 2019; and,
 - The Lynn Valley Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 11, 2019 and the recent passing of WWII Veteran Gordon Larson.
- **9.3.2.** Councillor Bond reported on his attendance at:
 - The 22nd Annual Business Excellence Awards Gala 2019 on November 7, 2019;
 - The Lynn Valley Remembrance Day Ceremony on November 11, 2019; and,
 - The Major Infrastructure Project Advisory Committee meeting held on November 13, 2019.
- 9.3.3. Councillor Curren reported on her attendance at:
 - The Veterans Day Ceremony in the United States; and,
 - The 2019 Climate Leaders Institute Workshop on November 7-8, 2019.
- **9.3.4.** Councillor Forbes reported on her attendance at:
 - The Remembrance Day Ceremony in Lynn Valley on November 11, 2019;
 - The 22nd Annual Business Excellence Awards Gala 2019 on November 7, 2019;
 - A UBCM meeting with Minister Selina Robinson on November 7, 2019.

Councillor Forbes commented about the Friends Society for the North Vancouver Museum and Archives.

Councillor Forbes then read the following statement:

"There has recently been both media and community interest with respect to any role I might have played with respect to the 1971 Bylaw banning the keeping of pigeons in the District. Tonight is the first opportunity I have had to make a public statement to both Council and the community. It has always been my intention to act with integrity and the best interest of the District both as a private citizen and most recently as a Councillor. I have followed the advice given to me by the staff and the independent legal advice in this matter. Out of an abundance of caution. I recused myself from the Council discussions on the bylaw. If I have erred in any way. I assure Council and the community that it was done inadvertently and in good faith with my understanding as a new Councillor of the Conflict of Interest rules. I hope with this public statement we can turn the page on this issue and focus on providing the citizens of the District with the good governance that they deserve. Let us all get back to doing what we were elected to do and I sincerely hope that we can move forward from this and work collaboratively and collegially to do the business that the people of the District need us to do."

Councillor Forbes requested that further training be provided to Council regarding conflicts of interest and Freedom of Information.

Mr. David Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that the training is provided in an orientation session for Council candidates and once more when officials are elected. Further training will be provided in January 2020.

- **9.3.5.** Councillor Hanson reported on his attendance at the meeting for the North Shore Standing Committee on Substance Abuse on November 13, 2019.
- **9.3.6.** Councillor Muri reported on her attendance at the Remembrance Day Ceremony at Cates Park on November 11, 2019 which was well supported by members of the public.

Councillor Muri requested that staff look into work placement opportunities for students from School District 44 within the municipal hall.

9.4. Metro Vancouver Committee Appointees

9.4.1. Industrial Lands Strategy Task Force – Councillor Back

Nil

9.4.2. Housing Committee – Councillor Bond

Councillor Bond reported on his attendance at the Metro Vancouver Housing Committee meeting on November 6, 2019. 9.4.3. Indigenous Relations Committee – Councillor Hanson

Nil

9.4.4. Board – Councillor Muri

Nil

9.4.5. Regional Parks Committee – Councillor Muri

Nil

9.4.6. Liquid Waste Committee – Mayor Little

Mayor Little reported on his attendance at the Metro Vancouver Liquid Waste Committee on November 14, 2019.

9.4.7. Mayors Committee – Mayor Little

Nil

9.4.8. Mayors Council - TransLink – Mayor Little

Mayor Little reported on his attendance at the Mayors Council Finance and Governance Committee on November 8, 2019.

9.4.9. Performance & Audit Committee – Mayor Little

Nil

9.4.10. Zero Waste Committee – Mayor Little

Mayor Little reported on his attendance at the Metro Vancouver Zero Waste Committee on November 15, 2019.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Mayor LITTLE

THAT the November 18, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver is adjourned.

CARRIED (8:35 p.m.)

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