## DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council for the District of North Vancouver held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 11, 2020. The meeting was held virtually with participants appearing via video conference.

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 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, General Manager - Finance/CFO

Mr. R. Danyluk, Manager - Business Planning and Decision Support

Mr. J. Gordon, Manager - Administrative Services

Mr. E. Iorio, Manager – Financial Services Ms. S. Dale, Confidential Council Clerk

Ms. C. Archer, Clerk Typist 3

#### 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

### 1.1. May 11, 2020 Special Meeting Agenda

# MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the agenda for the May 11, 2020 Special 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** 

Mr. David Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer, advised that the District is gradually reopening some outdoor facilities and parks for casual use which is in line with recommendations of the local health authority. He further advised that the District is closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation and taking all necessary steps to protect the health and safety of the community. Mr. Stuart encouraged residents to enjoy the outdoors locally while continuing to comply with physical distancing guidelines. Mr. Stuart spoke to the COVID-19 impacts on District services and capital projects and the cost containment efforts that have been underway since mid-March.

#### 2. PUBLIC INPUT

### 2.1. Mr. Peter Teevan, 1900 Block Indian River Crescent:

Thanked Council for being innovative and implementing public input virtually;

- Noted that public input is important for democracy; and,
- Spoke to the financial reports in the agenda package and suggested that more information be included.

#### 2.2. Mr. Eric Andersen, 2500 Block Derbyshire Way:

- Thanked Council for continuing to communicate with the public;
- Advised that the Blueridge Community Association has continued to be active during this pandemic;
- Spoke to the consensus of COVID-19 and thanked staff for introducing parking restrictions; and,
- Expressed concern regarding the risk of wildfires and residents using District parks and trails.

#### 2.3. Mr. Hesam Deihimi, 2300 Block William Avenue:

- Expressed gratitude to those who have risked their own well-being to ensure that essential services continue; and,
- Commented on the financial crisis caused by Corvid-19 and the need for rental and affordable housing.

#### 2.4. Mr. Colin Metcalfe, 1900 Block Pemberton Avenue:

- Commented that families in Pemberton Heights have been honouring physical distancing guidelines:
- Advised that the 2020 Pemberton Heights Canada Day parade has been cancelled as a result of the pandemic;
- Encouraged residents to support local businesses; and,
- Suggested that the District relax property tax penalties for residents and local businesses.

### 3. BUSINESS

#### 3.1 2019 Audited Financial Statements

File No.

## MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the 2019 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements of the District of North Vancouver are considered and approved.

THAT the 2019 Audited Financial Statements of the North Vancouver Recreation & Culture Commission are considered and approved.

**CARRIED** 

# 3.2 Filing under the Financial Information Act – 2019 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

File No. 05.1760

# MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the 2019 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) of the District of North Vancouver is approved.

**CARRIED** 

### 3.3 Council Remuneration and Expenses Paid During 2019

File No. 05.1960

# MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor CURREN

THAT the April 23, 2020 report of the General Manager – Finance & CFO entitled Council Remuneration and Expenses Paid During 2019 is approved.

**CARRIED** 

## 3.4 2020 Centennial Bursary Trust Fund

File No.

# MOVED by Councillor FORBES SECONDED by Councillor BOND

THAT bursaries are awarded to fourteen students from the District of North Vancouver in the amount of \$790 per bursary.

**CARRIED** 

With the consent of Council, Mayor LITTLE varied the agenda as follows:

#### 3.6 Tax Distribution Discussion

File No.

#### a) 2020 Property Tax Distribution

Mr. Andy Wardell, General Manager – Finance and CFO, provided an overview of the 2020 Tax Rates Bylaw for adoption before the May 14, 2020 statutory deadline.

## MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor HANSON

THAT the May 7, 2020 report of the General Manager – Finance & CFO entitled 2020 Property Tax Distribution is received for information and discussion of tax distribution options.

**CARRIED** 

3.5 Bylaw 8439: 2020–2024 Financial Plan Amendment 1 File No.

# MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor FORBES

THAT "2020–2024 Financial Plan Approval Bylaw 8435, 2020 Amendment Bylaw 8439, 2020 (Amendment 1)" is given FIRST, SECOND and THIRD Readings;

AND THAT "2020–2024 Financial Plan Approval Bylaw 8435, 2020 Amendment Bylaw 8439, 2020 (Amendment 1)" is ADOPTED.

CARRIED

#### 3.6 Tax Distribution Discussion

File No.

b) Bylaw 8440: Tax Rates Bylaw 8440, 2020

## MOVED by Councillor FORBES SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT "Tax Rates Bylaw 8440, 2020" is given FIRST, SECOND and THIRD Readings;

AND THAT "Tax Rates Bylaw 8440, 2020" is ADOPTED.

CARRIED

3.7 Bylaw 8441: District of North Vancouver, Municipal Tax Collection Bylaw 7722
Amendment Bylaw 8441, 2020 (Amendment 1)
File No.

# MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor FORBES

THAT "District of North Vancouver, Municipal Tax Collection Bylaw 7722 Amendment Bylaw 8441, 2020 (Amendment 1)" is given FIRST, SECOND and THIRD Readings;

AND THAT "District of North Vancouver, Municipal Tax Collection Bylaw 7722 Amendment Bylaw 8441, 2020 (Amendment 1)" is ADOPTED.

CARRIED

#### 4. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

Councillor Back spoke to the success of the Library Takeout @ NVDPL program.

Councillor Bond reported on this attendance at the April 29, 2020 Metro Vancouver Housing Committee meeting. He also spoke about CityHive and commented that they provide opportunities such as civic education programs and innovation labs for youth to directly shape their cities, and helps organizations and institutions to engage youth more meaningfully.

Councillor Curren reported on her recent biweekly Climate Caucus meetings.

Mayor Little reported on his recent meeting with TransLink's Mayors' Council.

Councillor Forbes spoke regarding food stability and food sustainability.

Councillor Hanson spoke to the decline in COVID-19 cases and commented that the District will be gradually reopening services and outdoor facilities.

Counillor Muri reported on the following:

- Her attendance at the Metro Vancouver Regional Planning Committee meeting;
- Her attendance at the North Vancouver Recreation and Culture Commission meeting;
- The upcoming Metro Vancouver Joint Special Meeting 2021 Budget Workshop scheduled for June; and,
- Advised that the District of North Vancouver is continuing to work closely with the
  District of West Vancouver, the City of North Vancouver, North Shore Emergency
  Management and other partner agencies for the continued health and safety of our
  community during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Mayor Little encouraged residents to enjoy the outdoors locally while continuing to comply with physical distancing guidelines.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor MURI SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the May 11, 2020 Special Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver is adjourned.

CARRIED (8:43 p.m.)

Mayor

Municipal Clerk