

**DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2022 in the Council Chamber of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Present: Mayor M. Little
Councillor J. Back (via Zoom)
Councillor M. Bond (via Zoom) (7:02 p.m.)
Councillor B. Forbes (via Zoom)
Councillor M. Curren (via Zoom)
Councillor J. Hanson
Councillor L. Muri (via Zoom)

Staff: Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. G. Joyce, General Manager – Engineering, Parks and Facilities
Mr. D. Milburn, General Manager – Planning, Properties and Permits
Ms. S. Walker, General Manager – Corporate Services
Mr. A. Wardell, General Manager – Finance and Chief Financial Officer
Mr. R. Danyluk, Deputy General Manager – Finance and Deputy CFO
Ms. J. Paton, Assistant General Manager – Planning
Mr. J. Gordon, Manager – Administrative Services
Ms. C. Grafton, Manager – Strategic Communications and Community Relations
Mr. M. Hartford, Manager – Development Planning
Ms. C. Jackson, Manager – Climate Action, Natural Systems and Biodiversity
Mr. S. Carney, Section Manager – Transportation
Ms. E. Moxon, Section Manager – Project Delivery
Mr. W. Jordan, Project Engineer
Ms. A. Reiher, Council Liaison / Support Officer
Mr. K. Zhang, Development Planner
Ms. C. Archer, Confidential Council Clerk
Ms. S. Clarke, Committee Clerk
Mr. S. Devine, Engineer-In-Training

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1. February 28, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda

MOVED by Councillor BACK

SECONDED by Councillor CURREN

THAT the agenda for the February 28, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver is adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Absent for Vote: Councillor BOND

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

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

5.1. January 24, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council

MOVED by Councillor HANSON
SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the minutes of the January 24, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council are adopted.

CARRIED

Absent for Vote: Councillor BOND

5.2. February 7, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council

MOVED by Councillor HANSON
SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the minutes of the February 7, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council are adopted.

CARRIED

Absent for Vote: Councillor BOND

Councillor BOND arrived at this point in the proceedings.

2. PUBLIC INPUT

2.1. Ms. Angela Jackson:

- Spoke regarding item 8.5;
- Advised that she is a Deep Cove resident;
- Commented on the Naughton Detour survey results, noting that the majority of respondents prefer revegetation of the detour route;
- Opined that another emergency access road is not required for Deep Cove; and,
- Noted that residents were advised that the detour route was for temporary use during the storm sewer project.

2.2. Ms. Maria Donovan:

- Spoke regarding item 8.5;
- Advised that she is a Deep Cove resident;
- Commented on planet health;
- Advised that a hardcopy petition and online petition have been submitted supporting the revegetation option;
- Opined that the staff report supports the least popular choice among survey respondents;
- Commented on the site's use by wildlife and the storm drainage provided by trees;
- Opined that another emergency access road is not required for Deep Cove; and,
- Commented on the safety of cyclists using the route.

2.3. Mr. Lochlan Wylie:

- Spoke in support of item 8.9;
- Advised that he is a high school student and resident of North Vancouver;
- Commented on the detrimental effect of the proposed expansion on animals including sandpipers, many species of fish, salmon, and orcas; and,
- Noted that the expansion of the terminal is contrary to Environment Canada recommendations.

2.4. Mr. Cliff Stewart:

- Spoke in opposition to item 8.9, noting that the District has not requested information from Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA) regarding the proposed terminal expansion;
- Advised that he is Vice President of Infrastructure for VFPA and Executive Liaison to the District;
- Requested that Council not consider the motion until an overview of the proposal is provided by VFPA;
- Commented on increased trade and the need for more capacity;
- Advised that the applicant has been engaged in environmental assessments for the site for nine years and that robust environmental mitigation is proposed; and,
- Commented on VFPA's consultation regarding the project, including First Nations and residents.

2.5. Mr. Archie Kaario:

- Spoke in support of item 8.9;
- Commented regarding the environmental impact of the proposed terminal expansion;
- Commented on recent weather events attributed to climate change including the 2021 heat dome and flooding;
- Encouraged Council to protect the environment;
- Advised that Climate Change Canada prepared a report that was not submitted as part of the consultation process; and,
- Suggested relocating the terminal to Prince Rupert.

2.6. Ms. Christine Elsey:

- Spoke regarding item 8.5;
- Queried the reasons for the staff recommendation;
- Advised that a petition has been submitted to the District supporting revegetation of the site;
- Noted that the majority of survey respondents supported the revegetation option;
- Commented on users of the space prior to the detour, including families and animals; and,
- Commented on the public consultation process and encouraged Council to listen to local residents.

2.7. Mr. Eric Andersen:

- Spoke regarding item 8.6;
- Opined that developers should not be allowed to donate as much as others to local government candidates;
- Opined that members of Council should recuse themselves from discussions and votes on matters related to companies who have donated to their campaigns; and,
- Opined that the public will believe that members of Council are influenced by any donations from developers.

2.8. Ms. Laura Carter:

- Spoke regarding item 8.5;
- Advised that she is a Deep Cove resident;

- Commented on the need for green space to address climate change and support mental health and liveability;
- Acknowledged that the infrastructure work was necessary;
- Opined that the public process regarding the Naughton detour was not transparent;
- Accused staff of having an agenda from the start;
- Opined that another emergency access road is not required for Deep Cove; and,
- Noted that the majority of survey respondents were in support of the revegetation option.

3. RECOGNITIONS

Nil

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1. Ms. Julia Staub-French, Family Services of the North Shore

Re: Changing Lives Together: Thanks to DNV for Our Volunteer Space

Ms. Julia Staub-French, Executive Director, Family Services of the North Shore, provided an update on the organization's activities over the past year and thanked Council for providing space at the old Delbrook Community Centre. It was noted that having use of the space and permission to use a large tent in the parking lot helped mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic as staff and volunteers provided groceries, meals and calls to seniors. Ms. Sonja Terretta, volunteer, provided additional comments on how the space made a positive difference to the organization and its clients and connected with other organizations to help those in need. She advised that the organization received additional donations because they had adequate space to store items that others did not.

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the delegation of Family Services of the North Shore is received for information.

CARRIED

6. RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING DECISIONS

6.1 January 17, 2022 Closed Special Meeting of Council

6.1.1. Proposed Amendment to the Regional Growth Strategy from the City of Surrey – South Campbell Heights

File No. 13.6440.10/001.000

THAT the District of North Vancouver Council does not support the requested *Metro 2040* Regional Growth Strategy Amendment from the City of Surrey to change the land use designation in the South Campbell Heights area to extend the Urban Containment Boundary as it is contrary to the goal of *Metro 2040* to minimize expansion of the Urban Containment Boundary, encourages urban sprawl and impacts transportation;

AND THAT this resolution be released to the public.

7. COUNCIL WORKSHOP REPORT

Nil

8. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT items 8.2, 8.7, 8.8 and 8.10 are included in the Consent Agenda and are approved without debate.

CARRIED

8.1. Bylaw 8551: Proposed Amendments to Enable E-Scooter Pilot

File No. 09.3900.20/000.000

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

**8.2. Bylaw 8523: Text Amendment to add “Cannabis Retail Store”
at 1461 Marine Drive**

File No. 09.3900.20/000.000

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT “District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1410 (Bylaw 8523)” is ADOPTED.

CARRIED

8.3. Development Permit 42.19 – 1080 Marine Drive

File No. 08.3060.20/042.19

Public Input:

Mr. Alex Wren:

- Advised that he is the Development Manager for the applicant, Staburn Property Group;
- Noted that the development complies with existing Zoning and achieves objectives of the District’s Official Community Plan;
- Advised that the proposal will create new homes and commercial space for the Marine Drive Corridor; and,
- Advised that the project architect is available to answer technical questions.

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor HANSON

THAT Development Permit 42.19 for a 35-unit, four-storey, mixed-use development at 1080 Marine Drive is ISSUED.

CARRIED

8.4. 2022 – 2026 Draft Financial Plan Public Input
File No. 05.1780/Financial Plan Process/2022

Public Input:

Mr. Herman Mah:

- Acknowledged that the draft Financial Plan does not project an increase in expenses;
- Advised that he looks for ways to reduce spending when creating a budget;
- Recommended including information on where savings have been realized in future reports on the District's budget; and,
- Advised that he would like to see more in the budget specifically regarding First Nations reconciliation.

Mr. Peter Teevan:

- Commented that comparing the District with other municipalities does not prove that spending is under control and opined that it is not;
- Noted that District expenses have increased at a higher rate than inflation;
- Advised that the City of North Vancouver has lower expenses than the District;
- Noted that the District ranks tenth in the province for total municipal taxes and fees;
- Recommended holding annual Council Workshops on ways to reduce spending; and,
- Opined that the District is able to maintain low tax increases because its taxes and fees are already high.

8.5. Naughton Avenue Construction Detour
File No. 11.5250.20/131.000

Councillor CURREN declared a potential conflict related to the following item due to owning a business on Gallant Avenue in Deep Cove and left the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Mayor LITTLE left the meeting at 8:44 p.m. and Councillor BOND assumed the chair.

Mayor LITTLE returned to the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Public Input:

Mr. John Lawless:

- Advised that he is a Deep Cove resident;
- Advised that District staff informed him that he would need to fight hard to have the detour removed;
- Disputed staff claims that the active transportation route is safer;
- Commented on cyclist speeds and safety issues on the detour route;
- Noted that obstacles could be installed to reduce cyclist speeds, but these would render the route impassible for emergency vehicles;
- Opined that active transportation should include buses, but this use has not been planned or budgeted;
- Noted there are existing emergency routes into Deep Cove;

- Opined that traffic backups from emergency situations would block access to the route for emergency vehicles; and,
- Noted that more than 600 residents have signed a petition opposing the proposed option.

MOVED by Councillor HANSON

SECONDED by Councillor FORBES

THAT the Naughton Avenue Detour community engagement results attached to the February 16, 2022 report of the Section Manager – Project Delivery entitled Naughton Avenue Construction Detour are received for information;

AND THAT Staff are directed to implement Direction #1 – Revegetate as detailed in the February 16, 2022 report of the Section Manager – Project Delivery entitled Naughton Avenue Construction Detour.

DEFEATED

Opposed: Mayor LITTLE, Councillor BOND and Councillor MURI

Absent for Vote: Councillor CURREN

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor BOND

THAT Naughton Avenue Construction Detour is referred to a Council Workshop for further discussion.

CARRIED

Absent for Vote: Councillor CURREN

Councillor CURREN returned to the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

8.6. Updated Code of Ethics

File No.

MOVED by Councillor HANSON

SECONDED by Mayor LITTLE

THAT Updated Code of Ethics is referred to a Council Workshop for further discussion.

CARRIED

8.7. UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – 2022 Emergency Support Services

File No. 18.9690/Budgets & Grants

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT Council supports the submission of the application to the Community Emergency Preparedness (CEPF) under the stream of 2022 Emergency Support Services (ESS) for the Response Support Technical Integration project;

AND THAT Council commits to the District of North Vancouver providing overall grant management for the project, on behalf of the City of North Vancouver and the District of West Vancouver.

CARRIED

8.8. UBCM Resolution: Biodiversity Crisis Requires Urgent Species at Risk Protection and Legislation

File No.

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT the UBCM Resolution: Biodiversity Crisis Requires Urgent Species At Risk Protection and Legislation as presented is supported:

WHEREAS British Columbia has the greatest biological diversity of any province or territory in Canada, the most species at risk, and is the only major jurisdiction in Canada without stand-alone Species At Risk legislation;

WHEREAS only 4 of the 1,336 species at risk recognized by the province are legally protected under the Wildlife Act, yet unsustainable land use and extractive development are causing BC's wildlife populations to decrease in abundance, with many species facing extinction;

AND WHEREAS the current patchwork of provincial laws and regulations has not effectively prevented species decline or extinction and is not consistent with British Columbia's commitment to enshrine the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples into law;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request the Ministry of Environment to urgently enact Species At Risk Protection and Legislation in partnership with First Nations and in a manner that promotes and respects First Nations inherent, Treaty and constitutionally protected rights and interests along with adequate funding, consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

CARRIED

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the Regular Council meeting held on February 28, 2022 is authorized to carry on beyond 10:30 p.m.

CARRIED
(10:13 p.m.)

8.9. Opposing Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Expansion

File No.

MOVED by Councillor CURREN

SECONDED by Mayor LITTLE

THAT Council oppose the proposed Roberts Bank Terminal 2 expansion;

AND THAT Council send letters to the Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Premier of BC, Provincial Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, and the Provincial Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure requesting that the Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Expansion not proceed due to irreversible ecological impacts and numerous environmental and public health concerns outlined in the Federal Review Panel for Roberts Bank Terminal 2.

DEFEATED

Opposed: Mayor LITTLE and Councillors BACK, FORBES and HANSON

8.10. UBCM Resolution: Beyond GDP: A Wellbeing Framework in British Columbia
File No.

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT the UBCM resolution Beyond GDP: A Wellbeing Framework in British Columbia is supported for LMLGA consideration:

WHEREAS Gross Domestic Product was never intended to be used as an indicator of a society's health or wellbeing, does not reflect Indigenous values, does not account for the health of natural systems which underpin all life, and does not account for harmful externalities including pollution and climate change impacts;

WHEREAS the British Columbia Assembly of First Nations recommended that the province adopt a Wellbeing Framework in British Columbia in the 2020 report 'Centering First Nations Concepts of Wellbeing toward a GDP-alternative Index in BC';

AND WHEREAS 82% of Canadian respondents felt that measures beyond economic growth such as health and safety, access to education, access to clean water, time for extracurricular and leisure activities, life satisfaction, social connections, and equality of access to public services are important to their day-to-day life;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM request the Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation, and all relevant Ministries to work in partnership with Indigenous peoples, including the British Columbia Assembly of First Nations, to transform the current Gross Domestic Product economic framework in BC into a Wellbeing Framework which centres Indigenous values, includes the health and wellbeing of all people and all species, and includes the health of natural systems which underpin all life.

CARRIED

9. REPORTS

9.1. Mayor

Nil

9.2. Chief Administrative Officer

Nil

9.3. Councillors

Nil

9.4. Metro Vancouver Committee Appointees

9.4.1. Housing Committee – Councillor Bond

Nil

9.4.2. Indigenous Relations Committee – Councillor Hanson

Nil

9.4.3. Board – Councillor Muri

Nil

9.4.4. Performance and Audit – Councillor Muri

Nil

9.4.5. Regional Culture Committee – Councillor Muri

Nil

9.4.6. Regional Parks Committee – Councillor Muri

Nil

9.4.7. Regional Planning Committee – Councillor Muri

Nil

9.4.8. Liquid Waste Committee – Mayor Little

Nil

9.4.9. Mayors Committee – Mayor Little

Nil

9.4.10. Mayors Council – Translink – Mayor Little

Nil

9.4.11. Zero Waste Committee – Mayor Little

Nil

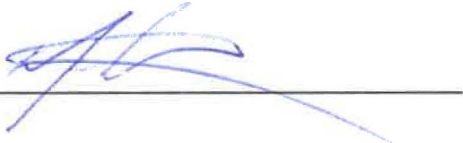
10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor BACK
SECONDED by Mayor LITTLE

THAT the February 28, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver is adjourned.

CARRIED
(10:40 p.m.)

Mayor



Municipal Clerk

