



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Regular Council Meeting

Electronic Webinar via Zoom

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

at 7:07pm

Present:

Mayor R. Vagramov
Councillor D.L. Dilworth
Councillor M.P. Lahti
Councillor A.A. Lubik
Councillor H. Madsen
Councillor S. Milani

Absent:

Councillor P.Z.C. Royer

In Attendance:

Paul Rockwood – Acting City Manager
Devon Brownlee – Infrastructure Engineer
Joji Kumagai – Manager of Economic Development
Kim Law – Acting GM of Engineering and Operations
Rosemary Lodge – Manager of Communications and Engagement
Anna Mathewson – General Manager of Community Services
Jennifer Mills – Acting Deputy Corporate Officer
Darcey O’Riordan – Fire Chief
Angie Parnell – General Manager of People, Communications, and Engagement
Dorothy Shermer – Corporate Officer
Kate Zanon – General Manager of Community Development

1. Call to Order

Mayor Vagramov called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

Council’s Vision: *Port Moody, City of the Arts, is a unique, safe, vibrant waterfront city of strong neighbourhoods; a complete community that is sustainable and values its natural environment and heritage character.*

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Art at Council

1.1 Verbal Report: Councillor Zoë Royer, Chair, Arts and Culture Committee

Councillor Dilworth introduced the evening's Art at Council, a series of clay artworks titled *Moonbeam* by local ceramic artist Ysabella Choung. Councillor Dilworth noted that Ms. Choung's work is distinguished by its modern and curved lines, playful movement, and naturalistic tension, and that she specializes in unique handmade functional pieces for daily use, as well as in hand-cut paper collage and illustrations in abstract, organic forms, arranged in colour combinations. Councillor Dilworth also noted that Ms. Choung is the owner of Spatial Art + Design Studio in Port Moody and works as the Ceramic Studio Manager and Technician at PoMoArts. Councillor Dilworth invited Ms. Choung to speak about her art.

Ms. Choung noted that she created *Moonbeam* during the pandemic and used her passion for art to help shift her perspective and find hope for the future. Ms. Choung also noted that she enjoys teaching people how to create art and hopes that her work moves the audience and transports them to a place of hope and peace. Ms. Choung advised that her work will be displayed in the *Re: Through the Times* exhibition at PoMoArts and invited everyone to attend the exhibition reception on Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 6:00pm.

2. Public Input

Kyla Knowles (Port Moody) expressed support for the recent provincial legislative amendments that will offer local governments new tools for when elected officials are charged with or convicted of a criminal offence, noting that the legislation will help hold elected officials accountable and ensure the wellbeing of the communities they represent.

Richard Biedka (Port Moody) expressed concerns about the 2022 tax rates, noting that many residents are still struggling from the effects of the pandemic and the rising cost of living, and suggested that the proposed tax rate be reduced.

3. General Matters

COVID-19 Community Service Award Announcement

3.1 Verbal Report: Mayor Rob Vagramov

Mayor Vagramov announced that Larry Coleman is the recipient of a COVID-19 Community Service Award, noting that Mr. Coleman was recognized for his volunteer efforts in collecting and distributing personal protective equipment, including masks, face guards, sanitizers, and soaps, during COVID-19.

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4. Adoption of Minutes

4.1 RC22/128

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the minutes of the following meetings be adopted:

- **Special Council (FC-COTW) – March 15, 2022;**
- **Special Council (to Close) – March 22, 2022;**
- **Public Hearing – March 22, 2022;**
- **Special Council (PH) – March 22, 2022; and**
- **Regular Council – March 22, 2022.**

5. Consent Agenda

RC22/129

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the recommendations contained in the following items on the April 12, 2022 Regular Council Consent Agenda be approved:

- **5.1 – Proposed New Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw;**
- **5.2 – Appointment of Chief Election Officer for the 2022 General Local Government Election;**
- **5.3 – Operations Asphalt Maintenance Equipment Purchase;**
- **5.4 – Strengthening Communities' Services Program – Funding Application; and**
- **5.5 – Extension of the Youth Sports Award Nomination Period.**

The items and recommendations referred to above are as follows:

Proposed New Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw

5.1 Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Infrastructure Engineering Services Division, dated March 23, 2022

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT the following bylaws be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated March 23, 2022 from the Engineering and Operations Department – Infrastructure Engineering Services Division regarding the Proposed New Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw:

- **City of Port Moody Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw, 2022, No. 3346;**
- **City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218, Amendment Bylaw No. 8, 2022, No. 3349; and**
- **City of Port Moody Fees Bylaw, 2021, No. 3327, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2022, No. 3348.**

Appointment of Chief Election Officer for the 2022 General Local Government Election	5.2	<p>Report: Legislative Services Division, dated March 9, 2022</p> <p><i>Recommendation adopted on consent:</i> THAT Philip Lo be designated Chief Election Officer and Alba Banman be designated Deputy Chief Election Officer for the 2022 General Local Government Election in Port Moody as recommended in the report dated March 9, 2022 from the Legislative Services Division regarding Appointment of Chief Election Officer for the 2022 General Local Government Election.</p>
Operations Asphalt Maintenance Equipment Purchase	5.3	<p>Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Operations Division, dated February 23, 2022</p> <p><i>Recommendation adopted on consent:</i> THAT a 2022 Capital Project be established for the purchase of an asphalt planer with a budget up to \$25,000 funded from the Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund as recommended in the report dated February 23, 2022 from the Engineering and Operations Department – Operations Division regarding Operations Asphalt Maintenance Equipment Purchase.</p>
Strengthening Communities’ Services Program – Funding Application	5.4	<p>Memo: Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division, dated March 24, 2022</p> <p><i>Recommendation adopted on consent:</i> THAT staff be directed to apply for funding to UBCM’s Strengthening Communities’ Services Program in order to undertake activities supporting homeless populations in the Tri-Cities region as recommended in the memo dated March 24, 2022 from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Strengthening Communities’ Services Program – Funding Application;</p> <p>AND THAT the City of Port Moody agree to be the primary applicant to UBCM’s Strengthening Communities’ Services Program and provide overall grant management on behalf of the other regional partners.</p>
Extension of the Youth Sports Award Nomination Period	5.5	<p>Report: Executive Assistant to Mayor and Council, dated March 30, 2022</p> <p><i>Recommendation adopted on consent:</i> THAT the nomination period for the Youth Sports Award be extended to begin in April annually as recommended in the report dated March 30, 2022 from the Executive Assistant to Mayor and Council regarding Extension of the Youth Sports Award Nomination Period.</p>

6. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

RC22/130

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT 2022 National Indigenous Peoples Day be added to the agenda as item 9.3.

7. Legislative Matters

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business

**Economic
Development Microsite**

- 9.1 Report: Community Development Department – Economic Development Office and People, Communications and Engagement Department – Communications and Engagement Division, dated March 9, 2022

RC22/131

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT staff be directed to proceed with an enhanced dedicated economic development webpage as recommended in the report dated March 9, 2022 from the Community Development Department – Economic Development Office and the People, Communications, and Engagement Department – Communications and Engagement Division regarding Economic Development Microsite.

**Golden Spike Days
Delegation Response**

- 9.2 Memo: Community Services Department – Cultural Services Division, dated March 7, 2022

RC22/132

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT \$20,730 be pre-approved in the Cultural Services' 2022 operating budget to provide general support to the Golden Spike Days festival as recommended in the memo dated March 7, 2022 from the Community Services Department – Cultural Services Division regarding Golden Spike Days Delegation Response;

AND THAT \$27,560 be pre-approved in the Cultural Services' 2022 operating budget for the purposes of presenting a headliner at the Golden Spike Days festival on Canada Day;

AND THAT \$10,207 be pre-approved in the Cultural Services' 2022 operating budget for the purposes of organizing a Pop-Up City Hall activity at the Golden Spike Days festival on Canada Day.

**2022 National
Indigenous Peoples
Day**

9.3 Verbal Report: Councillor Meghan Lahti

RC22/133

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT Council formally recognize 2022 National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21, 2022 by making the Regular Council meeting ceremonial only;

AND THAT at the Council meeting, the Port Moody Land Recognition be introduced;

AND THAT on June 21, 2022 the City host three Blanket Exercises for Council and the community, with one taking place immediately following adjournment of the Council meeting;

AND THAT Council reallocate half of the \$7,000 funding from the Volunteer Appreciation BBQ budget to this event.

10. Other Business

**Lighting and
Proclamation Request
– Action Anxiety Day**

10.1 Email: Rebecca Naidoo, Program Manager, Anxiety Canada, dated March 22, 2022

RC22/134

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the City Hall theme lighting be illuminated orange and blue on June 10, 2022 in support of Action Anxiety Day;

AND THAT June 10, 2022 be proclaimed Action Anxiety Day in the City of Port Moody.

11. Verbal Reports from Council and Staff

Council Verbal Reports

- 11.1 Mayor Vagramov congratulated SHARE Society for celebrating 50 years of serving the community and noted that the Metro Vancouver Mayors' Committee is advocating for the donation of end-of life body armour no longer needed by local police forces to be sent to Ukraine.

Councillor Dilworth noted that she attended the SHARE Society 50th Anniversary Gala and expressed gratitude for the recently announced artificial turf replacement at Inlet Field soccer field.

Councillor Lahti noted that she attended the Council of Councils, SHARE Society 50th Anniversary Gala, and the Port Moody Fire Rescue Awards Ceremony and Appreciation Banquet, and expressed gratitude for the recently announced artificial turf replacement at Inlet Field soccer field. Councillor Lahti also noted that she visited Port Moody's resident beaver and herons along the Shoreline Trail and looks forward to hearing about the birth of fledglings.

Councillor Lubik noted that she participated in a Sizdah Bedar celebration and expressed gratitude to the Persian community for celebrating the day with the community and connecting through nature and dance. Councillor Lubik also noted that a draft report regarding plans for people experiencing homelessness during extreme weather events from the Tri-Cities Homeless and Housing Task Force will be presented in the near future.

Councillor Milani advised that the Age-Friendly Recreation Facility Study survey is available on Engage Port Moody and encouraged eligible residents to complete the survey.

Staff Verbal Reports

- 11.2 There were no staff verbal reports.

12. Information Items

Committees, Commissions, and Boards – Minutes

- 12.1
- Arts and Culture Committee – February 7, 2022
 - Transportation Committee – February 16, 2022
 - Library Board – February 17, 2022
 - Environmental Protection Committee – February 23, 2022
 - Climate Action Committee – February 28, 2022

**Release of Items from
Closed Council**

- 12.2 The following was released from the Closed Council meeting held on March 22, 2022:

CC22/046-048

THAT staff be directed to draft a Request for Expression of Interest (RFEI) for the replacement of Kyle Centre by way of redevelopment of the immediate area, including low- and mid-rise residential housing and an affordable rental housing component with a preference for seniors housing;

AND THAT the RFEI exclude sale of City-owned lands.

13. Public Input

There was no public input.

14. Adjournment

Mayor Vagramov adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm.

Certified correct in accordance with section 148(a) of the *Community Charter*.

D. Shermer, Corporate Officer

Confirmed on the ____ day of _____, 2022.

R. Vagramov, Mayor