



# City of Port Moody

## Minutes

### Strategic Priorities Committee

Electronic Webinar via Zoom

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

at 5:42pm

**Present:**

Councillor S. Agtarap, Chairperson  
Mayor M. Lahti  
Councillor D. Dilworth  
Councillor K. Knowles  
Councillor A. Lubik  
Councillor H. Lurbiecki  
Councillor C. Morrison

**In Attendance:**

Tim Savoie – City Manager  
Mary De Paoli – Manager of Policy Planning  
Tyson Ganske – Manager of Financial Planning  
Stephanie Lam – City Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services  
Jeff Little – Manager of Operations  
Anna Mathewson – General Manager of Community Services  
Lorena Miat – Manager of Financial Reporting  
Bryan Moffat – Urban Forestry Technician  
Darcey O’Riordan – Fire Chief  
Angie Parnell – General Manager of Corporate Services  
Julie Pavey-Tomlinson – Director of Environment and Parks  
Andrei Pop – Development Planner  
Paul Rockwood – General Manager of Finance and Technology  
Marc Saunders – Director of Library Services  
Chad Siemens – Urban Forestry Technician  
Adam Shroff – Legislative Services Coordinator  
Tracey Takahashi – Deputy Corporate Officer  
Marta Taylor – Corporate Planning Advisor  
Kate Zanon – General Manager of Community Development

**Also in Attendance:**

Amelia Needoba, Principal and Senior Urban Forester, Diamond Head Consulting

**1. Call to Order**

Chairperson Agtarap called the meeting to order at 5:42pm.

**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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## Minutes

### 2. Adoption of Minutes

SPC23/006

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the minutes of the Strategic Priorities Committee meeting held on March 21, 2023, be adopted.**

### 3. New Business

#### Urban Forest Management Strategy – Draft Report Update

#### 3.1 Presentation: Diamond Head Consulting

Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division, dated April 10, 2023

Amelia Needoba, Principal and Senior Urban Forester, Diamond Head Consulting, gave a presentation entitled “Urban Forest Management Strategy - Presentation of the Draft Strategy” and referred to slides enclosed in the agenda package.

Staff and the consultant answered questions from the Committee regarding relevant bylaws, considerations and methodology used for the model, and incentives and community events to encourage tree-planting.

SPC23/007

Moved and seconded

**THAT the report dated April 10, 2023, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division regarding Urban Forest Management Strategy – Draft Report Update be received for information.**

SPC23/008

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the foregoing motion be amended by adding:**

**“AND THAT staff report back on policies to protect “mother trees” or exceptional trees, permeable landscaping within new construction, and tree canopy cover targets, or minimums for all zoning types, as a way to increase Port Moody’s green infrastructure and improve the resiliency of Port Moody’s neighbourhoods and enhance community wellbeing;**

**AND THAT a more ambitious target than 16% for mixed-use zoning, with considerations for other types of greening and ecosystem connectivity, be included in the next iteration of the Urban Forest Management Strategy.”**

The question on the main motion (SPC23/007) as amended (by SPC23/008) was put to a vote; the following motion was CARRIED:

**THAT the report dated April 10, 2023, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division regarding Urban Forest Management Strategy – Draft Report Update be received for information;**

**AND THAT staff report back on policies to protect "mother trees" or exceptional trees, permeable landscaping within new construction, and tree canopy cover targets, or minimums for all zoning types, as a way to increase Port Moody's green infrastructure and improve the resiliency of Port Moody's neighbourhoods and enhance community wellbeing;**

**AND THAT a more ambitious target than 16% for mixed-use zoning, with considerations for other types of greening and ecosystem connectivity, be included in the next iteration of the Urban Forest Management Strategy.**

The Strategic Priorities Committee meeting was recessed at 6:38pm and reconvened at 7:08pm.

## **2023 Corporate Project Plan**

### **3.2 Presentation: Corporate Planning Advisor Report: City Manager, dated April 3, 2023**

Staff gave a presentation entitled "2023-26 Council Strategic Plan, 2023 Corporate Project Plan" and referred to slides contained in the on-table package.

Staff answered questions from the Committee regarding staff work plans to address the province's new direction on the "missing middle" housing, and traffic calming projects.

#### SPC23/009

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the projects in the 2019-2022 Council Strategic Plan Outstanding Project list be omitted from the Corporate Project Plan, as recommended in the report dated April 3, 2023, from the City Manager regarding the 2023 Corporate Project Plan;**

**AND THAT the Corporate Project Plan outlined in the report dated April 3, 2023, from the City Manager regarding the 2023 Corporate Project Plan be received for information.**

**Request for  
Comments – Village  
of Belcarra Draft  
Official Community  
Plan**

- 3.3 Report: Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division, dated March 15, 2023

SPC23/010

Moved, seconded, and DEFEATED

**THAT the following comments be provided to the Village of Belcarra regarding the community's Draft Official Community Plan:**

**The City of Port Moody raises concerns over Belcarra's water system capacity and that this issue be addressed to ensure adequate fire response capability and that this occurs prior to proceeding with outlined changes to land use or increased development; and**

**The City of Port Moody raises concerns around the need for a comprehensive transportation plan to address traffic issues related to development, regional population growth and access to Belcarra Regional Park and surrounding areas and expresses together on these and other regional issues.**

(Voting against: Councillors Agtarap, Dilworth, Knowles, Lubik, and Morrison, and Mayor Lahti)

SPC23/011

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the report dated March 15, 2023, from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Request for Comments – Village of Belcarra Draft Official Community Plan be received for information.**

(Voting against: Councillor Lurbiecki)

**Mayor's Town Hall  
on Snow and Ice  
Response  
Feedback Review  
and Action Plan**

- 3.4 Presentation: Manager of Operations  
Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Operations Division, dated April 4, 2023

Staff answered questions from the Committee regarding options for investigation of feasibility of maintenance of private property during snowfalls.

SPC23/012

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT staff be directed to implement the improvement recommendations that utilize existing resources for the 2023-2024 winter season as recommended in the report dated April 4, 2023, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Operations Division regarding 2023 Mayor's Town Hall on Snow and Ice Response Feedback Review and Action Plan;**

**AND THAT staff be directed to implement the improvement recommendations that utilize capital budget funding for the 2023-2024 winter season.**

**Referral of Strategic  
Priorities  
Committee  
Resolutions**

**4. Rise and Report**

**4.1 SPC23/013**

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

**THAT the recommendations approved at the Strategic Priorities Committee meeting of April 18, 2023, be referred to the Special Council meeting of April 18, 2023, for ratification.**

**5. Adjournment**

Chairperson Agtarap adjourned the meeting at 8:02pm.

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

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S. Lam, City Clerk

Confirmed on the \_\_ day of \_\_\_, 2023.

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S. Agtarap, Chairperson