



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Regular Council Meeting

Council Chambers
Tuesday, January 9, 2024
at 7:00pm

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

In Attendance: Tim Savoie – City Manager
Mary De Paoli – Acting GM of Community Development
Tyson Ganske – Acting GM of Finance and Technology
Devin Jain – Acting GM of Community Services
Stephanie Lam – City Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services
Jennifer Mills – Acting Deputy Corporate Officer
Jeff Moi – General Manager of Engineering and Operations
Angie Parnell – General Manager of Corporate Services
Adam Shroff – Legislative Services Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lahti called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Territorial Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Lahti provided the territorial land acknowledgement.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

3.1 Agenda

RC24/001

THAT item 7.7 be removed from the agenda of the January 9, 2024, Regular Council meeting;

AND THAT the agenda of the January 9, 2024, Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. Public Input

Nishka Valdez (Port Moody) spoke about concerns regarding trees, densification, and housing, and the need for developers to offer comparable pricing for rentals for the area.

Jacque Boyer (Port Moody) expressed concern regarding a construction site cordoning off one-third of a residential road.

Nishka Valdez (Port Moody) noted a desire for Port Moody residents to attend Public Input and express their views and the importance of giving a voice to those who are less fortunate.

There were no written submissions.

5. General Matters

5.1 Art at Council

Verbal Report: Councillor Amy Lubik, Chair, Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee

Councillor Lubik introduced an acrylic painting, a part of the *Changing Colours Collection*, by artist Jack Prasad.

6. Adoption of Minutes

6.1 Minutes

RC24/002

THAT the minutes of the following meetings be adopted:

- *Special Council – December 5, 2023;*
- *Special Council (to Close) – December 12, 2023; and*
- *Regular Council – December 12, 2023.*

CARRIED

7. Consent Agenda

At the request of Council, the following items were removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration under section 8:

- 7.8 – GoHere Washroom Program – Report Back from the IDEA Committee; and
- 7.11 – Updated Engagement Approach for the Draft Official Community Plan.

RC24/003

THAT the recommendations contained in the following items on the January 9, 2024, Regular Council Consent Agenda be approved:

- *7.1 Street, Traffic, and Public Places Amendment Bylaw, No. 3434 (3-hour Parking) – Adoption;*
- *7.2 Hydrant Access Maintenance Bylaw Nos. 3437, 3438 – Adoption;*
- *7.3 MTIA Bylaw Amendment Bylaw, No. 3440 (Parks and Facilities Rules and Regulations) – Three Readings;*
- *7.4 Update to Corporate Policy – 01-0110-02 – Designation of Municipal Employees for Filing Financial Disclosure Statements;*
- *7.5 2023 Annual Report – Civic Committees;*
- *7.6 Trail Network Plan Phase One Public Engagement Summary;*

- 7.9 Rezoning (Commercial) – 2346 Clarke Street (CityState Consulting); and
- 7.10 FCM Membership Renewal 2024.

CARRIED

7.1 Street, Traffic, and Public Places Amendment Bylaw, No. 3434 (3-hour Parking) – Adoption

Memo: Legislative Services Division

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT City of Port Moody Street, Traffic, and Public Places Bylaw, 1981, No. 1528, Amendment Bylaw No. 22, 2023, No. 3434 be now adopted as recommended in the memo dated January 9, 2024, from the Legislative Services Division regarding Street, Traffic, and Public Places Amendment Bylaw, No. 3434 (3-hour Parking) – Adoption.

7.2 Hydrant Access Maintenance Bylaw Nos. 3437, 3438 – Adoption

Memo: Legislative Services Division

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT City of Port Moody Sidewalk and Boulevard Maintenance Bylaw, 1999, No. 2426, Amendment Bylaw No. 5, 2023, No. 3437 and City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218, Amendment Bylaw No. 9, 2023, No. 3438 be now adopted as recommended in the memo dated January 9, 2024, from the Legislative Services Division regarding Hydrant Access Maintenance Bylaw Nos. 3437, 3438 – Adoption.

7.3 MTIA Bylaw Amendment Bylaw, No. 3440 (Parks and Facilities Rules and Regulations) – Three Readings

Memo: Legislative Services Division

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218, Amendment Bylaw No. 11, 2024, No. 3440 be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the memo dated January 9, 2024, from the Legislative Services Division regarding MTIA Bylaw Amendment Bylaw, No. 3440 (Parks and Facilities Rules and Regulations) – Three Readings.

7.4 Update to Corporate Policy – 01-0110-02 – Designation of Municipal Employees for Filing Financial Disclosure Statements

Memo: Legislative Services Division

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT Corporate Policy – 01-0110-02 – Designation of Municipal Employees for the Purposes of Filing Financial Disclosure Statements be adopted as attached to and recommended in the memo dated January 9, 2024, from the Legislative Services Division regarding Update to Corporate Policy – 01-0110-02 – Designation of Municipal Employees for Filing Financial Disclosure Statements.

7.5 2023 Annual Report – Civic Committees

Report: Legislative Services Division

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT the report dated January 9, 2024, from the Legislative Services Division regarding 2023 Annual Report – Civic Committees be received for information.

7.6 Trail Network Plan Phase One Public Engagement Summary

Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT the report dated January 9, 2024, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division regarding Trail Network Plan Phase One Public Engagement Summary be received for information.

7.9 Rezoning (Commercial) – 2346 Clarke Street (CityState Consulting)

Report: Community Development Department – Development Planning Division

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT City of Port Moody Zoning Bylaw, 2018, No. 2937, Amendment Bylaw No. 88, 2024, No. 3441 (2346 Clarke Street) (C3) be read a first, second, and third time as recommended in the report dated January 9, 2024, from the Community Development Department – Development Planning Division regarding Rezoning (Commercial) – 2346 Clarke Street (CityState Consulting).

7.10 FCM Membership Renewal 2024

Memo: Executive Assistant to Mayor and Council

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT the City of Port Moody renew its membership in the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and remit the 2024 Annual FCM dues of \$8,274.79 as recommended in the memo dated January 9, 2024, from the Executive Assistant to Mayor and Council regarding FCM Membership Renewal 2024.

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

8.7.8 GoHere Washroom Program – Report Back from the IDEA Committee

Report: Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA) Committee

RC24/004

THAT the City of Port Moody participate in the GoHere Washroom Access Program as recommended in the report dated January 9, 2024, from the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA) Committee regarding the GoHere Washroom Program – Report Back from the IDEA Committee;

AND THAT the staff forward the GoHere Washroom Program to the Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce and request that they participate in the program.

CARRIED

8.7.11 Updated Engagement Approach for the Draft Official Community Plan

Memo: Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division

RC24/005

THAT the updated engagement approach be approved as recommended in the memo dated January 9, 2024, from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Updated Engagement Approach for the Draft Official Community Plan;

AND THAT the outstanding funds to execute the updated engagement approach up to \$50,000 be approved from the New Initiatives Reserve.

MOVED AND SECONDED

RC24/006

THAT the foregoing motion (RC24/005) be amended by replacing the second clause with:

“AND THAT the Updated Engagement Approach for the Draft Official Community Plan be referred to the Finance Committee to identify a funding source.”.

DEFEATED

(Voting against: Councillors Agtarap, Dilworth, Lurbiecki, and Mayor Lahti)

RC24/007

THAT the foregoing motion (RC24/005) be amended by adding:

“AND THAT Council attend both townhall meetings and the engagement include two townhall meetings, with one of the sessions having a portion dedicated for the public to convene with Council to provide input.”.

CARRIED

RC24/008

THAT the foregoing motion (RC24/005) be amended by adding:

“AND THAT staff be directed to report back on the costs and feasibility of hosting childcare at a townhall meeting.”.

CARRIED

(Voting against: Councillor Knowles)

The question on the main motion (RC24/005) as amended (by RC24/007 and RC24/008) was put to a vote; the following motion was CARRIED:

THAT the updated engagement approach be approved as recommended in the memo dated January 9, 2024, from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Updated Engagement Approach for the Draft Official Community Plan;

AND THAT the outstanding funds to execute the updated engagement approach up to \$50,000 be approved from the New Initiatives Reserve;

AND THAT Council attend both townhall meetings and the engagement include two townhall meetings, with one of the sessions having a portion dedicated for the public to convene with Council to provide input;

AND THAT staff be directed to report back on the costs and feasibility of hosting childcare at a townhall meeting.

- 9. Legislative Matters
- 10. Unfinished Business
- 11. New Business

11.1 Advocacy – Integration of Shelter for People Experiencing Homelessness into Mandated Housing – Motion Served by Councillor Lubik

RC24/009

THAT the following resolution regarding “Advocacy: Integration of shelter for people experiencing homelessness into mandated housing” be submitted to the 2024 LMLGA and UBCM conventions;

AND THAT staff be directed to forward copies to the Provincial Ministers involved in housing, municipal affairs, mental health and poverty reduction, and the Union of BC Municipalities, as recommended by the report dated January 9, 2024 from Councillor Amy Lubik:

WHEREAS on November 8, 2023 the province introduced legislation it estimates could provide up to 100,000 new homes near designated transit areas over the next decade, which was intended to ease the housing crisis;

AND WHEREAS the Province has committed to addressing the housing and support needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness and make homelessness a rare and brief occurrence, but the 2023 Homeless Count showed a drastic increase in the number of our neighbours facing homelessness, many for years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BC Government will amend their legislation such that across all communities, new constructions near designated transit will incorporate at least enough dedicated supported housing units and associated services to house the unprecedented number of our unhoused neighbours captured in the most recent homeless count.

MOVED AND SECONDED

RC24/010

THAT the foregoing motion be amended by adding:

“AND THAT the BC Government will amend their legislation, and develop a partnership framework and policy in collaboration with local government and non profit housing such that across all communities, new constructions near designated transit will incorporate at least enough dedicated supported housing units and associated services to house the unprecedented number of our unhoused neighbours captured in the most recent homeless count.”.

CARRIED

RC24/011

THAT the foregoing motion (RC24/009) be amended be deleting “at least enough” from the fifth clause of the main motion.

CARRIED

The question on the main motion (RC24/009) as amended (by RC24/010 and RC24/011) was put to a vote; the following motion was CARRIED:

THAT the following resolution regarding “Advocacy: Integration of shelter for people experiencing homelessness into mandated housing” be submitted to the 2024 LMLGA and UBCM conventions;

AND THAT staff be directed to forward copies to the Provincial Ministers involved in housing, municipal affairs, mental health and poverty reduction, and the Union of BC Municipalities, as recommended by the report dated January 9, 2024, from Councillor Amy Lubik:

WHEREAS on November 8, 2023, the province introduced legislation it estimates could provide up to 100,000 new homes near designated transit areas over the next decade, which was intended to ease the housing crisis;

AND WHEREAS the Province has committed to addressing the housing and support needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness and make homelessness a rare and brief occurrence, but the 2023 Homeless Count showed a drastic increase in the number of our neighbours facing homelessness, many for years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BC Government will amend their legislation such that across all communities, new constructions near designated transit will incorporate dedicated supported housing units and associated services to house the unprecedented number of our unhoused neighbours captured in the most recent homeless count;

AND THAT the BC Government will amend their legislation, and develop a partnership framework and policy in collaboration with local government and non profit housing such that across all communities, new constructions near designated transit will incorporate at least enough dedicated supported housing units and associated services to house the unprecedented number of our unhoused neighbours captured in the most recent homeless count.

12. Other Business

12.1 Proclamation Request – Indigenous Survivors Day – June 30, 2024

Email: Troy Abromaitis, All Nations Outreach

RC24/012

THAT the proclamation be approved as requested.

CARRIED

13. Verbal Reports from Council and Staff

13.1 Council Verbal Reports

Councillor Knowles reported on:

- the Committee Volunteer Appreciation Dinner; and
- the Port Moody Arts Centre Society birthday event.

Councillor Lurbiecki reported on:

- the speed of development application review and approval relative to updated or potentially outdated legislation.

Councillor Lurbiecki served the following Notice of Motion:

THAT all in-stream applications seeking amendment to the current Official Community Plan be placed on hold until after the City has adopted its new Official Community Plan.

Councillor Morrison reported on:

- the Committee Volunteer Appreciation Dinner;
- the Citizen Advisory Group; and
- the upcoming cold weather and safety.

Councillor Lubik served the following Notice of Motion:

THAT the following resolution regarding Advocacy: Incorporation of Tree Canopy Targets and Climate Goals into Bill 44 be submitted to the 2024 LMLGA and UBCM conventions, and that staff be directed to forward copies to the Provincial Ministers involved in housing, municipal affairs, and Climate Change and Environment and the Union of BC Municipalities, as recommended by the report from Councillors Amy Lubik and Kyla Knowles:

WHEREAS on the province of BC, along with the rest of the world, is experiencing increasing incidents of extreme weather, including deadly heat waves which are intensified by the urban heat island effect and lack of neighbourhood greenness;

AND WHEREAS the Province has committed to addressing climate risk mitigation and adaptation at the same time as providing needed housing but may not be foreseeing potential negative consequences that can be ameliorated;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the BC Government will revise Bill 44 to embed tree protection, tree canopy expansion, and climate resilience into the policy or ensure local governments retain clear authority to:

- protect mature trees and tree canopy in residential neighbourhoods; and
- implement locally developed Climate Action Plans.

Councillor Agtarap reported on:

- the Committee Volunteer Appreciation Dinner; and
- the development approval process.

Mayor Lahti reported on:

- the Committee Volunteer Appreciation Dinner;
- the change in City Manager;
- Mayor's open-door hours; and
- the upcoming cold weather.

13.2 Staff Verbal Reports

There were no staff verbal reports.

14. Information Items

14.1 Metro Vancouver Board in Brief

Metro Vancouver Board in Brief, dated November 24, 2023

14.2 Committees, Commissions, and Boards – Minutes

- Climate Action Committee – October 23, 2023
- IDEA Committee – October 25, 2023

15. Public Input

There was no public input.

16. Adjournment

Mayor Lahti adjourned the meeting at 8:18pm.

Certified correct on the ____ day of _____, 2024, in accordance with section 148(a) of the *Community Charter*.

M. Lahti, Mayor

S. Lam, City Clerk