



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Regular Council Meeting

Council Chambers
Tuesday, January 28, 2025
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: Paul Rockwood – Acting City Manager
Shareen Chin – Social Planner
Mary De Paoli – Manager of Policy Planning
Stephanie Lam – City Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services
Jeff Moi – General Manager of Engineering and Operations
Darcey O’Riordan – Fire Chief
Julie Pavey-Tomlinson – General Manager of Community Services
Angie Parnell – General Manager of Corporate Services
Adam Shroff – Legislative Services Coordinator
Tracey Takahashi – Deputy Corporate Officer
Nathan Taylor – Manager of Recreation
Kate Zanon – General Manager of Community Development

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

RC25/023

THAT item 11.1 be removed from the agenda;

AND THAT an item entitled “Special Presentation” be added as Item 4.1a under General Matters;

AND THAT the agenda of the January 28, 2025, Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

4. General Matters

4.1a Special Presentation

The Acting City Manager provided words in recognition of the retirement of Angie Parnell, General Manager of Corporate Services, and noted some of her career accomplishments and notable milestones.

Mayor Lahti congratulated Angie Parnell on her retirement after 33 years of service.

4.1 Art at Council

Verbal Report: Councillor Samantha Agtarap, Chair, Arts, Culture, and Heritage Committee

Council Agtarap introduced the evening's Art at Council, two banners created by Port Moody residents as part of the City's StreetArts Banner Program. The year's design theme was *Planting our Garden*.

The first banner was made by Yasuo Araki, who will be turning 86 in April. The Artist has had a long career supporting the arts and artists as owner of the Araki Gallery International at the Pan Pacific Hotel for over 30 years. The second design was by nine-year-old Marin Charlton. The Artist's inspiration was the visiting hummingbirds in their garden that love the planted honeysuckle.

In addition to the 30 banners that were part of the program, 14 duplicate short banners were painted by community volunteers and in Fall 2024, 60 banners were painted by Port Moody Secondary and Heritage Woods students. The banners will adorn Port Moody streets in April 2025.

4.2 Delegation – Port Moody Heritage Society

Presentation: Munu Hicken-Gaberria, President, Port Moody Heritage Society

Delegation Request: Farmer Chomitz, Executive Director, Port Moody Museum

The delegation gave a presentation entitled "PoMo Museum City Delegation" and outlined the work of the Port Moody Heritage Society and its contributions to Port Moody.

RC25/024

THAT the delegation be received for information and the delegates thanked for their presentation.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

5. Public Input

Tracey Schaeffer (Port Moody) expressed support for a Prioritizing Homes for People approach, citing affordability for residents.

Laura Dick (Port Moody) expressed appreciation for Angie Parnell, citing positive interactions and beneficial work for the City.

Steve Milani (Port Moody) expressed concern regarding the Standards of Maintenance Bylaw, citing Provincial legislation that addresses these issues and potential challenges in enforcement by the City.

Stirling Ward (Port Moody) expressed opposition to the Prioritizing Homes for People approach, but noted that it had been removed from the agenda.

Robert Simons (Port Moody) expressed congratulations to Angie Parnell on her retirement and noted her contributions through her work over the past 33 years.

RC25/025

THAT Written Public Input submissions provided in the on-table package dated January 28, 2025, be received for information.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

6. Adoption of Minutes

6.1 Minutes

RC25/026

THAT the minutes of the January 14, 2025, Regular Council meeting be amended to reflect the following under item 11.1:

- *“Councillor Agtarap declared a conflict of interest due to business interest in this property and left the meeting at this point.”;*

AND THAT the minutes of the following meetings be adopted:

- *Special Council (to Close) – January 14, 2025;*
- *Regular Council – January 14, 2025, as amended; and*
- *Special Council (to Close) – January 21, 2025.*

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

7. Consent Agenda

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

- 7.2 – Recreation Facilities Feasibility Study Public Engagement Summary; and
- 7.3 – Notification of Metro 2050 Land Use Designation Amendment Request – 15238 - 64 Avenue, City of Surrey.

RC25/027

THAT the recommendations contained in the following item on the January 28, 2025, Regular Council Consent Agenda be approved:

- *7.1 – Standards of Maintenance – Adoption of Bylaw Nos. 3467 and 3488.*

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

7.1 Standards of Maintenance – Adoption of Bylaw Nos. 3467 and 3488

Memo: Legislative Services Division

Bylaw No. 3467, a Bylaw to prescribe standards for the maintenance of rental residential premises within the City of Port Moody.

Bylaw No. 3488, a Bylaw to amend City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218 to designate enforcement officers and add fines for violations related to City of Port Moody Standards of Maintenance Bylaw, 2024, No. 3467.

Recommendation adopted on consent:

THAT City of Port Moody Standards of Maintenance Bylaw, 2024, No. 3467 be now adopted as recommended in the memo dated January 28, 2025, from the Legislative Services Division regarding Standards of Maintenance – Adoption of Bylaw Nos. 3467 and 3488;

AND THAT City of Port Moody Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw, 2020, No. 3218, Amendment Bylaw No. 16, 2024, No. 3488 (Standards of Maintenance) be now adopted.

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

8.7.2 Recreation Facilities Feasibility Study Public Engagement Summary

Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division

RC25/028

THAT the report dated January 28, 2025, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division regarding Recreation Facilities Feasibility Study Public Engagement Summary be received for information.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

RC25/029

THAT Mario Canseco, of Research Co, be invited as an expert in questionnaire development and analysis, to address Council at a future committee meeting on the importance of surveys, their design, and analysis for the purposes of decision-making on the basis of statistically relevant data.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

8.7.3 Notification of Metro 2050 Land Use Designation Amendment Request – 15238 - 64 Avenue, City of Surrey

Report: Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division

RC25/030

THAT Metro Vancouver be notified that the City of Port Moody has no objections to the proposed amendments in Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw No. 1396, 2024, as recommended in the report dated January 28, 2025, from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Notification of Metro 2050 Land Use Designation Amendment Request – 15238 - 64 Avenue, City of Surrey.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

(Voting against: Councillors Lubik and Lurbiecki)

9. Legislative Matters

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

11.1 Prioritizing Homes for People – Motion Served by Councillor Amy Lubik and Councillor Samantha Agtarap

This item was removed from the agenda.

12. Other Business

13. Verbal Reports from Council and Staff

13.1 Council Verbal Reports

Councillor Knowles reported on:

- the two letters from the Port Moody Firefighters Local 2399 included under Information Items on the agenda; and
- congratulations to Angie Parnell on her retirement.

Councillor Lurbiecki reported on:

- responsiveness to community feedback.

Councillor Lurbiecki provided the following Notice of Motion:

THAT a community referendum be held to determine if the community supports tower development up to 40 storeys in Moody Centre;

AND THAT any decisions on OCP amendments/rezoning that would allow for towers up to this height be deferred until the referendum results are determined.

Councillor Dilworth provided congratulations to Angie Parnell on her retirement.

Councillor Lubik reported on:

- the Standards of Maintenance Bylaw; and
- congratulations to Angie Parnell on her retirement.

Councillor Agtarap reported on:

- the reasons for the removal of item 11.1 from the agenda; and
- congratulations to Angie Parnell on her retirement.

Councillor Morrison reported on:

- congratulations to Angie Parnell on her retirement;
- snow and cold weather; and
- online Zoom participation for Council meetings.

Councillor Morrison provided the following Notice of Motion:

THAT staff report back on the use of exclusivity clauses in City contracts in order to better understand the use and scope of these clauses, and identify policy or other tools to ensure the City obtains the best value in its contract negotiations.

Mayor Lahti reported on upcoming cold weather and snow.

13.2 Staff Verbal Reports

The Acting City Manager reported on utility bills and their due date.

14. Information Items

14.1 Committees, Commissions, and Boards – Minutes

- Youth Focus Committee – November 13, 2024
- Library Board – November 28, 2024

14.2 Council Correspondence

- Letter dated December 19, 2024, from Port Moody Firefighters Local 2399 re New Positions
- Letter received January 8, 2025, from Port Moody Firefighters Local 2399 re Decision to Discontinue Funding for the Volunteer Firefighter Association

15. Public Input

Steve Milani (Port Moody) expressed support for a referendum on building height.

16. Adjournment

Mayor Lahti adjourned the meeting at 8:17pm.

Certified correct on the ____ day of _____, 2025, in accordance with section 148(a) of the *Community Charter*.

M. Lahti, Mayor

S. Lam, City Clerk