

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, B.C., ON MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2000 AT 6:00 P.M.

# **PRESENT:**

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor B.A. Sharp Councillor W.J. Bell Councillor J.B. Braithwaite Councillor R.J. Fearnley Councillor C. R. Keating Councillor D.R. Mussatto Councillor B.W. Perrault

#### **STAFF MEMBERS**

F.A. Smith, Acting City Administrator

B.A. Hawkshaw, City Clerk

D.M. Rooke, Assistant City Clerk

R.H. White, City Planner

N. Griggs, Lower Lonsdale Coordinator

J. Laughlin, City Engineer

B. Susak, Deputy City Engineer

T. Christie, Director of Finance

I. Gordon, Deputy Director of Finance

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

# 9. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Bell

**THAT** the Council recess to the Committee of the Whole In-Camera, to consider the items as listed under section 9 of the Council Agenda, for the following reasons respectively for each item:

9(a) Section 242.2(1)(c)

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting recessed at 6:03 p.m, and reconvened at 6:08 p.m. with the same personnel present.

# 1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Keating

**THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 13, 2000 be adopted as circulated.

# 9.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Mussatto that the following recommendation of the Committee of the Whole in camera be ratified:

# (a) Leave of Absence Without Pay Request – Jocelyne Piercey

**PURSUANT** to the report of the Director of Human Resources dated March 15, 2000, entitled "Leave of Absence Without Pay Request – Jocelyne Piercey";

**THAT** Ms. Jocelyne Piercey be granted a leave of absence without pay for a period of up to five months, following her maternity leave;

**AND THAT** pending changes in government legislation which are expected to see a doubling of parental leave under the Employment Insurance Program to one year, that the City Administrator will have the authority to grant a leave of absence without pay to achieve this result, in the interim.

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# **PRESENTATION**

Mr. Neil Griggs, Lower Lonsdale Coordinator, on the following:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Street Plaza construction schedule
- Lot No. 4 Fairmont Pacific construction schedule
- Lot No. 6 Quay View affordable housing construction schedule
- Lot No. 5 Request for Proposals progress report
- Proposed City Ground Breaking Event

Mr. Griggs reported on activities concerning the Lower Lonsdale Project and the 4 sites that are about to start construction, as well as information concerning a ground-breaking event.

Mr. Griggs then responded to questions from members of Council.

# Council Report of Committee Work – File: 1085-01

Councillor Mussatto provided an update on the Centennial Theatre renovations, the Joint Bicycle Advisory Committee, and the plant sale at Park & Tilford Gardens.

Councillor Perrault provided an update on the Versatile Beautification Project, the TransLink meeting, Sewage & Drainage Committee, and advised she had been appointed Co-Chair of the Joint Police Liaison Committee, the Lower Mainland Municipal Association Conference to be held at Harrison Hot Springs in May, and her resignation from the Association, as well as the City's Budget Proposal session on Saturday, March 11,200.

Councillor Fearnley provided updates the activities of the Arts Council, plans for the Public Art Gallery, Presentation House Photographic Gallery concerning the plans of the District of North Vancouver's to prepare a Film Industry Master Plan, as well as the Public Art Gallery, and Presentation House Photographic Gallery.

Councillor Bell provided information on his attendance at an Emergency Planning Meeting, with respect to the retirement of Ross Peterson, and the Police Liaison Committee regarding a visit by the Commissioner of the RCMP to the North Shore and that a Town Hall meeting was planned for April.

Mayor Sharp provided an update on her attendance at the signing of the B.C. Millennium Book, a meeting with the Chair of the School Board concerning common interests, including joint use of schools, a discussion with the new Consular General for Japan, the Smart North Shore Group, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Consultative Forum, which included the three Mayors to discuss areas of improved communication, and her contact with Mayor Denis Lapointe of Valleyfield, Quebec.

Councillor Braithwaite thanked Councillor Keating for his attendance at a number of Social Planning Advisory Committee meetings during his absence.

# **PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Sharp read the following Proclamation:

"International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination" March 21, 2000"

# 3. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) G.R. Peterson, Coordinator, North & West Vancouver Emergency Program, March 10, 2000

Re: Elected Officials' Information Session on Emergency Preparedness and Response – File: 3125-09-01

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

**PURSUANT** to the memorandum of the Coordinator, North & West Vancouver Emergency Program, dated March 10, 2000, entitled "Elected Officials' Information Session on Emergency Preparedness and Response":

**THAT** the City of North Vancouver, District of North Vancouver and District of West Vancouver Elected Officials' Information Session on Emergency Preparedness and Response be set for the evening of April 20, 2000 (time to be determined) in the Emergency Operations Centre, The Gerry Brewer Building.

# 4. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COUNCIL, AND STAFF

(a) Guidelines – Legal Fund Account – File: 1140-04-01

Report: City Administrator, March 15, 2000

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Keating

**PURSUANT** to the report of the City Administrator, dated March 15, 2000, entitled "Guidelines – Legal Fund Account":

**THAT** the Guidelines – Legal Fund Account, dated March 15, 2000, be approved, and implemented effective immediately.

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite, seconded by Councillor Bell

**THAT** the motion be amended by deleting Item 4 under the "Procedures" section of the Guidelines.

**DEFEATED** 

The main motion was **CARRIED.** 

Councillor Braithwaite is recorded as voting contrary to the motion.

(b) Royal Canadian Legion Redevelopment – Moveable Wall File: 3345-02 15W 123

Report: Social Planner, Development Services,

March 15, 2000

Moved by Councillor Perrault, seconded by Councillor Fearnley

**PURSUANT** to the report of the Social Planner, dated March 15, 2000, entitled "Royal Canadian Legion Redevelopment – Moveable Wall":

**THAT** the City requirement for enhanced accessibility or augmented equipment or furnishings to a total of \$8,500 be waived in light of the direct financial burden to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No.118 which would result.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

**THAT** Item 4(e) on the agenda be brought forward for consideration at this time.

# 4. (e) Concert Properties, Right-of-Way Signage – File: 3380-02-F3

Report: Deputy City Engineer, March 16, 2000

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Bell

**PURSUANT** to the report of the Deputy City Engineer, dated March 16, 2000, entitled "Concert Properties, Right-of-Way Signage":

**THAT** conditional approval be granted to Concert Properties for placement of Type 1 and Type 2 signage and street light pole banners, strictly for new location way finding, for the Harbourside Business Park;

**AND THAT** Concert Properties be denied permission for placement of a large banner sign (Type 3) on West 1<sup>st</sup> Street at Fell Avenue;

**AND THAT** Concert Properties be requested to work with staff to find a suitable location for the large banner sign other than the proposed location fronting on West 1<sup>st</sup> Street at Fell Avenue;

**AND THAT** the City Engineer be instructed to remove all authorized private banners for Harbourside Business Park, on City right-of-ways prior to the Christmas season, no later than November 30, 2000.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Keating

**THAT** Items 6(a),(i) and (ii) on the agenda be brought forward for consideration at this time.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 6. BYLAWS

(a) Reconsideration and Final Adoption

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Keating that

- (i) "Building Bylaw, 1972, No. 4361, Amendment Bylaw, 2000, No. 7215" (Sprinklering),
- (ii) "Hotel and Public Building Inspection Bylaw, 2000, No. 7216"

be reconsidered.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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# 6. (a) Reconsideration and Final Adoption - Continued

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Keating

**THAT** the said Bylaw Nos. 7215 and 7216 be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Bell

**THAT** the meeting recess to the Policy Committee Meeting scheduled for this evening.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting recessed at 6:59 p.m., and reconvened at 8:29 p.m., with the same personnel present.

# 4. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COUNCIL, AND STAFF

(c) Tax Rate Options – 2000 – File: 1650-08-01

Report: Director of Finance, March 15, 2000

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Braithwaite

**PURSUANT** to the report of the Director of Finance, dated March 15, 2000, entitled "Tax Rate Options – 2000":

**THAT** a tax rate bylaw be brought forward March 27, 2000, increasing 2000 tax rates an average of:

Operating Levy	2.9%
Special Capital Levy	<u>1.0%</u>
Total	<u>3.9%</u>

as part of the City's Five Year Financial Plan (Option A);

**AND THAT** this increase be applied equally to all property classes. (Option A,1).

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# 4. (c) Tax Rate Options – 2000 – File: 1650-08-01 - Continued

Report: Director of Finance, March 15, 2000

The vote upon the recommendations was taken separately.

The vote on the following recommendation:

**PURSUANT** to the report of the Director of Finance, dated March 15, 2000, entitled "Tax Rate Options – 2000":

1. **THAT** a tax rate bylaw be brought forward March 27, 2000, increasing 2000 tax rates an average of:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Operating Levy} & 2.9\% \\ \text{Special Capital Levy} & \underline{1.0\%} \\ \text{Total} & \underline{3.9\%} \end{array}$ 

as part of the City's Five Year Financial Plan (Option A);

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Fearnley is recorded as voting contrary to the motion.

The vote on the following recommendation:

2. **THAT** this increase be applied equally to all property classes (Option A,1)

A recorded vote was taken on the motion:

Voting in favour: Councillor Mussatto

Councillor Keating Councillor Braithwaite

Voting against: Councillor Fearnley

Councillor Perrault Councillor Bell Mayor Sharp

The motion was **DEFEATED** by a vote of four to three.

Moved by Councillor Perrault, seconded by Councillor Bell

**THAT** the motion be amended to read:

Option 6 - Hold the Business rate at 0% and redistribute the taxes evenly across all other classes.

**DEFEATED** 

# 4. (c) Tax Rate Options – 2000 – File: 1650-08-01 - Continued

Report: Director of Finance, March 15, 2000

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Perrault

**THAT** this be referred to staff to provide information on the potential impact of raising taxes on Business by 2% and redistributing the taxes evenly across all other classes.

A recorded vote was taken on the referral motion:

Voting in favour: Councillor Fearnley

Councillor Perrault Councillor Bell Mayor Sharp

Voting against: Councillor Mussatto

Councillor Keating Councillor Braithwaite

The motion was **CARRIED** by a vote of four to three.

Councillor Braithwaite left the meeting.

(d) Zoning Amendment Proposal –
Large Format Retail Establishments Control - File: 3400-05

Report: City Planner, March 15, 2000

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Bell

**PURSUANT** to the report of the City Planner, dated March 15, 2000, entitled "Zoning Amendment Proposal – Large Format Retail Establishments Control":

**THAT** "Zoning Bylaw, 1995, No. 6700, Amendment Bylaw, 2000, No. 7223" (Large Format Retail Establishments Control) be referred to a Public Hearing;

**AND THAT** the subject report be referred to the Civic Projects Team, the Advisory Planning Commission, North Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, Social Planning Advisory Committee, and the Lower Lonsdale Business Association, for review and comment.

# 4. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COUNCIL, AND STAFF - Continued

(f) Council Planning Session – File: 1090-01

General Discussion: Mayor Barbara A. Sharp

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Perrault

**THAT** this be referred to the Joint Strategic Planning Committee to report back on options.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# 5. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION

(a) Landscaping at the Civic Plaza and City Hall – File: 4305-03-F1/4210-02-C1

Councillor B.W. Perrault advised she was withdrawing her Notice of Motion.

(b) Flintfair Hotels Ltd. on behalf of Microcell Connexions Ltd., Lot B, Block 114, D.L. 274, Plan 15049, 151 East Keith Road – File: 3358-03 KEI E 151 DVP No. 119

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Keating

**THAT** Development Variance Permit No. 119 be issued to Flintfair Hotels Ltd. on behalf of Microcell Connexions Ltd., in accordance with Section 922 of the Municipal Act;

**AND THAT** the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal Development Variance Permit No. 119.

# 5. (c) Tri-Municipal Business Licences – File: 3045-01

Councillor W.J. Bell advised that he will present the following motion at the next regular meeting of Council:

**WHEREAS** many North Shore home repair and building contractors work throughout the entire North Shore;

**AND WHEREAS** they have to apply for three different business licences to legally serve the entire North Shore;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** staff be instructed to look into a fair, equitable and convenient tri -municipality business license structure, which could be adopted by all three North Shore municipalities and report back to Council on the feasibility of such a proposal;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that North Vancouver City ask West Vancouver District and North Vancouver District if they are interested in working with North Vancouver City to reduce red tape for North Shore small businesses in this manner.

(d) Provision of Receptacles and Plastic Scoop Bags – File: 4300-72

Councillor W.J. Bell advised that he will present the following motion at the next regular meeting of Council:

**WHEREAS** on February 22 1999 Council passed a resolution with regards to the provision of receptacle and plastic scoop bags in off leash areas in the City of North Vancouver;

**AND WHEREAS** this resolution does not clearly state that the City shall provide plastic scoop bags;

**AND WHEREAS** because of the ambiguity of the above motion the City has not provided plastic scoop bags;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the City immediately provide receptacles and plastic scoop bags in those North Vancouver City parks that provide off leash areas for dogs.

# 5. (e) Landscaping at the Civic Plaza and City Hall – File: 4305-03-F1/4210-02-C1

Councillor B.W. Perrault advised that she will present the following motion at the next regular meeting of Council:

**WHEREAS** the City of North Vancouver is committed to beautification and sustainability for civic buildings and parks;

**AND WHEREAS** the landscaping around City Hall and the Civic Plaza feature self-sustaining plants native to our region within the Province of British Columbia:

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** containers of annuals be placed around the Civic Square and City Hall to provide colour.

# 6. <u>BYLAWS – continued</u>

(d) Introduction And First Reading Only

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Fearnley that

(i) "Zoning Bylaw, 1995, No. 6700, Amendment Bylaw, 2000, No. 7223" (Large Format Retail Establishments Control)

be introduced and read a first time in short form, copies of same having been distributed to Council members and read by them.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# 7. COUNCIL INQUIRIES (Questions of Council Members)

Nil

#### **Recess - Public Question Period**

Mayor sharp declared a recess at 9:40 p.m., for the public question period and reconvened the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Keating

**THAT** the meeting adjourn.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.