



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14th STREET,
NORTH VANCOUVER, B.C., ON **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2002**
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

A.K. Tollstam, City Manager
B.A. Hawkshaw, City Clerk
S.E. Dowey, Deputy City Clerk
T. Christie, Director of Finance
I. Gordon, Deputy Director of Finance
D. Cameron, Budget Analyst
F. Caouette, Manager – Special Projects
R. Bruckshaw, Purchasing Manager
B. Susak, Deputy City Engineer
P. Melville, Manager – Inspections
R.H. White, City Planner
R. Shore, Director of Human Resources
C. Turner, Director of Information Technology
F.A. Smith, Director, Community Development
J. Laughlin, City Engineer

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

9. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Mayor Sharp

THAT the meeting recess to the Committee of the Whole in camera, to consider the item as listed under Section 9 of the Council Agenda, for the following reason:

9(a) Section 242.2 (1) (j)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 6:01 p.m., and reconvened at 6:47 p.m., with the same personnel present and with the exception of Councillor Mussatto.

2. DELEGATIONS

- (a) **Bruce Allan, Member of TransVision, Frank Vick, Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee and Peter J. Withers, Withers Development Associates**

Re: A Third Crossing of the Burrard Inlet
File: 1175-05-W1-01/4110-03

Mr. Bruce Allan, Member of TransVision, Mr. Frank Vick, Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee and Mr. Peter J. Withers, Withers Development Associates, distributed the Ipsos-Reid TransVision Survey Results dated January 30, 2002 to members of Council.

Mr. Vick reviewed the main points of the Survey Results and asked members of Council to review the Survey and endorse in principle the plan for a Third Crossing of the Burrard Inlet.

*Councillor Mussatto entered the meeting.

Members of the delegation then responded to questions from members of Council.

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite, seconded by Councillor Perrault

THAT the meeting recess to the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for this evening.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 7:13 p.m., and reconvened at 7:14 p.m., with the same personnel present.

3. **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) **Councillor John Clark, District of West Vancouver,
January 24, 2002**

Re: A Third Crossing of the Burrard Inlet
File: 1175-05-W1-01/4110-03

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

THAT the correspondence dated January 24, 2002, received from Councillor John Clark, District of West Vancouver, regarding "A Third Crossing of the Burrard Inlet", be received and filed.

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 Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Perrault

THAT the City of North Vancouver generally supports the concept of a Third Crossing, in principle, without endorsing any particular option, and that staff keep up to date on Third Crossing options and report back as necessary.

A recorded vote was taken on the motion.

Voting in favour: Councillor Perrault
Councillor Bell
Councillor Fearnley
Mayor Sharp

Voting against: Councillor Mussatto
Councillor Keating
Councillor Braithwaite

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

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Braithwaite, seconded by Councillor Perrault

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 28, 2002 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Sharp recessed the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:52 p.m., with the same personnel present.

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Keating

THAT the meeting recess to the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for this evening.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 7:52 p.m., and reconvened at 10:28 p.m., with the same personnel present and with the exception of Councillor Fearnley.

(A motion was unanimously endorsed in the Finance Committee meeting to continue past 10:30 p.m.).

PROCLAMATIONS

Nil.

3. **CORRESPONDENCE - Continued**

(b) Mr. Doug Sabourin, Executive Director, Family Services of the North Shore, January 21, 2002

Re: Meeting with Council - File: 4230-09

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

PURSUANT to the correspondence dated January 21, 2002, received from Mr. Doug Sabourin, Executive Director, Family Services of the North Shore, regarding "Meeting with Council":

THAT a meeting date and time be scheduled with Mr. Doug Sabourin Executive Director, for a meeting between members of Council and the Family Services of the North Shore.

CARRIED

Councillor Braithwaite is recorded as voting contrary to the motion.

4. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COUNCIL, AND STAFF**

(a) **License Plate Reader System - File: 3060-01**

Report: City Clerk, January 30, 2002

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

PURSUANT to the report of the City Clerk, dated January 30, 2002, entitled, "License Plate Reader System":

THAT the City proceed with the acquisition, through appropriate purchasing policy and procedure, of a License Plate Reader System form of enforcement and related software.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. **MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION**

(a) **Provincial Government's Cancellation of the Subsidy for Seniors' Transit Passes on TransLink – File: 1180-37-01**

Submitted by: Councillor C.R. Keating and Councillor D.R. Mussatto

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

WHEREAS, due to specific physical limitations and income limitations, senior citizens have limited access to transportation;

AND WHEREAS studies have shown that the mobility derived from access to transportation is an important determinant of health and well being amongst senior citizens;

AND WHEREAS senior citizens are a large and important part of the community of the City of North Vancouver;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of North Vancouver record its opposition to the Provincial Government's cancellation of the subsidy for seniors' transit passes on TransLink and its support for the continuation of this benefit;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of North Vancouver write to our local M.L.A. Katherine Whittred, North Vancouver-Lonsdale, and to M.L.A.'s, Daniel Jarvis, North Vancouver-Seymour, and Ralph Sultan, West Vancouver-Capilano, seeking their assistance in achieving this goal;

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5. (a) **Provincial Government's Cancellation of the Subsidy for Seniors' Transit Passes on TransLink – File: 1180-37-01 - Continued**

AND THAT our local M.L.A. Katherine Whittred, North Vancouver-Lonsdale, and M.L.A.'s, Daniel Jarvis, North Vancouver-Seymour, and Ralph Sultan, West Vancouver-Capilano, be requested to respond to this request;

AND THAT this resolution be circulated to all Greater Vancouver Regional District municipalities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) **Audio Book Services - File: 1085-03-N9-01**

Submitted by: Councillor B. W. Perrault

Moved by Councillor Perrault, seconded by Councillor Braithwaite

WHEREAS Audio Book Services, provided by libraries throughout the Province of British Columbia, play a critical role to the community of persons with visual disabilities who are not able to read regular print materials;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government has announced that it will no longer fund the \$380,000.00 for this program;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the North Vancouver City Council urge the Provincial Government not to implement this cut, as an action of this kind would have a deleterious effect on the unsighted users of this program and would result in further downloading to local governments who fund local libraries;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be circulated to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, other municipalities throughout British Columbia and to our local M.L.A. Katherine Whittred, North Vancouver-Lonsdale, and to M.L.A.'s, Daniel Jarvis, North Vancouver-Seymour, and Ralph Sultan, West Vancouver-Capilano.

Moved by Councillor Perrault, seconded by Councillor Braithwaite

THAT the requirements of the Procedure Bylaw to terminate the meeting at 11:00 P.M., be waived, and the meeting continue after 11:00 P.M., if necessary.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The motion was then **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. (c) **Communication Guidelines - File: 1110-01**

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

“WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver has hired a Communications Manager;

AND WHEREAS the City's communication budget has grown continuously over the past several years;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff prepare Communication Guidelines for the City that clearly set out its communication goals, which include Public Information Guidelines on appropriate advertising.”

6. **BYLAWS**

Nil.

7. **COUNCIL INQUIRIES (Questions of Council Members)**

(a) **International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (I.C.L.E.I.) Conference – File: 1040-03-11**

Inquiry by Councillor B.W. Perrault

Councillor Perrault referred to an article in the February 3, 2002 edition of the North Shore News entitled “Mayor’s Powers Challenged” and advised that she wanted to direct her questions to Councillor Fearnley, but in his absence, made the following comments.

Councillor Perrault advised that in the February 3, 2002, North Shore News article Councillor Fearnley is quoted as stating “the City is hosting an International meeting of local government leaders at the end of February and he was only notified of the event last weekend by a memorandum in his Councillor’s agenda package.”

Councillor Perrault advised that she had asked the City Clerk’s Office how many times the subject of the I.C.L.E.I. Conference has been on the Council agenda or on the Council Information Package. The City Clerk’s office advised that this item has been in the Council packages eight times.

7. (b) Role of Council - File: 1090-01

Inquiry by Councillor J.B. Braithwaite

Councillor Braithwaite referred to an article in the February 3, 2002 edition of the North Shore News entitled "Mayor's Powers Challenged" and asked Councillor Bell to explain his quote in this article "that the role of Council has diminished and debate in an open manner is lacking".

Councillor Bell advised that he feels there are items that are being left as a line item in the Budget and unless brought to the attention of the City administration, are not being brought forward for a full debate by Council.

(c) Role of the Mayor's Office – File: 1090-01

Inquiry by Mayor B.A. Sharp

Mayor Sharp asked Councillor Bell as to what he meant by his statement in the February 3, 2002 North Shore News article that it is not the Mayor's role to run City Hall.

Councillor Bell advised that this statement was taken out of context and made in response to questions that were asked of him. Councillor Bell advised that it is the role of the City Manager to run City Hall.

Mayor Sharp quoted Sections 174, 197 and 218 of the Local Government Act as to the roles of the Mayor and Council and the Chief Administrative Officer.

Mayor Sharp asked the City Clerk how long he had held that position. Mr. Hawkshaw, City Clerk, responded that he has been the City Clerk since 1985.

Mayor Sharp asked the City Clerk if the Council agenda is prepared in a different way than before. Mr. Hawkshaw, City Clerk, responded that the Council agenda is prepared in the same manner as it always has been.

Recess – Public Question Period

Mayor Sharp declared a recess at 11:11 p.m., for the public question period and reconvened the meeting immediately.

9. **CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS - Continued**

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Keating

THAT Items 9.(b) and 9.(c) on the agenda be deferred to the next regular meeting of Council, in camera, scheduled for Monday, February 11, 2002.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 p.m.