



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14th STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, B.C., ON MONDAY, MAY 2, 2005 AT 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor B.A. Sharp
Councillor R.C. Clark
Councillor R.N. Heywood
Councillor C.R. Keating
Councillor D.R. Mussatto
Councillor B.W. Perrault

ABSENT

Councillor R.J. Fearnley

STAFF MEMBERS

A.K. Tollstam, City Manager
S.E. Dowey, City Clerk
J.M. Rowe, Assistant City Clerk
R.H. White, City Planner
F.A. Smith, Director, Community Development
D. Sigston, Manager, Lands
L. McCarthy, Youth Development Worker
C. Amundsen, Executive Assistant to the Mayor
S. Ono, City Engineer
I. Gordon, Deputy Director of Finance
J. Irwin, Manager, Financial Services
F. Caouette, Director, Corporate Services

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Heywood

THAT the following Minutes be adopted:

1. Special Council Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2005.
2. In Camera Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2005.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Heywood

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

3. Section 90 (1) (f)
4. Section 90 (1) (e)
5. Section 90 (1) (i)
9. Section 90 (1) (f)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 5:32 p.m. and reconvened at 6:14 p.m. with the same personnel present.

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Nil.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

{Items *10 and *11}

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the resolutions listed within the “Consent Agenda” of May 2, 2005 be approved, as follows:

CORRESPONDENCE

***10. The Canadian Institute, Toronto, April 27, 2005**

Re: “Canada’s Best Cities Summit” and Pre-Conference Workshop, to be held July 11th, 12th and July 13th, 2005, at the Toronto Marriott Bloor Yorkville Hotel, Toronto, Ontario – File: 1110-12-01

Requested by Mayor Barbara A. Sharp

PURSUANT to the correspondence received April 27, 2005, from the Canadian Institute Inc. regarding the “Canada’s Best Cities Summit” and “Pre-Conference Workshop”, to be held July 11th, 12th and July 13th, 2005, at the Toronto Marriott Bloor Yorkville Hotel, Toronto, Ontario “:

THAT Council members be authorized to attend the “Canada’s Best Cities Summit” and “Pre-Conference Workshop”, to be held July 11th, 12th and 13th, 2005, at the Toronto Marriott Bloor Yorkville Hotel, Toronto, Ontario;

AND THAT the expenses be paid in accordance with City Policy;

AND THAT the funds be provided from the 2005 Legislative Conventions and Delegations Account.

(CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY)

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***11. Population and Growth Rates – File: 3505-06-04 / 3545-02-03**

Report: Planner, Community Development, April 19, 2005.

PURSUANT to the report of the Planner dated April 19, 2005, entitled “Population and Growth Rates”:

THAT the City of North Vancouver adopt a population figure of 48,858 for 2006 for the purposes of per capita grant allocations;

AND THAT the potential budgetary implications of this population figure be referred to the 2006-2015 financial planning process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

END OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

REPORT OF 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:

3. CORRESPONDENCE: Applicant for Renewal of Chauffeur’s Permit, April 11, 2005.

Re: Chauffeur’s Permit Renewal Refusal – File: 3040-15

THAT the R.C.M.P.’s refusal to renew the Chauffeur’s Permit for Mr. Lakhwinder Singh Chahal not be endorsed;

AND THAT a Chauffeur’s Permit be issued to Mr. Lakhwinder Singh Chahal for a period of 3 months.

A recorded vote was taken on the motion.

Voting in favour: Councillor Mussatto
Councillor Keating
Councillor Perrault
Councillor Heywood

Voting against: Councillor Clark
Mayor Sharp

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

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Heywood

THAT the meeting recess to the reception for Youth Week in the foyer scheduled for this evening.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 6:16 p.m. and reconvened at 6:59 p.m. with the same personnel present.

Mayor Sharp read the following Proclamations:

“ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH”, MAY 2005

“YOUTH WEEK”, MAY 1 – 7, 2005

PRESENTATION OF YOUTH AWARDS

CIVIC YOUTH AWARDS PROGRAM 2005 – File: 4230-17-03-02

Ms. Ji-Sun Kim played a musical arrangement on the flute.

The Civic Youth Awards Program recognizes businesses, service clubs, adults and youth (10 - 21 years) in six categories: This year a total of 58 recipients will be honoured under the following award categories:

- Youth Recognition Award – Five youth
- Youth Community Enhancement Award – Fifteen youth
- Random Acts of Kindness Award – One youth
- Outstanding Youth Friendly Business – Two recipients
- Outstanding Supporter of Youth – Five recipients
- Outstanding Youth Team Award – Three teams for a total of thirty youth

Mayor Sharp and Councillors presented the following awards:

Youth Recognition Award recognizes youth who have recorded noteworthy achievements in some line of endeavour. This award is conferred upon an individual who has achieved considerable progress in a particular line of endeavour, thus exhibiting the ability and commitment for personal change and growth. Such areas include a) Making great personal strides; b) overcoming personal or societal barriers; or c) demonstrating or possessing outstanding music, scholastic, art or sports acumen. The following five individuals have been nominated and selected for a Youth Recognition Award:

**Mika Banerd
Patrick McDonald**

**Ashley Kiazyk
Ashley Wessel**

Ji-Sun Kim

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Youth Community Enhancement Award recognizes youth who have made positive contributions to the community on a voluntary basis such as serving on a committee and other volunteer work with organizations and groups. All nominees must have provided a minimum of 75 hours of school or community services. The following fifteen individuals have been nominated and selected for a Youth Community Enhancement Award:

Laurielle Asconi	Mika Banerd	Isidora Calla
Lindsay Cathcart	Welan Dionela	Kelsey Hilton
Hengameh Hoseini	Sawyer Huget-Penner	Vanessa Janzen
Farinaz Poursoltani	Arash Rahmanian	Sanja Sparaica
Melissa Thornley	Mohammad Vahedifara	Mike Young

Random Acts of Kindness Award recognizes youth who have demonstrated an act of bravery, selflessness or notable deed for the betterment of another. The act may have occurred spontaneously or as part of a group. The act may have occurred locally, nationally or internationally. The act may have bettered the lives of humans or animals. The following individual has been nominated and selected for a Random Acts of Kindness Award:

Lili Motaghedi

Outstanding Youth Friendly Business Award recognizes a business that has performed an exceptional job in hiring or training youth, providing opportunities to youth, or providing funding for youth activities – support could be for one youth or a number of youth. The following two businesses have been nominated and selected for an Outstanding Youth Friendly Business Award:

John Henry Bikes
Starbucks Coffee

Outstanding Supporter of Youth Award recognizes an adult mentor or service club in providing support and services to youth. The following five individuals or service clubs will receive an award under the Outstanding Supporter of Youth Award:

Doug Jackson
Woldy Sosnowsky
Tom Tupper

Lions Gate Rotary
Third Step Alternate School

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CIVIC YOUTH AWARDS PROGRAM 2005 *continued*

Outstanding Youth Team Award recognizes a group of youth who have completed a minimum of 50 hours per person of community (or school) service resulting in a program/s or service/s of enhancement for their school or community. The following thirty individuals will receive an award under the Outstanding Youth Team Award:

Carson Graham Secondary Peer Counsellors		Igniting Colours of Resistance North Shore Multicultural Society	
Masih	Alaeitafti	Nicole	Cheng
Claire	Allen	Djami	Diallo
Peyman	Ataee	Kelly	Gordon
Michelle	Bae	Eiston	Lo
William	Gonzales	Lili	Motaghedi
Mahshid	Hoseini	Dina	Shin
Sharon	Hou	Caring for Our Youth Committee Squamish Nation	
Sawyer	Huget-Penner		
Bitia	Joudaki		
Sara	Khoshnavazi		
Gabriel	Moody		
Nara	Moon		
Negeen	Niknam		
Talin	Prowse		
Arash	Rahmanian	Khrystyne	George
Sanja	Sparica	Shandy	Lewis
Anthony	Stenner	Andrew	Newman
Nima	Tohid	Megan	Paull
Jeda	Wattar	Danica	Paull

Chief Bill Williams and Bobby Baker representing the Squamish Nation performed an honorary song in celebration of the awards to the Squamish Nation Committee – Caring for our Youth.

Mayor Sharp recessed the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:05 p.m with the same personnel present.

DELEGATIONS

Ginny Diebolt, School Trustee, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) and Sonia Ejtehadi and Kelsey Marshal of Carson Graham Secondary School and Betty Huang and Brandy Coe of Sutherland Secondary School, Members of the City of North Vancouver Children and Youth Initiatives Grant Review Committee 2005.

Re: 2005 Children and Youth Initiative Fund - Special Project Grant
Applications - File: 4230-17-08-04

Ms. Diebolt, School Trustee, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) thanked the City of North Vancouver for the opportunity to work with the Committee, especially the youth. Ms. Lisa McCarthy, Youth Development Worker, also thanked the members of the committee and introduced the following members: Sonia Ejtehadi, Kelseu Marshal and Betty Huang. Ms. Ejtehadi, Ms. Marshal and Ms. Huang each gave a brief overview of their experience working on the City of North Vancouver Children and Youth Initiatives Grant Review Committee.

Mayor Sharp on behalf of Council thanked the members of the committee for their hard work.

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6. 2005 Children and Youth Initiative Fund - Special Project Grant Applications - File: 4230-17-08-04

Report: Community Development Worker (Youth Programs),
April 27, 2005

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Heywood

PURSUANT to the report of the Community Development Worker (Youth Programs), dated April 27, 2005, entitled "2005 Children and Youth Initiatives Fund – Special Projects Grant Applications":

THAT the following Children and Youth Initiatives Fund grant allocations for 2005 be approved: *continued..*

APPLICANT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	RECOMMEND
Presentation House Theatre	To hire a part-time contract festival producer for the North Shore High School Drama Festival.	\$1,000
North Vancouver Arts Council Rhythm and Word Music Therapy Program	To expand the hours of Keith Lynn's music therapy program (lunch hr and summer months) and open the program to other at-risk youth in NV schools.	\$1,500
Larson Elementary School	To add Peer Mediation to the Grade 7 Leadership Program promoting positive role models.	\$ 700
North Vancouver Student Leadership Council c/o Seycove Secondary	To provide an authentic and representative voice for youth from each secondary school in North Van – a <i>council of councils</i> .	\$3,000
Third Step Program c/o North Vancouver School District	In partnership with John Braithwaite Community Centre conduct a silk screen class with the students.	\$ 500
Balmoral Jr. Secondary	To host a conference with students on leadership.	\$1,000
North Vancouver City Library "Teen Tutors"	To hire 12 "Teen Tutors" to help children with their homework.	\$2,000
Primal Youth Group c/o Christian City Church	To provide a public speaking training program that empowers youth and equips those who have dealt with problems of drug addiction, teen pregnancy and suicide to share lessons learned.	\$1,000
Youth Friendly North Shore Steering Committee c/o North Shore Neighbourhood House	To hire a coordinator to help work with youth groups in all North Shore Secondary Schools to enhance the communities' youth friendliness.	\$2,000
BC Wheelchair Basketball Society	To purchase a sport wheelchair promoting skill development for the North Van youth team that practices at Carisbrooke Elementary.	\$3,000
North Shore Multicultural Society "Igniting Colours of Resistance"	To build on the "Power Trilogy" curriculum with an E-news network with info on anti-racism and diversity, and provide youth facilitated workshops in City schools.	\$2,000
North Shore Multicultural Society "Multicultural Youth Peer Support Group"	Trained youth facilitators will provide a peer support group to help young immigrants and refugees at Carson Graham.	\$1,800

AND THAT the following Children and Youth Initiative Grant Applications be denied:

APPLICANT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	REQUEST
North Vancouver Community Arts Council and Skylighting Arts	A mural painted by youth that facilitates awareness of youth in the community and their issues.	\$1,450
North Shore Neighbourhood House	Centennial Skateboard Park event celebrating Youth Week May 7th	\$ 500
Canadian Mental Health Association, North & West Vancouver Branch	Early identification and intervention for students with depression.	\$2,600
Family Services of the North Shore	“Learning Together through Play” program (English-Farsi cultural adaptation).	\$3,000

AND THAT a copy of Council’s resolution be sent to the District of North Vancouver and the North Vancouver School Board, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) for their information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

Pam Bookham, City of North Vancouver Resident.

Re: Public Consultation regarding the Sale and Development of the Property between East 14th and East 15th Streets at St. Andrew’s Avenue
 – File: 3345-02 15 E 303 – 333 / 14 E 300-332

Ms. Pam Bookham spoke regarding the lack of public consultation with regards to the sale and development of property between 14th & 15th Streets at St. Andrew’s Avenue by the Vancouver Health Authority and gave a brief history of those lands. Ms. Bookham referred to a Council resolution of January 12, 2004 in which it was requested that Vancouver Coastal Health Authority appear before Council to outline their future expansion plans and explain why the lands currently up for sale are not required for future hospital use. Ms. Bookham then asked Council to support the following motion:

“WHEREAS Vancouver Coast Health Authority and the Lions Gate Hospital Foundation have failed to provide a full public explanation of their decision to sell the thirteen lots adjacent to the hospital between 14th and 15th Streets at St. Andrew’s; and

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WHEREAS the current owners are seeking an Official Community Plan amendment to change the land use designation from institutional to residential and a rezoning of the current RS-1 zoning to allow for apartment buildings and townhouses; and

WHEREAS these properties were acquired with public funds over many years for the purpose of providing much needed health care facilities; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has renewed its commitment to provide 5,000 long term health care beds as promised in the previous campaign; and

WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver, the District of North Vancouver and the District of West Vancouver and the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority have acknowledged the need for a hospice on the North Shore; and

WHEREAS many health care needs such as support for the mentally ill have yet to be met; and

WHEREAS the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority has not presented a concrete plan for meeting these and other health care needs for the growing and aging population of the North Shore;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT representatives of Vancouver Coastal Health Authority and the Lions Gate Hospital Foundation be required to present their reasons for declaring this property “surplus”;

THAT these representatives be required to answer questions from members of the public and Council regarding how the needs identified above will be met; and further

THAT they provide whatever plans exist for the redevelopment of the Lion’s Gate Hospital precinct before any consideration be given to amending the OCP and rezoning this property.”

Ms. Bookham then responded to questions from members of Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

7. Pam Bookham, City of North Vancouver Resident, April 15, 2005.

Re: Public Consultation regarding the Sale and Development of the Property between East 14th and East 15th Streets at St. Andrew's Avenue – File: 3345-02 15 E 303 – 333 / 14 E 300-332

Moved by Councillor Mussatto, seconded by Councillor Clark

WHEREAS Vancouver Coast Health Authority and the Lions Gate Hospital Foundation have failed to provide a full public explanation of their decision to sell the thirteen lots adjacent to the hospital between 14th and 15th Streets at St. Andrew's;

WHEREAS the current owners are seeking an Official Community Plan amendment to change the land use designation from institutional to residential and a rezoning of the current RS-1 zoning to allow for apartment buildings and townhouses;

WHEREAS these properties were acquired with public funds over many years for the purpose of providing much needed health care facilities;

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has renewed its commitment to provide 5,000 long term health care beds as promised in the previous campaign;

WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver, the District of North Vancouver and the District of West Vancouver and the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority have acknowledged the need for a hospice on the North Shore;

WHEREAS many health care needs such as support for the mentally ill have yet to be met; and

WHEREAS the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority has not presented a concrete plan for meeting these and other health care needs for the growing and aging population of the North Shore;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT representatives of Vancouver Coastal Health Authority and the Lions Gate Hospital Foundation be requested to present their reasons for declaring this property "surplus";

RESOLVED THAT these representatives be requested to answer questions from members of the public and Council regarding how the needs identified above will be met; and

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7. **Pam Bookham, City of North Vancouver Resident, April 15, 2005**
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RESOLVED THAT they respectfully be requested to provide whatever plans exist for the redevelopment of the Lions Gate Hospital precinct before any consideration be given to amending the Official Community Plan and rezoning this property.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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8. **Development Density Exclusions, Density Transfers and Density Bonuses – New Directions – File: 3380-01**

Report: City Planner, Community Development, April 25, 2005.

Moved by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Heywood

PURSUANT to the report of the City Planner dated April 25, 2005, entitled “Development Density Exclusions, Density Transfers and Density Bonuses - New Directions”:

THAT Community Development continue to use the policy provisions of the Official Community Plan with respect to density bonuses, density transfers and gross floor area exclusions to obtain proposals for community serving amenities in new developments;

AND THAT all new proposals that include a density bonus or density transfer element be reported on to Council as soon as possible after application, with staff recommendations for enhanced community consultation and commentary to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Perrault

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

4. Section 90 (1) (e)
5. Section 90 (1) (i)
9. Section 90 (1) (f)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 9:00 p.m. and reconvened at 9:54 p.m. with the same personnel present.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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

4. Land Issue – File: 3375-06-02

Report: Manager – Lands, dated April 21, 2005

Report: Manager – Lands, Community Development, April 21, 2005

THAT the action taken by the Committee of the Whole in camera this evening regarding “Land Issue” be ratified, and the wording of the recommendation and the report of the Manager – Lands, dated April 21, 2005, remain in camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

5. Property Assessment Appeal Board Decision – File: 1600-01

Report: Director of Finance, dated April 27, 2005

PURSUANT to the report of the Director of Finance, dated April 27, 2005, entitled “Property Assessment Appeal Board Decision”:

(1). THAT Council authorize staff to:

- a. Provide support to the B.C. Assessment Authority (BCAA) if they decide to proceed with an appeal to the Property Assessment Appeals Board (PAAB) April 22, 2005 decision to reduce the assessed value of Western Stevedoring’s land by approximately 50%;
- b. Appeal the PAAB decision on its own accord if BCAA does not proceed with an appeal;
- c. Consider legal intervention by the City on other outstanding appeals;

(2). THAT City staff work with the District of North Vancouver staff to prepare a brief to be sent to the Premier of British Columbia and the Minister of Finance outlining the seriousness of the PAAB decision and the financial impacts on the City of North Vancouver and the District of North Vancouver;

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5. **Property Assessment Appeal Board Decision – File: 1600-01**
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- (3). **THAT** the Mayor write the Premier of British Columbia and the Minister of Finance requesting an increase in the City's Port grant effective 2005 by \$500,000 annually;
- (4). **THAT** staff work with BCAA with regards to how the legislation could be amended such that Ports properties are more clearly and fairly assessed, and based upon this work, Mayor and Council appeal to the Premier of British Columbia and the Minister of Finance requesting an amendment to the B.C. Assessment Act;
- (5). **THAT** Mayor and Council appeal to the Honourable Don Bell, MP for North Vancouver and the Finance Minister of Canada, requesting financial assistance from the Federal Government for all Ports communities in the Greater Vancouver Regional District that have been negatively affected by the B.C. Provincial Ports legislation, significant reductions in Ports property values as a result of assessment appeals and declining grants in lieu (property taxes in lieu) from the Vancouver Port Authority (VPA);
- (6). **THAT** the Area Assessor and the CEO of the B.C. Assessment Authority be invited to appear before Council at a suitable date in the future to discuss the recent PAAB decision and how local governments hosting Ports properties might better contest appeals by Port property owners;
- (7). **THAT** the City of North Vancouver place advertisements in North Shore newspapers, communicate through the City website and other communication channels in order to inform taxpayers and residents of the City of the PAAB decision and its implications, to be cost shared with the District of North Vancouver if possible;
- (8). **THAT** the tax refund and interest be funded from City surplus;
- (9). **THAT** the Financial Plan be revised to provide budget authority for the repayment;
- (10). **AND THAT** staff bring forward an amended policy on the use of City surplus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INQUIRIES

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ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Heywood, seconded by Councillor Mussatto

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.