



**MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14th
STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, B.C., ON **MONDAY,**
DECEMBER 1, 2008 AT 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor D.R. Mussatto
Councillor P.J. Bookham
Councillor R.C. Clark
Councillor R.J. Fearnley
Councillor R.G. Heywood
Councillor C.R. Keating
Councillor M.L. Trentadue

STAFF MEMBERS

A.K. Tollstam, City Manager
S.E. Dowey, City Clerk
R.G. Anderson, Deputy City Clerk
R.H. White, Director, Community Development
F. Caouette, Director, Corporate Services
B. Penman, Fire Chief
Insp. C. Kennedy, RCMP, N.V. Detachment
M. Pavao, Director, Human Resources
J. Watkins, Chief Librarian
D. Pope, Deputy City Engineer
B. Themens, Deputy Director, Finance
B. Taylor, City Solicitor
C. Rabold, Communications Manager
D. Burgess, Deputy Fire Chief
A. Brookfield, Executive Assistant to the Mayor
L. Matonovich, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. OATHS OF OFFICE AND OATHS OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honourable Mr. Justice Robert J. Bauman administered the Oaths of Office and Oaths of Allegiance to Mayor D.R. Mussatto, Councillor P.J. Bookham, Councillor R.C. Clark, Councillor R.J. Fearnley, Councillor R.G. Heywood, Councillor C.R. Keating, and Councillor M.L. Trentadue.

2. INVOCATION

Pastor Major Lynn Grice, The Salvation Army, North Vancouver Community Church, gave the invocation.

3. PRESENTATIONS

- (a)** Mayor Mussatto made a presentation to the Honourable Mr. Justice Robert J. Bauman and thanked him for his participation at the meeting.

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3. **PRESENTATIONS - Continued**

- (b) Mayor Mussatto made a presentation to Pastor Major Lynn Grice, The Salvation Army, North Vancouver Community Church, and thanked her for her participation at the meeting.
- (c) Mayor Mussatto made a presentation to R.C.M.P. Colour Party Constable Patti Barberie and Constable David Townsend and thanked them for their participation at the meeting.
- (d) Mayor Mussatto made a presentation to Fire & Rescue Colour Party Firefighters Derek Dickson and John Sommers and thanked them for their participation at the meeting.
- (e) Mayor Mussatto made a presentation to Piper Don McPhee of the JP Fell Pipe Band, and thanked him for his participation at the meeting.
- (f) Mayor Mussatto made a presentation to outgoing Councillor R.N. Heywood and advised that gifts would be presented to both outgoing Councillor B.W. Perrault and outgoing Councillor S.A. Schechter and thanked them for their service to the City of North Vancouver.

4. **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

Mayor Mussatto introduced honoured guests present in the gallery.

5. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS**

His Worship, Mayor Darrell R. Mussatto, delivered the following address:

“Working Together

Honoured guests, members of Council, ladies and gentlemen; it is my privilege this evening to present to you, our citizens, my Inaugural Address for this, my second term as the City's Mayor.

It is also my great pleasure to welcome you to the Council Chambers in the City's 102nd year on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish people and within the area originally settled and inhabited by what is now the Squamish Nation.

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5. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS - Continued**

First of all, I would like to thank you, our citizens, for your confidence and for acclaiming me to serve as your Mayor for a second term. I also thank the voters for their participation in the democratic process. I am looking forward to working with our new Council on behalf of the community over the next three years. Additionally, I thank all candidates for putting their names forward for Council, as well as those representing the City on the Board of the North Vancouver School District.

I am pleased to congratulate our returning Council members: Councillor Bob Fearnley, Councillor Craig Keating and Councillor Pam Bookham, and I welcome our newly elected members - Councillor Rod Clark who is returning to Council, Councillor Mary Trentadue and Councillor Guy Heywood. I am confident that this Council will ensure a successful and productive term of office, which as always, is supported tremendously by the assistance of all City staff.

I recognize the dedication and achievements of three members of Council ending their terms of civic duty: first, thank you to former Councillor Barbara Perrault for her work and achievements over 18 years of dedication and service to our community; secondly, thank you to former Councillor Bob Heywood for his commitment and dedication over six years to our community, and then, thank you to former Councillor Sam Schechter for his enthusiasm and dedication to this community over the past three years. Best wishes to all three as they move on to new challenges and opportunities.

I also wish to thank the Honourable Mr. Justice Robert J. Bauman for performing the swearing-in ceremony, Pastor Major Lynn Grice of the North Vancouver Salvation Army Community Church; the RCMP Color Guards, Constable Patti Barberie and Constable David Townsend, the City of North Vancouver Fire & Rescue Color Guards, Firefighters Derek Dickson and John Sommers, and JP Fell Piper Don McPhee.

Over the last three years, the City has accomplished much especially in becoming a more sustainable community for which the City was honoured to receive the Green City Award in 2007 from Premier Gordon Campbell. This term, Council is committed to building a more environmentally sound, fiscally responsible and socially sustainable community, a community where the benefits are shared by all.

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5. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS - Continued**

Environmentally Sound

The City continues to be the regional leader in pro-active municipal environmental initiatives to address the issue of climate change. We have already engaged in a comprehensive strategic approach towards sustainability, adopting a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver standard, or higher, for all new civic buildings in our city. The new City Library is a sustainable green building for which we hope to receive LEED gold designation.

To reduce our greenhouse gas emissions, the City Library uses solar hot water for heating and geothermal cooling. It is the first building to be connected to the central Lonsdale grid of Lonsdale Energy Corporation (LEC), the City's district energy system, and we look forward to the buildings under construction being connected to this innovative and award-winning system.

We anticipate that the City will receive Provincial and Federal funding for LEC's Central Lonsdale Area Expansion Project. This project, if approved, will not cost the City any funds but will include the construction of a section of LEC's distribution network on Lonsdale Avenue between 11th Street and 17th Street. This will link to our existing Civic Centre mini-plant, as well as the construction of a smaller section of the network between the former Lonsdale School site and the Harry Jerome Recreation complex.

Over the next three years we will continue to be innovative with the LEC district energy system. With the LEC successes and partnerships to date, the opportunity exists for more innovation. It's difficult to finance new technical energy innovations piecemeal, building by building. So if we link the buildings together through LEC, as we have done in the City Hall precinct, the energy innovations become affordable for the benefit of all. Next on the horizon for LEC is investigating the use of electrical high-efficiency boilers, heat pumps and ocean cooling.

Other areas of energy efficiency are using alternative vehicle fuels such as bio-diesel and hybrids in the municipal fleet. I have already challenged our staff to allow battery-powered vehicles on the road as soon as possible and was pleased to see that our new parking structure at City Hall has electricity readily available for these vehicles, as well as power installed in the new bicycle rooms.

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5. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS - Continued**

The City recognizes that the key to sustainability is integrating many community interests such as livability, affordability, energy efficiency and convenience. Founded on the City's principles of sustainability, the City's Official Community Plan (OCP) outlines the City's long-term vision and balances the social, environmental and economic needs of our community. The OCP has provided us with the vision for us to become a leader and an award-winning City.

The City's new transportation strategy is nestled within the City Vision for sustainable growth and change. It will advance sustainability by complementing compact, mixed land use with efficient use of key transportation corridors for the mobility of people, goods and services. Getting people out of their cars and onto public transit or walking will benefit local business as well as promote healthy lifestyles.

A focus on walking, transit, and cycling improvements will further reduce our carbon footprint which is already measured at 4.4 Tonnes per person per year which is less than the national average of 24 Tonnes per person. Also, the City's support of programs that engage our citizens in urban gardening and growing food close to home reap great benefits. Our residents and businesses in the City are already leading the way in reducing our carbon footprint and the City strives to continue to take a leadership role in this regard.

Fiscal Responsibility

North Vancouver has experienced a period of unprecedented growth and renewal. Going forward, Council will continue to focus on maintaining our financial stability in the face of economic pressures in the marketplace so that our current sound fiscal status remains intact. While we are not immune to the world-wide recession, the City has no debts, has substantial financial reserves, and will continue to maintain and upgrade our essential services infrastructure. Through prudent fiscal management and a willingness to seek out creative funding solutions we will maintain this enviable status. The City has a Long Term Property Tax Strategy. This strategy will be reviewed and our overall strategic direction will be pursued when Council meets to prepare the 2009 Annual Budget.

The City is ready to partner with the Federal Government on future initiatives to get the economy moving such as infrastructure projects. We are up to the challenge and will act swiftly to assist them by fast tracking some capital projects. Already, we have had meetings with the Federal Government on the North Shore Trade Area study which we anticipate will improve road and rail transportation networks for our industries in the Port.

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5. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS - Continued**

We would like to continue to move forward with several major projects such as the development of the City's waterfront, National Maritime Centre and the Spirit Trail. These initiatives will require a great deal of creativity, partnerships, planning and public consultation.

We hope to receive full Federal funding for the National Maritime Centre which will create major employment opportunities for our residents and valuable construction employment. The Province has already granted us \$9 million unconditional funding to continue our study, and have committed further funding, contingent on a commitment from the Federal government, to help us realize our vision of a National Maritime Centre.

The City continues to build an excellent network of parks and trails and we look forward to the development of the City's portion of the Spirit Trail for which we have received funding commitment from the provincial government. In partnership with the Squamish Nation, the first segment of the Waterfront Trail in the Mission Reserve was completed in 2008, graced by a public art gateway featuring a Coast Salish theme.

The City continues to explore areas where cost savings can be realized through joint services with our neighbouring North Shore municipalities in order to better serve our community and increase efficiencies wherever possible. We will work to expand our relationship and seek partnerships with all levels of government to ensure that the City is recognized and supported on important issues.

We also look forward to continuing the great working relationship that we have developed with the Squamish Nation whose historic Mission Reserve sits within the City along Burrard Inlet. Over the past three years, the Squamish Nation and the City have signed agreements to work more closely together.

Socially Sustainable

The City is committed to supporting community initiatives and providing services that not only promote the well-being of our residents, but also contribute to a more sustainable future. We have heard from our citizens repeatedly that the issues of affordable housing and homelessness are top priorities, as they are across our region and the province.

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5. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS - Continued**

The City has a history of caring for people and this Council will continue to do so. Within our small municipality we accommodate a wide range of people with different incomes, housing needs, cultures and abilities. We are proud of our diversity and will continue to work with all sectors of our community to further accessibility. In addition, we are committed to working to retain City rental housing stock and tackle affordability issues. Recent affordable rental housing successes like St. Andrew's Place for seniors and Chesterfield House for people with mental illness are the result of the City working in partnership with the non-profit sector and senior levels government. We will continue to pursue opportunities with the Provincial and Federal governments on future joint partnership projects.

North Vancouver is recognized for our healthy residents and active lifestyle and providing appropriate recreational programs is at the heart of our commitment to a healthy community. Our challenge is to continue to support healthy living with recreation facilities that meet residents' needs and are affordable. We will work closely with our partners, the District of North Vancouver and through the North Vancouver Recreation Commission, to deliver on this quality of life priority.

The new City Library which opened this Fall has been a resounding success. Users of the library have doubled and circulation has increased by 75%. The library is a destination for our community to come to read, study and meet. Our state of the art technology for circulation and inventory control has enabled us to handle the additional circulation with a minimal staff increase.

The City has a highly competent and professional group of public safety staff. The Fire and Rescue Department, the Police, and the Emergency Management Office are among the best public safety professionals in the Province. Starting in the New Year we will welcome the new Officer in Charge to our RCMP detachment. Superintendent Tonia Enger comes to us with vast experience in critical areas of policing which are so important to us. We look forward to drawing on her public safety experience as we continue with our review of policing needs for the North Shore.

The City also supports emergency resources for the North Shore, including the new emergency ward as well as a new ambulance station for North Shore paramedics, to be located at Lions Gate Hospital.

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5. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS - Continued**

As British Columbia prepares to welcome the world for the 2010 Winter Olympics, we are already working on opportunities in support of our Economic Development Strategy. We plan to welcome athletes and visitors alike to our beautiful City and make this their central meeting place between Whistler and Vancouver, with a potential transit hub in upper Lonsdale, cruise ship accommodation at the Pier, and an entertainment and relaxation venue in Lower Lonsdale at the future site of the National Maritime Centre.

Conclusion

Over the next three years, we will do our utmost as a Council to provide a clear vision for our future while addressing the pressing concerns of our citizens. We aspire to be an even more sustainable City and lead the way in being environmentally sound, fiscally responsible and socially sustainable.

To close, I want to re-affirm to our citizens that under my leadership, Council and City Hall will continue to be open and responsive to our citizens, and actively encourage public consultation.

I will continue to create an inclusive and welcoming environment at City Hall and within Council Chambers, and I encourage all members of the public to take advantage of the opportunities to provide public input.

We have much to accomplish in this term and we will do so by working together for the benefit of our citizens.”

Moved by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Keating

THAT the Mayor's address be received and entered in the Minutes of the Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

.1 Finance Committee

All Members of Council
Mayor D.R. Mussatto (Chair)
Alternate Chair: Acting Mayor

.2 Policy Committee

All Members of Council

For Alternating Chair:

Councillor R.C. Clark December - January
Councillor C.R. Keating February - March
Councillor P.J. Bookham April – May
Councillor R.G. Heywood June – July
Councillor M.L. Trentadue August - September
Councillor R.J. Fearnley October - November

(In the event the Chair is either absent or unable to act, the member of Council appointed as Chair for the preceding period will be the Chair.)

.3 Parks And Recreation Committee

All Members of Council

For Alternating Chair:

Councillor R.C. Clark December - January
Councillor C.R. Keating February - March
Councillor P.J. Bookham April – May
Councillor R.G. Heywood June – July
Councillor M.L. Trentadue August - September
Councillor R.J. Fearnley October - November

(In the event the Chair is either absent or unable to act, the member of Council appointed as Chair for the preceding period will be the Chair.)

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the appointments to the Finance Committee, the Policy Committee and the Parks and Recreation Committee for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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6. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS** - Continued

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BODIES

.1 **MANAGEMENT BODIES** (Appointed Council members actively participate as a full voting member)

.1 **North Vancouver City Library Board**

Councillor M.L. Trentadue

.2 **Gardens Review Board – Park & Tilford Gardens**

Councillor P.J. Bookham
Manager, Parks & Environment

.3 **Labour Relations Steering Committee**

City Manager (Chair)
Director of Human Resources

.4 **Street Naming Committee**

Councillor R.J. Fearnley (Chair)
Mayor D.R. Mussatto
Councillor C.R. Keating
City Manager

Moved by Councillor Keating, seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the appointments to MANAGEMENT BODIES (Appointed Council members actively participate as a full voting member) for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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6. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS** - Continued

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BODIES - Continued

.2 MANAGEMENT BODIES (Appointed Council members actively participate as a non- voting member)

.1 John Braithwaite Community Centre Governance Committee

Councillor C.R. Keating

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Heywood

THAT the appointment to MANAGEMENT BODIES (Appointed Council members actively participate as a non-voting member) for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

.3 ADVISORY BODIES, SOCIETAL BODIES (Appointed Council members sit in a non-voting role to these bodies and attend regularly)

.1 Advisory Design Panel

Councillor M.L. Trentadue

.2 Advisory Planning Commission

Councillor R.G. Heywood

.3 Cemetery Advisory Board

Councillor R.G. Heywood

.4 City of North Vancouver Heritage Advisory Commission

Councillor M.L. Trentadue

.5 Parks and Environment Advisory Committee

Councillor C.R. Keating

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6. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS - Continued

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BODIES - Continued

.6 Social Planning Advisory Committee

Councillor C.R. Keating

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Bookham

THAT the appointments to ADVISORY BODIES, SOCIETAL BODIES (Appointed Council members sit in a non-voting role to these bodies and attend regularly) for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES AND AGENCIES WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES

.1 MANAGEMENT BODIES (Appointed Council Members actively participate as a full voting member)

.1 Joint Use of Public Facilities Planning Committee

Councillor C.R. Keating

.2 Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee

Councillor R.J. Fearnley
City Manager

**.3 North Vancouver Police Management Committee
(City of North Vancouver & District of North Vancouver)**

Mayor D.R. Mussatto
Councillor R.J. Fearnley
City Manager

.4 North Shore Emergency Management Office Executive Committee

Councillor P.J. Bookham
Councillor R.J. Fearnley (Alternate)

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6. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS - Continued**

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES AND AGENCIES WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES - Continued

- .5 **North Shore Family Court & Youth Justice Committee**
Councillor R.C. Clark
- .6 **North Shore Neighbourhood House**
Councillor P.J. Bookham
- .7 **North Shore Substance Abuse Working Group**
Councillor R.J. Fearnley
- .8 **North Vancouver Museum and Archives Commission**
Councillor P.J. Bookham
- .9 **North Vancouver Recreation Commission**
Councillor R.J. Fearnley
Councillor R.C. Clark
- .10 **North Shore 2010 Leadership Committee**
Mayor D.R. Mussatto

- .2 **ADVISORY BODIES, SOCIETAL BODIES (Appointed Council Members act in non-voting role to these bodies and attend regularly)**
 - .1 **North Vancouver Joint Bicycle Advisory Committee**
Councillor R.G. Heywood
 - .2 **Vancouver Coastal Health/North Shore Local Governance Liaison Group**
Councillor R.J. Fearnley

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6. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS - Continued**

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES AND AGENCIES WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM OTHER MUNICIPALITIES - Continued

.3 North Vancouver Chamber of Commerce

Councillor R.G. Heywood

.4 North Vancouver Community Arts Council

Councillor M.L. Trentadue

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Keating

THAT the appointments to the MANAGEMENT BODIES (Appointed Council Members actively participate as a full voting member) and to the ADVISORY BODIES, SOCIETAL BODIES (Appointed Council Members act in non-voting role to these bodies and do attend regularly) for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADVISORY BODIES, SOCIETAL BODIES, MANAGEMENT BODIES

**North Shore Advisory Committee on Disability Issues
Sports Walk of Fame Steering Committee
Waterfront Industrial Noise Control Committee**

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the Council appointments to the North Shore Advisory Committee on Disability Issues, the Sports Walk of Fame Steering Committee and the Waterfront Industrial Noise Control Committee be determined after further information is received from staff;

AND THAT an expanded Terms of Reference for the Waterfront Industrial Noise Control Committee be drafted by staff for Council's review at a future date.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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6. **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS - Continued**

APPOINTMENTS TO METRO VANCOUVER

- .1 Metro Vancouver Greater Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors, Sewerage and Drainage, and Water Districts.**

Mayor D.R. Mussatto
Councillor C.R. Keating (Alternate)

Moved by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Trentadue

THAT Mayor D.R. Mussatto, Director and Councillor C.R. Keating (Alternate) be appointed to the Metro Vancouver Greater Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors, Sewerage and Drainage, and Water Districts for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- .2 Metro Vancouver Greater Vancouver Regional District Labour Relations Bureau**

Councillor R.C. Clark
City Manager (Labour Relations Administrative Committee)

Moved by Councillor Trentadue, seconded by Councillor Fearnley

THAT Councillor R.C. Clark (Labour Relations Committee) and the City Manager (Labour Relations Administrative Committee) be appointed to the Metro Vancouver Greater Vancouver Regional District Labour Relations Bureau for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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6. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS - Continued

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYORS

Councillor R.C. Clark December - January
Councillor C.R. Keating February - March
Councillor P.J. Bookham April – May
Councillor R.G. Heywood June – July
Councillor M.L. Trentadue August - September
Councillor R.J. Fearnley October - November

(In the event the Mayor and Acting Mayor are either absent or unable to act, the Member of Council appointed as Acting Mayor for the preceding period will be the Acting Mayor.)

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Keating

THAT the appointments of the Acting Mayors for the period December 1, 2008 through December 7, 2009 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPOINTMENTS TO PARCEL TAX ROLL REVIEW PANEL

All Members of Council

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT all Members of Council be appointed to the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel for the purpose of considering and dealing with Frontage Tax Assessment Rolls in connection with Local Improvement Projects.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Fearnley, seconded by Councillor Clark

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.