

MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 29, 2019 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers, Langley City Hall 20399 Douglas Crescent

Present: Mayor van den Broek

Councillor Albrecht
Councillor James
Councillor Martin
Councillor Pachal
Councillor Storteboom
Councillor Wallace

Staff Present: R. Beddow, Deputy Director of Development Services and

Economic Development

R. Bomhof, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment

G. Flack, Deputy Director of Corporate Services

K. Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community

Services

D. Leite, Director of Corporate Services

M. Power, Officer in Charge K. Kenney, Corporate Officer

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adoption of the April 29, 2019 Regular Agenda

MOVED BY Councillor Albrecht SECONDED BY Councillor James

THAT the April 29, 2019 agenda be adopted as circulated.

<u>CARRIED</u>

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2019

MOVED BY Councillor Albrecht SECONDED BY Councillor Pachal

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 8, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

b. Special (Pre-Closed) Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2019

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal SECONDED BY Councillor Albrecht

THAT the minutes of the special (pre-closed) meeting held on April 8, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

c. Public Hearing Minutes from April 8, 2019

MOVED BY Councillor James SECONDED BY Councillor Pachal

THAT the minutes of the public hearing meeting held on April 8, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

a. City of Langley Audit Report

Darrin Leite, Director of Corporate Services presented highlights of the 2018 Consolidated Financial Statements.

In response to a question from a member of Council, staff confirmed that the \$26 million dollars in reserve funds are available to be used for capital projects and although the City has \$297 million dollars in accumulated surplus it also has approximately \$258 million worth of infrastructure for which the City is responsible for maintaining and which has grown by an additional \$8 million dollars.

Kristine Simpson, CPA, CA - BDO Canada LLP spoke to the Audit Report and Audit process.

1. Admin Report - 2018 Consolidated Financial Statements

MOVED BY Councillor Albrecht SECONDED BY Councillor James

THAT City Council approve the 2018 Consolidated Financial Statements.

4. **COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHTS**

a. RCMP Quarterly Update

Supt. Murray Power, Officer in Charge provided information on various areas of policing, including:

- statistics on property offences, personal offences and drug offences for the period April 2018 to mid-March 2019;
- a day in the life of a Police Officer:
 - briefings held throughout the day to update each shift on events, training;
 - gearing up with their equipment;
 - o pre-trip inspection of police vehicle;
 - o use of records management system for each police file
 - o process used in responding to a domestic violence call;
 - dispatch que coded per priority;
 - o types of incidents responded to by frontline Police Officers.

In response to questions from Council, Supt. Power advised that:

- suspicious activity calls are prioritized by such factors as timing of the event and level of suspicion;
- based on the statistics, Langley City is a safe community.

Supt. Power advising that random stranger crime events are few, noting that aggravated assaults, which according to the statistics have only a .03 percent chance of occurring in the City of Langley, usually occur between people who know each other.

Supt. Power further noted that volunteers are needed for various RCMP programs and encouraged interested individuals to apply for volunteer positions with the RCMP.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meeting – May 13, 2019 Regular Council Meeting – May 27, 2019

b. Recreation Update

Kim Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture & Community Services provided an update on upcoming special events and programs for April as follows:

Events

- Youth Week May 1 Geocache Treasure Hunt, grades 6-12 students
- Youth Week May 2 Paint Party and Free Dinner, ages 12-14
- Youth Week May 3 Hawaii on Ice Teen Skate, grades 6-12 students
- Youth Week May 4 Glow Dance Party, grades 6-12 students
- Langley Walk May 5
- Youth Week May 6 & 7 3 VS 3 Basketball Tourney
- Move for Health Day May 10
- Tri-it 2019 June 9

Programs

- Pool Opening May 10
- Spring /Summer edition of Recreation Guide available
- Home Alone Program May 3, Ages 10-14
- Teen Pump 3 classes, Ages 13-16
- Learn to Play Pickleball 4 classes, Ages 19+
- Tri-it training, 8 classes, Ages 15+
- Family Art Drop-in, May 5, All ages
- Gentle Yoga, 8 classes, Ages 14+

c. Discover Langley City - Councillor Albrecht

Update for April:

Minutes from March Board Meeting

Kristina delivered the DLC Update with the following highlights:

- We have applied to Canada Summer Jobs for two positions to hire summer staff to act as DLC Ambassadors, attend events, etc. We will know if we are successful in the coming weeks.
- We have signed up with West Coast Foods, which is an initiative to build the brand of the lower mainland as a culinary hub. There are eight other communities involved, and the target markets for this are the Okanagan, the Fraser Valley and South Vancouver Island.
- We are still looking for prizes for the spin-to-win wheel
- Our new marketing campaign will include printed materials (restaurant guide, attractions guide, map) and videos. Most of these should be ready for the AGM in May.

Brand Strategy

The brand strategy is complete and has been submitted to a lawyer for trademark protection. The strategy is our story of what Langley City is and a guide to our marketing efforts. These will be realized through videos, guides, and imagery.

Stay tuned for the reveal!

Canadian Festival of Chili and BBQ

DLC has been reaching out to media with a press release to raise the profile of the event via news outlets including local newspapers, radio, Daily Hive and social media promotions.

Online marketing includes:

Google AdWords has so far had 14,046 impressions on search results. Facebook boosted posts have reached 12,548 people

Tear Off Map

Another resource we are creating is a tear off map. It will feature a map of Langley City on one side, that is clear enough to be used for wayfinding, and the other side will feature a map of the lower mainland.

Distribution will include accommodations, City Hall, and service stations and DLC will hand out at community events.

DLC is in the process of selling advertising on the tear off map and will begin production once all 16 spots have been spoken for.

Hungry Restaurant Guide

Hot off the presses, the first round of our new restaurant guide has been distributed.

The brochure is made from heavy card stock and has 4 pages of listings. It is good quality, which we hope will encourage people to save it as a resource to use repeatedly.

We intend to update it quarterly or as needed.

Restaurants were chosen based on consumer reviews on Google, Facebook, Trip Advisor and Yelp, as well as our food stakeholders.

This is something the accommodation providers have been asking for and they were thrilled to receive it.

Distribution includes accommodations, City Hall, and the Library. They will be handed out at events throughout the summer.

Website Update

Keeping the DLC website up to date is ongoing. As DLC gets new information, and find new attractions, they are being added. We particularly want to keep the festivals and events page current as we recognize that as our best opportunity to attract visitors.

Search Engine Optimization

DLC has introduces a new search engine optimization module to the website making it easier for our content to show up in search results. We are finding DLC content is consistently showing up on the front page and will only improve with time.

Google AdWords

As a complement to DLC's SEO, DLC has invested in Google AdWords to ensure we show up at the top of search results with paid advertising. The results so far are impressive. In the first 10 days of April, DLC has 15,411 impressions.

Stakeholder Engagement 46 Stakeholders

In response to questions from a Council member, Councillor Albrecht advised that stakeholders are individuals that are partnering with DLC to promote their businesses in the city and it's DLC's intent to reach out with social media to interested parties outside the city.

d. Local Government Awareness Day – Mayor van den Broek

Mayor van den Broek thanked everyone involved in organizing and volunteering for Local Government Awareness Day which was held at City Hall on April 24th and which 300 Langley students attended.

6. BYLAWS

a. Bylaw 3098 - Zoning Amendment Bylaw and Development Permit No. 19-

Third reading of a bylaw to rezone properties located at 19920, 19930, 19940, 19950, 19960, 19970 55A Avenue to accommodate a 4 storey, 80-unit condominium development

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal SECONDED BY Councillor Storteboom

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 161, 2019, No. 3098" be read a third time.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED Councillor Storteboom, as the Chair of the Advisory Planning Commission, advised that this development application was reviewed by the Commission and was accepted with two additional recommendations from the Commission to rough in the entire parking garage for electric vehicle charging stations and to have a disabled parking stall in the underground parking stall by the elevator, both of which were incorporated into the building design by the applicant.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

b. Bylaw 3101 - Zoning Amendment Bylaw

First and second reading of a bylaw to rezone properties located at 20755, 20765 Douglas Crescent and 5453 – 208 Street to accommodate a 4 storey, 34-unit condominium apartment development

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal SECONDED BY Councillor Storteboom

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 162, 2019, No. 3101" be read a first time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 162, 2019, No. 3101" be read a second time.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED in response to a question from a Council member, the Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment advised that he would find out whether curb bulges will be configured on frontage of this development similar to the curb bulges located on the south side at the intersection of Douglas and 208 Street.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

c. Bylaw 3102 - Tax Rate Bylaw

Final reading of a bylaw to levy property value taxes for municipal purposes for the year 2019

MOVED BY Councillor James SECONDED BY Councillor Pachal

THAT the bylaw cited as "2019 Tax Rates Bylaw, 2019 No. 3102" be read a final time.

d. Bylaw 3104 - 2018-2022 Financial Plan Amendment

First, second and third reading of a bylaw to amend 2018-2022 Financial Plan Bylaw

The Director of Corporate Services advised that a corrected version of the bylaw was circulated on table to Council which adds to Schedule B of the bylaw two capital improvement projects for which the City received grants.

MOVED BY Councillor Wallace SECONDED BY Councillor Albrecht

THAT Council waive the 24 hour notice requirement to allow for consideration of corrected Bylaw No. 3104 replacing the bylaw contained in the agenda package.

<u>CARRIED</u>

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal SECONDED BY Councillor Wallace

THAT the bylaw cited as "Financial Plan 2018 – 2022 Bylaw, 2018, No. 3051, Amendment No. 3 Bylaw, 3104 be read a first time.

THAT the bylaw cited as "Financial Plan 2018 – 2022 Bylaw, 2018, No. 3051, Amendment No. 3 Bylaw, 3104 be read a second time.

THAT the bylaw cited as "Financial Plan 2018 – 2022 Bylaw, 2018, No. 3051, Amendment No. 3 Bylaw, 3104 be read a third time.

<u>CARRIED</u>

7. COMMITTEE REPORT

a. Crime Prevention Task Group Recommendation - Funding Request

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal SECONDED BY Mayor van den Broek

THAT Council provide up to \$500 from the Enterprise Fund to the Crime Prevention Task Group, to fund the purchase of a prize to use as an incentive to recruit volunteers, to go door to door promoting crime prevention during the 2019 "Know Your Neighbour Campaign".

CARRIED

Councillor Martin opposed

8. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS</u>

a. Out of Province Conference Request - Director of Engineering, Parks & Environment and Manager of Engineering Operations

MOVED BY Councillor Wallace SECONDED BY Councillor Albrecht

THAT the Director of Engineering, Parks & Environment and Manager, Engineering Operations be approved to attend the Public Works Conference and Exhibition (PWX) in Seattle, Washington, from Sept 8 to Sept 11, 2019.

CARRIED

9. <u>NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

- a. Motions/Notices of Motion
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities Election to the Board of Directors

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal SECONDED BY Councillor Albrecht

THAT the resolution adopted at the January 14, 2019 Regular Council meeting with respect to endorsing Mayor Val van den Broek to stand for election on FCM's Board of Directors be amended by replacing the previous resolution wording with the following to correctly reflect the duration of the appointment:

"WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interest of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM's Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the prestige required to carry the municipal message to the federal government; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the City of Langley endorse Mayor Val van den Broek to stand for election on FCM's Board of Directors for the period starting in June 2019 and ending June 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with the City's Travel and Expense Policy, the City assumes all costs associated

with Mayor Val van den Broek attending FCM's Board of Directors meetings."

CARRIED

Councillor Storteboom opposed

b. Correspondence

1. BC Families for Inclusivity

Ban Conversion Therapy

MOVED BY Councillor Martin SECONDED BY Councillor Wallace

THAT the correspondence from B.C. Families for Inclusivity dated December 21, 2018 regarding a request to consider banning Conversion Therapy in the City of Langley be received for information.

CARRIED

2. City of Maple Ridge

Support to Advocate to the Province of BC for Local Government Autonomy

MOVED BY Councillor Martin SECONDED BY Councillor Albrecht

THAT the correspondence from the City of Maple Ridge dated April 5, 2019 regarding a request to pass a resolution on the importance of local government autonomy and to forward a copy of the resolution to Premier Horgan and the UBCM be received for information.

CARRIED

c. New Business

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY Councillor James SECONDED BY Councillor Wallace

THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:12 pm.

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MAYOR	
CORPORATE OFFICER	