



MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, February 8, 2021

3:00 p.m.

Remote Video / Teleconference

Present: Mayor van den Broek
Councillor Albrecht
Councillor James
Councillor Martin
Councillor Pachal
Councillor Storteboom
Councillor Wallace

Staff Present: F. Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer
R. Bomhof, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment
K. Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services
C. Johannsen, Director of Development Services
S. Kennedy, Acting Fire Chief
D. Leite, Director of Corporate Services
G. Flack, Deputy Director of Corporate Services
H. Gill, Manager of Engineering
K. Kenney, Corporate Officer

Mayor van den Broek acknowledged that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

1. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- a. Adoption of the February 8, 2021 Regular Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the February 8, 2021 agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

A Committee of the Whole meeting provides Council the opportunity to hear input from the public and allows Council a greater opportunity to speak to and debate specific agenda items.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council commence the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

a. Bylaw 3151 - 2021 - 2025 Financial Plan Bylaw

Darrin Leite, Director of Corporate Services provided an overview of the proposed 2021-2025 Financial Plan advising that it reflects a balance between supporting the community during the pandemic and moving forward with the City's Nexus of Community Plan in preparation for the eventual arrival of SkyTrain to Langley City.

Mayor van den Broek asked if any correspondence had been received with respect to the proposed Bylaw. The Corporate Officer advised that no correspondence had been received.

Mayor van den Broek invited members of the public in attendance a to provide comments or questions on the Financial Plan Bylaw.

There were no speakers.

In response to a question from a member of Council, Mr. Bomhoff advised the \$80,000 in the budget for Christmas decorations is intended to be used to expand festive lighting on the one-way, McBurney Plaza and Douglas Park.

IT WAS MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council rise and report.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes from January 25, 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 25, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

- b. Public Hearing Minutes from January 25, 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the public hearing held on January 25, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- a. Bylaw 3151 - 2021 - 2025 Financial Plan Bylaw

Third reading of a bylaw to adopt the Financial Plan for 2021 - 2025

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Financial Plan 2021 – 2025 Bylaw, 2021, No. 3151" be read a third time.

CARRIED

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

- a. Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meeting – February 22, 2021

Regular Council Meeting – March 8, 2021

- b. Library Happenings - Councillor Martin

Councillor Martin, member of the Fraser Valley Regional Library Board, provided an update on recent City of Langley Library activities as follows:

- Launch of the first phase of live interactive programming on Zoom
- City of Langley Library partnering in the Langley Literacy Network's Family Scavenger Hunt
- FVRL's 1000 Stories Before Kindergarten program

- Favourite fandoms online contest
- Freedom to Read Week Feb 21-27 – February Reading List of challenged books

In response to a question from a Council member, Councillor Martin advised that extending the current operating hours by an hour is a first step to gradually returning to its regular hours.

c. Engineering Update

Rick Bomhof, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment provided an update on departmental activities, providing information on the following:

- City Park Shelters
- Anti-slip treads added to McBurney Plaza decking
- New vandal resistant doors – Portage Park
- Large tree fall in City Park and Sendall Gardens; limbs of City Park tree will be used to make railing at Sendall Park
- Holiday Lights to stay up until week of February 15
- Pedestrian improvements at 56 Ave. and Bypass
- Water meter replacement program
- Traffic control box wrap at 204 St. and 53 Ave.
- New chlorine analyser at reservoir site
- Reservoir control valve maintenance
- Pedestrian Bridge project at Portage Park.

In response to questions from Council members, Mr. Bomhof advised that:

- there are three picnic shelters being built at City Park;
- all the Holiday lights will be removed with the exception of lights in the oak trees at Innes Plaza;
- the Portage Park pedestrian bridge will need to be removed so the existing paint can be taken off and the bridge re-painted as this work cannot be done over the river;
- the decking for the Portage Park pedestrian bridge is wood; staff can ensure a slip resistant surface is applied.

6. BYLAWS

a. Bylaw 3146 - Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw

Third reading of a bylaw to amend City of Langley Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2005, No. 2600 (20689 and 20699 Eastleigh Crescent)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as “City of Langley Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2005, No. 2600 Amendment No. 11, 2020, No. 3146” be read a third time.

CARRIED

b. Bylaw 3147 - Zoning Amendment and Development Permit No. 05-20

Third reading of a bylaw to rezone properties located at 20689 and 20699 Eastleigh Crescent to accommodate a 6-storey, 88-unit apartment development

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the “Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 171, 2020, No. 3147” be read a third time.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED, in response to questions from a Council member, staff advised that:

- a 1.8 wide sidewalk will be built with a full barrier curb to prevent cars from parking on the sidewalk;
- the developer is required to provide, for approval by staff, a construction management plan prior to commencement of construction on the site; the developer has stated that off-street parking will be provided for trades working on the site;
- the developer will have signage posted on site with contact information to enable residents to call should they have any concerns about the construction; the City will also have contact information posted
- bylaws staff will investigate parking infractions upon complaint.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a. Fraser River Waterfront Revitalization Initiative

Francis Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer spoke to his report dated January 28, 2021.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

1. THAT City Council decline the request from the Surrey Board of Trade to participate in the Fraser River Revitalization Project Working Group at this time; and
2. THAT City Council decline the request from the Surrey Board of Trade to contribute financially toward the Fraser River Waterfront Revitalization project budget.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED, in response to a question from a Council member, Mr. Cheung advised that if the motion passes, staff will provide correspondence to the Surrey Board of Trade explaining Council's decision.

Separation of the question was requested.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED on the following motion:

"THAT City Council decline the request from the Surrey Board of Trade to participate in the Fraser River Revitalization Project Working Group at this time."

and the motion was

CARRIED

Opposed: Mayor van den Broek

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED on the following motion:

"THAT City Council decline the request from the Surrey Board of Trade to contribute financially toward the Fraser River Waterfront Revitalization project budget."

and the motion was

CARRIED

8. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Motions/Notices of Motion

1. "Light Up" Policy Change Request - Motion from Mayor van den Broek

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT staff be directed to prepare a report to Council on implementation of a policy for the use of the Spirit Square lighting system in responding to requests to the City to light up outdoor City locations in recognition of various causes and occasions.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED, in response to questions from a Council member, Mr. Cheung advised that:

- these types of requests come through the Executive Assistant to the Mayor which are then discussed with staff;
- given that the City has a policy not to issue proclamations, and in the absence of a written policy on light display requests, to date these requests have been declined;
- staff can advise Council how many requests are received for these types of displays;
- staff will seek advice on whether there are any legal implications the City should be aware of in accommodating these types of requests.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

b. Correspondence

c. New Business

1. Release of Motion from Closed Meeting

The following motion was approved for public release at the January 25, 2021 Closed Meeting:

"THAT Council appoint the following people to the respective Board, Task Group or Committee for the indicated term:

Board of Variance – Three (3) year term:

1. Evan Williams

Environmental Task Group – One (1) year term:

1. Lisa Stevens

Crime Prevention Task Group – One (1) year term:

1. Nadia Gugubauer
2. Allen Yuarata

Arts & Culture Task Group – One (1) year term:

1. Michael Paylor

Youth Advisory Committee – One (1) year term:

1. Mary-Anne Brodie
2. Avery Frew"

2. MOTION TO HOLD A CLOSED MEETING

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Council Meeting immediately following this meeting be closed to the public as the subject matter being considered relates to items which comply with the following closed meeting criteria specified in Section 90 of the Community Charter:

(1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;

(j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

(2) A part of a council meeting must be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to one or more of the following:

(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

CARRIED

9. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 3:50pm.

CARRIED

Signed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER