



MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 26, 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
D. Leite, Director of Corporate Services
R. Thompson, Fire Chief
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 April 26, 2021 Regular Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approves changing the Order of Business of the agenda to have Delegations considered before the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT "RCMP OIC Interview and Selection Process" be added to the agenda under New and Unfinished Business.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the April 26, 2021 agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes from April 12, 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

- b. Public Hearing Meeting Minutes from April 12, 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the public hearing held on April 12, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

- a. Day of Mourning for Workers Killed and Injured on the Job - April 28

Cheryl Davies, member CUPE Local 1260 representing the New Westminster & District Labour Council provided a presentation on the Day of Mourning for Workers Killed and Injured on the Job, providing information as follows:

- as this marks the second year in which the Day of Mourning is taking place during a pandemic, they are taking time to remember every worker killed or injured by COVID-19 in the workplace and every worker and family impacted by the pandemic both at work and at home;
- the purpose of the day of mourning is two-fold: to remember workers killed or injured on the job and to work to prevent future injuries through education;
- the pandemic has exposed the lack of protection for workers; evidence from across the country and around the world demonstrates that the virus is spreading at workplaces, not only in health and care settings, but also at factories, farm work, food

- processing, warehouses, schools, offices, transportation, and many other sectors;
- workers have the right to fight for access to protective equipment, COVID safe practices at work, paid sick leave, and respect for their basic health and safety rights;
 - the impact of the pandemic on workers has taken many forms:
 - workers on the frontline have had to adjust to newer strong health and safety protocols, including using masks and hand sanitizers in the workplace, working in new ways with new barriers or equipment in place for their protection and that of their patients, customers, co-workers, and students;
 - there is not one job or task that has been performed in the last year that has not been changed, sometimes drastically in some way; and the burden of adjusting to the new reality, at times under enormous pressure or stress, has fallen on workers;
 - less visible but also dangerous for its long-term effects is the stress of the pandemic that it's put on workers;
 - frontline workers face the stress of knowing that by going to work they risk exposing themselves and their families to a deadly virus;
 - they have faced uncertainty around world-wide supply chains and availability of necessary protective personal equipment, local transit and transportation networks that they rely on to get them to and from work have also been impacted by the pandemic;
 - frontline workers face mental health injuries from the illness and loss they see daily as a part of their jobs;
 - those who aren't able to work from home are also coping with stress, balancing work and home life;
 - the sudden transition to working from home has meant adjusting to a lack of equipment, lack of proper spaces dedicated to work, and lack of ergonomically appropriate workstations that protect against long term impacts from repetitive strain, eye, and other injuries;
 - those living alone face increased isolation being cut off from coworkers, and those with families have had to balance workspaces and worktime with family needs;
 - workers in industries like hospitality have been hit hard by reductions and closures and have had stress from underemployment or unemployment, struggling to pay bills, and support, house, and feed their families;
 - women and workers of colour have been hit the hardest by these closures and must be a priority for these recoveries;
 - stress and uncertainty have also led to a rise in domestic and intimate partner violence;

- there is no doubt there will be long-term mental health impacts from isolation and stress caused by the pandemic;
- the labour movement is calling on employers and leaders of every level of government to learn the lessons of this pandemic and ensure we have a just, fair, and healthy recovery and is asking that:
 - employers to work with Health and Safety Committees and representatives to ensure safe and healthy working conditions, ensure all workers have access to free PPE, training and paid sick days so they can stay home when they are ill and not risk exposing co-workers and their communities;
 - federal, provincial, and territorial governments to ensure every worker has seamless access to universal, permanent and adequate paid sick leave so no one has to choose between going to work sick and getting a paycheck; being able to stay home when you are sick is fundamental in reducing workplace exposures and illness.
 - enforce workplace safety provisions, including the right to refuse unsafe work and deliver on the promise that worksafe health and safety is recognized as a fundamental right at work at the International Labour Organization this year;
 - as local leaders, ensure that senior levels of government hear your voices to ensure we all emerge from this pandemic with healthy and safe recovery for workers, our families and our communities.

Ms. Davies invited Council to join the New Westminster & District Labour Council for observance of the Day of Mourning for Workers Killed and Injured on the Job on Wednesday April 28 at 7:00 pm via Zoom and advised that everyone can help make a difference by safety conscious support, accountability measures, and health and safety education in your workplaces.

In response to questions from Council members Ms. Davies advised that:

- Council could help in this cause by lobbying other levels of government for more PPE and paid sick days for workers
- the Langley School District has been supporting the mental health of their employees through the pandemic by providing mental health and wellness activities.

4. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council commence the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

a. Anti-Human Trafficking Campaign

Cathy Peters, BC Anti-Human Trafficking Educator, Speaker, Advocate, who was invited back to Council to provide a more in-depth presentation to Council on the issue of human sex trafficking taking place in BC and across Canada, provided information as follows:

- she has mailed information packages to every City Council (190), MLA (87) and MP (41) in BC in the last couple of months. In 2020, she mailed packages to every MP (338), Senator (105) and Premier and Attorney General (13) in Canada to raise awareness of this issue;
- she is making presentations on this issue to City Councils all over BC;
- there is no public awareness about this crime or issue in BC;
- this generation of youth and children are being aggressively targeted by an undeterred well-financed clandestine sex industry.
- Alberta, has a coordinated, multi-agency strategy to address human trafficking, a task force and a premier who has made this issue a top priority;
- Manitoba, Ontario and Nova Scotia have well-organized strategies and public awareness and are best practices;
- BC lags far behind and is therefore the best place to buy and sell women and children for sex in the country;
- She has continually asked to meet with members of the provincial government but has received no response;
- COVID has exacerbated the problem because children have more screen time and the luring is occurring online primarily;
- no community is immune;
- communities are quickly becoming unfit for families, youth, children and the vulnerable (especially Indigenous women and girls- they have no voice);
- this crime is lucrative; it is a low risk and high income (\$289,000-360,000 per victim per year). Crime follows the money;
- What do we do? 2 E's; Enforcement of the Federal Law and Education (Public awareness campaign) to the 3 P's; Politicians, Public and Police;

- Federal law – “The Protection of Communities and Exploited Persons Act” was passed in 2014 so that police would enforce it, so the public would understand it and be able to report it.

The Law (PCEPA) has 3 parts:

1. Targets the demand by targeting the buyer of sex. The predator, trafficker, pimp, facilitator, john, buyer of sex are criminalized
2. Recognizes the seller of sex as a victim; usually female and is not criminalized
3. Exit strategies are put in place to assist the victim out of the sex trade.

- The law focuses on the source of harm; the buyers of sex and profiteers. The clear statement from Parliament was that girls and women in Canada are NOT FOR SALE; that they are full human beings, with dignity and human rights;
- BC is not enforcing this law in its full intent. It is recognizing the sellers of sex as victims, and sellers are no longer criminalized. So, for victims that is a good thing, although many officers found it a useful tool to get the women and girls off the street with a chance for detox and a break from “the Life”; however, the buyers of sex can buy with impunity in BC. Sex buyers are not being targeted, although VPD did a sting in 2019, charging 47 men who were wanting to buy sex with underage girls. Those stings have since been on hold because of lack of necessary funding and support from the Vancouver City Council, who have a passive stance towards the sex industry;
- some sex traffickers have been charged, most notably Reza Moazami from North Vancouver who trafficked over 20 women and girls; 9 of them underage. He has the longest sentence in Canada at 23 years but is trying to lessen his sentence and get out.
- Vancouver is a port city and entry point into Canada, and along with Toronto is a global sex tourism destination. Vancouver has an out-of-control gang problem that is growing. Gangs are involved with human sex trafficking because it is lucrative;
- Canada is known as a Child Sex Tourism destination. Backgrounder is the TIP report (Trafficking in Persons) 2020 published by the USA State Department that researches most countries in the world and summarizes their response to Human Trafficking. While Canada is a Tier 1 country; it has problems that TIP specifically lists. MP Brad Vis sponsored a government petition for me that cites these gaps, however a Resolution at UBCM or FCM would go a long way to start to seriously address human sex trafficking;

- Contributing factors are globalization, unregulated technology, limited law enforcement and very little prevention education;
- The sex industry is growing fast, targeting children as children are where the money is, fueled by the internet where most of the luring is taking place;
- Statistics:
 - 13 years of age is the average age for recruitment into the sex industry, and is much younger for indigenous girls;
 - 54% are indigenous and are severely over-represented in the sex industry (it is 80% in the downtown east side);
 - 82% of those involved in prostitution experienced childhood sexual abuse or incest which is preparation for prostitution later on;
 - 72% live with PTSD;
 - 95% of those in prostitution want to leave – it is not a choice; it is not a job;
 - 86% have housing needs;
 - 82% need drug rehabilitation because drugs and the sex industry go together;
- What the City of Langley can do:
 - train business licensing staff on what to look for when granting business licenses to businesses such as:
 - unregistered massage and body rub parlours
 - nail spas
 - holistic health centres
 - day spas
 - modelling agencies
 - tattoo parlours
 - escort services
 - cheap bars and hotels
 - men's clubs
 - Airbnb and VRBO
 - casinos
 - strip clubs
 - organized crime club houses
 - truck stopsall of which can be covers for sex trafficking and exploitation;
- Ontario, in an effort to curb trafficking in hotels and motels, is mandating registration of every guest who is staying in the room, not just the individual who is paying for the room;

- the best model for addressing human sex trafficking in any community is a strong, compassionate, well supported law enforcement and an ongoing public awareness campaign;
- 24/7 wrap around services are needed to keep people out of the sex trade, otherwise they slip back into it. The best in North America is here in Vancouver; Deborah's Gate with the Salvation. They have a high success rate. Servants Anonymous and Covenant House provide those services;
- the key is to get people out of the sex industry so they can stay out. Prostituted persons stay in the industry because they see no way out. Drug detox is step one along with safe housing.
- reduce demand and diminish the supply:
 - reducing demand is done by undermining the businesses that promote the commercial sex industry.
 - diminishing the supply is done by education, public awareness and addressing root causes such as childhood sexual abuse and incest;
- excellent book on this is "Sex Industry Slavery- Protecting Canada's Youth" by Dr. Robert Christmas. Indigenous women and girls are being targeted specifically and aggressively by sex traffickers from Vancouver;
- Robert Pickton was a serial killer in Port Coquitlam and is the one example that should tell the public in BC that the sex industry is neither glamorous nor empowering for women. Public awareness is desperately needed for our Indigenous and some migrant communities who live with generational sexual trauma and complex PTSD;
- stopping the demand for paid sex is key;
- practically Indigenous women have been asking for Forensic Nurse training and rape kits in their communities. Fraser Health has one of the best forensic nurse programs in Canada. This health strategy has not been replicated in other health authorities in BC and should be;
- violent sexually explicit images or pornography fuel the sex industry. Men and boys are the key to end exploitation. VPD gave me this line: Every man and boy needs to understand there is a sacred part of the woman they have no right to;
- there is a "Boy Crisis" in our culture; boys need male mentors. The Boys Club Network is trying to address this in BC. Men incarcerated for serious crimes typically do not have caring, involved fathers or strong, positive male mentors. Covenant House Toronto cites that traffickers are usually male and ages 17-34 years old. It is all about money and power. This is a cultural root cause that we need to understand and address;

- more and more girls are also becoming traffickers; girls are encouraged to recruit their girl friends into the sex industry, and are rewarded for doing so;
- Most common question from City Councils: Sources/Data/Resources?
- There is very little data in Canada in contrast to the USA;
- Websites:
 - My website: beamazingcampaign.org
 - TIP report USA State department,
 - Federal Public Safety website HT section,
 - RCMP Human Trafficking Coordination Centre,
 - National Human Trafficking Hotline Number,
 - Provincially OCTIP- Office to Combat Trafficking in Persons,
 - Joy Smith Foundation.
 - VCASE.ca
- Protect Young Minds.org and Protect Young Eyes.org are current, up to date websites from the USA to help parents navigate the digital world;
- NCOSE- National Coalition On Sexual Exploitation in Washington, DC hold annual Summits and conferences, with over 40,000 people attending the last one;
- Shared Hope International specializes in Child Sex Trafficking globally but also focuses on improving legislation and policy development in every State in the USA;
 - they do a report card on every State, for example. States that do poorly in their ratings are motivated to improve when they see how they compare with other States.
- May 6&7 Canadian Sexual Exploitation Summit 2021 with 50 Canadian experts and Valiant Richey - global expert from the OSCE (Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe) representing 57 countries and 1 billion people; called Disrupt Demand;

Ms. Peters requested that Council:

- alert the Premier and Solicitor General that this crime is a priority in BC and ask for funding for provincial law enforcement and a provincial awareness campaign. BC needs an inter-agency Human Sex Trafficking Task Force similar to what is available for drugs and gangs.
- write a letter of support to enable her to get meetings with the provincial government ministers and Premier as her advocacy work has been introduced previously in the BC Legislature; and she would like to present there, or at the very least, present to Cabinet.

- have a workshop or panel to speak to this issue at the next UBCM Convention, possibly with the Mayor as lead, or draft effective resolutions on this issue for submission to the UBCM and then FCM;

In response to questions from Council members, Ms. Peters advised that:

- there are human trafficking public awareness posters available at no cost from various organizations that the school district and City could post in schools and public buildings;
- gangs also make money through human trafficking so it would be beneficial to have the province's integrated anti-gang agency Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit work with the RCMP to address the issue of human trafficking;
- this is happening in our high schools, middle schools and even elementary schools;
- because pornography has become so easily accessed that the porn industry is targeting 11-year-old boys and as a result, the fastest growing crime is child on child sexual assault;
- we can stop this if we understand the root causes and start to address them.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT correspondence be sent on behalf of Council, to the Premier, Prime Minister, and their respective cabinets expressing Council's concern regarding the issue of human sex trafficking, which is occurring in all provinces of Canada, and inviting them to connect with Cathy Peters, BC anti-human trafficking educator, speaker, and advocate to receive a presentation on this issue.

CARRIED

b. RCMP Quarterly Update

Acting Superintendent Mike Bhatti, OIC, Langley RCMP

Acting Supt. Bhatti provided a presentation on crime trends for the period Jan 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021 as compared to the same period in 2020, providing statistics and information on:

- Persons Offences - 138 in 2021 / 137 in 2020
- Property Offences - 538 in 2021 / 661 in 2020
- Mental health calls - 174 in 2021 / 207 in 2020

In response to a question from a Council member, Acting Supt. Bhatti advised that providing statistics to Council on mental health calls in the quarterly review is new and is being included as about 1 of 5 calls that

officers go to has a mental health component, He advised that once police determine a mental health component is present, the police have a duty to take that person to the hospital for assessment by a physician and are not allowed to leave that person to their own devices or to have family members look after them. A lot of these calls are actually called in by family members. BC Ambulance who may have received the initial call may feel it is not safe for them to enter the premises when someone is potentially going to do violence to themselves or others so that is when the police get involved. It is something that has been growing in policing in the Lower Mainland and the question has been raised as to whether police are the right ones to be going to these calls.

Acting Supt. Bhatti provided further information on:

- discussions with the City's Crime Prevention Task Group to determine ways to lower the incidence of mail theft.
- an update on the investigation of a body discovered in the Nicomekl river last year;
- RCMP's response to complaint received about suspicious activity taking place in the alley near the 7-Eleven;
- the need for residents to contact police about suspicious activity rather than just posting their concerns to social media;
- safety precautions taken to prevent COVID exposure at the detachment;
- resourcing.

In response to questions from Council members, Acting Supt. Bhatti advised that:

- the RCMP do have a Facebook and Twitter account and acknowledged they could be doing better communicating through social media; however, they would need a dedicated communication resource for this given the amount of time it takes to communicate back and forth on those platforms. He noted that the RCMP did establish on-line crime reporting last year as another way for the public to report crimes to the police;
- with respect to addressing the issue of human trafficking, schools have a very important part to play in educating and creating awareness of this issue; the RCMP are supportive of utilizing posters as a tool to educate and create awareness of this issue, and also to inform those that may be victims of human trafficking of the supports available to them. As the local RCMP detachment doesn't have the resources to proactively monitor social media for suspicious activity, it is best if people contact the RCMP if they discover something suspicious on a social media site. He noted that there is a Human Trafficking unit out of Ottawa that does monitor the Internet and that local police detachments also receive reports from the Integrated Child Exploitation Centre in Ottawa that are specific to their jurisdictions and

the appropriate local detachment then follows up on the information and will conduct an investigation if it is determined to be locally centralized;

- with respect to whether there is an action plan in place to respond to the potential for fires and floods in spring and summer, the Lower Mainland District Office is working on this, although their main focus of late had been COVID response, they do realize that need to make plans in this regard and he expects to see plans shortly.

It was MOVED and SECONDED moved

THAT Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT correspondence be sent on behalf of Council, to the Premier, Prime Minister, and their respective cabinets expressing Council's concern regarding the issue of human sex trafficking, which is occurring in all provinces of Canada, and inviting them to connect with Cathy Peters, BC anti-human trafficking educator, speaker, and advocate to receive a presentation on this issue.

CARRIED

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

a. Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meeting – May 10, 2021

Regular Council Meeting – May 31, 2021

b. Recreation Update

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

- ABCs and 123s – Ages 2-3
- Active Start Sports – Ages 2-5
- Al Anderson Memorial Pool opens May 14, 2021
- Fundamental Sports – Ages 6-12
- Healthy Living Bag
- 59th Annual Langley Walk – May 1 to 31
- Pitch-in Month – April 1 to 30

- Point of Pride – Adopt a Park/Street/Trail
- Roaming Rascals – Ages 0-5 (parent participation)
- Badminton – All ages
- Walkthrough Gallery – Youth Week
- Youth Week 2021 events – May 1 to 7

In response to a question from a Council member, Ms. Hilton advised that the Healthy Living Bag program is open to anyone who wants to sign up.

- c. Discover Langley City - Councillor Albrecht advised that the update was in the Agenda package and that if anyone had any questions, he would be happy to answer them.

6. **BYLAWS**

- a. Bylaw 3142 - Zoning Amendment Bylaw & Development Permit No. 04-20

Final reading of a bylaw to rezone properties located at 20222 56 Avenue & 20237 Michaud Crescent to accommodate a 6-storey, 213-unit rental apartment development and associated Michaud Park Community Garden expansion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the “Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 169, 2020, No. 3142” be read a final time.

CARRIED

1. Development Permit Application No. 04-20

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Development Permit Application DP 04-20 to accommodate a 6-storey, 213-unit rental apartment development at 20222 56 Avenue and 20237 Michaud Crescent be approved.

CARRIED

b. Bylaw 3143 - Discharge of Land Use Contract No. 04-75

Final reading of a bylaw to authorize the discharge of Land Use Contract No. 04-75 from the property located at 20222 56 Avenue and 20237 Michaud Crescent

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Discharge of Land Use Contract No. 04-75 Bylaw, 2020, No. 3143" be read a final time.

CARRIED

c. Bylaw 3159 - Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment

Third reading of a bylaw to amend the Official Community Plan Bylaw in order to incorporate provisions for higher-density low-rise residential uses at the properties addressed 5394, 5396, 5400, & 5402 – 207 Street

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the "City of Langley Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2005, No. 2600 Amendment No. 12, 2021, No. 3159" be read a third time.

CARRIED

d. Bylaw 3160 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment & Development Permit No 07-20

Third reading of a bylaw to rezone the properties located at 5394, 5396, 5400, & 5402 – 207 Street from the RS1 Multiple Residential Low-Density zone to the CD72 Comprehensive Development zone to accommodate a 6-storey, 68-unit apartment development

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 172, 2021, No. 3160" be read a third time.

CARRIED

e. Bylaw 3166 - Tax Rate Bylaw

First, second and third reading of a bylaw to levy property value taxes for municipal purposes for the year 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the "2021 Tax Rates Bylaw, 2021 No. 3166" be read a first time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "2021 Tax Rates Bylaw, 2021 No. 3166" be read a second time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "2021 Tax Rates Bylaw, 2021 No. 3166" be read a third time.

CARRIED

f. Bylaw 3162 - Tax Penalty Addition Bylaw

First, second and third reading of a bylaw to amend the Tax Penalty Addition Bylaw

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Tax Penalty Addition Bylaw, 1983, No. 1267, Amendment No. 4, Bylaw No. 3162" be read a first time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Tax Penalty Addition Bylaw, 1983, No. 1267, Amendment No. 4, Bylaw No. 3162" be read a second time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Tax Penalty Addition Bylaw, 1983, No. 1267, Amendment No. 4, Bylaw No. 3162" be read a third time.

CARRIED

g. Bylaw 3165 - Zoning Amendment Bylaw & Development Permit No 08-20

First and second reading of a bylaw to rezone the property located at 5609 201A Street to accommodate at 5 storey, 62-unit apartment development

Mr. Carl Johannsen, Director of Development Services provided an overview of the proposed rezoning and advised that the application had been received very favourably by the Advisory Design Panel at its April 14th meeting and that the applicant has incorporated the recommendations of the Panel into their updated drawings which are attached to the agenda.

He further advised that staff support the variances proposed given the development's close proximity to transit and future rapid transit, and the

high-quality building form and site design that is consistent with the proposed OCP and Zoning Bylaw.

Councillor Storteboom, Chair of the Advisory Design Panel confirmed that the application was very well received by the Advisory Design Panel, particularly for the building's interesting appearance, noting that it will be replacing an older building and will likely set the tone for redevelopment in that area.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 174, 2021, No. 3165" be read a first time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 174, 2021, No. 3165" be read a second time.

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. Alternative Approval Process for Property Acquisition Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 3145

It was MOVED and SECONDED

1. THAT Monday, June 7, 2021 at 4:30 pm be established as the deadline for receiving elector responses with respect to the Alternative Approval Process for Property Acquisition Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 3145.
2. THAT the number of electors in the area to which the Alternative Approval Process for Property Acquisition Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 3145 applies is 21,374 as determined using the calculations outlined in the staff report dated April 14, 2021.
3. THAT the Alternative Approval Process Elector Response form as attached to the staff report dated April 14, 2021 be approved.
4. THAT the advertisement for the Alternative Approval Process as circulated to Council on April 26, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

b. Mayor's Gala Detailed Cost Analysis

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated April 20, 2021 for information.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the foregoing motion be amended by adding the following:

“THAT staff report back to Council with answers to the following questions:

How much of the Mayor's Gala overtime costs were allocated to the Township of Langley?

Why is there a significant discrepancy between the Gill report and the RCMP report on taxpayer costs, one saying \$8100 and one saying \$361.44?

Why did it take over one year to receive a response from the RCMP?

Why was the former OIC of the Langley detachment Superintendent Murray Power reassigned?”

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED in response to questions from a Council member, Francis Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer advised that:

- the information sought from the RCMP was detailed cost estimates on how many RCMP members received four hours overtime to work a shift to cover the cost of purchasing tickets to the Mayor's Gala;
- the total cost in staff time to support a committee in a year would be dependent on the number of staff assigned to support the committee, who the staff are, and the frequency of the meetings; but generally, the more meetings that take place and the more staff assigned to support the committee, the higher the costs will be;
- the cost to retain Mr. Gill to undertake the independent review of the Mayor's Gala was \$6,000.

Discussion ensued regarding Council members' perspectives on this issue.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE AMENDMENT and the motion was

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the main motion be further amended by adding the following:

“THAT staff include in the 2022 budget, a review of the policing service model for Langley City.”

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED in response to a question from a Council member, Councillor Pachal advised that the intent of the motion was to include this as a line item in the 2022 budget deliberations which would allow for review at that time of what the best policing services model may be to serve the community now and into the future.

In response to a question from a Council member, Mr. Cheung advised that he didn't recall that a review had been undertaken previously of policing costs for the City and the Township and whether to have an independent policing model, but he would look into it and report back.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE AMENDMENT and the motion was

CARRIED

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED, and the motion was

CARRIED

The motion now reads in its entirety:

“THAT Council receive the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated April 20, 2021 for information;

AND THAT staff report back to Council with answers to the following questions:

How much of the Mayor's Gala overtime costs were allocated to the Township of Langley?

Why is there a significant discrepancy between the Gill report and the RCMP report on taxpayer costs, one saying \$8100 and one saying \$361.44?

Why did it take over one year to receive a response from the RCMP?

Why was the former OIC of the Langley detachment Superintendent Murray Power reassigned?

AND FURTHER THAT staff include in the 2022 budget, a review of the policing service model for Langley City.”

c. Local Government Development Approvals Program Grant Application

It was MOVED and SECONDED

1. THAT Council endorses the UBCM Local Government Development Approvals Program grant application for the Water Distribution and Sanitary Sewer Systems Master Plans;
2. THAT the City provide overall grant management; and
3. THAT the remaining project budget will be funded within the City of Langley's approved 2021 Capital Improvement Plan.

CARRIED

8. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. Motions/Notices of Motion

b. Correspondence

1. Door to Door Canvassing Application Request

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Globalfaces Direct, Professional Fundraising Service Provider be permitted to canvass for 4 weeks per client, per year in 2021 for the following charities:

- Plan International Canada
- Canadian Institute for the Blind
- Unicef Canada
- Save the Children Canada
- Children Believe Canada

CARRIED

Opposed: Mayor van den Broek, Councillors Albrecht, Storteboom

2. Challenge Provincial Paramountcy

City of Penticton

By unanimous consent, Council received the correspondence for information.

3. Light up Green for Lyme Awareness - May 3rd
BC Lyme Non-Profit Society

By unanimous consent, Council received the correspondence for information.

4. Motion of Solidarity for the Indian Farmers
Indo Canadian Workers Association Canada

By unanimous consent, Council received the correspondence for information.

It was noted that Councillor Wallace would be bringing forward a proposed resolution regarding this issue for Council's consideration at a future Council Meeting.

5. RCMP OIC selection and interview process – Councillor Albrecht

Councillor Albrecht referred to an email received this past Friday regarding the RCMP OIC selection and interview process and advised that Council has not had a conversation about what that will look like. Accordingly, he was seeking clarification as to when the selection and review process would take place and confirmation that the Chief Administrative Officer and a member of Council will be representing the City at this OIC selection and interview process.

In response to questions from a Council member, Mayor van den Broek advised that along with the City, the Township would be participating as well, and that past practice was to have the Mayor and CAO of each municipality attend to represent their municipalities.

Councillor Albrecht advised that, given that Mayor van den Broek had declared a conflict of interest at the June 5, 2020 Council meeting as she was employed by the RCMP, he felt there was a conflict of interest in having her attend the RCMP OIC selection and interview process as Council's representative.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Councillor Teri James be appointed as Council's representative for the Langley RCMP OIC interview process.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED

Mayor van den Broek advised that she had done her due diligence to determine whether a conflict of interest existed in this case by checking with RCMP "E" Division Headquarters. Mayor van den Broek read from the letter she received in response to her query which indicated that from a labour relations perspective, there was no conflict of interest in having Mayor van den Broek sit on this board as it is part of her role as Mayor; also her position at the RCMP has no reporting relationship to the OIC of the Langley detachment and further, that Mayor van den Broek is currently on a leave without pay from her position to be Mayor and has been since 2018 and is participating in secondary employment.

In response to a request from a member of Council, Mayor van den Broek advised that she would circulate the letter from RCMP "E" Division Headquarters to Council members.

Discussion ensued regarding Council members' perspectives on this issue.

In response to questions from a Council member, Mr. Cheung advised that:

- under the Community Charter, Council has the authority to nominate who would be sitting on the panel, but as to whether the RCMP will accept that nominee, staff do not have that information at this time;
- Council had two options:
 - have staff first find out if the RCMP will accept the proposed nominee as Council's representative on the panel before Council considers nominating the individual; or
 - Council could vote on the motion to nominate the individual and then staff would get clarification from the RCMP as to whether they will accept that nominee and if they do not accept it, Council would have to rescind that motion.

In response to a question from a Council member, Mayor van den Broek advised that correspondence had been received from the RCMP regarding appointing a Council representative to the interview panel and she will be circulating it to Council today.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

Opposed: Mayor van den Broek, Councillor Wallace

c. New Business

1. 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:

(f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment;

(m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting.

CARRIED

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 6:15pm.

CARRIED

Signed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER