



MINUTES OF A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, January 25, 2022
4:00 p.m.
Remote Video / Teleconference

Present: Mayor van den Broek
Councillor Albrecht
Councillor James
Councillor Martin (4:06 pm)
Councillor Pachal
Councillor Storteboom
Councillor Wallace

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

Mayor van den Broek began by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations. Mayor van den Broek acknowledged the recent discovery of 93 unmarked graves on the grounds of the former St. Joseph's Mission Residential School in Williams Lake and conveyed support to the family and friends of those who attended the residential school and to the Williams Lake First Nation through the raising of hands.

1. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- a. Adoption of the January 25, 2022 Special Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the January 25, 2022 Special Council meeting agenda be adopted as circulated

CARRIED

2. **PRESENTATION**

a. Surrey-Langley Skytrain Project Update

Kevin Volk, Assistant Deputy Minister, Integrated Transportation and Infrastructure Services Division, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure introduced the following individuals who were also in attendance:

Trevor Paul, Senior Project Manager, Stakeholder Engagement & Communications - Major Projects and Alternate Procurement, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Jennifer MacLean, Executive Project Director, Transportation Investment Corporation

Leslie, Ballman, Executive Director, Major Projects and Alternate Procurement, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Trish Rorison, Executive Director, Transportation Programs, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Shannon, Price, Senior Manager, Real Estate, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Alexis Pavlich, Director, Strategic Engagement, TransLink

Jeffrey Busby, Project Director, Surrey - Langley SkyTrain Project, TransLink

Lesley Ballman provided an update and overview of the Surrey-Langley Skytrain Project, providing information on the following:

- Background
 - 2014 Mayors' Council Vision
 - Identification of 3 priority corridors:
 - 104 Avenue
 - King George Boulevard
 - Fraser Highway
 - Light Rail Transit (LRT) technology
 - 2018-2020 TransLink
 - Design development:
 - Fraser Highway
 - SkyTrain
 - Business case and funding for 7 km to Fleetwood
 - Planning for Stage 2 to Langley City (2030 completion)

- 2020-2028 Province of BC
 - Project delivery
 - Fraser Highway
 - SkyTrain
 - One-stage approach
 - 16 km to Langley, in-service late 2028
 - Additional \$1.3b in federal funding

Councillor Martin entered the meeting.

- Objectives
 - Sustainable, multi-modal transportation choices to better connect the region
 - Integrated development that includes safe and accessible active transportation to affordable housing, services, employment, and other destinations
 - Healthy communities and the environment
 - Economic development and job growth
 - Mayors' Council 10-Year Vision
- Integrated Development | City of Langley OCP
- Active Transportation

Jennifer Maclean provided information on the following:

- Project Scope
- Advance Works:
 - Package of advance works valued at \$128 million that includes:
 - Utilities Relocations:
 - Partnering with City of Surrey on Road widening – Completion – Fall 2022
 - BC Hydro transmission relocations – Completion - Fall 2022
 - BC Hydro distribution & telecoms design/relocations – Completion – 2024
 - Other Utilities relocation design works – Completion – 2024
 - Property acquisition – Underway now, through 2024
- Environmental Screening Review
- Indigenous Engagement
 - Key engagement activities in 2022 include:
 - Final reviews of environmental assessments
 - Continued participation in archaeology work
 - Review of reference concept design

- Scoping economic development opportunities
- Stakeholder and Public Engagement
- Project Timeline:
 - Approval to proceed with advance works – October 2021
 - Business Case approval – Fall 2022
 - RFQ – January 2023
 - RFP – Spring 2023
 - Contract Award – Mid 2024
 - In service – Late 2028
- Next Steps
 - Advance works
 - Regular technical working group meetings with municipal staff
 - Municipal agreements development
 - Regular updates to city councils
 - Indigenous engagement
 - Public and Stakeholder engagement
 - Environmental Screening Review process

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

- renderings of the stations along the alignment will be available during the public engagement phase of the project in the spring;
- there was some public input at a high level on the station design at previous public engagement sessions; currently Ministry staff are working closely with City of Langley staff through bi-weekly technical working group meetings to make sure that the design of the station accommodates the City's future plans for that area; there will be opportunities for questions and input on the station design during the public engagement phase of the project in the spring.

3. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. 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:

(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

3. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 4:26 pm.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER