



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, July 22, 2024

4:33 pm

CKF Boardroom, Langley City Hall
20399 Douglas Crescent

Present:

Mayor Pachal
Councillor Albrecht
Councillor James
Councillor Mack
Councillor Solyom
Councillor Wallace
Councillor White

Staff Present:

F. Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services
M. Hasan, Infrastructure Engineer
C. Johannsen, Director of Development Services
P. Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer
D. Leite, Director of Corporate Services
D. Pollock, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment
A. Marsden, Superintendent, OIC, RCMP
R. Element, Inspector, RCMP

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

1. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the July 22, 2024 special meeting agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

A Committee of the Whole meeting provides Council an greater opportunity to speak to and debate specific agenda items.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council commence Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

a. RCMP in Principle
Paul Richardson, Financial Manager, RCMP

Mr. Richardson presented information on the process to determine annual RCMP Contract Costs including the following:

- Langley City Full Time Employees
- Cost drivers, the largest of which is full time employees
- Division Administration
- Division Administration trends and status
 - It was noted that Division Administration costs are spread across all E-Division member municipalities
- New equipment, one-time and recurring costs
- Budgeting cycle
 - The RCMP Approval In Principle is not binding
 - Municipalities are invoiced for actual costs on a quarterly basis
 - More detailed information is available from the City's RCMP analyst

b. Transportation 2050 Plan Update and Community Engagement Plan

The Director of Engineering, Parks & Environment introduced the Transportation 2050 Plan and Mr. Hasan, Infrastructure Engineer to present the Plan.

The Infrastructure Engineer presented the Transportation 2050 Plan. He noted the following:

- Overall plan
 - A 25-year strategic vision for multi-modal transportation in the City
 - Balances the needs for all roadway users
 - Measurable goals
 - Policy programming and project recommendations for a multi faceted transport system
 - Prioritizes projects for implementation
- Study process
- Existing Travel Patterns in the City (driving, passengers, transit, walk, bike)
 - Trip distribution in the region, with the majority of travel starting and staying within the City.
- Community engagement
- Main takeaways
 - Walking and cycling
 - Streets and goods movement
- Vision
 - Complete and connected community
 - People-first, forward thinking sustainable transportation system
- Goals
 - safe
 - inclusive & accessible

- sustainable and healthy
- efficient, innovative and forward thinking
- Strategic directions & core priorities: walking, cycling, transit, good movement, new mobility considerations
- Long-term Networks
- Project prioritization
- Investment needs
- Next steps
 - Engagement Round 3
 - Finalize the plan
 - Council presentation – fall 2024

Discussion ensued about the following:

- Importance of showing connections to neighbouring communities and ensuring contiguous link of multi-modal pathways between them.
- Funding and the use of Community Amenity Contributions (CAC) and Development Cost Charges (DCC) for these projects
- Multi-modal transportation and the concern about appropriate regulations being in place for the different modes of transportation. (scooters, mobility scooters, e-bikes, mopeds etc)
 - Consistency, expectation of use, education, enforcement
- Importance of communication to promote and encourage the shift in mindset to consider a move to an alternate mode of transportation.
 - TransLink is currently providing substantial funding for alternate modes of transportation projects
- The disconnect between practical needs in the community vs the proposed Plan.
- Sidewalk and accessibility features on sidewalks would encourage alternate modes of transportation and serve a greater population of users, compared to the expense of bicycle lanes and the current usage.
 - It was noted that most of the bicycle lane funding has been provided by TransLink, not taxpayers.
 - The use of DCCs is City funded, and those funds could be allocated elsewhere for other improvements if they were not allocated to bike lanes.
- Consultation should include the financial element and should be at the forefront to inform the community.
 - Communication boards should avoid 'jargon' language.
 - Parking issues
- Communication to residents should highlight impacts to climate resiliency and overall safety in using other modes of transportation.
- Chart of mode-share is from 2017, not applicable today, should be updated.
 - TransLink trip diaries should give a more current view

- Consider if Major Road Network (MRN) designation could apply for the 208 St corridor.
 - It was noted that with the increase in development it may be possible to reconsider applying.
 - Regarding branding, staff should use 'Langley City' instead of 'City of Langley'.
 - 204 Street – safe pedestrian access to the overpass from north / south of the Langley Bypass.
 - Consider opportunities for walking connections from Grade Crescent to Mossy Estates
 - If the connection between 53 Avenue to 196th Street (Surrey) is not being considered it should be removed from the plan.
- What is the ideal rate of utilization between multi use pathways vs car usage vs transit
- Bike utilization may be challenging for residents that don't have adequate and safe storage for bicycles.

3. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - RISE AND REPORT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED

4. RATIFICATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

N/A

5. 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(c) labour relations or other employee relations;;

(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;

(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

(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.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 6:11pm.

CARRIED

Signed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER