



## MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, October 21, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Remote Video / Teleconference

Present:

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

Staff Present:

F. Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer  
P. Browne, Environmental and Sustainability Coordinator  
G. Flack, Deputy Director of Corporate Services  
K. Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services  
C. Johannsen, Director of Development Services  
S. Kennedy, Fire Chief  
K. Kenney, Corporate Officer  
P. Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer  
D. Leite, Director of Corporate Services  
A. Metalikov, Planner  
D. Pollock, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment

### 1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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

### 2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the October 21, 2024 regular agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following items be approved:

a. Adoption of Minutes

1. Regular Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2024

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 7, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

2. Special (Pre-Closed) Meeting Minutes from October 9, 2024

THAT the minutes of the special (pre-closed) meeting held on October 9, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

3. Special Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2024

THAT the minutes of the special meeting held on October 7, 2024 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

*See Consent Agenda*

**5. DELEGATIONS**

a. Concerned Citizens of BC - Defending Local Governance Against Centralization

Lovleen Gill, Attorney

Ivan Scott, Professional Engineer

Mr. Gill spoke to Council regarding the need to defend local governance against centralization, providing information on the following:

- growing trend of province to curb powers of municipalities;
- examples of important functions performed by local governments that have been encroached upon recently by the provincial government;
- applicable sections of the Canadian Constitution that should be amended to prevent misuse of provincial power to overrule local government decisions.

Mr. Scott spoke specifically to the issue between City of Surrey and the provincial government with respect to policing services as an example of the provincial government overruling a local government's decision.

b. Langley Bat Friendly Community Team - Certification as a Bat Friendly Community

Aimee Mitchell, representing the Langley Bat Friendly Community Team

Perry Browne, Environmental and Sustainability Coordinator provided background on initiatives undertaken by the City in partnership with the Bat Friendly Community Team, comprised of Langley Field Naturalists, Langley Environmental Partners Society, and BC Communities Bat Programs resulting in Langley's certification as a Bat Friendly Community.

Aimee Mitchell, representing the Langley Bat Friendly Community Team provided information the following:

- BC Community Bat Programs;
- the organizations and their representatives that comprise the Bat Friendly Community Team;
- Langley City Bat Task Committee formed by Langley Field Naturalists;
- purpose of the Bat Friendly Community (BFC) program;
- Three components to become a BFC;
- what it means for City of Langley to become a Bat Friendly Community;
- virtual presentation of certificate identifying City of Langley as a Bat Friendly Community;
- invitation to Council to attend in-person presentation of certificate prior to upcoming Bat Talk event for the public at Langley City Library.

6. **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

a. Upcoming Regular Meetings

November 4, 2024 - Virtual Meeting held remotely

November 18, 2024 - Virtual Meeting held remotely

b. Council Advisory Bodies Update

Councillor Wallace expressed appreciation to Lana Hart for all the work she has done in promoting the arts in both the Langleys, in particular, serving for ten years as president of the Langley Arts Council.

Councillor Albrecht reminded the public of upcoming neighbourhood open houses hosted by the City, noting representatives from some of the City's committees will be in attendance to provide information on committee initiatives.

## 7. **BYLAWS**

### a. Bylaw 3287 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 207

Third reading of a bylaw to rezone the property located at 20501 Logan Avenue from C2 Service commercial Zone to CD98 Comprehensive Development Zone to permit a multi-phase apartment and commercial mixed-use transit-oriented development with heights of up to 14 storeys.

Staff responded to a question from a Council member regarding the difference between a phased servicing agreement and a phased development agreement bylaw.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 207, 2024, No. 3287" be read a third time.

CARRIED

Before consideration of Item 7.b., Councillor White declared a conflict of interest with respect to the item as he is a board member of one of the organizations referenced in the bylaw and left the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

### b. Bylaw 3292 - Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw

Rescind third reading, amend, and give third reading, as amended to a bylaw to exempt certain lands and improvements from municipal taxation for the year 2025.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT third reading of "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw, 2024, No. 3292" be rescinded.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw, 2024, No. 3292" be amended by removing "Global Montessori School" from the list of exempted properties in Schedule "A" to the bylaw.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw, 2024, No. 3292" be read a third time, as amended.

CARRIED

**8. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. Motions/Notices of Motion

1. 2024 / 2025 Deputy Mayor Rotation

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the 2024 / 2025 Deputy Mayor rotation schedule be approved as follows:

Nov. 1 - Dec. 31 - Councillor Solyom  
Jan. 1 - Feb. 28 - Councillor Albrecht  
Mar. 1 - Apr. 30 - Councillor Mack  
May 1 - June 30 - Councillor Wallace  
July 1 - Aug. 31 - Councillor White  
Sept. 1- Oct. 31 - Councillor James

CARRIED

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:31 pm.

CARRIED

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Signed:

MAYOR

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Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER