



MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 9, 2018

7:11 p.m.

**Council Chambers, Langley City Hall
20399 Douglas Crescent**

Present: Mayor Schaffer
Councillor Arnold
Councillor Albrecht
Councillor Martin
Councillor Pachal
Councillor Storteboom
Councillor van den Broek

Staff Present: F. Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer
D. Leite, Director of Corporate Services
G. Minchuk, Director of Development Services and Economic Development
R. Bomhof, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment
K. Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services
K. Kenney, Corporate Officer

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- a. Adoption of the April 9, 2018 Regular Agenda

MOVED BY Councillor Storteboom
SECONDED BY Councillor Albrecht

THAT the April 9, 2018 agenda be adopted with the addition of "Purchase of Benches, Picnic Tables and Bike Racks" under New Business.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes from March 19, 2018

MOVED BY Councillor Arnold
SECONDED BY Councillor Storteboom

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 19, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

- b. Special (Pre-Closed) Meeting Minutes from March 19, 2018

MOVED BY Councillor Martin
SECONDED BY Councillor Pachal

THAT the minutes of the special (pre-closed) meeting held on March 19, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Bylaw 3055 - Zoning Amendment

Third reading of a bylaw to rezone the property located at 19868 Langley Bypass from C2 Service Commercial Zone to CD-56 Comprehensive Development Zone to permit a maximum of 25% of the total gross floor building area for individual commercial tenants to be less than 371.6 m² (4,000 ft²)

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal
SECONDED BY Councillor Arnold

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 140, 2018, No. 3055" be read a third time.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED

The proponent responded to questions from Council members as follows:

- Merit Kitchens, a custom kitchen design business, will be one of the new tenants with a five year lease;
- Merit Kitchens will not be manufacturing on-site, only receiving deliveries of product like the other businesses currently at the site.

Councillor Albrecht, Co-Chair of the Advisory Planning Commission, advised that:

- the commission reviewed and is supportive of the application but did express some concern about the laneway to the west of the site, in response to which the proponent has committed to undertaking a traffic study to look at possible improvements to site lines and safety at congestion points.

In response to a question from a Council member, the proponent advised that it is their intent that this rezoning will bring new businesses into the city, not relocation of existing businesses to this site.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

4. MAYOR'S REPORT

a. Upcoming Meetings

Regular Council Meeting – April 23, 2018

Regular Council Meeting – May 7, 2018

b. Metro Vancouver Update - Councillor Storteboom

Metro Vancouver Staff and the Climate Action Committee have developed a discussion paper, in response to the impacts that climate change is projected to have on our region. The paper includes a strategic plan that is proposed to be an overarching climate action strategy for our region. The Climate 2050 Strategic Plan will engage member jurisdictions, stake holders and residents to facilitate conversation, learning and share best practices toward developing, adopting and implementing a regional climate action strategy, intended to reduce regional greenhouse gas emissions and respond to climate change.

In consideration of climate concerns, please let me remind Mayor, Council, staff and residents that Earth Day 2018 is on Sunday, April 22. Also, the new Styrofoam Ban is scheduled to start on July 1. For more information about climate action observations and activities please go to the Metro Vancouver website.

In closing, I offer another reminder about the Metro Vancouver Council of Councils meeting scheduled for local government representatives on April 28.

c. Engineering Update

Rick Bomhof, Director of Engineering, Parks & Environment advised of:

- the City's watermain flushing program that has begun and will continue until May 15;
- new lawn sprinkling regulations that will take effect May 1st;
- recent increase in wire theft.

Staff further provided an update on departmental activities as follows:

Completed projects

- Michaud Crescent traffic calming
- New street lights in downtown laneways

Current projects

- new pedestrian crossing signals at 204 St & 54 Ave and 208 St & 50A Ave
- Michaud Park Community Garden
- Two pedestrian bridge replacements on Nicomekl River
- 2018 road rehabilitation program
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- Sidewalk Projects - 46 A Avenue (208 St to 206 St) and Duncan Way west of Glover Rd – Issued for tender
- Penzer Park Washroom is scheduled to be complete this summer.
- Penzer Park Parking Lot is scheduled to be completed this spring.
- Design of Langley Bypass Culvert Replacement
- Concept design development – Fraser Highway 203 St to 206 St
- Booster Pump Station Decommissioning (on 200 St)
- SCADA System Upgrades

In response to questions from Council members, staff advised that;

- if a member of the public sees someone doing something with the wiring for street lights they should call 911; if they just see wires sticking out of a pole they should call for service at the City during business hours and the non-emergency fire department number after hours.
- at stage one or two of the lawn sprinkling restrictions members of the public may obtain a permit to water outside the set watering times; however, not in stages three or four;
- staff will confirm whether the bridge over 203rd Street will be replaced with a steel structure or wood;

- staff will report back to Council on whether the rain barrel program is still running;
- staff will confirm with Metro Vancouver as to whether they will be checking up on the sink hole repair that was made last year at 56th Ave and 200 Street.

d. Recreation Update

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

Special Events

- Canadian Film Day - April 18
- Pitch-in Day - April 28
- 56Th Annual Langley Walk – May 6
- Tri-it 2018 – June 10 – registration by April 29

Programs

- Recreation Guide Spring-Summer edition
- Choose to Move for seniors 65+
- Yoga Sculpt drop- in class
- Al Anderson Memorial Pool opening May 11

Staff further advised that a new cultural display has been set up on the first floor in the civic complex with the theme of sports and youth.

e. Langley City Video Spotlight - Mayor Schaffer

Langley City is a community of endless choices for your living, recreational and business needs. You'll find it all right here! The Video Spotlights campaign is a video snippet program that will showcase everything Langley City has to offer. Each video snippet is approximately 1-2 minutes long.

Every video presented to Council will be published on the City's YouTube channel, the City's website and shared via social media. I encourage you to visit langleycity.ca, to watch the video again and share it on your social networks.

Tonight's video spotlight is on MDM Construction, the award winning builder and general contractor of the Place on Park Avenue project completed last year and the builder /general contractor of the Legacy on Park Avenue project starting soon this year.

f. Saskatchewan Humboldt Broncos Hockey Team Bus Crash

Mayor Schaffer, on behalf of Council, expressed deepest condolences to everyone involved in the bush crash in Saskatchewan this past Friday. He advised that that a letter of condolence would be sent to the community of Humboldt signed by all members of Council.

5. **BYLAWS**

a. Bylaw 3033 - Zoning Amendment

Motion to amend Bylaw 3033 to replace the incorrect address, 5591 199A Street with the correct address, 5491 199A Street.

(A bylaw to rezone an un-zoned portion of road dedicated by Plan 33088 and the properties located at 5501, 5511, 5520, 5521, 5491 199A Street from RS 1 Single Family Residential Zone to CD-50 Comprehensive Development Zone to accommodate a 39 unit, 3 storey townhouse development)

MOVED BY Councillor Albrecht
SECONDED BY Councillor Arnold

THAT Bylaw No. 3033 be amended by replacing "5591 199A Street" with "5491 199A Street" in the preamble section of the bylaw.

CARRIED

b. Bylaw 3057 - Amendment to Election & Assent Voting Procedure Bylaw

First, second and third reading of a bylaw to amend the Election and Assent Voting Procedure Bylaw to update legislative section references and add provisions for nomination deposits and resolution process in the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount.

MOVED BY Councillor Martin
SECONDED BY Councillor Pachal

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Election & Assent Voting Procedure Bylaw, 2014, 2942, Amendment No. 1, 2018, No. 3057" be read a first time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Election & Assent Voting Procedure Bylaw, 2014, 2942, Amendment No. 1, 2018, No. 3057" be read a second time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Election & Assent Voting Procedure Bylaw, 2014, 2942, Amendment No. 1, 2018, No. 3057" be read a third time.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED

In response to a question from a Council member, staff confirmed that the bylaw includes amendments to bring the current bylaw in compliance with various provisions of election legislation.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

c. Bylaw 3058 - Election Nomination Deposit Repeal Bylaw

First, second and third reading of a bylaw to repeal the Election Nomination Deposit Bylaw.

MOVED BY Councillor Storteboom

SECONDED BY Councillor van den Broek

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Election Nomination Deposit Repeal Bylaw, 2018, No. 3058" be read a first time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Election Nomination Deposit Repeal Bylaw, 2018, No. 3058" be read a second time.

THAT the bylaw cited as the "Election Nomination Deposit Repeal Bylaw, 2018, No. 3058" be read a third time.

CARRIED

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Crime Prevention Task Group Recommendations

MOVED BY Councillor Pachal

SECONDED BY Councillor van den Broek

WHEREAS the task group mandate includes allocating adequate budget to implement CPTED recommendations; and

WHEREAS bringing eyes and ears to public spaces is a well-known and accepted CPTED principle;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Task Group recommends that Council instruct staff to investigate the feasibility of implementing the following top four initiatives, this calendar year:

- Addition of attractive night lighting in the downtown core: increases security and could be in coordination with the laneway activation;
- Guided floodplain group walking tours: focus on evening times and highlight nature and wildlife within the floodplain. (perhaps the City could recruit a KPU horticulture student to advise on the nature aspect);
- Promote Point of Pride Program more actively to keep trails clean, promote within schools;
- Graffiti wall: a wall that celebrates community artists and provides a space for legal spray painting. It has been known to help prevent unwanted graffiti in problem areas

AND THAT Council consider the following initiatives for inclusion in the staff work plans in future years:

- Additional lighting in laneways would encourage safety and security;
- Consider lighting in the floodplain to encourage use after dark;
- Guided floodplain group walking tours: focus on evening times and highlight nature and wildlife within the floodplain. It was noted that perhaps the City could recruit a KPU horticulture student to advise on the nature aspect;
- BMX Jam Night at Penzer Park;
- Community street parties;
- Yoga in the park;
- Lawn bowling: host event that pairs seniors and youth as a team;
- More community gardens;
- Create "Buy and Sell Zone" at Langley RCMP for safe exchange of goods bought and sold online (similar to Abbotsford Police Dept).

AND FURTHER THAT Council instructs staff to investigate the cost of installing additional lighting in key floodplain trails for inclusion in a future budget discussion.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED

In response to a question from a Council member, the Chair of the Crime Prevention Task Group clarified that the proposed Graffiti Wall is not a permanent structure.

Councillor van den Broek advised that members of the public can currently use the Langley RCMP parking lot or the inside front area of the detachment for the safe exchange of goods bought and sold online.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

7. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

a. Fraser Highway One-Way Trees

MOVED BY Councillor Albrecht
SECONDED BY Councillor Storteboom

THAT the street trees, within the sidewalk area, along Fraser Hwy. between 204 Street and 206 Street be removed; and

THAT the \$35,000 budget estimate for this work be funded from the Council Enterprise Fund.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED

Discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of removing the street trees:

- removing the trees will be a step towards the plan to update the downtown core;
- the existing trees are not very attractive;
- should retain the trees as there isn't currently enough greenery in the downtown core;
- should wait until there is a plan for the entire Fraser Highway before removing the trees;
- an elderly gentleman took a serious fall due to the uneven brick caused by the trees; is a safety issue.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

Councillors Arnold, van den Broek opposed

b. Proposed “Substantial Change” of Cascades Casino, Public Consultation Process Results

MOVED BY Councillor Storteboom
SECONDED BY Councillor Albrecht

THAT City Council support the proposed “substantial change” of relocating Playtime Langley Bingo to the Cascades Casino gaming facility located at 20393 Fraser Highway.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED

Discussion ensued regarding whether to support the proposed “substantial change” with comments provided as follows:

- there was inadequate information provided by Gateway Casinos in response to questions of the public and Council;
- although supportive of the Casino, it was disappointing that the City was not consulted at the beginning when this proposal was first considered as the convention centre is owned by the City;
- this is the first time seeing proper renderings and the show stage does not seem large enough for big shows;
- not opposed to expansion of bingo, but would like to know what the convention centre will look like;
- issue of seniors having to walk significant distance from 4th floor parking lot to the entrance of the Casino hasn't been addressed in Gateway's response to parking concerns raised by the public;
- there is a reduction events sponsored by Cascades Casino from thirty to five;

In response to a Council member's request for clarification as to Gateway's response to parking concerns raised, Francis Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer advised that in Gateway's report, they advised that there are 1125 parking spaces at the Cascades Casino and there are on average 40 to 50 vehicles at the Playtime Langley Bingo site. The total required parking spots at full capacity will be 951 so based on the number of parking spaces available it should be able to meet the peak demand when the facility is at full capacity.

With respect to the issue of seniors having to walk long distances from the 4th floor parkade to the Bingo Hall, in their report Gateway advised that from their experience, in inclement weather drivers tend to drop off senior passengers at the closest Casino entrance in the parkade prior to finding a parking spot. In good weather seniors

are dropped off at the closest parkade or surface entrance. So Gateway assumes that because patrons did this at the Playtime Bingo facility they will continue to do this at the Cascades Casino. There was no other reference to walking distances included in the report from Gateway.

Council members continued to discuss the motion on the floor to support the proposed “substantial change” of relocating Playtime Langley Bingo to the Cascades Casino with the seconder of the motion clarifying his seconding of the motion was only for discussion purposes and did not indicate support for the motion.

Further comments were provided as follows:

- there are conflicting numbers with respect to number of terminals that will be installed and questions from Council and the public have not been answered adequately;
- the proponent has gone through the necessary process for the relocation and the City has complied with its obligations under the process;
- the Summit Theatre was not available to those under 19 and not used as much as we would have wanted;
- it is expected the City will work with the casino to increase the entertainment component and it is estimated there will be twice as many events in the new show room;
- the city will be getting an upgraded convention centre;
- holding off on a decision on this will cause a major delay for the bingo playing community;
- if the bingo facility doesn't get relocated to the Cascades Casino, there won't be a bingo facility;
- with the construction that will be required this will provide an opportunity to adjust the current parking to better meet patrons' needs.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED and the motion was

CARRIED

Councillors Albrecht, Martin, Pachal opposed

8. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Motions/Notices of Motion
- b. Correspondence
- c. New Business

1) Purchase of Benches, Picnic Tables and Bike Racks

Mayor Schaffer advised that this item was being brought forward at this time as city parks are getting a lot of use and there is a need for more benches, picnic tables and bike racks. If these items are to be installed before summer, they need to be purchased soon.

MOVED BY Councillor van den Broek
SECONDED BY Councillor Martin

THAT Council take from the Enterprise Fund up to \$60,000 to purchase more benches, picnic tables and bike racks for installation in parks in 2018, with the funds to be replenished from accounts deemed appropriate by staff.

CARRIED

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY Councillor van den Broek
SECONDED BY Councillor Storteboom

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:13 pm.

CARRIED

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER