



Housing Advisory Committee

Minutes

April 18, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers
15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock, BC, V4B 1Y6

PRESENT: TJ Dhillon, Community Member
Shari Green, Community Member
Sharon Greysen, Community Member
Rick Mann, Community Member

COUNCIL: Councillor Bill Lawrence, Chairperson (non-voting)
Councillor Elaine Cheung, Vice-Chairperson (non-voting)

ABSENT: Greg Duly, Community Member
Bhagwant Virk, Community Member

STAFF: Anne Berry, Director of Planning and Development Services
Neethu Syam, Planning Division Lead
Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion Number 2024-HAC-009: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee adopts the agenda for the April 18, 2024 meeting as amended to include an update on the potential for a mobile warming shelter to be located at Peace Arch Hospital under Item 6: Other Business.

Motion CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion Number 2024-HAC-010: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee adopts the minutes of the March 21, 2024 meeting as circulated.

Motion CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM ACTION AND MOTION TRACKING DOCUMENT

The Director of Planning and Development Services advised that all recent action items and recommendations from the Committee have been completed and/or endorsed. She provided a brief update on three (3) bylaws which received final reading at the April 15, 2024 Regular Council meeting, pertaining to secondary suite permissions, short term rental regulations, and air space parcel subdivision.

5. AFFORDABLE HOUSING FRAMEWORK

5.1 STRATEGIC PRIORITY ONE (1): USE THE CITY'S REGULATORY TOOLS TO ENCOURAGE A DIVERSE MIX OF HOUSING TYPES

Following an initial review during the March 21, 2024 meeting, the Committee engaged in further discussion regarding strategic priority one (1) from the updated Affordable Housing Framework.

As presented in the supporting documents provided in the agenda package, a number of initiatives are outlined under each of the five (5) actions included to promote and accomplish strategic priority one (1). The Committee discussed these initiatives and provided feedback to staff, who will incorporate suggested changes/additions into the Affordable Housing Framework strategy document. Following further discussion and feedback on the remaining five (5) strategic priorities in the framework, staff will present the updated document to the Committee for final review, prior to bringing it forward to Council for endorsement.

5.2 STRATEGIC PRIORITY SIX (6): INCREASE ADVOCACY, AWARENESS AND EDUCATION ROLES

The Committee discussed strategic priority six (6) from the updated Affordable Housing Framework and provided feedback to staff regarding suggested changes/additions to be made going forward.

The Chairperson noted that, if members have any additional feedback regarding strategic priorities one (1) and/or six (6) following this meeting, they are always welcome to send their suggestions to staff.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 MOBILE WARMING SHELTER UPDATE

The Vice-Chairperson provided an update regarding the potential placement of a mobile warming shelter at Peace Arch Hospital. Mayor Knight and the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) plan to meet with Fraser Health and Peace Arch Hospital representatives in the coming weeks to discuss this further.

6.2 B.C. GOVERNMENT HOME-FLIPPING TAX

The Chairperson provided a brief overview of the proposed Residential Property (Short-term Holding) Profit Tax Act, commonly referred to as the B.C. home-flipping tax, which will go into effect on January 1, 2025, once legislation is passed. The Committee engaged in a roundtable discussion, sharing their perspectives on the various effects they foresee this tax having.

7. 2024 MEETING SCHEDULE

The following meeting schedule was previously approved by the Committee and was provided for information purposes:

- May 15, 2024;
- June 19, 2024;
- July 17, 2024;
- September 26, 2024;
- October 16, 2024; and,

- November 20, 2024.

All meetings are scheduled to take place in Council Chambers at White Rock City Hall from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

8. **CONCLUSION OF THE APRIL 18, 2024 HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 5:30 p.m.



Councillor Bill Lawrence,
Chairperson

Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk

Unapproved