

## **Housing Advisory Committee**

#### **Minutes**

February 19, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

Gallery Room, White Rock Community Centre Council Chambers 15154 Russell Ave, White Rock, BC, V4B 0A6

PRESENT: Gail Bartels, Community Member

Pat Petrala, Community Member

Mandeep Sandhu, Community Member

Laurel Tien, Community Member Gary Quinn, Community Member

COUNCIL: Councillor David Chesney, Chairperson (non-voting)

(arrived at 4:15 p.m.)

Councillor Bill Lawrence, Vice-Chairperson (non-voting)

ABSENT: Tom Devlin, 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 Vice-Chairperson assumed the role of Chairperson and called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.

# 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Number 2025-HAC-001: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee adopts the agenda for the February 19, 2025 meeting as circulated.

#### **Motion CARRIED**

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion Number 2025-HAC-002: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee adopts the minutes of the December 3, 2024 meeting as circulated.

**Motion CARRIED** 

#### 4. <u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>

Roundtable introductions were conducted.

The Chairperson arrived at 4:15 p.m. and resumed his role as Chair for the meeting.

# 5. REVIEW OF COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MANDATE

The Director of Planning and Development Services provided a brief overview of the Committee's Terms of Reference and mandate.

# 6. 2025 COMMITTEE ORIENTATION PRESENTATION

The Committee Clerk provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining general information about advisory committees, member roles, and meeting processes.

# 7. AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGY

The Director of Planning and Development Services introduced the City's Affordable Housing Strategy, endorsed by Council at their January 27, 2025 Regular meeting, at which time Council also provided direction for this Committee to prioritize the short-term action items noted within the Strategy.

The Chairperson facilitated a roundtable discussion to explore the following short-term action items in more detail:

- Reduce costs by streamlining approvals
- Develop an Inclusionary Zoning Bylaw
- Maintain Affordable Housing Reserve Fund (AHRF)
- Building Awareness and Information Sharing

Staff advised that, although the development of an Inclusionary Zoning Bylaw is included as a short-term action item, it will be quite a significant undertaking because it requires a certain amount of analysis to be conducted before it can be implemented, as well as a funding assessment and a public consultation process. For this reason, it is recommended that this action item not be initiated until other policy projects that are currently underway are completed later this year.

Motion Number 2025-HAC-003: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee recommends that Council approve the prioritization of developing an Inclusionary Zoning Bylaw.

**Motion CARRIED** 

#### 8. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>

# 8.1 UPDATES REGARDING NORTH BLUFF ROAD CORRIDOR STUDY, OCP UPDATE AND HOUSING TARGETS REPORT

The Director of Planning and Development Services provided brief updates on the following topics:

- North Bluff Road Corridor Study;
- Official Community Plan (OCP) Update; and,
- Housing Targets Report.

Members were encouraged to visit <a href="www.talkwhiterock.ca">www.talkwhiterock.ca</a> to obtain further information and to complete surveys regarding the OCP Update and the North Bluff Road Corridor Study.

#### 9. <u>INFORMATION</u>

#### 9.1 COMMITTEE ACTION TRACKING

A template of the Action and Motion Tracking Document was provided for reference, which will be updated after each meeting by the Committee Clerk and provided to the Committee for information purposes.

# 10. 2025 MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion Number 2025-HAC-004: It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee approves the following 2025 schedule of meetings (taking place from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers) as follows:

- February 19, 2025;
- March 19, 2025; March 20, 2025;
- April 16, 2025;
- May 21, 2025;
- June 18, 2025;
- July 16, 2025;
- September 17, 2025;
- October 15, 2025; and,
- November 19, 2025.

**Motion CARRIED** 

# 11. CONCLUSION OF THE FEBRUARY 19, 2025 HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 5:35 p.m.

Councillor David Chesney, Chairperson

Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk