

## Regular Council Meeting of White Rock City Council

### Minutes



April 26, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock, BC, V4B 1Y6

PRESENT: Mayor Walker  
Councillor Chesney  
Councillor Fathers  
Councillor Johanson  
Councillor Kristjanson  
Councillor Manning  
Councillor Trevelyan

STAFF: Guillermo Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer  
Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration  
Jim Gordon, Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations  
Carl Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services  
Jacquie Johnstone, Director of Human Resources  
Colleen Ponzini, Director of Financial Services  
Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture  
Ed Wolfe, Fire Chief  
Chris Zota, Manager of Information Technology  
Shannon Johnston, Manager, Budgets and Accounting  
Donna Kell, Manager of Communications and Government Relations  
Debbie Johnstone, Deputy Corporate Officer

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#### 1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

##### 1.1 **FIRST NATIONS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*We would like to recognize that we are standing/working/meeting on the traditional unceded territory of the Semiahmoo First Nation, and also wish to acknowledge the broader territory of the Coast Salish Peoples.*

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion Number: 2021-223**

**THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for April 26, 2021 as amended to include the following "On Table" documents and to vary the agenda in regard to Item 7.2.b.a:**

- Updated Appendix A for Item 6.2.c;
- Additional information for the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force; and
- Vary the agenda to consider item 7.2.b.a at the time Item 6.2.b is being considered.

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Motion Number: 2021-224**

**THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the following meeting minutes:**

- April 12, 2021 - Regular Council Meeting;
- April 19, 2021 - Public Meeting (DVP 436, 1273 Fir Street);
- April 19, 2021 - Public Hearing (Bylaw 2376 - White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CR-1 Town Centre Revisions); and,
- April 21, 2021 - Special Council Meeting.

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, in-person Question and Answer Period has been temporarily suspended until further notice. You may forward questions and comments to Mayor and Council by emailing ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca

with Question and Answer Period noted in the subject line. Your questions and comments will be noted along with answers and placed on the City's website. You will be notified directly once this has been completed.

As of 8:30 a.m., April 26, 2021, there were no Question and Answer period submissions received.

## **5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS**

### **5.1 DELEGATIONS**

#### **5.1.a STEPHEN CROZIER, NEW WESTMINSTER & DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL - DAY OF MOURNING**

Stephen Crozier, New Westminster & District Labour Council, provided a presentation in recognition for Day of Mourning, as well as the impacts of the COVID-10 pandemic on health and safety for workers, their families and our communities.

Mayor Walker noted at this time that information was just received that nurse Diana Law, who had worked at Peace Arch Hospital for over two (2) decades, lost her life to COVID-19.

Council observed one (1) minute of silence for workers killed and injured on the job.

### **5.2 PETITIONS**

## **6. PRESENTATIONS AND CORPORATE REPORTS**

### **6.1 PRESENTATIONS**

#### **6.1.a WHITE ROCK RCMP QUARTERLY REPORT (Q1) FOR JANUARY - MARCH 2021**

Staff Sergeant Kale Pauls provided an update to Council regarding their January - March 2021 Quarterly report.

### **6.2 CORPORATE REPORTS**

#### **6.2.a COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC VERBAL UPDATE**

The Fire Chief provided a verbal update regarding the COVID-19 global pandemic.

#### **6.2.b CREATIVE CITY BY THE SEA - CULTURAL STRATEGIC PLAN 2021**

Corporate report dated April 26, 2021 from the Director of Recreation and Culture titled "Creative City by the Sea - Cultural Strategic Plan 2021".

A presentation was provided from the Director of Recreation and Culture and the previous Chairperson for the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee.

**Note:** The Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee's recommendation to Council to endorse this plan under Item 7.2.b.a was noted and considered, in accordance with motion 2021-223, along with the first recommendation for the corporate report.

**Motion Number: 2021-225**

**THAT Council:**

1. **Approve and endorse the Creative City by the Sea Cultural Strategic Plan as presented by City staff and the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee; and**
2. **Endorse the funding requests outlined in the Creative City by the Sea Cultural Strategic Plan to be brought forward for consideration in the City's 2022-2026 Financial Plan.**

Voted in the negative (1): Councillor Johanson

**Motion CARRIED (6 to 1)**

**6.2.c DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS PROGRAM - FUNDING APPLICATION TO UBCM**

Corporate report dated April 26, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development Services titled "Development Approvals Program - Funding Application to UBCM".

**Note:** "On-Table" was an updated Appendix A to the corporate report with additional wording in regard to the grant application.

**Motion Number: 2021-226**

**THAT Council:**

1. **Pass a resolution indicating support for the proposed project under the Local Government Development**

**Approvals Program (LGDAP) and willingness to provide overall grant management if awarded funding; and**

- 2. Authorize staff to finalize and submit the application package to the Union of BC Municipalities as presented in principle in Appendix A to this corporate report.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**6.2.d COLDICUTT PARK RAVINE - PERMANENT CLOSURE**

Corporate report dated April 26, 2021 from the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations titled "Coldicutt Park Ravine - Permanent Closure".

**Motion Number: 2021-227**

**THAT Council:**

- 1. Approve the permanent closure of the public crossing to the ravine at Coldicutt Park; and**
- 2. Approve the installation of a 2.5m high chain link fence with signage and a maintenance access gate at the northern access to the Coldicutt Park ravine and a 2.5m high chain link fence with signage and a maintenance access gate near the storm culvert at the bottom of the ravine in Coldicutt Park to facilitate the closure.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**6.2.e COSMIC ALLEY SIGNAGE**

Corporate report dated April 26, 2021 from the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations titled "Cosmic Alley Signage".

There was a question in regard to the logo noted on the sample. Staff are to review the logo and ensure what is noted is correct.

**Motion Number: 2021-228**

**THAT Council endorse the following option for the renaming of the lane to "Cosmic Alley" north of Marine Drive:**

- The lane from Martin Street to Finlay Street.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**Motion Number: 2021-229**

**THAT Council endorse the following template option for the new signage to signify the renaming of the lane to “Cosmic Alley” (lane from Martin Street to Finlay Street) as follows:**

- **The dark blue / horizontal option.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**6.2.f MARINE DRIVE LANE CLOSURES**

Corporate report dated April 26, 2021 from the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations titled "Marine Drive Lane Closures".

The following discussion points were noted:

- Concern with access routes for emergency services should there be an incident
- Further input / information required from Ministry of Health and emergency services
- Issues stated in the report need to be looked at individually - for many there are possible solutions
- Time for communications to get out
- Strong messaging is required ASAP (At this time stay in your own neighbourhood)
- Close Parkade
- Mayor noted he would contact Business Improvement Association (BIA) to inform that the City will be sending out strong messages that the waterfront is being brought back for the residents of the City and they are encouraged to help by supporting their local businesses (Councillor Chesney to discuss further with Mayor Walker)

The Chief Administrative Officer noted an inquiry would be made in regard to vaccination progress and would forward information to Council.

**Motion Number: 2021-230**

**THAT staff be directed to bring forward a corporate report, to a Special Council meeting to be held on May 3, 2021, that outlines possible closure of the promenade, some parking lots with some parking lots to be made available for residents only as an initial stage to control crowds at the waterfront; and there be strong messaging that White Rock is closed to visitors.**

Voted in the negative (3): Mayor Walker, Councillor Johanson, and Councillor Trevelyan

**Motion CARRIED (4 to 3)**

**Motion Number: 2021-231**

**THAT Council directs a corporate report be brought forward (with more information) regarding Marine Drive being made for only one-way traffic.**

Voted in the negative (5): Mayor Walker, Councillor Chesney, Councillor Fathers, Councillor Johanson, and Councillor Manning

**Motion DEFEATED (2 to 5)**

**Motion Number: 2021-232**

**THAT Council receive this corporate report for consideration and potential direction to staff.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**6.2.g 2021-2025 FINANCIAL PLAN BYLAW, 2021, NO. 2377**

Corporate report dated April 26, 2021 from the Director of Financial Services titled "2021 – 2025 Financial Plan Bylaw, 2021, No. 2377".

**Note:** Bylaw 2377 is placed on the agenda as Item 8.1.b for Council consideration at that time (for three (3) readings).

The Director of Financial Services introduced the report noting the 2021-2025 Financial plan / Bylaw 2377 had been updated. The adjustment requested by Council at the April 12, 2021 Regular meeting to remove the Human Resources Advisory resulted in a tax rate increase of 3.83%.

**Motion Number: 2021-233**

**THAT Council receive the April 26, 2021 corporate report from the Director of Financial Services titled "2021 – 2025 Financial Plan Bylaw, 2021, No. 2377".**

Voted in the negative (1): Councillor Manning

**Motion CARRIED (6 to 1)**

**Motion Number: 2021-234**

**THAT Council strike a Financial Planning Policies Task Force (including members of the public), immediately so financial planning policies can be reviewed and be ready / in place for the budgeting process for 2022 moving forward.**

Voted in the negative (3): Mayor Walker, Councillor Chesney, and Councillor Fathers

**Motion CARRIED (4 to 3)**

## **7. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES**

### **7.1 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**Motion Number: 2021-235**

**THAT Council receive for information the following standing and select committee meeting minutes as circulated:**

- **Governance and Legislation Committee - April 7 2021;**
- **Tour de White Rock Committee - March 11, 2021;**
- **Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee - March 23, 2021;**
- **Housing Advisory Committee - March 24, 2021;**
- **Public Art Advisory Committee - March 25, 2021; and**



- **Water Community Advisory Panel - April 13, 2021**

## **7.2 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **7.2.a Governance and Legislation Committee (Council Representative Councillor Trevelyan)**

The following Terms of Reference were recommended, with noted amendments, by the Governance and Legislation Committee from their April 7, 2021 meeting as follows:

- Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee - Council Policy 143;
- Economic Development Advisory Committee - Council Policy 137;
- Environmental Advisory Committee - Council Policy 138;
- History and Heritage Advisory Committee - Council Policy 159;
- Housing Advisory Committee - Council Policy 164; and
- Public Art Advisory Committee - Council Policy 147.

**Motion Number: 2021-236**

**THAT Council endorse the following Terms of Reference as recommended by the Governance and Legislation Committee from their April 7, 2021 meeting as circulated:**

- **Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee - Council Policy 143;**
- **Economic Development Advisory Committee - Council Policy 137;**
- **Environmental Advisory Committee - Council Policy 138;**
- **History and Heritage Advisory Committee - Council Policy 159;**
- **Housing Advisory Committee - Council Policy 164; and**
- **Public Art Advisory Committee - Council Policy 147.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**Motion Number: 2021-237**

**THAT Council endorse the following appointments for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for each of the Advisory Bodies / Committees (2021-2022 Committee Term):**

Committee	Chairperson	Vice-Chairperson
Environmental Advisory Committee	Councillor Johanson	Councillor Kristjanson
History and Heritage Advisory Committee	Councillor Chesney	Councillor Trevelyan
Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee	Councillor Kristjanson	Councillor _____
Public Art Advisory Committee	Councillor Trevelyan	Councillor Chesney
Housing Advisory Committee	Councillor Manning	Councillor Fathers
Economic Development Advisory Committee	Councillor Fathers	Councillor Manning

**Note:** As per the Terms of Reference, positions for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson would switch between the two (2) Council members January 2022.

**Note:** One (1) further appointment will be considered at a later date for the Vice Chairperson position on the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee.

Voted in the negative (1): Councillor Kristjanson

**Motion CARRIED (6 to 1)**

**7.2.b Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee (Council Representative - Councillor Manning)**

**7.2.b.a Recommendation #1 - Cultural Strategic Plan**

**Note:** Corresponding corporate report on this agenda, Item 6.2.b

**Note:** the following recommendation was considered by Council under Item 6.2.b of the agenda:  
*THAT Council endorse the adoption of the Creative City by the Sea Cultural Plan.*

**7.2.c Public Art Advisory Committee (Council Representative - Councillor Trevelyan)**

**7.2.c.a Recommendation #1 - Public Art Installation**

**Motion Number: 2021-238**

**THAT Council consider, based on their location, adjacent positions, length, current condition, and potential for upgrades, the following walkways should be among the first to have public art installations:**

- **Centre Street**
- **Cypress Street (if funding allows)**
- **Dolphin Street**
- **Martin Street (subject to plans for development).**

**Motion CARRIED**

**7.2.c.b Recommendation #2 - Public Art Policy 708**

**Motion Number: 2021-239**

**THAT Council direct staff to review and revise the Public Art Policy 708 to include placemaking and mural guidelines for review by the Public Art Advisory Committee, followed by a recommendation to Council.**

**Motion CARRIED**

**7.2.d COVID-19 Recovery Task Force (Council Chairperson - Councillor Kristjanson)**

**7.2.d.a Recommendation #1 - Presentation from the Community Health and Social Innovation (CHASI) Hub**

**Note:** Updated Information on the Community Health Social Innovation (CHASI) Hub was provided "On-Table".

Staff note there may be budget considerations to discuss in relation to the recommendation.

**Motion Number: 2021-240 It was MOVED AND SECONDED**

**THAT Council endorse the Community Health and Social Innovation proposal for a study as a way of examining the needs of the senior population in respect to how they have been impacted by COVID-19.**

**Motion CARRIED**

## **8. BYLAWS AND PERMITS**

### **8.1 BYLAWS**

#### **8.1.a BYLAW 2363 - WHITE ROCK ZONING BYLAW, 2012, NO. 2000, AMENDMENT (CD-64 - 1485 FIR STREET)**

##### **REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION:**

Bylaw 2363 - A bylaw to amend the "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000" as amended to permit the construction of a six-storey 80-unit rental residential building over two (2) levels of underground parking. The project / bylaw was given first and second reading at the October 19, 2020 Regular Council meeting. The public hearing was held January 18, 2021. The bylaw was defeated at third reading and has now been asked to be placed on the agenda for reconsideration by Councillors Manning and Trevelyan.

The Director of Planning and Development Services will review the proposed amendment by the applicant as follows:

*Maximum Increased Density:*

*Despite section 7.64.3, the reference to the maximum gross floor area of "1.5 times the lot area" is increased to a higher density of a maximum of 5,700 m<sup>2</sup> (61,356.85 ft<sup>2</sup>) of gross floor area (2.8 FAR;*

or gross floor area ratio) and 80 apartment dwelling units where a housing agreement has been entered into and filed with the Land Title Office to secure eighty (80) dwelling units as rental tenure for the life of the building, **with eight (8) of these dwelling units being secured for a period of 10 years as having rents 10 percent below the market rent for a similar unit.**

**Note:** Corporate report dated October 19, 2020 provided for information purposes.

\*If the reconsideration is adopted, Council will consider rescinding second reading at this time. If this is Council direction an amended bylaw will be brought forward by the Planning and Development Services department to the next scheduled Council meeting for consideration of second reading, as amended, and direction will be given to staff regarding the scheduling of a public hearing.

The Director of Planning and Development Services reviewed the proposed amendment by the applicant in regard to the application and the affordable housing component (Noted on the agenda)

Councillor Trevelyan noted the purpose to request the bylaw be brought back: Official Community Plan is noting six (6) storeys and the affordable housing aspects.

Councillor Manning noted the purpose to requests the bylaw be brought back: 10% below what could be charged for new units (33 out of 80 will be offered below market).

**Motion Number: 2021-241**

**THAT Council endorses reconsideration of the item " *White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CD-64 - 1485 Fir Street)*" that was defeated at third reading at the January 25, 2021 Regular Council meeting.**

Voted in the negative (2): Councillor Johanson, and Councillor Kristjanson

**Motion CARRIED (5 to 2)**

**Motion Number: 2021-242**

**THAT Council rescinds second reading for Bylaw 2363 "*White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CD-64 - 1485 Fir Street)*".**

Voted in the negative (2): Councillor Johanson, and Councillor Kristjanson

**Motion CARRIED (5 to 2)**

**Motion Number: 2021-243**

**THAT Council endorse the April 26, 2021 Regular Council meeting be extended past 9:30 p.m.**

Voted in the negative (2): Councillor Johanson, and Councillor Manning

**Motion CARRIED (5 to 2)**

**8.1.b BYLAW 2377 - WHITE ROCK FINANCIAL PLAN (2021-2025)  
BYLAW, 2021, NO. 2377**

A Bylaw to adopt a Financial Plan for 2021 to 2025. The Bylaw was originally presented at the March 29, 2021 Regular Council meeting, a decision regarding the bylaw was not made at that time. The bylaw was discussed and amended at the April 12, 2021 Regular Council meeting. It is on the agenda for consideration of first, second and third reading at this time.

**Motion Number: 2021-244**

**THAT Council give first, second and third readings to the "*White Rock 2021 – 2025 Financial Plan Bylaw, 2021, No. 2377*".**

Voted in the negative (3): Councillor Kristjanson, Councillor Manning, and Councillor Trevelyan

**Motion CARRIED (4 to 3)**

**Note:** Bylaw 2377 was provided final reading later on in the meeting (Motion Number 2021-247)

**8.1.c BYLAW 2376 - WHITE ROCK ZONING BYLAW, 2012, NO. 2000, AMENDMENT (CR-1 TOWN CENTRE REVISIONS) BYLAW, 2021, NO. 2376**

Bylaw 2376 - A bylaw to amend Schedule A - Text of the Zoning Bylaw by deleting the existing Section 6.16 CR-1 Town Centre Area Commercial / Residential Zone in its entirety and replacing it with a new Section 6.16 CR-1 Town Centre Area Commercial / Residential Zone. This bylaw was given first and second reading at the February 22, 2021 Regular Council meeting, and went to Public Hearing on April 19, 2021. The bylaw is being provided for consideration of third reading at this time.

**Motion Number: 2021-245**

**THAT Council amend "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CR-1 Town Centre Revisions) Bylaw, 2021, No. 2376" as follows:**

- **Diagram attached to and forming part of the bylaw where noted 18, 23 and 29 stories be amended to 8 - 12 storeys (12 on the higher)**
- **Amend from 90 metres to 40 meters. To be noted in the bylaw as follows:**
- *Section 6.16.5.3 (from 90 metres to 40 metres); and*
- *Diagram attached to the bylaw amended to change the areas formerly indicated to have maximum heights of 18<sup>^</sup>, 23<sup>^</sup>, and 29<sup>^</sup> storeys to have maximum height of 12<sup>^</sup> storeys for each ( <sup>^</sup> indicates where a community amenity space would be required to allow the building to exceed 10 storeys)*

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**Motion Number: 2021-246**

**THAT Council give third reading, as amended, to "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CR-1 Town Centre Revisions) Bylaw, 2021, No. 2376".**

**Motion CARRIED**

## **BYLAW 2377**

It was noted in regard to Item 8.1.b Bylaw 2377 that the agenda also included notation of consideration of adoption of the bylaw at this time.

Ministerial Orders, due to the pandemic, permit Financial Planning bylaws to be given final reading at the same meeting they were given the initial readings.

At this time Council considered the following motion:

**Motion Number: 2021-247**

**THAT Council give final reading/ adoption to the " *White Rock Financial Plan (2021 - 2025) Bylaw, 2021, No. 2377*".**

Voted in the negative (3): Councillor Kristjanson, Councillor Manning, and Councillor Trevelyan

**Motion CARRIED (4 to 3)**

## **8.2 PERMITS**

### **8.2.a 1273 FIR STREET, WHITE ROCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXPANSION - DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT 436**

Development Variance Permit 436 would allow relief from the maximum height standard of the P-1 Zone (i.e., 10.7 metres) to allow a maximum height of 12.4 metres sought in support of an eight (8)-classroom expansion to White Rock Elementary School, located at 1273 Fir Street.

**Motion Number: 2021-248**

**THAT Council approve of the issuance of Development Variance Permit No. 436 for 1273 Fir Street, White Rock Elementary School expansion.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE**

### **9.1 CORRESPONDENCE - RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION**



**Note:** Council Policy No. 109 notes that the City of White Rock does not make official proclamations. Item 9.1.c has been included under correspondence for public information purposes only.

**Note:** Council may wish to refer this matter to staff for consideration and response.

**Motion Number: 2021-249**

**THAT Council receive the correspondence as circulated as items 9.1.a - 9.1.d.**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**9.1.a METRO VANCOUVER BOARD IN BRIEF - MARCH 26, 2021**

**9.1.b PROCLAMATION REQUEST FOR 2021 FALUN DAFA DAY**

Correspondence from the Falun Dafa Association of Vancouver requesting Council recognition of Falun Dafa Day on May 13, 2021.

**9.1.c CITY OF PRINCE GEORGE - BC HYDRO: 2020 STREET LIGHTING RATE APPLICATION**

Correspondence from the City of Prince George dated March 17, 2021 requesting the City also consider opposing BC Hydro's proposed 2020 Street Lighting Rate Application (monthly rate increase charge per street light including a surcharge to recover the costs incurred to convert existing high pressure sodium light fixtures to LED fixtures).

**9.1.d CITY OF PORT MOODY - HELPING CITIES LEAD PROGRAM**

Correspondence dated March 29, 2021 from the City of Port Moody requesting the City support their resolution submitted to the Union of British Columbia (UBCM) for consideration regarding the program titled "Helping Cities Lead" an advocacy campaign related to building greenhouse gas emissions reductions in British Columbia.

## **10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

### **10.1 MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Walker noted Guillermo Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer, has been recognized by the Local Government Management Association for 15 years service in Management capacity.

## **10.2 COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Kristjanson noted the following information:

- April 13 & 20 South Surrey White Rock "Chamber Chat"
- April 23, South Surrey Chamber Board meeting

## **11. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION**

### **11.1 MOTIONS**

### **11.2 NOTICES OF MOTION**

## **12. RELEASE OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED COUNCIL MEETINGS**

## **13. OTHER BUSINESS**

## **14. CONCLUSION OF THE APRIL 26, 2021 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

The meeting was concluded at 9:56 p.m.



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Mayor Walker

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Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate  
Administration