

Regular Council Meeting of White Rock City Council

Minutes



April 25, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

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

PRESENT:

Mayor Walker
Councillor Chesney
Councillor Johanson
Councillor Kristjanson
Councillor Manning
Councillor Trevelyan

STAFF:

Guillermo Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer
Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration
Anne Berry, Director of Planning and Development Services
Jim Gordon, Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations
Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture
Ed Wolfe, Fire Chief
Joe Calenda, Planning Consultant
Debbie Johnstone, Deputy Corporate Officer

PUBLIC:

22 (approximately)

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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: 2022-159 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for April 25, 2022 as amended to include:

- **On Table Submission for Item 4 - Question and Answer Period; and,**
- **On Table COVID Report from the Fire Chief.**

AMENDING Motion Number: 2022-160 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove Item 6.2.c from the April 25, 2022 regular Council agenda.

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

Motion CARRIED (4 to 2)

AMENDING Motion Number: 2022-161 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove the recommendations from the Housing Advisory Committee in regard to the 7 pillars for the draft Housing Strategy Action Plan on the April 25, 2022 regular Council agenda.

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

Motion DEFEATED (3 to 3)

Question was called on the main motion with the noted additions and deletion of Item 6.2.c to the agenda and it was,

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion Number: 2022-162 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the April 11, 2022 meeting minutes as circulated.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

3.1 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Community Photographers Donna Wooldridge, Corry Kriticos and Christy Fox were recognized for the promotion of the community through their photographs.

4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Question and Answer Period was held both in person at the meeting, as well as electronically through email.

As of 8:30 a.m., April 25, 2022, there were one (1) Question and Answer period submission received.

4.1 CHAIRPERSON CALLS FOR SPEAKERS TO QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

- P. Kealy, White Rock, stated that Council does not need the proposed Housing Strategy Action Plan, and that single family zoning should remain intact and further noted concern with proposed waiving of public hearings and delegation of authority to staff.
- K. Jones, White Rock, provided On-Table a letter dated April 11, 2022 "No Say in Maccaud Park Design" stating concern with the park design plan including the removal and relocation of trees and the widening pathways (amount of concrete).
Asked Council to withdraw the tender for the park and to stop the proposed design.
Staff noted that the RFP has been issued and staff are currently moving forward as per Council direction (plan concept option B).
- G. Wolgemuth, White Rock, commented in regard to the Housing Strategy Action Plan asking if Council were going to dismiss it.

Motion Number: 2022-163 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council extend the Question and Answer topic an additional 15 minutes that the end of the April 25, 2022 Council meeting.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

5.1 DELEGATIONS

5.1.a NEW WESTMINSTER & DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL - DAY OF MOURNING (APRIL 28) AND INFORMATION ON WORKERS' HEALTH & SAFETY ISSUES

A Representative from the New Westminster & District Labour Council attended to inform of the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) 2022 theme - Work Shouldn't Hurt: Make Health and Safety a Fundamental Principle and Right at Work.

It was noted the City of White Rock CUPE is organizing a virtual Day of Mourning event to be held April 28, 2022.

5.2 PETITIONS

6. PRESENTATIONS AND CORPORATE REPORTS

6.1 PRESENTATIONS

6.2 CORPORATE REPORTS

6.2.a COVID-19 PANDEMIC VERBAL UPDATE (ON TABLE MEMO TO BE PROVIDED)

The Fire Chief provided an On-Table update regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

6.2.b 2022 WHITE ROCK PRIDE DAY - CHANGE OF LOCATION

Corporate report dated April 25, 2022 from the Director of Recreation and Culture titled "2022 White Rock Pride Day - Change of Location".

Motion Number: 2022-164 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council:

- 1. Receive the corporate report dated April 25, 2022, from the Director of Recreation and Culture, titled "2022 White Rock Pride Day – Change of Location" and**
- 2. Approve the 2022 White Rock Pride Day event to be held Saturday, July 23, 2022, at the Miramar Village Plaza, to be organized by the White Rock Pride Society.**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

6.2.c HOUSING STRATEGY ACTION PLAN: APRIL 2022

Corporate report dated April 25, 2022 from Joe Calenda, Consulting City Planner titled "Housing Strategy Action Plan".

Note: In accordance with motion 2022-160 Item 6.2.c Housing Strategy Action Plan: April 2022 was removed from the agenda and not considered.

6.2.d 1485 FIR STREET - FINAL ADOPTION OF THE ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW 2363

Corporate report dated April 25, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development Services titled "1485 Fir Street – Final Adoption of Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2363".

Note: Bylaw 2363 is on the agenda for consideration of final reading under Item 8.1.e

The following discussion points were noted:

- Inquiry into Council Policy 514, when will compensation be paid to the tenants and what if a tenant were to move ahead of Notice being given
- November 8, 2021 meeting video of the meeting notes a list of tenants to be eligible for compensation
- Two (2) tenants have moved out since November 2022, no compensation has been paid (not until the Demolition Permit is issued)

Motion Number: 2022-165 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct a letter be sent by the Mayor to each tenant at 1485 Fir Street so they understand what steps are remaining before they will be compensated.

Voted in the negative (4): Mayor Walker, Councillor Chesney, Councillor Manning, and Councillor Trevelyan

Motion DEFEATED (2 to 4)

Motion Number: 2022-166 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive for information the corporate report dated April 20, 2022, from the Director of Planning and Development Services, titled "1485 Fir Street - Final Adoption of the Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2363".

Voted in the negative (1): Councillor Johanson

Motion CARRIED (5 to 1)

6.2.e 2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTION BYLAWS

Corporate report dated April 25, 2022 from the Director of Corporate Administration titled "2022 Local Government Election Appointments and Election Bylaw".

Note: Bylaws 2426, 2248, and 2427 are on the agenda for consideration of first, second and third reading under Items 8.1.b, 8.1.c and 8.1.d.

Motion Number: 2022-167 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council appoint Tanalee Hesse as the Chief Election Officer for conducting the 2022 Local Government Election with the power to appoint other election staff as required for the administration and conduct of the 2022 Local Government Election including, as required, the 2022 Election for one (1) School Trustee.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

Motion Number: 2022-168 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council endorse the appointed Chief Election Officer report to the City's Director of Corporate Administration.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

Motion Number: 2022-169 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council appoint Tracey Arthur and Debbie Johnstone as Deputy Chief Election Officers for the 2022 Local Government Election including, as required, the 2022 Election for one (1) School Trustee.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

Motion Number: 2022-170 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council endorse that the voting places for General Voting Day (October 15, 2022) be selected by the Chief Election Officer with the intent being as follows:

- Centennial Arena – 14600 North Bluff Road;
- Kent Street Activity Centre – 1475 Kent Street; and
- White Rock Community Centre – 15154 Russell Avenue.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

6.2.f STATUS UPDATE OF COUNCIL'S 2021-2022 TO PRIORITIES

Update on Council's 2022 Top Priorities with new activity comments provided for information:

- **Solid Waste Pickup for Multi-Family:** The consultant started work after the initiation meeting was kicked off on March 31, 2022. The consultant has been conducting research, preparing a report for recommendations; conducting interviews with haulers; and reaching out to industry contacts for RFP requirement information.

Internally staff has researched the City's past work on solid waste management and provided the consultant with relevant background information to assist with the RFP preparation. Staff has been continuing on MF and ICI data collection. In addition, the data collection sheet was sent to the contractors recommended on the City's website to speed up the data collection for the preparation of RFP for contractors.

The recruitment of a solid waste coordinator is in process

The communication team is working on a communication plan
IT and Financial Services are working on the billing system to collect the services fees

- **Housing Needs / Affordable Housing:** The public workshop regarding housing needs / affordable housing was held April 19, 2022. The Affordable Housing Strategy Action Plan is on the agenda for consideration at this time.
- **Community Amenity Contribution "Shovel-in-the-Ground" Projects:**
 - **Emerson Park Playground Upgrade:** The playground equipment is now installed, waiting for the concrete to cure and the playground surfacing is expected to be installed soon.
 - **Maccaud Park Upgrade:** Proposals from eight (8) proponents were evaluated and Cedar Crest Lands was determined as providing the best value to the City. Letter of award from the Chief Administrative Officer was sent out April 20, 2022.
 - **Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway:** The design is now complete. The project issued an RFP for the construction contract on BC Bid on April 11 until May 3, 2022. The contract will be awarded to the accepted contractor in May subject to Council's approval. The construction is set to start in June and to be completed by October 2022. There is no update on legal proceedings with three (3) encroaching properties - hopefully, this will not present scheduling or other difficulties.
 - **Review Options for Upgrading Multiple Hillside Walkways (Road Ends) to the Waterfront:** The funding application was submitted prior to the March 28, 2022 deadline.
- **The City's Relationship with the Semiahmoo First Nation (SFN):** Staff are working with SFN Council to see when they will be ready to meet again to discuss the draft Communications Memorandum of Understanding. Staff are following up from SFN approval of graphics for the sign at Grand Chief Bernard Robert Charles Memorial Plaza. Graphics are being placed on the sign base now and steps are underway for an unveiling ceremony.

May 11, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. has been set as the date/time for the official naming ceremony of Grand Chief Bernard Robert Charles Memorial Plaza Sign. Staff will be engaging SFN on plans for National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 25.

7. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES

7.1 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Motion Number: 2022-171 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove the following committee meeting minutes for receipt at this time:

- **Housing Advisory Committee, March 17, 2022; and**
- **Housing Advisory Committee, April 13, 2022.**

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

Motion DEFEATED (4 to 2)

Motion Number: 2022-172 It was MOVED and SECONDED

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

- **Land Use and Planning Committee - April 11, 2022;**
- **Finance and Audit Committee - April 12, 2022;**
- **Housing Advisory Committee - March 17, 2022;**
- **History and Heritage Advisory Committee - April 7, 2022;**
- **Public Art Advisory Committee - April 12, 2022;**
- **Housing Advisory Committee - April 13, 2022; and,**
- **Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee - April 14, 2022.**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

7.2.a HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (COUNCILLOR MANNING, CHAIRPERSON)

The March 29, 2022 Housing Advisory Committee meeting minutes were endorsed at the April 11, 2022 Regular Council meeting. As select recommendations from these minutes are noted under the Affordable Housing Strategy and Action Plan, the March 29, 2022 Housing Advisory Committee meeting minutes have been provided for information.

7.2.a.a AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN

**7.2.a.a.a Recommendation #1 - Pillar #1
Motion Number: 2022-173**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive for information that the Housing Advisory Committee endorses Pillar #1, Accelerate and Depoliticize the Approval Process, from the Affordable Housing Strategy and Action Plan, as presented.

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

Motion CARRIED (4 to 2)

7.2.a.a.b Recommendation #2 - Pillar #2: Local Use of the Speculation and Vacancy Tax

Motion Number: 2022-174

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive for information that the Housing Advisory Committee endorses Pillar #2, Local Use of the Speculation and Vacancy Tax, from the Affordable Housing Strategy and Action Plan, as presented.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.a.a.c

Recommendation #3 - Delegate Approval Authority to Staff

Motion Number: 2022-175

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council not approve/ not endorse Pillar #3, Delegate Approval Authority to Staff, from the Affordable Housing Strategy and Action Plan, as presented.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.a.a.d

Recommendation #4 - No More 'Exclusive' Single Family Zones

Motion Number: 2022-176

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council not approve/ not endorse Pillar #4, No More 'Exclusive' Single Family Zones, from the Affordable Housing Strategy and Action Plan, as presented.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.a.a.e

Recommendation #6 - Pillar #6: Waiving Public Hearings

Motion Number: 2022-177

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council not approve/ not endorse Pillar #6, *Waiving Public Hearings* from the Affordable Housing Strategy and Action Plan, as presented.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.a.a.f

Recommendation #7 - Pillar #5: Broaden the Spectrum of Housing Opportunities in White Rock such as Missing Middle Housing

Motion Number: 2022-178

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council not approve/ not endorse Pillar #5.b. with the amendment of reducing the Town Centre Transition area boundaries from west of Merklin Street and east of Vidal Street; and

THAT the Town Centre Transition area be reduced from a maximum 18-storey hybrid towers to 14-storey hybrid towers and that the Town Centre area be reduced from a maximum 25-storey hybrid towers to 18-storey hybrid towers, with an understanding that the 'hybrid towers' include at least 50 percent non-market housing.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

**7.2.b HISTORY AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(COUNCILLOR TREVELYAN, CHAIRPERSON)**

7.2.b.a 2021-2022 WORK PLAN

Note: Committee's 2021-2022 Work Plan document attached for reference.

Motion Number: 2022-179

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council endorse the History and Heritage Advisory Committee's 2021-2022 Work Plan as written.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

**7.2.c ARTS AND CULTURAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE (COUNCILLOR MANNING,
CHAIRPERSON)**

**7.2.c.a DISCUSSION REGARDING THE VISUALLY
APPEALING CITYSCAPES AND ACTIVATED
ALLEYWAYS POWERPOINT PRESENTATION**

Motion Number: 2022-180

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to invite two (2) representatives each from the Public Art Advisory Committee, the Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee to participate in a roundtable discussion workshop facilitated by the Manager of Cultural Development, and invite the Economic Development Officer to participate, focused on creating a report regarding placemaking in the City.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.c.b

CANADA DAY DISCUSSION

Motion Number: 2022-181

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council directs staff to focus the programming of Canada Day with an emphasis on celebrating White Rock's diverse communities.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.c.c

PUBLIC ART DISPLAYS IN VACANT STOREFRONTS

Motion Number: 2022-182

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council endorse the Committee to prepare a report, in collaboration with the BIA, to present to commercial business owners, informing of the benefits of allowing their vacant storefronts to be used to display artwork from local artists.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

8. **BYLAWS AND PERMITS**

8.1 **BYLAWS**

8.1.a **BYLAW 2421 - WHITE ROCK FREEDOM OF INFORMATION BYLAW, 2022, NO. 2421**

Bylaw 2421 - A new bylaw in regard to White Rock Freedom of Information (to add in an application fee component). The bylaw was on the agenda for consideration of first, second and third reading.

Note: Further information was provided in regard to the legislation amendments and the potential fees:

- Excerpt from Bill 22, passed 2021-11-26
- BC Reg 298/2021, passed 2021-11-26
- BC Reg 155/2012 (FIPPA Regulation) Consolidated as of 2021-11-26

Motion Number: 2022-183 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council give first, second and third reading to "*White Rock Freedom of Information Bylaw, 2022, No. 2421.*"

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

Motion DEFEATED (3 to 3)

8.1.b **BYLAW 2426 - WHITE ROCK ELECTION PROCEDURE BYLAW, 2022, NO. 2426**

Bylaw 2426 - A bylaw to provide for the determination of various procedures for the conduct of elections and assent voting.

Note: This Bylaw was introduced under the corporate report section Item 6.2.e.

Motion Number: 2022-184 It was MOVED and SECONDED

**THAT Council give first, second and third reading to
"White Rock Election Procedure Bylaw, 2022, No. 2426".**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

**8.1.c BYLAW 2430 - AUTOMATED VOTE COUNTING SYSTEM
AUTHORIZATION AND PROCEDURE BYLAW, 2018, BYLAW
2248, AMENDMENT NO. 1, 2022, NO. 2430**

Bylaw 2430 - A bylaw to amend the automated vote counting system authorization and procedure bylaw.

Note: This Bylaw was introduced under the corporate report section Item 6.2.e.

Motion Number: 2022-185 It was MOVED and SECONDED

**THAT Council give first, second and third reading to
"Automated Vote Counting System Authorization and
Procedure Bylaw, 2018, Bylaw 2248, Amendment No. 1,
2022 No. 2430".**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

**8.1.d BYLAW 2427 - MAIL BALLOT AUTHORIZATION AND
PROCEDURE BYLAW, 2022, NO. 2427**

Bylaw 2427 - A bylaw to authorize Mail Ballots and Procedures for Elections.

Note: This Bylaw was introduced under the corporate report section Item 6.2.e.

Motion Number: 2022-186 It was MOVED and SECONDED

**THAT Council give first, second and third reading to
"Mail Ballot Authorization and Procedure Bylaw, 2022,
No. 2427".**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

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

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 was brought forward for reconsideration as part of the April 26, 2021 meeting agenda by Councillors Manning and Trevelyan. Council rescinded second reading at that time and a new second reading, as amended, was provided on May 10, 2021. The Public Hearing on the amended Bylaw took place on July 5, 2021. Third reading was given on July 12, 2021. The bylaw is on the agendas for consideration of final reading at this time.

Note: This Bylaw was the subject of Item 6.2.d under the corporate report section.

Motion Number: 2022-187 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council gives final reading to “*White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CD-64 – 1485 Fir Street), 2020, No. 2363*”.

Voted in the negative (1): Councillor Johanson

Motion CARRIED (5 to 1)

Motion Number: 2022-188 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council authorize the April 25, 2022 regular Council meeting be extended a further 1/2 hour.

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

Motion CARRIED (4 to 2)

8.2 PERMITS

None

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 CORRESPONDENCE - RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION

Motion Number: 2022-189 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive correspondence Items 9.1.a - 9.1.c as circulated.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

9.1.a CYSTIC FIBROSIS AWARENESS MONTH IN MAY

Correspondence received via email February 18, 2022, sharing information and a proclamation request regarding the month of May being Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month.

9.1.b LIGHT UP GREEN FOR LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

Correspondence dated March 13, 2022 providing information on Lyme Disease Awareness Month, which takes place in May across Canada.

9.1.c MOVE FOR LIFE SOUTH SURREY WHITE ROCK

Correspondence extending an invitation for the entire White Rock Community to get active for better health this June, 2022 for ParticipACTION's Community Better Challenge, a Move for Life health promotion initiative.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS

10.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Walker noted the following information:

- April is National Poetry Month, Mayor Walker read "The Pier: A Broken Soul" by Sanjana

10.2 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Due to timing: None

11. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION

11.1 MOTIONS

None

11.2 NOTICES OF MOTION

None

12. RELEASE OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED COUNCIL MEETINGS

None

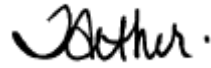
13. OTHER BUSINESS

Question and Answer period was continued at this time in accordance with motion 2022-163:

- I. Lessner, White Rock, concern if the Housing Strategy Action Plan takes into consideration the City's Tree Bylaw; and further
Inquired if the City had looked at the opportunity of implementing a speculation tax / non-occupancy tax?
Staff noted the Tree Bylaw would stand unless Council makes changes to the bylaw
Staff have inquired and have worked on Speculation Tax however have not been successful (not permitted)
- M. Sabine, White Rock, stated the importance of inclusive and affordable housing stating what is being built now in White Rock is not within the range, single family dwellings do not fit this need (right now in a holding pattern)
- C. Fast, White Rock, stated the Housing Strategy Action Plan is not required as White Rock already exceeds to 2026 the Metro Regional Growth Strategy, and the plan does not match what is in the current Official Community Plan.
Question: how was the Advisory Housing Committee members selected?; and who is responsible for the Housing Strategy Action Plan?
It was noted that Council appoints the committee members and it was clarified that the Plan was drafted by staff utilizing the Housing Needs Study, the Plan then was brought to the Housing Advisory Committee who then reviewed it and brought forward recommendations for their Council consideration

14. **CONCLUSION OF THE APRIL 25, 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

The meeting was concluded at 9:55 p.m.



Mayor Walker

Tracey Arthur, Director of
Corporate Administration

