

Regular Council Meeting of White Rock City Council

Minutes



June 27, 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 (via electronic means)
Councillor Kristjanson (via electronic means)
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
Candice Gartry, Director of Financial Services
Shannon Johnston, Manager Budgets and Accounting
Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture
Debbie Johnstone, Deputy Corporate Officer

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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: 2022-275 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for June 27, 2022 as amended to add the following On Table documents:

- **Item 4 - Question and Answer period submission from G. Gumley;**
- **Item 5.1.a - White Rock Promenade Sculptures Competition Written Submission; and,**
- **Item 9.1.a - Resolution for consideration from Stand.Earth.**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion Number: 2022-276 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the June 13, 2022 Regular Council meeting minutes as presented.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

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., June 27, 2022, there was one (1) Question and Answer period submission received and noted On-Table.

4.1 CHAIRPERSON CALLS FOR SPEAKERS TO QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

- K. Jones, White Rock, noted continued increases on his property taxes the past few years with this last year being significantly higher, then referred to the City's surplus and reserve funds. Why are the property taxes increasing when there are large sums in both of these accounts?

The CAO noted an email will be forwarded to Mr. Jones in regard to the uses for the City's Surplus and Reserve funds.

- E. Klassen. White Rock, of the White Rock Pride Society informed Council regarding the recent apology received by the Society from the

Catholic Church for discrimination shown against the LGBTQ Community, the matter has received worldwide attention.

- Request in regard to the upcoming Pride Week - July 15 - 23, that Council attend the events
- Request for street banners / rainbow banner at the pier
- Request for additional police presence during Pride celebration events
- Request for City Hall to stay open longer during the Flag Raising so washroom facilities may be utilized
- Invitation for the Mayor to attend the Family Day Event and make Opening Remarks

Motion Number: 2022-277 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to explore having a Pride Banner placed at the Pier Head in honour of Pride Week (to be erected as soon as possible following Canada Day); and further for this request the budget would be utilized from contingency.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

- It was noted at this time the On-Table question received by Mr. G. Gumley requesting detailed information regarding expenditures and surplus noted in the 2021 Financial Statements.

The CAO noted an email will be forwarded regarding the requested information.

5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

5.1 DELEGATIONS

5.1.a DEANNA PEDERSEN AND CINDY POPPY - WHITE ROCK EVENTS SOCIETY

Deanna Pedersen and Cindy Poppy, attended to provide an update on the White Rock Promenade Sculptures Competition / Event including:

- There are now 15 confirmed applications with photos
- \$15,000 cash in sponsorship + \$15,0000 potentially

- Quotes received for prefab concrete pads and steel pedestals
- \$10,000 In-Kind from the City - Staff referenced the March 28, 2022 corporate report and provided clarification as follows:

-Recreation and Culture: staff assistance with event planning, coordination, promotion and site meetings; and provision of event related materials, equipment and supplies as well as with coordinating the Public Art Advisory Committee and Public Art artist and art work jury process (\$5,000)

-Engineering and Municipal Operations: services including labour assistance, site preparation, transport and installation of concrete pedestals, daily cleanup, maintenance of sculptures as needed and project planning assistance. (\$5,000)

Motion Number: 2022-278 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to look into helping the White Rock Events Society to help get the event kicked off in September as planned.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

5.2 PETITIONS

None

6. PRESENTATIONS AND CORPORATE REPORTS

6.1 PRESENTATIONS

6.1.a SCOTT HARROLD - ROYAL CANADIAN MARINE SEARCH AND RESCUE

Scott Harrold, Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue White Rock/Crescent Beach (RCMSAR5), provided an overview of the volunteer organization.

6.1.b METRO 2050 - REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY

Members from Metro Vancouver attended to discuss the Metro 2050 Regional Growth Strategy.

Metro Vancouver presentation from Sav Dhaliwahi, Chair, Jerry Dubrovny, and Heather McNell. An overview was provided regarding the Metro Vancouver 2050 Regional Growth Strategy. Differences between the 2040 Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) and the proposed 2050 RGS were highlighted in relation to White Rock's previously noted concerns.

The following discussion points were noted:

- RGS does not promote growth instead it is meant to set out a plan to share the growth
- 2050 RGS improves upon the 2040 RGS
- Includes a shared vision, content from member jurisdictions
- Includes action on affordable housing (new policy on tenant projection and transit projections)
- The region is growing by 1M it is anticipated by 2050, the RGS looks at how the growth can be accommodated
- Many policy items now included that were not in place in the 2040 RGS (including 1.1.5, 1.2.2 and 3.2.3b)
- First Nation Engagement now enhanced
- Semiahmoo Town Centre - allows for growth but in the right place (planned area for growth)
- Reflects responses and offers more protection in regard to impact on ground water and sea level rise
- Allows for amendments, process to follow but it is possible
- White Rock population growth by 2050 expected to be 27,870 (new residents - includes birth vs. death, immigration and movement between municipalities)
- Would like there to be collaboration with the City of Surrey and White Rock (do not want to see competing densification projects - Metro offered to help convene dialogue to address this)
- Metro was asked to help White Rock with intermunicipal coordination with the City of Surrey, Metro stated they heard the request at this time and confirmed they will help with this

6.2 CORPORATE REPORTS

6.2.a METRO 2050 REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY - FURTHER INFORMATION

Corporate report from the Director of Planning and Development Services dated June 27, 2022 titled "Metro 2050 Regional Growth Strategy - Further Information".

Motion Number: 2022-279 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council:

1. **Receives the Metro Vancouver Regional 2050 Growth Strategy, titled “Metro 2050 (Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022),” for information;**
2. **Accepts as presented, the proposed Metro 2050 Regional Growth Strategy (Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022) pursuant to section 436 of the *Local Government Act*;**
3. **Direct staff to forward the Council resolution of acceptance of Metro 2050 Regional Growth Strategy (Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022) to Metro Vancouver Regional District; and**
4. **Direct staff to contact the City of Surrey’s Planning Department and determine a way to work collaboratively on the development of the Semiahmoo Town Centre Plan.**

Voted in the negative (2): Councillor Chesney, and Councillor Trevelyan

Motion CARRIED (4 to 2)

6.2.b STAFF FEEDBACK ON 2022 ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EAC) RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

Corporate report dated June 27, 2022 from the Directors of Planning and Development Services and Engineering and Municipal Operations titled "Staff Feedback on 2022 Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) Recommendations to Council".

Note: The topic recommendations from the Environmental Advisory Committee are on the agenda for Council consideration under Item 7.2.a

Note: Due to the amount of information provided in the corporate report on each of the Environmental Advisory Committee recommendations Council determined they would go to each of the correlating recommendations under Items 7.2.a.a.a - 7.2.a.a.e and consider and vote on them as they are presented within the corporate report. Following this the corporate report was received and the agenda order resumed to how it was circulated.

Motion Number: 2022-280 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive the corporate report dated June 27, 2022, from the Director of Planning & Development Services and the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations, titled "Staff Feedback on 2022 Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) Recommendations to Council" providing staff feedback as it relates to recommendations from the Environmental Advisory Committee for implementation, for Council's consideration.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

6.2.c CITY OF WHITE ROCK WARMING SHELTER UBCM GRANT APPLICATION RESOLUTION

Corporate report from the Director of Planning and Development Services dated June 27, 2022 titled "City of White Rock Warming Shelter UBCM Grant Application Resolution".

Motion Number: 2022-281 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council endorse the City's Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Strengthening Communities' Services 2022 Grant application and indicate willingness to provide overall grant management.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

6.2.d STATUS UPDATE OF COUNCIL'S 2022 TO PRIORITIES

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

- **Solid Waste Pickup for Multi-Family:** Discussions are underway with Recycle BC about expanding the City contract beyond single family properties to include multifamily and IC&I. If successful, White Rock will get rebates for these collected recyclables. It does mean that about half of the properties will need to expand their recycling efforts beyond putting all recyclables in one container (mixed recyclables) and sorting into paper/cardboard, recyclables, and glass as is current practice with residential properties.

Change management will be needed for these properties expanding recyclable collection to the three streams, but this will lead to overall better recycling and the consequent environmental benefits.

- **Housing Needs / Affordable Housing:** On April 25, 2022 the draft Housing Strategy presented to Council from the Committee was removed by Council for consideration - later in the agenda some committee recommendations were received by Council and some were not approved / not endorsed. Council has directed the Housing Advisory Committee to focus on partnering with non-profit organizations and utilizing the funding and grants as outlined at the Affordable Housing workshop, held in April 2022, in furtherance of affordable seniors housing. Work on this is ongoing.
- **Community Amenity Contribution "Shovel-in-the-Ground" Projects:**
 - **Emerson Park Playground Upgrade:** Project is completed. Turf is installed but needs two weeks to become established before it can take foot traffic. Opening is scheduled for July 4th.

-Maccaud Park Upgrade: Five trees have been transplanted away from the proposed pathway and picnic area. Base preparation underway and is scheduled for completion by June 25th. Work is underway. Contractor has had some issues with supply chain, but these are now resolved

- Helen Fathers Centre Street Hillside Walkway: Council directed that award of the contract be deferred pending news on the grant applications. The grant application approved by Council for \$4M includes two other walkway projects. The maximum potential grant for the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway is slightly less than \$1M, leaving a funding shortfall of approximately \$600K, if the maximum amount is approved.

- **The City's Relationship with the Semiahmoo First Nation (SFN):**

- The City and SFN co-hosted a public ceremony for National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21 that included remarks from Chief Harley Chappell and a performance by the Semiahmoo children's dance group. The SFN flag was also flown at City Hall on this day.
- At the direction of Council, in response to the suggestion from Chief Harley Chappell, staff is researching the feasibility of permanently flying the SFN flag at City Hall. Staff will report back.
- Manager, Communications & Government Relations has established a monthly 1:1 meeting with Councillor Jennine Cook who is now overseeing SFN communications.
- City Events staff is working with SFN on enhanced programming for Semiahmoo Days for this year's Sea Festival/Semiahmoo Days joint event on the August long weekend.
- Staff are working with SFN Council to see when they will be ready to meet again to discuss the draft Communications Memorandum of Understanding.

7. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES

7.1 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Motion Number: 2022-282 It was MOVED and SECONDED

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

- **Environmental Advisory Committee, May 26, 2022;**
- **Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee, June 9, 2022; and**
- **Public Art Advisory Committee, June 14, 2022.**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

7.2.a ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (COUNCILLOR KRISTJANSON, CHAIRPERSON)

7.2.a.a ORGANIZING FOR EFFECTIVE ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

7.2.a.a.a Recommendation #1: Implementation of Council Directives on Climate Action-Related Bylaw and Policy Amendments

Note: Corporate report under 6.2.b gives detailed staff feedback regarding the committee recommendation

It was noted that the Energy Step Code and Single Use Plastics will be addressed through other legislation. The Energy Step Code will be implemented with the upcoming amendment to the BC Building Code and the Federal Government recently proposed regulations in regard to single use plastics thus these items do not need to be addressed by staff at this time.

The other items in the recommendation: Fossil Fuel Based Equipment and Landscape Open Space and

Electric Vehicle Parking are items staff plan to bring forward as they are working to get caught up, with the recent success of having a full complement of Planning staff, in the fall.

Motion Number: 2022-283

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to complete, during Council's current term, implementation of its directives on Bylaw and Policy amendments concerning Landscape Open Space and Electric Vehicle Parking (*Council Motion 2022-142*), the Energy Step Code (*Motion 2022-143*), Fossil Fuel Based Equipment (*Motion 2022-207*) and Single-Use Plastics (*Motion 2022-208*).

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

Motion DEFEATED (2 to 4)

7.2.a.a.b Recommendation #2: Climate Vulnerabilities Report and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Report

Note: Corporate report under 6.2.b gives detailed staff feedback regarding the committee recommendation

Staff plan to initiate a report on this topic using consulting resources funded from the BC Local Government Climate Action Program, however, staff management of the study is required. It is anticipated that Engineering staff will be close to full complement in the fall enabling the project to proceed in early 2023.

Motion Number: 2022-284

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to:

1. **Prepare, as a matter of priority, a Climate Vulnerabilities Report identifying current and prospective vulnerabilities, risks and potential costs of climate change to public health and safety, private and public property and infrastructure in White Rock; and**
2. **Initiate work on a Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Report suggesting short- and medium-term priorities for action to address or adapt to the challenges identified in the Climate Vulnerabilities Report, including appropriate operational, infrastructural, policy or bylaw measures.**

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

Motion DEFEATED (2 to 4)

7.2.a.a.c Recommendation #3: Identification of Programs or Funds to Support Above Priorities and Other Climate Change-Related Measures

Note: Corporate report under 6.2.b gives detailed staff feedback regarding the committee recommendation

Motion Number: 2022-285

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to give priority to identifying any governmental or extra-governmental programs or funds that might be accessed to help inform or support the pursuit of the above noted priorities as well as any other climate change-related measures.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.a.a.d Recommendation #4: Establishment of Organizational Measures to Facilitate Completion of Above Priorities and Sustain Focus on Climate Change Priority

Note: Corporate report under 6.2.b gives detailed staff feedback regarding the committee recommendation

Motion Number: 2022-286

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct the CAO to establish appropriate organizational measures to facilitate completion of the above priorities and promote more systematic and sustained focus on the climate change priority in ongoing policy and operational processes.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2.a.a.e Recommendation #5: Regular Updates to Council Regarding the City's Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Efforts

Note: Corporate report under 6.2.b gives detailed staff feedback regarding the committee recommendation

It was noted that some additional updates can be given to Council utilizing the weekly Activity Update.

Motion Number: 2022-287

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to keep Council regularly apprised of developments regarding the City's climate change challenges and responses and that a staff report on the City's climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts be

presented at least annually to a regular meeting of Council.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

7.2 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

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

7.2.b.a CITY PLACEMAKING ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION WORKSHOP UPDATE

Motion Number: 2022-288

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council, in order to support ongoing placemaking initiatives, approve additional multi-committee roundtable placemaking discussion workshops being held, including the same participants from the first workshop.

Voted in the negative (1): Councillor Johanson

Motion CARRIED (5 to 1)

8. BYLAWS AND PERMITS

8.1 BYLAWS

8.1.a BYLAW 2432 - MAIL BALLOT AUTHORIZATION AND PROCEDURE BYLAW, 2022, BYLAW 2427, AMENDMENT NO. 1, 2022, No. 2432

Bylaw 2432 - A bylaw to amend the current Mail Ballot Authorization and Procedure bylaw in regard to mail ballots received after 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday before general voting day. This bylaw gives clarification that these ballots may be processed to the secrecy envelope stage with the intent they will then be processed in the vote tabulation machines at one time thus giving opportunity for the results to be available within the quickest time possible. Bylaw 2432 was given first, second and third reading on June 13, 2022 and is on the agenda for consideration of final reading.

Motion Number: 2022-289 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council give final reading to "Mail Ballot Authorization and Procedure Bylaw, 2022, Bylaw 2427, Amendment No. 1, 2022, No. 2432".

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

8.1.b BYLAW 2435: WHITE ROCK ZONING BYLAW, 2012, NO. 2000, AMENDMENT (CD ZONE 67 - 15704, 15724/28/38/48/58/70 North Bluff Road) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2435"

Bylaw 2435: A Bylaw to amend the "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000" to allow for a multi-building development at 15074, 15724/28/38/48/58/70 North Bluff Road.

Motion Number: 2022-290 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council give first and second readings to "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CD Zone 67 – 15704, 15724/28/38/48/58/70 North Bluff Road) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2435" as presented.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

Motion Number: 2022-291

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to schedule the required Public Hearing for "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CD Zone 67 – 15704, 15724/28/38/48/58/70 North Bluff Road) Bylaw, 2022, No. 2435" as presented.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

Motion Number: 2022-292 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to resolve the following issues prior to final adoption, if Bylaw No. 2435 is given third reading after the public hearing:

- a. **Ensure that all engineering requirements and issues, are addressed to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations;**

- b. **Confirm and ensure the recommendations of the final arborist report, approved by the Director of Planning and Development Services and, more specifically the City's Arboricultural Technician, are implemented and maintained through future demolition and construction activities.**

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

Motion Number: 2022-293 It was MOVED and SECONDED
THAT Council endorse the June 27, 2022 Regular Council meeting be extended past 9:30 p.m. until the completion of all agenda topics.

Voted in the negative (1): Councillor Manning

Motion CARRIED (5 to 1)

8.2 PERMITS

None

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 CORRESPONDENCE - RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION

Note: Further action on the following correspondence items may be considered. Council may request that any item be brought forward for discussion, and may propose a motion of action on the matter.

Motion Number: 2022-294 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive correspondence Item 9.1.a as circulated.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

9.1.a STAND.EARTH, UBCM RESOLUTION ACIDIC WASTEWATER DISCHARGE

Correspondence dated June 17, 2022 from Stand.earth to inform of a resolution that will be coming before Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM), passed at Lower Mainland Local

Government Association (LMLGA) that addresses acidic wastewater discharge in all water of BC.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS

10.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Walker noted the following information:

- June 15, International Mobility & Trade Corridor Program meeting
- June 20, St. John's Ambulance's Opioid Response Training Program

10.2 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Manning noted the following information:

- June 14, Council Re-cap of the June 13, 2022 Regular Council meeting
- June 15, Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting
- June 20, Self-Advocates - Semiahmoo presentation by Nathen Shipley "Importance of Community"
- June 25, Seniors Expo

Councillor Chesney noted the following information:

- July 1 Reminder: Canada Day by the Bay celebrations

Councillor Johanson noted the following information:

- June 23 Fraser Basin Council Metro Vancouver Lunch and Learn "Engaging with First Nations"
- June 25, Seniors Expo

11. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION

11.1 MOTIONS

11.1.a REMINDER NOTIFICATIONS - RESTRICTED PESTICIDE USE

Councillor Johanson provided the following motion for consideration at this time:

Note: Bylaw 1854 was included for reference

Motion Number: 2022-295 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council directs staff to remind residents of the restricted pesticide use in the City of White Rock via Face Book posts, mailer included with utility bills, City News bulletins, and any other medium.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

11.2 NOTICES OF MOTION

Motion Number: 2022-296 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct that Metro Vancouver be formally asked to help facilitate collaborative discussions between the City of White Rock and the City of Surrey in regard to development / growth matters.

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

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

None

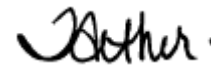
13. **OTHER BUSINESS**

None

14. **CONCLUSION OF THE JUNE 27, 2022 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

The meeting was concluded at 9:40p.m.

Mayor Walker



Tracey Arthur, Director of
Corporate Administration