

## Regular Council Meeting of White Rock City Council

### Minutes



November 7, 2022, 5:00 p.m.  
White Rock Community Centre

PRESENT: Mayor Knight  
Councillor Cheung  
Councillor Chesney  
Councillor Klassen  
Councillor Lawrence  
Councillor Partridge  
Councillor Trevelyan

STAFF: Guillermo Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer  
Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration  
Jim Gordon, Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations  
Anne Berry, Director of Planning and Development Services  
Candice Gartry, Director of Financial Services  
Candice Roffe, Acting Director of Human Resources  
Elizabeth Keurvorst, Acting Director of Recreation and Culture  
Ed Wolfe, Fire Chief  
Kale Pauls, Staff Sargent  
Chris Zota, Manager of Information Technology  
Amanda Silvers, Manager of Communications and Government Relations  
Debbie Johnstone, Deputy Corporate Officer  
Chris Magnus, Executive Assistant to Mayor and CAO  
Janessa Auer, Committee Clerk

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#### 1. **CALL THE INAUGURAL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER - DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION**

The meeting was called to order by the Director of Corporate Administration at 5:13 p.m.

## **1.1 FIRST NATION BLESSING**

Semiahmoo First Nation, Councillor Joanne Charles, provided a blessing.

## **1.2 FIRST NATION 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.*

## **1.3 NATIONAL ANTHEM**

"O Canada", performed by Erin Kim (vocals) and Regina He (piano) of the Semiahmoo Secondary School Music Program.

## **1.4 OATH OF OFFICE**

The Honourable Judge Edna Ritchie, Provincial Court of British Columbia, provided the Oath of Office for the Mayor and Council Elect.

## **1.5 INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Mayor Knight introduced and honoured guests of the Inaugural meeting.

## **1.6 MAYOR'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS**

*I would like to begin my remarks by acknowledging that we are gathered tonight on the ancestral territories of the Semiahmoo First Nation, and we thank them for their stewardship of these beautiful lands.*

*I would also like to acknowledge the many families, friends and guests who are joining us tonight.*

*I know that many of the people here tonight were passionate volunteers in this election, and the entire city is thankful for your dedication.*

*We only need to look around the world today to see how precious democracy is.*

*I thank everyone who put their name forward to serve our city, and I extend my congratulations to all of those who were elected. I look forward to rolling up my sleeves and getting to work with you.*

*Like the people in this City, this Council represents a mixture of ideas and approaches.*

*This means we can do things differently and bring our collective experiences and ideas to the table.*

*But regardless of the differences in approach or philosophy, we must proceed with respect and restore decorum at city hall – between each other and between council and staff.*

*It's time to put the ways of division behind us and work together in the best interests of the people of this great city.*

*The electorate has given us a diverse group of people to represent them, and I know that we will all rise to the challenge to working together for the common good.*

*I am committed to instilling openness and transparency at city hall. To build trust.*

*As a city we are fortunate to have a strong mix of experience at the council table with Councillors Trevelyan, Chesney, and Lawrence.*

*We also have strong new voices in Councillors Klassen, Cheung and Partridge.*

*The diversity of our views around the council table provides us the ability to explore new and different ideas – this is a gift.*

*Each person at the table brings skill and value.*

*I want to thank Darryl Walker and the previous Council members who served over the past four years. I want to acknowledge and honour their service.*

*The election is over. The voters have spoken, and with that, comes a tremendous sense of responsibility.*

*Now it is time to get to the work of the people.*

*Over the next four years, the seven of us are committed to engaging with the community to deal with the challenges and opportunity in our City.*

*Our broad goal is to be informed, to collaborate and build consensus on the issues a growing City faces.*

*Together we represent every citizen of White Rock, whether you voted for us or not.*

*That's how democracy works in Canada.*

*And that's our commitment to you.*

*To do the very best we can for the whole community.*

*The time has come to seize our opportunity and build a strong and united City.*

*With a clear public mandate, it is now time to deliver on our commitment and get the job done.*

*Thank you.*

## **1.7 COUNCILLOR'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS**

Members of Council provided welcoming remarks and thanked the community for their support.

## **2. DEPUTY MAYOR ROTATION (NOVEMBER 2022 - DECEMBER 2023)**

**Motion Number: 2022-432** It was MOVED and SECONDED

**THAT Council approve the following schedule of Council Members as Deputy Mayor for November 8, 2022 to December 31, 2023:**

November 8, 2022 – December 31, 2022	Councillor Lawrence
January 1, 2023 – February 28, 2023	Councillor Trevelyan
March 1, 2023 – April 31, 2023	Councillor Lawrence
May 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023	Councillor Cheung
July 1, 2023 – August 31, 2023	Councillor Klassen
September 1, 2023 – October 31, 2023	Councillor Partridge
November 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023	Councillor Chesney

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

3. **APPOINTMENT TO METRO VANCOUVER BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Motion Number: 2022-433** It was MOVED and SECONDED

**THAT Council approve the following appointments to the Metro Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors:**

- **Mayor Knight - representative (November 2022 - October 31, 2026)**
- **Councillor Klassen alternate (2023);**
- **Councillor Lawrence alternate (2024);**
- **Councillor Cheung alternate (2025); and**
- **Councillor Partridge alternate (2026).**

**Motion CARRIED (7 to 0)**

4. **CONCLUSION OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2022 INAUGURAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 5:48 p.m.



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Mayor Knight

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Debbie Johnstone, Deputy  
Corporate Officer