MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
December 21, 2020
6:00 pm
Council Chambers of City Hall
1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT: Mayor Lyn Hall, Chair
Councillor Everitt <via Zoom>
Councillor Frizzell
Councillor Krause
Councillor McConnachie <via Zoom>
Councillor Ramsay
Councillor Sampson
Councillor Scott
Councillor Skakun <via Zoom>

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Walter Babicz, Acting City Manager
Mr. Ian Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager
Mr. Kris Dalio, Director of Finance
Mr. Blake McIntosh, Acting Director of Civic Operations
Mr. Adam Davey, Director of Community Services and Public Safety
Mr. Rob van Adrichem, Director of External Relations
Ms. Maureen Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Legislative Coordinator

A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for December 21, 2020, BE ADOPTED.

Carried Unanimously
B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held December 7, 2020, be adopted as read on this day and that such minutes as read set out all of the business before Council at that meeting and fully and properly record all of the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Carried Unanimously

C. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

Councillor Frizzell requested further consideration of Consent Agenda Item C.1.

C.1 Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (November 2020)

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 7, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled “Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (November 2020)”.

Carried Unanimously

D. REPORTS

MAYOR LYN HALL

D.1 Prince George Airport Authority 2020 State of Affairs Update

Mr. Gordon Duke, President and Chief Executive Officer, Prince George Airport Authority, attended via telephone and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding an update on the Airport’s 2020 State of Affairs including information on the impact of COVID-19, reports from the Canadian Airports Council and Airports Council International on the state of the aviation industry worldwide, Nav Canada update and design/construction ready projects.

Discussion commenced and Mr. Duke responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the presentation regarding YXS Prince George Airport Authority’s 2020 State of Affairs Update.

Carried Unanimously

ACTING DIRECTOR OF CIVIC OPERATIONS – BLAKE MCINTOSH

D.2 Prince George Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement, 2020 - 2021

Ms. Lindsay Taylor, Manager of Government Relations, BC Transit, attended via telephone and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding an update on Prince George Transit operations including information on the phases of BC Transit’s COVID-19 recovery strategy.
Discussion commenced. M. Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services, and Ms. Taylor responded to questions of Council.

Councillor Ramsay exited Council Chambers at 6:45 p.m. and returned 6:50 p.m.

City of Prince George Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement 2020/2021 Authorization Bylaw No. 9169, 2020

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement 2020/2021 Authorization Bylaw No. 9169, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

D.3 Deferral of Trucked Waste Volume Charges under Comprehensive Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 7557

Discussion commenced. W. Babicz, Acting City Manager, B. McIntosh, Acting Director of Civic Operations, and W. Wedel, Manager of Utilities, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Comprehensive Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 7557, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 9171, 2020

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Comprehensive Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 7557, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 9171, 2020.”

Carried

Councillor Skakun opposed.

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Comprehensive Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 7557, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 9171, 2020.”

Carried

Councillor Skakun opposed.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council DIRECTS Administration to return a report to Council including information on the history of the Shelley Lagoon, metrics on the origins of the lagoon waste, forecasted operating, maintenance and capital costs, estimate on the future costs to remediate the lagoon site, and consideration of a potential partnership with the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George for financial contributions toward the ongoing maintenance and funding of the Regional District users of the Shelley Lagoon.

Carried Unanimously
D.4  Addition to the 2020 – 2024 Financial Plan

Discussion commenced. I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager and C. Bone, Senior Manager of Strategic Partnerships and Initiatives, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council APPROVES the addition of the YMCA Park House Care and Learning Centre project to the 2020-2024 Financial Plan for a total project budget of $3,979,866 composed of third party funding consisting of $2,982,316.69 from the Province of BC, and $997,549.31 from the Union of BC Municipalities.

Carried Unanimously

D.5  Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100664 (Bylaw No. 9134)

Applicant: M'akola Development Services for Aboriginal Housing Society of Prince George, Inc. No. 19321
Location:  1919 17th Avenue

Documents for Council's consideration regarding “Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100664 (Bylaw No. 9134)” included:

- Staff report dated December 4, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100664 (Bylaw No. 9134);"
- Location and Existing Zoning Map; and
- Supporting Document - Application Cover Letter.

K. Dalio exited Council Chambers at 7:28 p.m. and returned 7:30 p.m.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9134, 2020

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9134, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council WAIVES the requirements for a public hearing for proposed “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9134, 2020”, pursuant to Section 464(2) of the Local Government Act.

Carried Unanimously
D.6 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100680 (Bylaw No. 9159)
Applicant: Ryan Gill for Devinder Gill
Location: 2139 Redwood Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100680 (Bylaw No. 9159)" included:

- Staff report dated December 2, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100680 (Bylaw No. 9159)"
- Location and Existing Zoning Map; and
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9159.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9159, 2020

Moved By Councillor Skakun
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9159, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council WAIVES the requirements for a public hearing for proposed “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9159, 2020”, pursuant to Section 464(2) of the Local Government Act.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council PERMITS that consideration of Final Reading of proposed Bylaw No. 9159, 2020 BE WITHHELD until the following requirement has been met to the satisfaction of the Acting Deputy City Manager:

a. Receipt of Servicing Brief.

Carried Unanimously

D.7 Soil Removal and Deposit Designation Application No. SR000019 (Bylaw No. 9102)
Applicant: R. Radloff & Associates for Coyote Transport Ltd., Inc. No. 0795252
Location: 4117 Northwood Pulpmill Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding “Soil Removal and Deposit Designation Application No. SR000019 (Bylaw No. 9102)" included:

- Staff report dated December 4, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled “Soil Removal and Deposit Designation Application No. SR000019 (Bylaw No. 9102)"
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix “A” to Bylaw No. 9102; and
- Haul Route Mapping.

Discussion commenced and I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, responded to questions of Council.
Moved By Councillor Krause  
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie  

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Soil and Removal Deposit Bylaw No. 9030, 2019, Amendment Bylaw No. 9102, 2020” to designate a portion of the NW ¼ of District Lot 4041, Cariboo District, Except Plans 14790, 15755, 16737, 17194, 19160, 24178 and PGP39029, as shown on Appendix “A” to Bylaw No. 9102, 2020.  

Carried Unanimously  

Moved By Councillor Frizzell  
Seconded By Councillor Everitt  

That Council PERMITS that consideration of Final Reading of proposed Bylaw No. 9102, 2020 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:  

a. Receipt of a No Build and No Disturbance Section 219 Covenant on the legal title of NW ¼ of District Lot 4041, Cariboo District, Except Plans 14790, 15755, 16737, 17194, 19160, 24178 and PGP39029.  

Carried Unanimously  

D.8 Liquor License Application No. LL100173  

Applicant: Daniell Aben on behalf of Snaring River Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. C0782486  

Location: 363 George Street  

Documents for Council’s consideration regarding “Liquor License Application No. LL100173” included:  

- Staff report dated November 30, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled “Liquor License Application No. LL100173”;  
- Location and Existing Zoning Map; and  
- Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Application.  

Discussion commenced and I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, responded to questions of Council.  

Moved By Councillor McConnachie  
Seconded By Councillor Everitt  

That Council:  

1. CONFIRMS that its comments on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch’s prescribed considerations are as set out in the report dated November 30, 2020 from Ian Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, for Liquor License Application No. LL100173;  

2. CONFIRMS the methods used to gather the views of potentially affected property owners were in accordance with section 4: Public Consultation of the City of Prince George Liquor and Cannabis Licensing Policy and that the views of affected residents are as summarized in the minutes of the Council Meeting held on December 21, 2020; and  

3. SUPPORTS the approval of the Liquor License Application to allow patron participation and extension of hours for The Firm Lounge and Grill located at 363 George Street for the following reasons:  

This application is not expected to have a negative impact on the community or produce any significant negative land use impacts on adjacent properties.  

Carried Unanimously
E. BYLAWS – FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

E.1 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9074, 2019

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9074, 2019.”

Carried Unanimously

E.2 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9139, 2020

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9139, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

E.3 City of Prince George 155 George Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9141, 2020

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George 155 George Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9141, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

E.4 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9149, 2020

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9149, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

E.5 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9153, 2020

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9153, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE

Councillor Frizzell requested further consideration of Correspondence Item F.2.

Mayor Hall requested further consideration of Correspondence Item F.4.

F.1 Correspondence dated November 30, 2020 from Mayor Victor Cumming, City of Vernon:
Universal No-Cost Access to All Prescription Contraception Available in BC
F.2 Correspondence dated December 1, 2020 from Garth Frizzell, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities: Acknowledgement and Congratulations to Community and Partners Engaged in the Towards Parity Demonstration Project Initiative
Discussion commenced.

F.3 Correspondence dated November 4, 2020 from Mayor Rob Vagramov, City of Port Moody: Flood Risk Mitigation Through Green Infrastructure and Natural Assets

F.4 Correspondence dated December 11, 2020 from the Prince George Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Prince George, and Gateway Business Association: Update Regarding Policy Avenues and Response Matrix Presented at the December 16, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
Discussion commenced and W. Babicz, Acting City Manager, and R. van Adrichem, Director of External Relations, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council DIRECTS Administration to respond to the Prince George Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Prince George, and Gateway Business Association detailing the City’s work regarding downtown social issues as it relates to their correspondence dated December 11, 2020.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION Correspondence items F.1 through F.4.

Carried Unanimously

G. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That there being no further business the Regular Meeting of Council, BE ADJOURNED.

Carried Unanimously

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:27 P.M.