



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

March 14, 2022

6:00 pm

Council Chambers of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT: Mayor Lyn Hall
Councillor Frank Everitt
Councillor Garth Frizzell
Councillor Terri McConnachie
Councillor Cori Ramsay
Councillor Kyle Sampson
Councillor Susan Scott
Councillor Brian Skakun <via Zoom>

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Walter Babicz, City Manager
Ms. Deanna Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development
Mr. Kris Dalio, Director of Finance
Mr. Blake McIntosh, Director of Civic Operations
Mr. Adam Davey, Director of Public Safety
Mr. Andy Beesley, Director of Recreation and Events
Ms. Maureen Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Deputy Corporate Officer

A. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for March 14, 2022, be amended by adding new item G.10 –Correspondence dated March 9, 2022 from the Prince George Public Library, and by moving agenda item E.8 to immediately follow agenda item E.4, and that the agenda, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes – February 28, 2022

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held February 28, 2022, 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. DELEGATION

C.1 Prince George Community Foundation and Rotary Club of Prince George

Ms. Mindy Stroet, Director of Development, Prince George Community Foundation, Mr. Rod Holmes, President, Rotary Club of Prince George, and Mr. Tino Mbara, Project Manager, Colliers, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the proposed Prince George Community Foundation – Rotary Destination Park including information on proposed project scope, design elements, preliminary budget and timeline considerations, and a request for the City to continue working with the Project Team on next steps.

Discussion commenced. Ms. Stroet, Mr. Holmes, D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, and K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council DIRECTS Administration to continue working with the Park Project Team and return a report to Council with information on the next steps in the project.

Carried Unanimously

D. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR INFORMATION)

Councillor Frizzell requested further consideration of consent agenda item D.4.

D.1 2021 Q4 Delegated Authority Report

D.2 Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (December 2021)

D.3 Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (January 2022)

D.4 Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (February 2022)

Discussion commenced and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION consent agenda items D.1 to D.4.

Carried Unanimously

E. REPORTS

COUNCILLOR FRIZZELL AND COUNCILLOR SCOTT

E.1 Condemning Hate, Racism, and Discrimination

Discussion commenced and W. Babicz, City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That the City of Prince George CONDEMNS hate and racism in all its forms.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council DIRECTS staff to review the commitments of the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities and return a report in mid-June 2022 with concrete recommendations on next steps forward.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Hall called a recess of the Regular Council Meeting at 6:50 p.m.

The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance of Council and Staff was the same as at the time the recess was called.

H. FORMAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned to the Formal Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

H.1 Amendments to Official Community Plan Application No. CP100186 (Bylaw No. 9202) and Rezoning Application No. RZ100730 (Bylaw No. 9203)

Applicant: McWalter Consulting Company Limited for 1127415 BC Ltd., Inc.
No. BC1127415

Location: 9048 Sintich Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Amendments to Official Community Plan Application No. CP100186 (Bylaw No. 9202) and Rezoning Application No. RZ100730 (Bylaw No. 9203)" included:

- Staff report dated February 18, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Consultation for Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100186 (Amendment Bylaw No. 9202, 2021)";
- Distribution Area Map (Exhibit "A" to CP100186);
- Request for Comment Letter;
- Newspaper Notice;
- Previously submitted staff report dated December 15, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Amendments to Official Community Plan Application No. CP100186 (Bylaw No. 9202) and Rezoning Application No. RZ100730 (Bylaw No. 9203)" (Considered at the January 10, 2022 regular Council meeting);

- Previously submitted staff report to Council dated June 22, 2021 from the Acting Director of Planning and Development titled "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100174 (Bylaw No. 9202) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100703 (Bylaw No. 9203) (Considered at the July 12, 2021 regular Council meeting); and
- Handout: Correspondence received March 11, 2021 from McWalter Consulting Company Limited (Applicant) in support of the application.

Discussion commenced and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

Applicant:

Mr. David McWalter, McWalter Consulting Limited, attended Centre Table and responded to questions of Council stating that a traffic impact study was deemed not required due to the expected low volume of traffic with a maximum of eighty (80) vehicles accessing the station in a 24-hour period.

Members of the Public:

There were no submissions from members of the public.

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That the Formal Public Hearing regarding “Amendments to Official Community Plan Application No. CP100186 (Bylaw No. 9202) and Rezoning Application No. RZ100730 (Bylaw No. 9203)”, BE CLOSED.

Carried Unanimously

The Formal Public Hearing adjourned to the Regular Council Meeting at 7:07 p.m.

City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9202, 2021

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9203, 2021

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated February 18, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled “Consultation for Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100186 (Amendment Bylaw No. 9202, 2021)”.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9202, 2021”.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9203, 2021”.

Carried Unanimously

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned to the Formal Public Hearing at 7:08 p.m.

H.2 Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000048 (Bylaw No. 9225)

Applicant: L&M Engineering Ltd. for 101178167 Saskatchewan Ltd., and
101100639 Saskatchewan Ltd.

Location: Western Road (PID: 011-520-949)

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000048 (Bylaw No. 9225)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated January 12, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000048 (Bylaw No. 9225)" (Considered at the February 7, 2022 regular Council meeting);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix “A” to Bylaw No. 9225;
- Exhibit “A” to LU000048;
- Exhibit “A” to SD100635;
- Land Use Contract Bylaw No. 2910, 1976 (M12699);
- Supporting Document(s);
- PowerPoint Presentation received March 1, 2022 from L&M Engineering Ltd. (Applicant) in support of the application;
- Correspondence dated March 8, 2022 from Trent Blair, Christina Fiddler, and Clair Johnson on behalf of Western Acres Neighbourhood in opposition to the application; and
- Handout: Correspondence dated March 11, 2021 from Martha Melnyk noting questions regarding the application.

Applicant:

Ms. Ashley Thandi, Planner, and Ms. Megan Hickey, Planner, L&M Engineering Ltd., attended Centre Table and provided a PowerPoint presentation in support of the application including information on the underlying zoning of the subject property, proposed subdivision development of ten (10) lots, identification of no-build areas and a five (5) metre riparian buffer strip on the proposed lots, and public consultation conducted with the neighbouring properties.

Discussion commenced. Ms. Thandi and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

Members of the Public:

Mr. Brett Johnson, 8215 Corral Road, attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns regarding potential impacts of the proposed development on the capacity of the Western Acres Lagoon, recently upgraded Western Acres well and riparian area and further noted concerns regarding the likely increase of elementary school traffic and inquired on the City’s plans for connection of the

Western Acres properties to the Lansdown Wastewater Treatment Plant and plans to address fire hydrant access and water flow.

Discussion commenced and B. McIntosh, Director of Civic Operations, responded to questions of Council noting that the extension of the connection to the Lansdowne Wastewater Treatment Plan was approved as a 2022 capital project and the request for proposal was recently awarded. A detailed design and build is expected to occur over the coming year.

Mr. Trent Blair, 10271 Western Road, attended Centre table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns regarding the reduced setbacks from the riparian area and for accommodation of the culvert between lots one and two and seven and eight and noted further concerns regarding the lack of fire flow and hydrants in Western Acres and inquired on the capacity of the new Western Acres well accommodating additional development.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That the Formal Public Hearing regarding “Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000048 (Bylaw No. 9225)”, BE CLOSED.

Carried Unanimously

The Formal Public Hearing adjourned to the Regular Council Meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Discussion commenced. D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, and B. McIntosh, Director of Civic Operations, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Authorization Issuance Land Use Contract No. LU 28-76, Bylaw No. 2910, 1976, Discharge Bylaw No. 9225, 2021

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to “City of Prince George Authorization Issuance Land Use Contract No. LU 28-76, Bylaw No. 2910, 1976, Discharge Bylaw No. 9225, 2021” to discharge Land Use Contract No. M12699, as shown on Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9225, 2021, from the following legal title:

- *the South West 1/4 of District Lot 625, Cariboo District, Except Plan H705, 13483, 13646, 14296, 18560, 25988, 25989 and 33086.*

Carried

Councillors Sampson and Skakun opposed.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

E.2 Advisory Committee on Development Design 2021 Annual Report

Discussion commenced.

Councillor Frizzell exited Council Chambers at 7:52 p.m. and returned at 7:54 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council APPROVES the 2022 Work Plan as attached to the report dated February 17, 2022, from the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Development Design, titled “Advisory Committee on Development Design 2021 Annual Report.”

Carried Unanimously

E.3 Advisory Committee on Accessibility 2021 Annual Report

Discussion commenced and Mr. Gobbi, Chair, Advisory Committee on Accessibility, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPROVES the Advisory Committee on Accessibility 2022 Work Plan attached to the report dated March 1, 2022 from the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Accessibility titled “Advisory Committee on Accessibility 2021 Annual Report”.

Carried Unanimously

E.4 Prince George Heritage Commission 2021 Annual Report

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPROVES the Prince George Heritage Commission 2022 Work Plan as attached to the report dated February 23, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled “Prince George Heritage Commission 2021 Annual Report.”

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – DEANNA WASNIK

E.8 2021 City of Prince George Housing Needs Report

Mr. Matt Thomson, Community Housing Lead, Urban Matters, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2021 City of Prince George Housing Needs Report completed in December 2021 including information on population and projections, housing profile, understanding housing need, key findings from engagement, and statements of housing needs for various groups.

Discussion commenced. Mr. Thomson, D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, and W. Babicz, City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated March 4, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled, “2021 City of Prince George Housing Needs Report”.

Carried Unanimously

CITY MANAGER – WALTER BABICZ

E.5 Malaspina Avenue Daycare Budget Amendment

Discussion commenced. W. Babicz, City Manager, K. Dalio, Director of Finance, and C. Bone, Senior Manager of Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council APPROVES a budget amendment in 2022 for Project #3352 Malaspina Avenue Daycare to increase the budget from \$2,998,818 to \$5,135,298, to be funded by grants from the Childcare BC New Spaces Fund.

Carried Unanimously

E.6 Terry Fox Statue – Festival/Discovery Place Trust Allocation

Discussion commenced. W. Babicz, City Manager, K. Dalio, Director of Finance, and C. Bone, Senior Manager of Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council:

1. *AUTHORIZES Administration to utilize the Festival/Discovery Place Trust Fund for the purposes of repairing/refurbishing the Terry Fox Statue prior to its relocation to the site of the new downtown pool; and*
2. *AUTHORIZES Administration to utilize any remaining amounts in the Festival/Discovery Place Trust Fund for the purposes of repairing and/or refurbishing City owned public art in the downtown.*

Carried Unanimously

E.7 Legislation Changes to Public Hearing Requirements

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated March 4, 2022 from Walter Babicz, City Manager, titled “Legislation Changes to Public Hearing Requirements.”

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – DEANNA WASNIK

E.9 BC Energy Step Code Implementation

Discussion commenced and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council DIRECTS Administration to proceed with early implementation of the BC Energy Step Code to require Step 1 for Part 9 and Part 3 buildings to be effective September 1, 2022.

Carried Unanimously

E.10 Pharaoh Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9223, 2021

Applicant: City of Prince George

Location: Pharaoh Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Pharaoh Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9223, 2021" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated December 14, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Pharaoh Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9223, 2021" (Considered at the February 7, 2022 regular Council meeting);
- Appendix "A" - Proposed Road Closure;
- Exhibit "A" - Location Map; and
- Exhibit "B" - Proposed Consolidation.

City of Prince George Pharaoh Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9223, 2021

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to “City of Prince George Pharaoh Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9223, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE – KRIS DALIO

E.11 2021 Year End Adjustments

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council APPROVES the Budget Amendment Form attached to the report dated February 22, 2022 from the Director of Finance titled “2021 Year End Adjustments.”

Carried Unanimously

F. BYLAWS – FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

F.1 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9248, 2021

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9248, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

G. CORRESPONDENCE

- G.1 Correspondence dated February 9, 2022 from Heather O'Hara, Executive Director, and Vickey Brown, President, Board of Directors, BC Association of Farmers' Markets: Support of Ongoing Funding for the Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program
- G.2 Correspondence dated March 4, 2022 from Todd Corrigan, Chief Executive Officer, Prince George Chamber of Commerce: Street Side Patios
- G.3 Correspondence dated February 17, 2022 from Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, President, Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM): RCMP Response to Two Resolutions Endorsed at the UBCM 2021 Convention
- G.4 Correspondence dated February 24, 2022 from Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, President, Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM): 2021 Resolution Referred to UBCM Executive
- G.5 Correspondence dated March 3, 2022 from Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, President, Union of BC Municipalities: Provincial Response to 2021 Resolutions
- G.6 Correspondence dated February 28, 2022 from Mayor Mike Morden, City of Maple Ridge: Vaccine Restrictions in Civic Health and Fitness Facilities
- G.7 Correspondence dated February 22, 2022 from Mayor Martin Johansen, Town of Oliver: BC Wildfires Petition Letter of Support
- G.8 Correspondence dated March 8, 2022 from Dan Gilgan, President, Prince George Lawn Bowling Club: Request in Support of a Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) Grant Application

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the City of Prince George SUPPORTS the grant application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust from the Prince George Lawn Bowling Club in the amount of up to \$23,500 to replace the timbers at the Watrous Park Lawn Bowling Green.

Carried Unanimously

- G.9 Correspondence dated January 21, 2022 from Sasha Prynne, Program Officer, Union of British Columbia Municipalities: 2020 Housing Needs Report Program - Prince George Housing Needs Report
- G.10 Correspondence dated March 9, 2022 from Paul Burry, Library Director, Prince George Public Library: Resolution from the Prince George Public Library Board Regarding Provincial Library Funding

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Mayor Hall

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That the Mayor's Office PROVIDES a letter of support on behalf of Council to the Prince George Public Library Board regarding their resolution submitted to the BC Library Trustees Association requesting an increase in provincial funding to public libraries.

Discussion commenced regarding support from other local governments on this issue and its consideration at the upcoming North Central Local Government Association

(NCLGA) Annual General Meeting and Convention and Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention. The motion was withdrawn with the consent of Council.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council ENDORSES for submission from the City of Prince George to the 2022 North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) Annual General Meeting and Convention the resolution passed by the Prince George Public Library Board urging the Provincial Government to increase funding to public libraries.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION correspondence items G.1 to G.10.

Carried Unanimously

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

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

Carried Unanimously

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 9:58 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON

CERTIFIED CORRECT