

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the City of Prince George, held in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC, on September 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor Lyn Hall, Chair

Councillor Everitt
Councillor Frizzell
Councillor Koehler
Councillor Krause
Councillor McConnachie
Councillor Merrick
Councillor Scott <via telephone, 6:00 p.m. to 7:01 p.m.>

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Kathleen **Soltis**, City Manager; Mr. Walter **Babicz**, General Manager of Administrative Services; Mr. Ian **Wells**, General Manager of Planning and Development; Mr. Kris **Dalio**, Director of Finance; Mr. Dave **Dyer**, General Manager of Engineering and Public Works; Ms. Gina **Layte-Liston**, Director of Public Works; and Ms. Leslie **Jackson**, Legislative Assistant.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor McConnachie, seconded by Councillor Koehler, that the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council scheduled for September 18, 2017, BE ADOPTED.

Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Report dated September 12, 2017 from Walter Babicz, General Manager of Administrative Services, regarding Adoption of Minutes.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Frizzell, seconded by Councillor Everitt, that the minutes of the regular Council meeting held September 11, 2017 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. DELEGATIONS

C.1 Carrier Lumber Ltd.

Mr. Bill Kordyban, President, Carrier Lumber, Ltd., and Mr. Robert Schuetz, Industrial Forestry Service, Ltd. provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the City of Prince George and the Douglas Fir Beetle, including information on the endemic levels of beetle infestation, outbreaks, control of the beetle infestation, recommendations and a request to form a partnership between the City of Prince George, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development and private companies such as Carrier Lumber and Dunkley to take action on the issue.

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

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Frizzell, seconded by Councillor Koehler, that Council REFERS the requests from Carrier Lumber, Ltd. and Industrial Forestry Service, Ltd. to address the Douglas fir beetle infestation to Administration for a report back to Council by December 31, 2017.

Carried Unanimously

C.2 Blackburn Community Association

Ms. Jamie Kranrod, Treasurer and Ms. Michelle Kenny, Director at Large, Blackburn Community Association, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding a Blackburn Park Proposal including information on enhancing communities and neighbourhoods, proposed Blackburn park for 2018, benefits of a bike skills park and videos from project supporters.

Discussion commenced and G. Layte-Liston, Director of Public Works, responded to questions of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor McConnachie, seconded by Councillor Everitt, that Council DIRECTS Administration to review the Blackburn Park Proposal from the Blackburn Community Association and follow up with the Association on the outcome of the review.

Carried Unanimously

D. CONSENT AGENDA

D.1 Report dated September 5, 2017 from Ian Wells, General Manager of Planning and Development, regarding Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary, August 2017.

Discussion commenced.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Koehler, seconded by Councillor McConnachie, that Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION Consent Agenda item D.1.

Carried Unanimously

E. REPORTS

MAYOR

E.1 Report dated September 12, 2017 from Mayor Lyn Hall, regarding Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Late Resolution for Commercial Inter-City Bus Transportation.

Discussion commenced.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Everitt, seconded by Councillor McConnachie, that Council SUPPORTS the draft resolution to UBCM attached as Appendix "A" to the report dated September 12, 2017 from Mayor Lyn Hall, calling on the Passenger Transportation Board to decline Greyhound Canada's application to cease operation of selected inter-city bus routes, and instead ensure that BC's transportation network remains fully connected, to achieve our province's collective public safety, economic, social and environmental goals.

Carried Unanimously

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Koehler, seconded by Councillor McConnachie, that Council REQUESTS the provincial government to review and strengthen transportation infrastructure and networks across the province, enabling British Columbians to support community resilience, diversity, and competitiveness; spark and sustain economic growth; and seize opportunities.

Carried Unanimously

GENERAL MANAGER OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- E.2** Report dated September 11, 2017 from Ian Wells, General Manager of Planning and Development, regarding Prince George Transit Systems – 2017/2018 Annual Operating Agreement Amendment: Additional Service Hours – Service Changes.

Ms. Tiina Schaeffer, Manager of Sustainable Community Development, City of Prince George, and Ms. Shilpa Panicker, Senior Transit Planner, BC Transit, attended Centre Table and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding Prince George Transit: Fall 2017 Expansion including information on network challenges, service change summary and next steps.

Councillor Scott discontinued her telephone attendance and left the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Discussion commenced. T. Schaeffer, Manager of Sustainable Community Development, and Ms. Panicker, Senior Transit Planner, BC Transit, responded to questions of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Krause, seconded by Councillor McConnachie, that Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated September 11, 2017 from the General Manager of Planning and Development titled "Prince George Transit Systems – 2017/2018 Annual Operating Agreement Amendment: Additional Service Hours – Service Changes".

Carried Unanimously

- E.3** Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement Authorization Bylaw No. 8876, 2017, Amendment Bylaw No. 8894, 2017

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Koehler, seconded by Councillor Merrick, that Council GRANTS FIRST THREE READINGS to "Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement Authorization Bylaw No. 8876, 2017, Amendment Bylaw No. 8894, 2017".

Carried Unanimously

- E.4** Report dated September 11, 2017 from Ian Wells, General Manager of Planning and Development, regarding Highway 16 Inter-Community Transit – Community Transit Partnership Agreement.

Discussion commenced and I. Wells, General Manager of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Krause, seconded by Councillor Everitt, that Council AUTHORIZES the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign and affix the corporate seal to the Community Transit Partnership Agreement attached to the staff report dated September 11, 2017 from the General Manager of Planning and Development titled "Highway 16 Inter-Community Transit – Community Transit Partnership Agreement."

Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

Moved by Councillor Everitt, seconded by Councillor McConnachie, that Correspondence items F.1 and F.2, BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.

Carried Unanimously

- F.1** Correspondence from Lorraine Logan, President, and Gudrun Langolf, Acting President, Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC: International Day of the Older Person, October 1, 2017

- F.2 Correspondence from Mayor Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford: Support for 2017 Union of BC Municipalities Resolution, City of Abbotsford - The Case for Prevention of the Opioid Crisis

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCIL RESOLUTION:

Moved by Councillor Koehler, 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 7:12 P.M.

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