



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

February 6, 2023

6:00 pm

Council Chambers of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT: Mayor Simon Yu
Councillor Tim Bennett
Councillor Garth Frizzell
Councillor Trudy Klassen
Councillor Ron Polillo
Councillor Cori Ramsay
Councillor Kyle Sampson
Councillor Susan Scott
Councillor Brian Skakun <via telephone> <6:06 p.m. to 8:01 p.m.>

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

A. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Bennett

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for February 6, 2023 be amended by adding two (2) new staff reports as agenda items D.12 and D.13, and that the agenda, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes – January 16, 2023

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That the minutes of the regular Council meeting held January 16, 2023 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 passed by Council at that meeting.

Carried Unanimously

C. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR INFORMATION)

C.1 Report on Land Sales Approved under the Officer Positions and Delegation of Authority Bylaw No. 8340, 2011 for October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Bennett

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the staff report dated January 20, 2023 from the Director of Planning and Development titled “Report on Land Sales Approved under the Officer Positions and Delegation of Authority Bylaw No. 8340, 2011 for October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022”.

Carried Unanimously

D. REPORTS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS – COUNCILLOR GARTH FRIZZELL

D.1 Enhancing Veterinary Care in the Region

Discussion commenced.

Councillor Skakun joined the meeting via telephone at 6:06 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council REQUESTS the Mayor’s office provide a letter to the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills:

- a. in support of establishing a Veterinary Medicine Program at the University of Northern British Columbia with consideration given to practicum placement and retention of students in the region; and*
- b. that requests a review and consideration of the potential impact of veterinarian retirement trends and changes to the degree qualification assessment and accreditation of all medical practitioners, including veterinarians, to help mitigate the service gap.*

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council AMENDS the main motion by adding the words “c. in support of a program at the College of New Caledonia training technicians for veterinarians.”

Carried Unanimously

Main motion as amended.

Carried Unanimously

CITY MANAGER – WALTER BABICZ

D.2 Strategic Plan: 2023 - 2026

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

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council APPROVES the draft 2023 – 2026 Strategic Plan as attached to the report dated January 31, 2022 from the City Manager, titled “Strategic Plan: 2023 – 2026.”

Carried Unanimously

D.3 Update to Budget Amendment for Daycare Projects

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council RESCINDS the following resolutions passed at the January 16, 2023 regular council meeting:

- a. *“That Council APPROVES a budget amendment to Project #3352 – Malaspina Avenue Daycare to decrease the budget from \$5,135,299 to \$4,795,299 with a funding source of Grants; and”*
- b. *“That Council APPROVES a budget amendment to Project #3353 – Dagg Road Daycare to increase the budget from \$2,381,493 to \$2,721,493 with a funding source of Grants.”*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council APPROVES a budget amendment to Project #3352 – Malaspina Avenue Daycare to decrease the budget from \$5,135,299 to \$4,935,299 with a funding source of Grants.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Bennett

That Council APPROVES a budget amendment to Project #3353 – Dagg Road Daycare to increase the budget from \$2,381,493 to \$2,581,493 with a funding source of Grants.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF CIVIC OPERATIONS – BLAKE MCINTOSH

D.4 Jumpstart Multisport Court Project - Gift Agreement

Discussion commenced. B. McIntosh, Director of Civic Operations, and K. Dalio, Director of Finance and IT Services, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPROVES the Gift Agreement between the City of Prince George and Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities for the Jumpstart Multisport Court Project in the form attached to the report dated January 5, 2023 from the Director of Civic Operations titled “Jumpstart Multisport Court Project - Gift Agreement” and AUTHORIZES the Director of Civic Operations to sign the Gift Agreement.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – DEANNA WASNIK

D.5 3701 McLarty Crescent Road Closure Bylaw No. 9346, 2022

Applicant: Renaud Dutrisac and Emilie Jean-St-Michel

Location: Adjacent to 3701 McLarty Crescent

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "3701 McLarty Crescent Road Closure Bylaw No. 9346, 2022" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated December 14, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "3701 McLarty Crescent Road Closure Bylaw No. 9346, 2022" (Considered at the January 16, 2023 council meeting);
- Appendix "A" – Proposed Road Closure;
- Proposed Consolidation Plan; and
- Location Map.

City of Prince George 3701 McLarty Crescent Road Closure Bylaw No. 9346, 2022

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George 3701 McLarty Crescent Road Closure Bylaw No. 9346, 2022."

Carried Unanimously

D.6 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100739 (Bylaw No. 9279)

Applicant: Scouten Engineering for Kidd Real Estate Holdings Ltd., Inc.

No. BC0821509

Location: 2026 McAndrew Crescent

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100739 (Bylaw No. 9279)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated December 21, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100739 (Bylaw No. 9279)" (Considered at the January 16, 2023 council meeting);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9279; and
- Supporting Document(s).

Discussion commenced.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9279, 2022

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9279, 2022."

Carried Unanimously

D.7 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100768 (Bylaw No. 9354)

Applicant: McWalter Consulting Ltd., for 1205192 BC Ltd, Inc. No. BC1205192
Location: 1710 6th Avenue

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100768 (Bylaw No. 9354)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated December 21, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100768 (Bylaw No. 9354)" (Considered at the January 16, 2023 council meeting);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9354;
- Correspondence received January 13, 2023 from Lucy Levitt in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence dated January 16, 2023 from Deana Bilinski in opposition to the application; and
- Correspondence dated January 16, 2023 from Walter and Susan Steidle in opposition to the application.

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

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9354, 2022

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9354, 2022."

Carried Unanimously

D.8 Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100193 (Bylaw No. 9356) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100769 (Bylaw No. 9357)

Applicant: City of Prince George
Location: 2021 Foothills Boulevard

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100193 (Bylaw No. 9356) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100769 (Bylaw No. 9357)" included:

- Staff report dated January 17, 2023 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100193 (Bylaw No. 9356) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100769 (Bylaw No. 9357)";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9356;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9357; and
- Exhibit "A" to CP100193.

Councillor Ramsay exited Council Chambers at 6:42 p.m.

Discussion commenced. D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, and M. Connelly, Corporate Officer/Manager of Legislative Services, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9356, 2022

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9357, 2022

Moved By Councillor Bennett

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES FIRST READING to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9356, 2022.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9356, 2022”, in conjunction with the current Financial Plan and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Polillo

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9356, 2022”, in conjunction with the current Regional District Solid Waste Management Plan and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Ramsay returned to Council Chambers at 6:44 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9356, 2022”, in conjunction with the City of Prince George Strategic Framework for a Sustainable Prince George and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9356, 2022”.

Carried Unanimously

Discussion commenced. D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, and M. Connelly, Corporate Officer/Manager of Legislative Services, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council APPROVES the following public consultation process to fulfill the requirements of Section 475 of the Local Government Act:

- a. *Request for written comment from properties identified on Exhibit "A" to CP100193.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Polillo
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9357, 2022.

In addition, any recommendations presented in the preceding items must be addressed to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Development.

Carried Unanimously

D.9 Modification to Section 219 restrictive covenant registered as Land Title Office Document No. CA9074075 to allow for Development Permit Application No. DP100832

Applicant: The Hub Collection for 1268628 BC Ltd., Inc. No. BC1268628
Location: 4500 Ospika Boulevard

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Modification to Section 219 restrictive covenant registered as Land Title Office Document No. CA9074075 to allow for Development Permit Application No. DP100832)" included:

- Staff report dated January 25, 2023 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Modification to Section 219 restrictive covenant registered as Land Title Office Document No. CA9074075 to allow for Development Permit Application No. DP100832";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Development Permit No. DP100832;
- Exhibit "A" to DP100832;
- Section 219 Restrictive Covenant (Land Title Office Document No. CA9074075); and
- Modification to Section 219 Covenant CA9074075 Land Title Office Document Number CA9428022.

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

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council DENIES a modification of the Section 219 restrictive covenant registered as Land Title Office Document No. CA9074075 as amended by Land Title Office Document No. CA9428022 on the title of the property located at 4500 Ospika Boulevard, legally described as Lot 147, District Lot 2003, Cariboo District, Plan 28774 to allow for a 118-unit apartment offering congregate housing intended for seniors, as shown on proposed Development Permit No. DP100832.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND IT SERVICES – KRIS DALIO

D.10 Procurement Authorizations

Discussion commenced and K. Dalio, Director of Finance and IT Services, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Purchasing Bylaw No. 8841, 2017, Amendment Bylaw No. 9378, 2023

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Bennett

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Purchasing Bylaw No. 8841, 2017, Amendment Bylaw No. 9378, 2023.”

Carried Unanimously

D.11 Reserve Bylaws

Discussion commenced and K. Dalio, Director of Finance and IT Services, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Canada Community-Building Fund Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9379, 2023

City of Prince George Lease-In-Lease-Out Legacy Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9380, 2023

City of Prince George Climate Action Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9206, 2021, Amendment Bylaw No. 9381, 2023

City of Prince George Downtown District Energy System Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9385, 2023

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Polillo

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Canada Community-Building Fund Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9379, 2023.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Lease-In-Lease-Out Legacy Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9380, 2023.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Klassen
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Climate Action Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9206, 2021, Amendment Bylaw No. 9381, 2023.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Polillo

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Downtown District Energy System Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9385, 2023.”

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Skakun left the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

D.12 2023 Equipment Financing Bylaw and Approval of the Electors’ Options

Discussion commenced and K. Dalio, Director of Finance and IT Services and M. Connelly, Corporate Officer/Manager of Legislative Services, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council AUTHORIZES an alternative approval process in accordance with section 86 of the Community Charter be used for the purpose of seeking approval of the electors in relation to “City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023”.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Skakun rejoined the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Polillo

That Council ESTABLISHES the deadline of 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 30, 2023 for receiving Elector Response Forms for the alternative approval process for “City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023”.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council APPROVES the determination of the total number of electors of the area to which the alternative approval process applies for “City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023” as 55,941 electors, on the basis described in this report.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Bennett
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council DIRECTS the Corporate Officer to report the results of the alternative approval process for “City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023” and if approval of the electors has been obtained, to return “City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023” for Council’s consideration of final reading and adoption.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF CIVIC FACILITIES AND EVENTS – ANDY BEESLEY

D.13 2025 Special Olympics BC Summer Games

Discussion commenced and A. Beesley, Director of Civic Facilities and Events, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated February 6, 2023 from the Director of Civic Facilities and Events titled “2025 Special Olympics BC Summer Games”.

Carried Unanimously

E. BYLAWS – FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

E.1 City of Prince George Restrictive Covenant Discharge Bylaw No. 9228, 2021

Councillor Skakun declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to the proximity of the subject property to his residence and left the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Restrictive Covenant Discharge Bylaw No. 9228, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

E.2 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9229, 2021

Moved By Councillor Polillo
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9229, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Skakun rejoined the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

E.3 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9359, 2021

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9359, 2022."

Carried Unanimously

E.4 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9349, 2022

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Polillo

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9349, 2022."

Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE

Councillor Sampson requested further consideration of correspondence item F.1.

Councillor Ramsay requested further consideration of correspondence item F.2.

Councillor Skakun requested further consideration of correspondence items F.4 and F.5.

F.1 Correspondence dated January 17, 2023 from Kenna Jonkman, General Manager of Development Services, Regional District of Fraser-Fort George: Disaster Risk Reduction - Climate Adaptation Grant Application - Partnership Consideration

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That the City of Prince George SUPPORTS the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George applying for, receiving, and managing grant funding on our behalf through the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Disaster Risk Reduction – Climate Adaptation program.

Carried Unanimously

F.2 Correspondence dated January 16, 2023 from John Huybers, Past President, Caledonia Nordic Ski Club: Request for a Resolution in Support of a Grant Application to Northern Development Initiative Trust

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That the City of Prince George SUPPORTS the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust from the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club for a grant of up to \$99,999 for facility improvements at the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club under the recreational infrastructure program.

Carried Unanimously

F.3 Correspondence dated January 11, 2023 from Sasha Pryn, Program Officer, Union of BC Municipalities: 2019 Community Child Care Space Creation Program - YMCA Park House Care and Learning Centre

F.4 Correspondence dated January 26, 2023 from Mayor Simon Yu to the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport: Letter of Support for the Outdoor Ice Oval Society of Prince George's Grant Application for an Outbuilding

Discussion commenced.

F.5 Correspondence dated January 23, 2023 from Mayor Simon Yu to the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport: Caledonia Nordic Ski Club application to the BC Destination Development Fund for Paved Competition Ski Trails

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Bennett

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION Correspondence items F.3, F.4, and F.5.

Carried Unanimously

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Polillo

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

Carried Unanimously

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:01 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON

CERTIFIED CORRECT