



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

November 4, 2019
6:00 pm
Council Chambers of City Hall
1100 Patricia Boulevard Prince George, BC

PRESENT:

- Mayor Lyn Hall, Chair
- Councillor Everitt
- Councillor Krause
- Councillor McConnachie
- Councillor Ramsay
- Councillor Sampson
- Councillor Scott
- Councillor Skakun

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Mr. Walter Babicz, General Manager of Administrative Services
- Ms. Kathleen Soltis, City Manager
- 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
- Mr. Adam Davey, Associate Director of Community Services
- Mr. Rob van Adrichem, Director of External Relations
- Ms. Leslie Kellett, Legislative Coordinator

A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That the agenda for the regular Council meeting scheduled for November 4, 2019, BE ADOPTED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held October 23, 2019, 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 PG Ringette - Western Canadian Championships

Presenter(s): Jennifer Erickson, Tournament Coordinator, 2020 Western Chair, and Brenda Atkinson, 2020 Western Vice Chair

Topic: Ringette Western Canadian Championships

Ms. Jennifer Erickson, Tournament Coordinator, 2020 Western Chair, and Mr. Colin Carson, Manager of Sport Tourism, Tourism PG, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2020 Western Canadian Ringette Championships to be held in Prince George March 26-28, 2020 including information on the Prince George ringette history and hosting history, Western Canadian Ringette Championship facts, tourism impact, financial summary and a request for Council's financial support of the ice rink rental costs up to \$14,500.

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That the agenda BE AMENDED by moving item G.1: 2020 Western Canadian Ringette Championships, to be considered immediately following agenda item C.1: PG Ringette - Western Canadian Championships Delegation.

Carried Unanimously

G. REPORTS

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES - ADAM DAVEY

G.1 2020 Western Canadian Ringette Championships

Discussion commenced. A. Davey, Associated Director of Community Services, and K. Soltis, City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council APPROVES financial support of the 2020 Western Canadian Ringette Championship up to \$14,500 for ice rental costs and that the funds come from the Major Events Reserve.

Carried Unanimously

D. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR INFORMATION)

Councillor Skakun requested further consideration of Consent Agenda item D.2.
Mayor Hall requested further consideration of Consent Agenda item D.3.

D.1 Procurement Quarterly Report 2019 - Quarter Three (July - September)

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the Staff Report dated October 23, 2019 from the General Manager of Administrative Services, titled "Procurement Quarterly Report 2019 - Quarter Three (July - September)".

Carried Unanimously

D.2 Consultant Spending - Quarterly Report

Discussion commenced. D. Dyer, General Manager of Engineering and Public Works, I. Wells, General Manager of Planning and Development, and K. Soltis, City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated October 28, 2019 from the Director of Finance titled "2019 Q3 Consultant Spending Report."

Carried Unanimously

D.3 Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (September 2019)

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That the report dated October 28, 2019 from the General Manager of Planning and Development titled "Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (September 2019)", BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.

Carried Unanimously

G.2 2020 World Women's Curling Championship - Update Report

Mr. Glen Mikkelsen, Events Operations and Marketing Manager, CN Centre, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2020 World Women's Curling Championship including information on the target attendance, ticket package release, volunteerism, media partners contracted, community partners, and confirmed partnerships, curling draw broadcast schedule and special community initiatives.

Discussion commenced. G. Mikkelsen, Events Operations and Marketing Manager, and R. van Adrichem, Director of External Relations, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated October 23, 2019 from the Associate Director, Community Services titled "2020 World Women's Curling Championship - Update Report."

Carried Unanimously

G.3 UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund: Emergency Support Services (ESS) - Grant Application

Discussion commenced and A. Davey, Associate Director of Community Services, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council:

1. *SUPPORTS the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Community Emergency Preparedness Fund - Emergency Support Services (ESS) Grant Application in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to host and participate in the 8th Annual 2020 Northern Emergency Social Services Training (NESST) Conference and to acquire additional equipment to support future potential city evacuation responses; and*
2. *AUTHORIZES the City's Financial Officer and Associate Director of Community Services to sign grant application and contract documents should grant approval be received.*

Carried Unanimously

GENERAL MANAGER OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT - IAN WELLS

G.4 2224 Queensway Road Closure Bylaw No. 9068, 2019

Applicant: City of Prince George

Location: 2224 Queensway

G.4.1 City of Prince George 2224 Queensway Road Closure Bylaw No. 9068, 2019

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GIVES FIRST and SECOND READINGS to "City of Prince George 2224 Queensway Road Closure Bylaw No. 9068, 2019."

Carried Unanimously

GENERAL MANAGER OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - WALTER BABICZ

G.5 Nomination of Council Representatives to the Prince George Public Library Board

W. Babicz, General Manager of Administrative Services, announced the names of the four (4) members of public appointed to the Prince George Public Library Board: Fiona Demers, Anna Duff, Mike Gagel, and Arlene Stevens.

Discussion commenced. Councillor McConnachie was nominated to serve as Council representative on the Prince George Public Library Board.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council APPOINTS Councillor McConnachie to serve on the Prince George Public Library Board for a one year term beginning on January 1, 2020.

Carried Unanimously

H. BYLAWS - FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

H.1 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9059, 2019

Subject: 1733 Upland Street

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. 9059, 2019."

Carried Unanimously

I. CORRESPONDENCE

Councillor Everitt requested further consideration of Correspondence Item I.1.

I.1 Correspondence dated October 17, 2019 from Bill Merklinger, Executive Director of Corporate Services, Curling Canada: Request for Resolution in Support of a Grant Application to Northern Development Initiative Trust

Mayor Hall called a recess at 6:44 p.m.

The regular meeting of Council reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

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

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That the City of Prince George SUPPORTS the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust's Marketing Initiative Program from Curling Canada for a grant of up to \$20,000 for the 2020 World Women's Curling Championship from the Prince George Regional Development Account.

Carried Unanimously

E. INFORMAL HEARING(S) - COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned to the Informal Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

E.1 Variance Permit Application No. VP100550

Applicant: JR and Sons Enterprises Ltd. for Andrew McLennan

Location: 6810 Dagg Road

Documents for consideration in conjunction with Variance Permit Application No. VP100550:

- Staff Report dated October 8, 2019 from the General Manager of Planning and Development regarding Variance Permit Application No. VP100550;
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Variance Permit No. VP100550;
- Exhibit A to VP100550;
- Correspondence received from Paul DuRocher in Support of the Application; and
- Correspondence received from Ken Spooner in Support of the Application.

Applicant:

The applicant was in attendance and available for questions.

Gallery:

There were no submissions from the gallery.

The Informal Hearing adjourned to the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:00 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Scott

THAT Council APPROVES Variance Permit No. VP100550 to vary "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007" for the property legally described as Lot 1, District Lot 4047, Cariboo District, Plan 14806 as follows:

- a. Vary Section 10.1.6 1. by increasing the total maximum combined gross floor area of accessory buildings and structures on site from 90.0 m² to 108.0 m², as shown on Exhibit "A" to VP100550

Carried Unanimously

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned to the Informal Hearing at 7:05 p.m.

E.2 Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000052

Applicant: Cariboo Cannabis for 0829328 BC Ltd., Inc. No. BC0829328

Location: 100 Tabor Blvd

Documents for consideration in conjunction with Temporary Use Application No. TU000052:

- Staff Report dated October 9, 2019 from the General Manager of Planning and Development regarding Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000052;
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Approval;
- Supporting Document(s);
- Correspondence dated October 24, 2019 from Ryan and Amanda Yorston in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence dated October 25, 2019 from Dr. Terah Albertson, DMD, in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence dated October 28, 2019 from Steven Burke, Chairman, Zion Lutheran Church and Christian School, in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence received November 3, 2019 from Jeanette Stebbe in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence received November 4, 2019 from Rod McLeod regarding the application;
- Correspondence received November 4, 2019 from Curtis Elite Security regarding the application; and
- Correspondence received November 4, 2019 from Wendel Schwab in support of the application.

Applicant:

Mr. Cale Rusnell, Mr. Blair Traxler, and Mr. Mark Nelson, Applicants, attended Centre Table and provided a PowerPoint presentation in support of their application including information on the subject property location, safety, security and store layout, and community support.

Gallery:

Mr. Ron Davis attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns regarding the lack of knowledge on the impact of this type of facility in this type of location.

Ms. Margaret Schwarzenberger attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns on the proximity of the location to public pathways, the surrounding residential neighbourhood, and Gordon Bryan Park entrance.

Mr. Wendel Schwab attended Centre Table and distributed a letter in support of the application noting the addition of a cannabis storefront would improve livability of the surrounding community.

Dr. Terah Albertson attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns with the risk in increased access and exposure of cannabis to youth in the surrounding neighbourhood and noted concerns with the known oral and medical health related to use of cannabis.

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

Mr. Maurice Luka attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns with a decrease in the quality of life of the surrounding neighbourhood associated with the potential increase of marijuana use/smoke.

Ms. Lendl Brown attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns on the proximity of residential homes, public elementary and high school and a private school to the proposed subject location.

Ms. Mavis Tomlinson attended Centre Table and noted concerns regarding the application requesting information regarding the requirement for applicants to provide information and education on the health concerns related to the inhalation of smoke and potential alternative uses.

Ms. Shauna Wagner attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns with the close proximity of the proposed facility to residential homes.

The Informal Hearing adjourned to the regular meeting of Council at 7:38 p.m.

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council APPROVES Temporary Use Permit No. TU000052 for the property legally described as lot A, District Lot 1427, Cariboo District, Plan 20420.

Carried Unanimously

The regular meeting of Council adjourned to the Informal Hearing at 7:47 p.m.

E.3 Cannabis License Application No. CN000007

Applicant: Cariboo Cannabis for 0829328 BC Ltd., Inc. No. BC0829328

Location: 100 Tabor Blvd

Documents for consideration in conjunction with Cannabis License Application No. CN000007:

- Staff Report dated October 9, 2019 from the General Manager of Planning and Development regarding Cannabis License Application No. CN000007;

- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix A Resolution for CN000007;
- Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Approval;
- Supporting Document(s);
- Correspondence dated October 24, 2019 from Ryan and Amanda Yorston in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence dated October 25, 2019 from Dr. Terah Albertson, DMD, in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence dated October 28, 2019 from Steven Burke, Chairman, Zion Lutheran Church and Christian School, in opposition to the application; and
- Correspondence received November 4, 2019 from Wendel Schwab in support of the application.

Applicant:

The applicant was in attendance and available for questions.

Gallery:

Ms. Margaret Schwarzenberger attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application.

The Informal Hearing adjourned to the regular meeting of Council at 7:50 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That:

1. Council supports the issuance of a Cannabis License at the subject property for the following reasons: The applicant's proposal is consistent with the City of Prince George Liquor and Cannabis License Policy. The impacts of a Cannabis License in this area of the community are unknown. Council, therefore, has considered a Temporary Use Permit that would facilitate a Retail, Cannabis use to allow the City of Prince George to gain an understanding of the extent of impacts a Retail, Cannabis use will have on the community in this area.
2. Council's comments on the prescribed considerations are as set out in the October 9, 2019 staff report from Ian Wells, General Manager of Planning and Development, for Cannabis Licence Application No. CN000007.
3. The methods used to gather the views of residents are as follows: The views of potentially affected property owners were collected in a Public Hearing held on November 4, 2019 in Council Chambers. The public notice for this hearing included 1) a sign was posted on the property ten (10) days prior to the hearing, 2) written notification to owners and tenants in occupation of all parcels within the area that was the subject of the application, and within a distance of 30 metres from the land that was the subject of this application ten (10) days prior to the hearing, and 3) advertisements were placed in two (2) consecutive issues of a newspaper, not less than three (3) and not more than ten (10) days before

the hearing. The views of affected property owners are as summarized in the minutes of the Public Hearing held on November 4, 2019.

Carried Unanimously

The regular meeting of Council adjourned to the Informal Hearing at 7:51 p.m.

E.4 Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000053

Applicant: Earth to Sky Cannabis Company Ltd. for PRP Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. BC0951609

Location: 1533 3rd Avenue

Documents for consideration in conjunction with Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000053:

- Staff Report dated October 9, 2019 from the General Manager of Planning and Development regarding Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000053;
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Temporary Use Permit No. TU000053;
- Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Approval;
- Supporting Document(s);
- Correspondence dated October 29, 2019 from Lindy Steele, President, Auxiliary to University Hospital of Northern British Columbia, noting concerns regarding the application;
- Nine items of correspondence received November 4, 2019 from the applicant in support of the application; and
- PowerPoint presentation received November 4, 2019 from the applicant in support of the application.

Applicant:

Mr. Matthew Vigue, representative of the applicant, attended Centre Table and distributed nine items of correspondence and provided a PowerPoint presentation in support of the application including information on the company, Earth to Sky Cannabis Company Ltd., and the proposed retail space.

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

Gallery:

Ms. Margaret Schwarzenberger attended Centre Table and spoke in opposition to the application noting concerns that the safety and security of staff at adjacent facilities may decrease with an increase in cannabis users frequenting the proposed facility at the subject location.

The Informal Hearing adjourned to the regular meeting of Council at 8:09 p.m.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council APPROVES "Temporary Use Permit TU000053" for the property legally described as Lot 9, Block 130, District Lot 343, Cariboo District, Plan 1268.

Carried Unanimously

The regular meeting of Council adjourned to the Informal Hearing at 8:14 p.m.

E.5 Cannabis License Application No. CN000008

Applicant: Earth to Sky Cannabis Company Ltd. for PRP Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. BC0951609

Location: 1533 3rd Avenue

Documents for consideration in conjunction with Cannabis License Application No. CN000008:

- Staff Report dated October 9, 2019 from the General Manager of Planning and Development regarding Cannabis License Application No. CN000008;
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix A Resolution for CN000008;
- Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Approval;
- Supporting Document(s);
- Correspondence dated October 29, 2019 from Lindy Steele, President, Auxiliary to University Hospital of Northern British Columbia, noting concerns regarding the application;
- Nine items of correspondence received November 4, 2019 from the applicant in support of the application; and
- PowerPoint presentation received November 4, 2019 from the applicant in support of the application.

Applicant:

The applicant was in attendance and available for questions.

Gallery:

There were no submissions from the gallery.

The Informal Hearing adjourned to the regular Meeting of Council at 8:16 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That:

1. Council supports the issuance of a Cannabis License at the subject property for the following reasons:
The applicant's proposal is consistent with the City of Prince George Liquor and Cannabis License Policy. The impacts of a Cannabis License in this area of the community are unknown. Council, therefore, has considered a Temporary Use Permit that would facilitate a Retail, Cannabis use to allow the City of Prince George to gain an understanding of the extent of impacts a Retail, Cannabis use will have on the community in this area.
2. Council's comments on the prescribed considerations are as set out in the October 9, 2019 staff report from Ian Wells, General Manager of Planning and Development, for Cannabis Licence Application No. CN000008.
3. The methods used to gather the views of residents are as follows: The views of potentially affected property owners were collected in a Public Hearing held on November 4, 2019 in Council Chambers. The public notice for this hearing included 1) a sign was posted on the property ten (10) days prior to the hearing, 2) written notification to owners and tenants in occupation of all parcels within the area that was the subject of the application, and within a distance of 30 metres from the land that was the subject of this application ten (10) days prior to the hearing, and 3) advertisements were placed in two (2) consecutive issues of a newspaper, not less than three (3) and not more than ten (10) days before the hearing. The views of affected property owners are as summarized in the minutes of the Public Hearing held on November 4, 2019.

Carried Unanimously

F. FORMAL PUBLIC HEARINGS - COMMENCING AT 8:17 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned to the Formal Public Hearing at 8:17 P.M.

F.1 Rezoning Application No. RZ100630 (Bylaw No. 9043, 2019)

Applicant: BC Liquor Distribution Branch for Spruceland Shopping Centre Inc., Inc.
No. 360048

Location: 737 Central Street

Documents for consideration in conjunction with Rezoning Application No. RZ100630 (Bylaw No. 9043, 2019):

- Staff Report dated September 26, 2019 from the General Manager of Planning and Development regarding *Rezoning Application No. RZ100630 (Bylaw No. 9043, 2019) (Previously considered at the October 7, 2019 regular Council meeting)*;
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix A to Bylaw No. 9043, 2019;
- Supporting Documents;

- Correspondence dated October 18, 2019 from Wendy Girard in opposition to the application;
- Correspondence dated October 24, 2019 from Nancy Murphy in opposition to the application; and
- PowerPoint presentation received November 4, 2019 from the Application in support of the application.

Applicant:

The applicant was in attendance and available for questions.

Gallery:

There were no submissions from the gallery.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That the Formal Public Hearing regarding "Rezoning Application No. RZ100630 (Bylaw No. 9043, 2019)", BE CLOSED.

Carried Unanimously

The Formal Public Hearing adjourned to the regular meeting of Council at 8:18 p.m.

F.1.1 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9043, 2019

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GRANTS THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9043, 2019."

Carried Unanimously

J. ADJOURNMENT

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:20 P.M.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

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

Carried Unanimously

CHAIRPERSON

CERTIFIED CORRECT