



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

August 31, 2020

6:00 pm

Council Chambers of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT:

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

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
Ms. Gina Layte Liston, Director of Public Works
Mr. Adam Davey, Director of Community Services and Public Safety
Mr. Rob van Adrichem, Director of External Relations
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Legislative Coordinator

A. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for August 31, 2020, be amended to add the Tourism Prince George Society's PowerPoint presentation at agenda item C.2, and that the agenda, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held August 17, 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. REPORTS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND AUDIT - COUNCILLOR GARTH FRIZZELL

C.1 Public Consultation Regarding City Budget Priorities

Discussion commenced and R. van Adrichem, Director of External Relations, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council:

1. *DIRECTS Administration to proceed with a public engagement program as broadly outlined in the report dated August 12, 2020, from the Director of External Relations, titled "Public Consultation Regarding City Budget Priorities"; and*
2. *PROVIDES Administration with the flexibility in their deployment of a public engagement program recognizing the evolving conditions and circumstances related to 2021 budget preparation and the COVID-19 pandemic.*

Carried Unanimously

CITY MANAGER - KATHLEEN SOLTIS

DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS - ROB VAN ADRICHEM

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE – KRIS DALIO

C.2 City of Prince George 2019 Annual Report

1. ***Staff Presentation of City of Prince George 2019 Annual Report***
2. ***Tourism Prince George Society Presentation***
3. ***Prince George Public Library Presentation***
4. ***Submissions and Questions from the Public***
5. ***Approval of City of Prince George 2019 Annual Report***

Mr. Rob van Adrichem, Director of External Relations, and Mr. Kris Dalio, Director of Finance, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the City of Prince George 2019 Annual Report including information on the myPG pillars, financial information and tax exemptions.

Discussion commenced. K. Soltis, City Manager, and K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

Councillor Ramsay exited Council Chambers at 6:34 p.m.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council DIRECTS Administration to submit a report to Council regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and the measures taken to keep City staff safe thus far, and plans for the future including consideration of a work-from-home scenario.

Discussion commenced. W. Babicz, General Manager of Administrative Services, and K. Soltis, City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council AMENDS the main motion by inserting “at the October 5, 2020 regular Council meeting” after “submit a report to Council”.

Carried Unanimously

Main Motion as amended.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Ramsay returned to Council Chambers at 6:37 p.m.

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

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council DIRECTS Administration to submit a report to Council regarding the reasons for the cost overrun, including a breakdown of expenses, on the George Street Parkade capital project.

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Hall called a recess of the Regular Council Meeting at 6:53 p.m.

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

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

D. FORMAL PUBLIC HEARING(S) - COMMENCING AT 7:00 P.M.

- 1. Information from Administration**
- 2. Presentation by Applicant**
- 3. Representations by Members of the Public (Gallery and Telephone)**
- 4. Closure of Hearing**
- 5. Third Reading of Bylaw (if appropriate)**

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

D.1 Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100155 (Bylaw No. 9063, 2019) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100631 (Bylaw No. 9064, 2019)

Applicant: Dylan Gustafson for Gustafson's Automobile Co. Ltd.

Location: 1880 Bowser Avenue; 1912, 1924, 1936, 1942, 1948 Willow Street; and 1947 Vine Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100155 (Bylaw No. 9063, 2019) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100631 (Bylaw No. 9064, 2019)" included:

- Staff report dated August 17, 2020, from the General Manager of Planning and Development, titled "Consultation for Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100155 (Bylaw No. 9063)";
- Previously submitted staff report dated June 29, 2020, from the General Manager of Planning and Development, titled "2020 CP100155 Report to Council - Request to Amend Consultation Procedures"(Considered at the July 13, 2020 regular Council meeting);
- Exhibit "A" to CP100155;
- Previously submitted staff report dated July 24, 2019, from the General Manager of Planning and Development, titled "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100155 (Bylaw No. 9063, 2019) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100631 (Bylaw No. 9064, 2019)" (Considered at the September 9, 2019 regular Council meeting);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9063;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9064; and
- Exhibit "A" to Application No. CP100155.

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

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

Applicant:

The applicant was in attendance via telephone and available for questions.

Gallery and Telephone:

There were no submissions from neither the gallery nor the telephone.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the Formal Public Hearing regarding "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100155 (Bylaw No.9063, 2019) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100631 (Bylaw No. 9064, 2019)", BE CLOSED.

Carried Unanimously

The Formal Public Hearing adjourned to the Regular Council Meeting at 7:04 p.m.

City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9063, 2019

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9063, 2019."

Carried Unanimously

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9064, 2019

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9064, 2019."

Carried Unanimously

C. REPORTS

CITY MANAGER - KATHLEEN SOLTIS
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Ms. Tracey McBride, Chief Executive Officer, and Ms. Elke Heirl-Steinbauer, Vice-Chair, Board of Directors, Tourism Prince George Society, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding Tourism Society of Prince George's 2019 Annual Report including information on department updates, COVID-19 impact, challenges and opportunities and the SupportPG project.

Discussion commenced. Ms. Hierl-Steinbauer and Ms. McBride responded to questions of Council.

Mr. Mike Gagel, Chair, Library Board, and Mr. Paul Burry, Library Director, Prince George Public Library, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Prince George Public Library's 2019 Annual Report including information on the board of trustees, physical and virtual spaces of the library, community well-being and engagement, borrowing statistics, financials and listing of grants and sponsors.

Councillor Skakun exited Council Chambers at 7:37 p.m. and returned at 7:38 p.m.

Discussion commenced. Mr. Gagel and Mr. Burry responded to questions of Council.

Mayor Hall invited submissions and questions from the public regarding the City of Prince George 2019 Annual Report. There were no submissions from the gallery.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council APPROVES the Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2019, attached as Appendix “A” to the report dated August 17, 2020, from the Director of External Relations, titled “City of Prince George 2019 Annual Report.”

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY - ADAM DAVEY

C.3 Update on the Reopening of the Kin Arenas and Aquatic Centre

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

Moved By Mayor Hall

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council DIRECTS Administration to submit a report to Council regarding a plan to re-open the indoor walking concourse at the CN Centre to the public.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated August 18, 2020, from the Director of Community Services and Public Safety, regarding an update on the reopening of the Aquatic Centre and Kin Arenas.

Carried Unanimously

GENERAL MANAGER OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS – DAVE DYER

C.4 Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy Alliance

Councillor Frizzell exited Council Chambers at 8:17p.m. and returned at 8:19 p.m.

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

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council POSTPONES the decision to join the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy Alliance until the Climate Action Strategy is complete and additional clarity is available on the program.

Carried Unanimously

GENERAL MANAGER OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT - IAN WELLS

C.5 Development Variance Permit No. VP100566

Applicant: Glen Blair and Jenia Yanick

Location: 866 Alward Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Development Variance Permit No. VP100566" included:

- Staff report dated August 5, 2020, from the General Manager of Planning and Development, titled "Development Variance Permit No. VP100566";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Development Variance Permit No. VP100566;
- Exhibit "A" to VP100566;
- Letters of Support Map; and
- Letters of Support.

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council APPROVES Development Variance Permit No. VP100566 to vary City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007 for the property legally described as Lot A, District Lot 343, Cariboo District, Plan EPP103388 as follows:

- a. *Vary Section 10.4.7 6. by reducing the minimum interior side yard setback of an accessory building from 1.2 m to 0.6 m, as shown on Exhibit "A" to VP100566.*

Carried Unanimously

C.6 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100661 (Bylaw No. 9127)

Applicant: Lorinda Lunn

Location: 280 Bellos Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100661 (Bylaw No. 9127)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated June 30, 2020, from the General Manager of Planning and Development, titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100661 (Bylaw No. 9127)" (*Considered at the July 27, 2020 regular Council meeting*);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9127; and
- Correspondence received August 25, 2020 from Lorinda Lunn in support of the application.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9127, 2020

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9127, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE - KRIS DALIO

C.7 2019 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

Discussion commenced. K. Dalio, Director of Finance, W. Babicz, General Manager of Administrative Services, K. Soltis, City Manager, and R. van Adrichem, Director of External Relations, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council DIRECTS Administration to prepare future Statements of Financial Information (SOFI) reports with the following categories of employees each shown separately within the Statement of Employee Remuneration and Expenses Paid:

- *Exempt Management;*
- *Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE); and*
- *International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF).*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council APPROVES the 2019 Public Bodies Report attached to the report dated August 20, 2020, from the Director of Finance, titled "2019 Statements of Financial Information (SOFI)".

Carried Unanimously

C.8 2019 – 2023 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 9128

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to "City of Prince George Five Year Operating and Capital Financial Plans Bylaw No. 9037, 2019, Amendment Bylaw No. 9128, 2020".

Carried Unanimously

E. ADJOURNMENT

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:55 P.M.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

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

Carried Unanimously

CHAIRPERSON

CERTIFIED CORRECT