



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

June 28, 2021

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 <via Zoom>

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Walter Babicz, Acting City Manager
Ms. Deanna Wasnik, Acting Director of Planning and Development Services
Mr. Kris Dalio, Director of Finance
Mr. Blake McIntosh, Acting Director of Civic Operations
Mr. Adam Davey, Director of Community Services and Public Safety
Mr. Rob van Adrichem, Director of External Relations
Ms. Rae-Ann Emery, Director of Human Resources and Public Safety
Ms. Maureen Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Legislative Coordinator

A. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for June 28, 2021, be amended by adding eight items of correspondence as agenda item G.10, G.11, G.12, G.13, G.14, G.15, G.16, and G.17, and that the agenda, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes - June 14, 2021

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held June 14, 2021, 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(S)

C.1 Downtown Prince George Business Improvement Association

Presenters: Eoin Foley, President, and Colleen Van Mook, Executive Director, Downtown Prince George Business Improvement Association
Topic: 2020 Annual Report

Ms. Colleen Van Mook, Executive Director, Downtown Prince George, and Mr. Eoin Foley, President, Downtown Prince George Business Improvement Association, provided a PowerPoint presentation via Zoom regarding the Downtown Prince George 2020 Annual Report including information on the board of directors and staff, a review of 2020 expenditures, revenue streams, special programs, events, and micro-grant summary, and 2021 program highlights pertaining to beautification, events and promotions, business development, and governance.

Discussion commenced. Ms. Van Mook and Mr. Foley responded to questions of Council.

D. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR INFORMATION)

COUNCILLOR GARTH FRIZZELL, CHAIR, STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND AUDIT

D.1 May 31, 2021 Standing Committee on Finance and Audit Meeting Agenda

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated June 18, 2021 from the Standing Committee on Finance and Audit titled “May 31st Standing Committee on Finance and Audit Meeting Agenda”.

Carried Unanimously

E. REPORTS

ACTING CITY MANAGER - WALTER BABICZ

E.1 Northern Sport Centre Limited 2020 Annual Report

Presenters: Don Bassermann, Chair, Lisa Haslett, Treasurer, Board of Directors, and Alicia Smith, Interim Manager, Northern Sport Centre

Ms. Alicia Smith, Interim Manager, Mr. Don Bassermann, Chair and Ms. Lisa Haslett, Treasurer, Board of Directors, Northern Sport Centre, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Northern Sport Centre's (NSC) 2020 to 2021 activity and financial report including information on the centre's mission, board of directors, impact of COVID-19 on NSC operations and local sport groups, total facility hours used by local sport organizations and Engage Sport North versus UNBC, membership revenue stream, 2021 - 2022 budget, capital reserve report, and the 2021 balance sheet and income statement for year-ended March 31, 2021.

Councillor Ramsay exited Council Chambers at 6:43 p.m. and returned at 6:45 p.m.

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

Councillor Skakun left the meeting at 6:50 p.m. and returned at 6:52 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council APPROVES the Northern Sport Centre Limited Shareholders' Resolutions attached as Schedule "B" to the report dated June 16, 2021 from the Acting City Manager titled "Northern Sport Centre Limited Annual Report."

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council AUTHORIZES the Acting City Manager to sign the Shareholders' Resolutions.

Carried Unanimously

E.2 City of Prince George 2020 Annual Report

Written submissions received for Council's consideration regarding the City of Prince George 2020 Annual Report included:

- Correspondence dated June 19, 2021 from Sean Kealy.

Mr. Walter Babicz, Acting City Manager, 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's 2020 Annual Report including information on the purpose of the report, report structure, review of the myPG plan and four pillars, and 2020 highlights, measures, and financial information.

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

Mr. Paul Robison, Chair, Ms. Elke Hierl-Steinbauer, Vice-Chair, Tourism Prince George Society Board, Ms. Tracey McBride, (Outgoing) Chief Executive Officer, and Mr. Colin Carson, (Incoming) Chief Executive Officer, attended the meeting via Zoom and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Tourism Prince George's 2020 Annual Report including information on the COVID-19 impacts on tourism, marketing, sports and conferences, communications, visitor services, destination development, organizational effectiveness, and plans for work in 2021 and beyond.

Discussion commenced and Ms. McBride responded to questions of Council.

Mr. Mike Gagel, Chair, Prince George Public Library Board, and Mr. Paul Burry, Library Director, Prince George Public Library, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Prince George Public Library's 2020 Annual Report including information on the 2020 board of trustees, the library's involvement on council committees, library activities and events, 2020 statistics, a timeline of COVID-19 impacts, 2020 financials, grants and sponsors.

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

Councillor Frizzell exited Council Chambers at 7:05 p.m. and returned at 7:08 p.m.

Mayor Hall invited submissions and questions from the public regarding the City of Prince George 2020 Annual Report. There were no submissions from the gallery or telephone.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council APPROVES the Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2020, attached as Appendix "A" to the report from the Acting City Manager dated June 21, 2021, titled "City of Prince George 2020 Annual Report."

Carried Unanimously

E.3 Centralized Fire Dispatch Agreement - Amending Agreement

Discussion commenced and Chief John Iverson, Prince George Fire and Rescue, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council AUTHORIZES the Mayor and Corporate Officer to execute the Centralized Fire Dispatch Service Agreement (Amending Agreement) attached to the report from the Fire Chief dated June 15, 2021 titled "Centralized Fire Dispatch Agreement – Amending Agreement", to enable the addition of the Fire Dispatch Back-Up Services Agreement with North Island 9-1-1 Corporation.

Carried Unanimously

E.4 June 2021 Capital Budget Amendments

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

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPROVES the 2021 proposed budget amendments set out in the attachment to the report dated June 18, 2021 from the Acting City Manager titled “June 2021 Capital Budget Amendments”.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY - ADAM DAVEY

E.5 ReStart Plan: Resumption of Indoor Facilities

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

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council APPROVES the reopening of all six City Arenas in accordance with Public Health Orders, with budget reopening expenses provided through the Provincial Restart Grant funding.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council APPROVES the reopening of the Prince George Conference & Civic Centre in accordance with Public Health Orders following the completion of Northern Health Authority’s Covid-19 vaccination clinic, with budget reopening expenses provided through the Provincial Restart Grant funding.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPROVES the resumption of normal Aquatics programming and services at the Prince George Aquatic Centre in accordance with Public Health Orders, with budget expenses provided through the Provincial Restart Grant funding.

Carried Unanimously

ACTING DEPUTY CITY MANAGER - IAN WELLS

E.6 Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100173 (Bylaw No. 9204, 2021) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100699 (Bylaw No. 9205, 2021)

Applicant: Station One Architects for Pacific Peace Properties Inc., Inc.

No. BC1190275

Location: 1330 - 1380 Foothills Boulevard

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100173 (Bylaw No. 9204, 2021) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100699 (Bylaw No. 9205, 2021)" included:

- Staff report dated June 7, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100173 (Bylaw No. 9204, 2021) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100699 (Bylaw No. 9205, 2021)";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9204;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9205; and
- Exhibit "A" to Application No. CP100173.

City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9204, 2021

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9205, 2021

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GIVES FIRST READING to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9204, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9204, 2021” in conjunction with the current Financial Plan and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9204, 2021”, in conjunction with the current Regional District of Fraser Fort-George Solid Waste Management Plan and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9204, 2021”, 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 McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GIVES SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9204, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

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

- a. *Two (2) Citywide Newspaper advertisement(s) requesting written comment; and*
- b. *Request for written comment from properties identified on Exhibit “A” to CP100173.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9205, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council PERMITS the Public Hearing for proposed Bylaw No. 9205, 2021 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

- a. *Receipt of Traffic Impact Analysis.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council PERMITS that consideration of Final Reading of proposed Bylaw No. 9205, 2021 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

a. Receipt of Servicing Brief

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

Carried Unanimously

E.7 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100687 (Bylaw No. 9181)

Applicant: Deadfall Brewing Company Ltd. for Brookwood Properties Inc., Inc.
No. 762283

Location: 1733 Nicholson Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100687 (Bylaw No. 9181)" included:

- Staff report dated June 7, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100687 (Bylaw No. 9181)"; and
- Location and Existing Zoning Map.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9181, 2021

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9181, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council PERMITS the Public Hearing for proposed Bylaw No. 9181, 2020 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

a. Receipt of a Liquor Licence Application.

Carried Unanimously

E.8 Application No. AR100035 for Subdivision in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR)

Applicant: Sang Hyun Ban
Location: 9950 North Kelly Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Application No. AR100035 for Subdivision in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR)" included:

- Staff report dated June 2, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Application No. AR100035 for Subdivision in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR)";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to AR100035;
- Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Fisheries Letter dated April 26, 2021; and
- Supporting Documents.

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

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council SUPPORTS the subdivision of the subject property legally described as The South West ¼ of District Lot 2431, Cariboo District, as shown as Appendix "A" to AR100035.

Carried

Councillor Ramsay opposed.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council DIRECTS Administration to forward the resolution from Council to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC).

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE - KRIS DALIO

E.9 2020 Statements of Financial Information (SOFI)

Councillor McConnachie exited Council Chambers at 8:46 p.m. and returned at 8:48 p.m.

Discussion commenced. K. Dalio, Director of Finance, W. Babicz, Acting City Manager, and R. Emery, Director of Human Resources and Corporate Safety, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council APPROVES the 2020 Public Bodies Report attached to the report dated June 18, 2021 from the Director of Finance titled "2020 Statements of Financial Information (SOFI)".

Carried Unanimously

E.10 2020-2024 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 9207

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to “City of Prince George 5 - Year Operating and Capital Financial Plans Bylaw No. 9120, 2020, Amendment Bylaw No. 9207, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

F. BYLAWS - FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

F.1 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9192, 2021

Applicant: L&M Engineering Ltd. for North Realty Group Ltd., Inc. No. 875402
Location: 1584 8th Avenue

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9192, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

F.2 City of Prince George 3000 15th Avenue Road Closure Bylaw No. 9195, 2021

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George 3000 15th Avenue Road Closure Bylaw No. 9195, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

F.3 City of Prince George Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement 2021/2022 Authorization Bylaw No. 9208, 2021

Mayor Hall declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his role as Director on the BC Transit Board and exited Council Chambers at 9:24 p.m.

Councillor Everitt, Acting Mayor, assumed the position of Chair for the duration of Mayor Hall's absence.

Mayor Hall returned to Council Chambers at 9:25 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to “City of Prince George Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement 2021/2022 Authorization Bylaw No. 9208, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

F.4 City of Prince George Safe Streets Bylaw No. 9209, 2021

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

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Safe Streets Bylaw No. 9209, 2021."

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council POSTPONES the main motion to grant final reading and adoption to "City of Prince George Safe Streets Bylaw No. 9209, 2021" to the October 4, 2021 regular Council meeting.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council AMENDS the postponement motion by changing "October 4, 2021" to "August 30, 2021."

Carried

Councillors Krause, McConnachie, and Skakun opposed.

Motion to postpone the main motion as set out above.

Carried

Councillors McConnachie, Sampson, and Skakun opposed.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council EXTENDS the Regular Council Meeting from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

F.5 City of Prince George Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 8813, 2016, Amendment Bylaw No. 9210, 2021

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council POSTPONES consideration of final reading and adoption of "City of Prince George Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 8813, 2016, Amendment Bylaw No. 9210, 2021" to the August 30, 2021 regular Council meeting.

Carried

Councillors McConnachie, Sampson, and Skakun opposed.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council DESIGNATES Mayor Hall as representative of the City of Prince George to work with the Office of the Attorney General, Minister Responsible for Housing and BC Housing to develop strategies to address the public health and safety issues surrounding the growing encampments in Prince George.

Carried Unanimously

F.6 City of Prince George Transit Operating Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9212, 2021

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Transit Operating Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 9212, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

G. CORRESPONDENCE

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

Councillor Ramsay requested further consideration of Correspondence item G.5.

G.1 Correspondence dated June 15, 2021, from Connie Abe, Executive Director, Association Advocating for Women and Community (AWAC): Request for a Resolution in Support of Two Grant Applications to Northern Development Initiative Trust

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That the City of Prince George SUPPORTS the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust from AWAC - Association Advocating for Women and Community for a grant in the amount of \$100,000.00 to provide evening outreach services year-round for individuals suffering from substance misuse, mental health challenges and homelessness.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That the City of Prince George SUPPORTS the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust from AWAC - Association Advocating for Women and Community for a grant in the amount of \$90,000.00 to allow for the expansion of the bathroom services at the AWAC facility to include an additional two toilets and showers.

Carried Unanimously

- G.2 Correspondence from Glynis Vennberg, President, Prince George Minor Hockey Association: Requesting the Re-opening of the Elksentre
- G.3 Correspondence dated June 17, 2021, from Tracey McBride, CEO, Tourism Prince George, Clint Fraser, CEO, Northern BC Tourism Association, Walt Judas, CEO, Tourism Industry Association of BC, and Ingrid Jarrett, President and CEO, BC Hotel Association: BC Tourism & Hospitality Conference - March 8 - 11, 2022
- G.4 Correspondence dated June 18, 2021, from Tracey McBride, Chief Executive Officer, Tourism Prince George: Prince George Conference and Civic Centre
- G.5 Correspondence dated May 11, 2021 from David DeLeenheer, Co-President, Prince George Bee Club: Requests In Support of Bee Food Sources

Discussion commenced and B. McIntosh, Acting Director of Civic Operations responded to questions of Council.
- G.6 Correspondence dated June 11, 2021, from Cindy Graves, Corporate Officer, Township of Spallumcheen: BC Hydro Residential Rate Review
- G.7 Correspondence dated June 15, 2021 from Susan Phillips regarding the Safe Streets Bylaw and Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw Amendment
- G.8 Correspondence dated June 21, 2021 from Marieka Sax: Response to Safe Streets Bylaw Amendment
- G.9 Correspondence dated June 21, 2021, from Gerry Healy, Together We Stand: Homelessness Consultation
- G.10 Handout: Correspondence dated June 25, 2021 from Amelia Merrick: Concerns Over PG Safe Street Bylaws Amendments
- G.11 Handout: Correspondence dated June 24, 2021 from Lynne Affleck: Safe Street Bylaws
- G.12 Handout: Correspondence dated June 26, 2021 from Richard Parks: Safe Streets Bylaw Final Reading
- G.13 Handout: Correspondence dated June 26, 2021 from Helen Robertson: Save Our Downtown
- G.14 Handout: Correspondence dated June 25, 2021 from Madeline Wilson and Kalen Geddes: Proposed Safe Streets Bylaw Amendment
- G.15 Handout: Correspondence dated June 25, 2021 from Jesse Thompson and Peter Stevenson: Homeless Encampments
- G.16 Handout: Correspondence received June 28, 2021 from Chris Studney, Anna Taylor, Thelma Taylor, Ericka Lynne Spence, and Ainsley McGuire, Board Members, Prince George Metis Community Association: Safe Streets Bylaw
- G.17 Handout: Correspondence dated June 28, 2021 from Dara Campbell: Safe Streets Bylaw and Amendments

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION Correspondence Items G.1 to G.17.

Carried Unanimously

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Krause

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

Carried Unanimously

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 10:09 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON

CERTIFIED CORRECT