

Regular MeetingNovember 22, 1999

A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Kelowna was held in the Council Chamber, 1435 Water Street, Kelowna, B.C., on Monday, November 22, 1999.

Council members in attendance were: Mayor Walter Gray, Councillors A.F. Blanleil*, M.I. Bremner, R.D. Cannan, C.B. Day, R.D. Hobson, J.D. Leask, J.D. Nelson and S.A. Shepherd.

Staff members in attendance were: City Manager, R.A. Born; City Clerk, D.L. Shipclark; Director of Planning & Development Services, R.L. Mattiussi*; Current Planning Manager, A.V. Bruce*; Special Projects Planning Manager, H.M. Christy*; and Council Recording Secretary, B.L. Harder.

(* denotes partial attendance)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Councillor Leask was requested to check the minutes of the meeting.

Mayor Gray congratulated the incumbent Councillors on being re-elected and the two Councillors-elect for successfully filling the two vacated positions noting the new Council will be sworn in at an Inaugural Meeting on December 6th.

3. PLANNING

- 3.1 Planning & Development Services Department, dated November 17, 1999 re: Development Permit Application No. DP99-10,079 – Oliasz Investments (New Town Planning Services Inc.) – 2486 Highway 97 North (3060-20)

The Current Planning Manager indicated the property on maps displayed on the overhead projector and outlined the report describing the façade improvements and new entrance canopy proposed for the existing Vineyard Motel.

Moved by Councillor Cannan/Seconded by Councillor Nelson

R925/99/11/22 THAT Municipal Council authorize the issuance of a Development Permit No. DP99-10,079; for Lot 1, Plan 18724, Sec. 21, Twp. 26, O.D.Y.D., located on Highway 97 North, Kelowna, B.C., subject to the following:

1. The dimensions and the siting of the building be constructed on the land in general accordance with Schedule "A";
2. The exterior design and finish of the building to be constructed on the land be in general accordance with Schedule "B";
3. Landscaping to be provided on the land be in general accordance with Schedule "C";

AND THAT the applicant be required to complete the above-noted conditions within 180 days of Council approval of the development permit application in order for the permit to be issued.

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- 3.2 Planning & Development Services Department, dated November 16, 1999 re: Public Art Committee Recommendation Regarding Kelowna Community Theatre Public Art Competition (2300)

The Special Projects Planning Manager advised this art work would be in the form of a glazed stoneware mural, mounted on a wall in the theatre lobby. The mural comprises stylised images of the Okanagan Valley and would be installed by mid-February 2000.

Moved by Councillor Leask/Seconded by Councillor Bremner

R926/99/11/22 THAT City Council approve the recommendation of the Public Art Committee to award the commission for the Kelowna Community Theatre artwork to Mr. Bob Kingsmill of Vernon, B.C.;

AND THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a contract with Mr. Kingsmill to supply and install the artwork on site for an amount not to exceed \$13,500 inclusive of all fees and taxes.

Carried

The Transportation Manager entered the Council Chamber and the Director of Planning & Development Services, the Current Planning Manager, and the Special Projects Planning Manager left at 1:51 p.m.

4. REPORTS

- 4.1 Councillor Colin Day, Chair of Parking Committee, dated November 16, 1999 re: Free Parking on Saturdays in December Downtown (5480-08)

The Transportation Manager advised that the recommendation before Council is in response to a request from the Downtown Kelowna Association. Bylaw enforcement staff would still enforce the length of time people are permitted to park even though the parking would be free.

Council's representative on the Parking Committee noted that the committee supports the recommendation and advised that stickers will be placed on the parking meters to inform the public that the Saturday parking is free.

Moved by Councillor Day/Seconded by Councillor Hobson

R927/99/11/22 THAT Council approve free on-street parking in the Downtown area during Saturdays in December, 1999.

Carried

Councillor Blanleil left the Council Chamber at 2:11 p.m.

- 4.2 Transportation Manager, dated November 16, 1999 re: Ownership and Management of Kelowna Bus & Transportation Inc. (8500-01)

The Transportation Manager briefly outlined the report for Council.

Moved by Councillor Nelson/Seconded by Councillor Day

R928/99/11/22 THAT Council approve the change in management and ownership of Kelowna Bus and Transportation Inc. as outlined in the correspondence from B.C. Transit dated November 9, 1999 included with the November 16, 1999 report of the Transportation Manager.

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Councillor Blanleil returned to the Council Chamber at 2:13 p.m.

The Legislative Services Supervisor entered the Council Chamber and the Transportation Manager left at 2:13 p.m.

4.3 Airport General Manager, dated November 19, 1999 re: Major Air Terminal Expansion – Phase 3 (0550-05; 6640-20)

The City Manager briefly outlined the report for Council noting that the terminal expansion is within budget.

Moved by Councillor Shepherd/Seconded by Councillor Blanleil

R929/99/11/22 THAT Council approve awarding a construction contract in the amount of \$414,787.64 to Geddes Construction Ltd. for construction of Phase 3 of the Major Air Terminal development program.

Carried

Councillor Leask left the Council Chamber at 2:16 p.m.

4.4 Chief Election Officer re: Proclamation of Election Results

The Legislative Services Supervisor/Chief Election Officer advised that the Municipal Act requires that she declare the results of the election by 4 p.m. on Wednesday following election day and noted that the 30.7% voter turnout is about average for Kelowna.

Council congratulated the Chief Election Officer and her staff for the excellent job coordinating the election and offered suggestions for the 2002 election.

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Shepherd

R930/99/11/22 THAT the Chief Election Officer's declaration dated November 22, 1999 regarding the results of the 1999 General Local Election be received by Council.

Carried

The Legislative Services Supervisor left the Council Chamber at 2:40 p.m.

5. COUNCILLOR ITEMS

(a) Bylaw Enforcement Position

Councillor Cannan asked for an update on when the City will fill the new bylaw enforcement officer position intended to help deal with secondary suite issues. The City Manager will investigate.

(b) Size of Election Signs

Councillor Blanleil suggested that Council consider changing the Sign Bylaw to allow bigger election signs but less of them so that in future there is not such a proliferation of signs. The City Manager will investigate whether the City's restrictions on the size of signs for local government elections are the same as provincial and federal regulations.

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Councillor Blanleil commented on how busy the last week was before the election and suggested that in future Council meetings be cancelled during the week of the election.

(d) Moderation of All Candidates' Forums

Councillor Hobson commented that it is the responsibility of the moderators to ensure that candidates treat each other with respect during the mayoralty and all candidates' forums. He suggested that a letter be sent to the moderators of the various forums held for the 1999 civic election to remind them of that.

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Nelson

R931/99/11/22 THAT a letter be sent to the moderators of the various mayoralty and all candidates' forums for the 1999 civic election reminding them it is their responsibility to ensure that rules of respect are followed for all candidates.

Carried

(e) Televising of Council Meetings

Councillor Hobson commented that televising Council Meetings is a public service that should continue to be available to the public right up to the date of local elections. He suggested that, in future, instead of not televising November Council meetings until after the date of the election, Council consider agreeing not to have Councillor Items on the meeting agendas between nomination day and election day.

Mayor Gray advised the matter might be controlled by CRTC regulations. Staff will investigate.

6. TERMINATION

Moved by Councillor Bremner/Seconded by Councillor Cannan

R932/99/11/22 THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be terminated for Council to convene In-Camera;

AND THAT the Special In-Camera meeting of Council be closed to the public pursuant to Sec. 242.2(1) of the Municipal Act.

Carried

The meeting was declared terminated at 3:00 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Mayor

City Clerk

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