

Regular Meeting – A.M.March 10, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Kelowna was held in Meeting Room No. 3, 1435 Water Street, Kelowna, B.C., on Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

Council members in attendance: Mayor Sharon Shepherd, Councillors Barrie Clark, Colin Day, Brian Given, Robert Hobson\*, Norm Letnick and Michele Rule\*.

Council members absent: Councillors Andre Blanleil and Carol Gran.

Staff members in attendance were: City Manager, Ron Mattiussi; City Clerk, Allison Flack; Director of Works & Utilities/Interim Director of Corporate Services, John Vos\*; Director of Financial Services/Interim Director of Planning & Development Services, Paul Macklem\*; Director of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Services, David Graham\*; Manager of Community Development & Real Estate, Doug Gilchrist\*; Property Officer Specialist, John Grant\*; Manager, Policy, Research & Strategic Planning, Signe Bagh\*; Transportation Manager, Ron Westlake\*; Parks Manager, Joe Creron\*; and Community Planning Manager, Theresa Eichler\*; and Council Recording Secretary, Sandi Horning.

Guests: Co-Chair T/O Branch of Cascadia, Dave Walker\*; Executive Member T/O Branch of Cascadia, Andrew Gaucher\*; and Co-Chair To Branch of Cascadia, Emmanuel Lavoie\*.

(\* denotes partial attendance)

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shepherd called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

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

## 3. REPORTS

### 3.1 Thompson/Okanagan Branch of Cascadia re: Presentation of Cascadia Memorandum of Understanding

Guest, Emmanuel Lavoie:

- Provided background regarding Cascadia Region Green Building Council.
- Cascadia was founded in 1999 as a non-profit organization and is the first and only transborder chapter.
- The Cascadia rating system goes beyond the “LEED” green rating system and is considered a Living Building Rating System.
- Cascadia is hoping to have the position funded by both private and public funding.
- The City of Kamloops has declined to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding.

Guest, Andrew Gaucher:

- Described the four pillars of sustainability.
- Feels this position would assist with the next OCP review and downtown redevelopment initiative.

Guest, Dave Walker:

- Due to the Okanagan’s population growth, this position would greatly assist Kelowna in encouraging sustainable development.

Council:

- As the City of Kelowna is currently going through a corporate reorganization, it might be better to hold off any commitments of this kind until such time as the reorganization has occurred.

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Councillor Hobson joined the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

City Manager:

- Similar to Kamloops, Kelowna may already have staff in place to deal with a position like this; this will be better determined once the corporate reorganization has been implemented.

Councillor Rule joined the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

Council:

- The Regional Governance Steering Committee is still looking at valley-wide initiatives and it is possible there may be a position similar to this one through the Regional District (or this is something that could/should be looked at as a regional service).

A motion by Councillor Letnick to endorse the Cascadia Memorandum of Understanding subject to the inclusion of the District of Lake Country, the City of Kamloops and the District of Westside was lost for lack of a seconder.

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Letnick

**R213/08/03/10** THAT Council endorse the Cascadia Memorandum of Understanding in principle, subject to:

- Confirmation that the listed local governments have agreed to sign onto the Memorandum of Understanding, together with the District of Westside;
- Confirmation that the support of the Real Estate Foundation has been requested;
- the City of Kelowna having input with respect to the Terms of Reference for the proposed position; and
- approval of the funding by the City of Kelowna at its final budget deliberations.

Carried

Councillors Clark and Given – Opposed.

Dave Walker, Andrew Gaucher and Emmanuel Lavoie left the meeting at 9:57 a.m.

3.2 Mayor Shepherd, re: Request of National Railway Historical Society

Moved by Councillor Day/Seconded by Councillor Letnick

**R214/08/03/10** THAT the Mayor be authorized to forward a letter to The Honourable Stan Hagen, Minister of Tourism, Sports & the Arts, and to The Honourable Mike deJong, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs, requesting their support for the BC150 Museum and First Nations Cultural Train to come to Kelowna.

Carried

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4. RESOLUTION CLOSING THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Moved by Councillor Given/Seconded by Councillor Day

**R215/08/03/10** THAT this meeting be closed to the public, pursuant to Section 90(1) (c), (e) and (k) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Employee Relations
- Disposition/Acquisition of Property
- Provision of a Municipal Service

Carried

5. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 9:59 a.m.

The meeting was declared terminated at 12:16 p.m.

Certified Correct:

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Mayor

City Clerk

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