

Regular Meeting – A.M.September 13, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Kelowna was held in the Knox Mountain Room, Meeting Room No. 4A, 1435 Water Street, Kelowna, B.C., on Monday, September 13th, 2010.

Council members in attendance: Mayor Sharon Shepherd, Councillors Andre Blanleil*; Kevin Craig*, Robert Hobson, Charlie Hodge, Graeme James, Angela Reid, Michele Rule and Luke Stack.

Staff members in attendance were: City Manager, Ron Mattiussi*; City Clerk, Stephen Fleming, General Manager, Community Services, John Vos*; General Manager, Corporate Sustainability, Paul Macklem*; General Manager, Community Sustainability, Jim Paterson*; Director, Real Estate & Building Services, Doug Gilchrist*; Manager, Real Estate Services, Jordan Hettinga*; Director, Corporate Services, Rob Mayne*; Director, Recreation & Cultural Services, Jim Gabriel*; Director of Strategic Initiatives, David Graham*; Director, Human Resources, Charlene Covington*; and Council Recording Secretary, Sandi Horning.

(* denotes partial attendance)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shepherd called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

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

3. REPORTS

3.1 General Manager, Corporate Sustainability, dated September 2, 2010, re: Municipal Insurance Association Board Appointee

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor James

R830/10/09/13 THAT Council support the nomination of Rob Mayne, Director of Corporate Services, to the Municipal Insurance Association Board of Directors.

Carried

4. ISSUES ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNITY CONCERNS

4.1 Mayor Shepherd, re: Bernard Avenue Streetscape - August 26, 2010 Letter from the Downtown Kelowna Association

Councillor Rule:

- Advised that as the Council Representative on the Downtown Kelowna Association (DKA), she felt it necessary to bring the DKA's concerns to Council's attention.

Councillor Blanleil joined the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

General Manager, Community Sustainability:

- Advised that the overall cost estimate for the project is \$12 Million with \$4 Million of those funds dedicated to streetscaping.
- The current proposal would see the property owners being responsible for 25% of the cost for streetscaping, approximately \$1 Million.

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Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Stack

R831/10/09/13 THAT Council hear from the representative of the Downtown Kelowna Association regarding the contents of their August 26, 2010 letter.

Carried

John Perrot, Executive Director, Downtown Kelowna Association:

- Addressed some concerns raised by Council.
- Advised that the membership is concerned about the proposed Referendum question.
- The Association would like to have the details finalized by the end of September so that construction can start in 2011.
- Advised that there are concerns by the property owners and the tenants regarding the potential future loss of the parking stalls in the downtown (approximately 45 stalls).

Council:

- Expressed a concern with the requests being made by the DKA.

Moved by Councillor Rule/Seconded by Councillor Hodge

R832/10/09/13 THAT staff report back to Council on the implications of proceeding with the Bernard Avenue Streetscape project as requested by the Downtown Kelowna Association in their letter of August 26, 2010.

Carried

Councillors Blanleil, James and Stack - Opposed

4.2 Mayor Shepherd and Councillor James, re: Agricultural Land Commission request to meet with City Council

Mayor Shepherd:

- Provided background information; Councillor James wondered if the Chair of the ALC, Richard Bullock, could meet with Council to discuss some of Council's concerns regarding agricultural issues

Councillor James:

- Advised that the new Chair of the Agricultural Land Commission has expressed an interest in meeting with Council.
- Believes that there is a lack of clear, consistent, agriculture policies in the City, particularly with respect to secondary dwellings.

Moved by Councillor James/Seconded by Councillor Hodge

R833/10/09/13 THAT Council directs staff to request a meeting with the new Chair of the Agricultural Land Commission;

AND THAT Council directs staff to hold a workshop on the City's current agriculture policies and their implementation.

Carried

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4.3 Mayor Shepherd, re: Youth Parliament of British Columbia

Mayor Shepherd requested that a Draft Resolution be placed on the September 20, 2010 Council Meeting Agenda in order to address the request from the Youth Parliament of British Columbia.

4.4 Mayor Shepherd, re: Provincial Budget Input Sessions

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Craig

R834/10/09/13 THAT Council directs the City Manager to put together a presentation for the Provincial budget input sessions being held the week of September 20, 2010 in the District of Lake Country.

Carried

4.5 Councillor Hodge, re: Benefit Packages for Elected Officials

Councillor Hodge:

- Raised a concern regarding the lack of benefit packages available to elected officials.

City Clerk:

- Advised that the issue of benefit packages for elected officials has been considered by the Council Indemnity Committee in the past.
- Advised that Council should consider re-establishing the Committee to deal with this issue as well as other issues prior to the 2011 Civic Election.
- Clarified the Council Indemnity Committee's mandate.

4.6 Councillor Hodge, re: City of Kamloops Noise Bylaw - Motorcycle Use

Councillor Hodge:

- Enquired as to any recent changes the City of Kamloops may have made regarding noisy motorcycles.

City Clerk:

- Advised that there are provisions in the City's traffic bylaw to deal with motorcycle noise; however, it is the responsibility of the RCMP to enforce those provisions.

Moved by Councillor Hodge/Seconded by Councillor Stack

R835/10/09/13 THAT Council directs staff to investigate the City of Kamloops' bylaw with respect to motorcycle noise and any enforcement issues related thereto and report back to Council.

Carried

4.7 Councillor Stack, re: Stuart Park Ice Rink

City Manager:

- Confirmed that contrary to the rumours, the use of the outdoor rink at Stuart Park will be "free of charge" to the public.

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City Manager:

- Advised that there will be a late item added to the Council Meeting Agenda for this afternoon. The School District would like to give Council a presentation on the proposed School Site Acquisition Charge.

5. RESOLUTION CLOSING THE MEETING TO THE PUBLICMoved by Councillor James/Seconded by Councillor Craig

R836/10/09/13 THAT this meeting be closed to the public, pursuant to Sections 90(1), (c), (e), (k) and (l) and 90(2) (b) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Employee Relations;
- Acquisition/Disposition of Land or Improvements;
- Provision of a Municipal Service;
- Preparation of the Annual Report; and
- Third Party Negotiations.

Carried5.1 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 10:35 a.m.

The meeting was declared terminated at 12:17 p.m.

Certified Correct:_____
Mayor_____
City Clerk

SLH/dd