

Regular Meeting – A.M.October 25, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Kelowna was held in the Knox Mountain Meeting Room, 1435 Water Street, Kelowna, B.C., on Monday, October 25th, 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*; Director, Real Estate & Building Services, Doug Gilchrist*; Manager, Real Estate Services, Jordan Hettinga*; Director, Infrastructure Planning, Randy Cleveland*; Manager, Long Range Planning, Gary Stephen*; Financial Analyst, Jim Wunderlich*; Manager, Parks & Public Spaces, Terry Barton*; Property Officer, Graham Hood*; Manager, Property Management, Ron Forbes*; Manager, Strategic Projects, Mark Watt*; Director, Policy & Planning, Signe Bagh*; and Council Recording Secretary, Sandi Horning.

(* denotes partial attendance)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shepherd called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

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

3. ISSUES ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNITY CONCERNS

3.1 Mayor Shepherd, re: Roadside Memorials

Councillor Craig joined the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Reid

R1001/10/10/25 THAT Council directs staff to explore options regarding implementing a program for Roadside Memorials similar to that of the City of Calgary and report back to Council.

Carried

3.2 Mayor Shepherd, re: British Columbia Achievement Foundation

Moved by Councillor Craig/Seconded by Councillor Hodge

R1002/10/10/25 THAT Council receive, for information, the September 20, 2010 letter from the British Columbia Achievement Foundation with respect to the British Columbia Community Achievement Awards.

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- 3.3 Mayor Shepherd, re: September 29, 2010 Letter from Interior Health Authority – Kelowna/Vernon Hospitals Project, Interior Heart and Surgical Centre Project, Project Liaison Committee

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Hodge

R1003/10/10/25 THAT Council appoints Councillor Luke Stack as the City of Kelowna Council Representative to the Kelowna Vernon Hospitals Project, Interior Heart and Surgical Centre Project, Project Liaison Committee for the remainder of the 2009-2011 Council term.

Carried

- 3.4 Mayor Shepherd, re: October 4, 2010 Letter from the North Okanagan Labour Council – Expansion of Canada’s Public Pension System

Moved by Councillor Stack/Seconded by Councillor Reid

R1004/10/10/25 WHEREAS the Canadian economic downturn is putting the retirement security of many workers at risk;

AND WHEREAS Canadian cities are directly impacted as they are key front line providers of social services and support programs for older works and retirees;

AND WHEREAS Ontario cities bear an additional portion of the cost of providing such programs;

AND WHEREAS the significant economic downturn in combination with an increased number of employer bankruptcies across various sectors have resulted in under-funded pension plans and the actual and potential loss of promised pension benefits;

AND WHEREAS only one in four private sector workers belong to an employer pension plan and the remaining 3 out of 4 workers must rely more heavily on personal savings to provide for their retirement;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian public pension system including Old Age Security (OAS) and the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) plus the Canada Pension Plan (CPP) is safe but falls well short of replacing the 50% to 70% of pre-retirement income needed to maintain a decent standard of living;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) support expansion of Canada’s public pension system by and at the cost of the Federal Government and not municipalities:

1. By increasing the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) by 15%, so no senior lives in poverty; and
2. By protecting Canadian pension through a federal system of pension insurance;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT FCM support the call on the federal government to hold a national summit on the issue of pensions and support the Expansion of the Canada Pension Plan.

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- 3.5 Mayor Shepherd, re: Federation of Canadian Municipalities Sustainable Communities Conference, February 8-10, 2011 in Victoria, BC

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Craig

R1005/10/10/25 THAT any Member of Council who wishes to attend be authorized to travel to attend the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Sustainable Communities Conference scheduled for February 8-10, 2011 in Victoria, BC, with expenses paid in accordance with Council Remuneration and Expense Bylaw No. 7547.

Carried

- 3.6 Mayor Shepherd, re: Royal Canadian Legion – Remembrance Day Celebrations at the Parkinson Recreation Centre

Mayor Shepherd would like Council to have a discussion with respect to the Royal Canadian Legion's request to have the fees waived for the Remembrance Day Celebrations at the Parkinson Recreation Centre.

4. RESOLUTION CLOSING THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Moved by Councillor Hodge/Seconded by Councillor Rule

R1006/10/10/25 THAT this meeting be closed to the public, pursuant to Section 90(1) (e), (g) and (j) of the Community Charter, for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Acquisition/Disposition of Land or Improvements;
- Potential Litigation; and
- Third Party Information.

Carried

5. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 9:24 a.m.

The meeting was declared terminated at 12:20 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Mayor

City Clerk

SLH/dd