

**City of Kelowna
Regular Council Meeting
AGENDA**



Monday, September 15, 2014

9:00 am

Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)

City Hall, 1435 Water Street

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| To grant approval for the Annual Report and Budget Preparation meeting to take place at the Vineyard Room (Section 3), Coast Capri Hotel, 1171 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna, BC on Thursday. September 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. | |
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| To provide Council with information regarding an inquiry from representatives of Lingang, China about a possible Sister City relationship between Kelowna and Lingang. | |
| 4. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public | |
| THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1)(e) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Land Acquisition or Improvements | |
| 5. Adjourn to Closed Session | |

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City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, September 8, 2014
 Location: Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)
 City Hall, 1435 Water Street

Council Members Present: Mayor Walter Gray and Councillors Colin Basran, Andre Blanleil, Maxine DeHart, Gail Given, Robert Hobson, Mohini Singh, Luke Stack and Gerry Zimmermann

Staff Present: City Manager, Ron Mattiussi; and City Clerk, Stephen Fleming

1. Call to Order

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved By Councillor Zimmermann/Seconded By Councillor Singh

R631/14/09/08 THAT the Minutes of the Regular AM Meeting of August 25, 2014 be confirmed as circulated.

Carried

3. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public

Moved By Councillor Stack/Seconded By Councillor Singh

R632/14/09/08 THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1)(e) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Acquisition of Land or Improvements.

Carried

4. Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 11:06 a.m.

5. Reconvene to Open Session

The meeting reconvened to an open session at 11:50 a.m.

6. Issues Arising from Correspondence & Community Concerns

6.1. City Clerk, re:1280 Glenmore Road

City Clerk:

- Reminded Council that the Public Hearing for 1280 Glenmore Road is closed.
- Advised that staff will be bringing forward a Report to Council recommending a new Public Hearing.

6.2. Mayor Gray, re: Delegation from Lingang, China

Mayor Gray:

- Advised that a delegation from Lingang, China will be touring the Province, including Kelowna.
- Inquired whether Council would be interested in hosting a reception for the delegation.
- Advised that Lingang understands that the next Council will determine the nature of the relationship between Kelowna and Lingang.

Moved By Councillor Zimmermann/Seconded By Councillor Blanleil

R633/14/09/08 THAT Council authorizes the sum of up to \$2,000.00 to be paid from Council Contingency to offset the costs to the City of Kelowna for hosting a delegation from Lingang, China.

Carried

6.3. Councillor Singh, re: Brookside Avenue

Councillor Singh:

- Advised that she continues to receive complaints regarding traffic flow and parking in the area.

7. Termination

The meeting was declared terminated at 12:13 p.m.

Mayor

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City Clerk

DRAFT RESOLUTION

Re: Annual Report and Budget Preparations

THAT Council grants approval for the Annual Report and Budget Preparation meeting to take place at the Vineyard Room (Section 3), Coast Capri Hotel, 1171 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna, B.C. on Thursday, September 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

BACKGROUND:

A resolution of Council is required to hold a Council Meeting outside of City Hall.

Date: September 15, 2014

Report to Council



Date: September 15, 2014
File: 0705-61
To: City Manager
From: Sandra Kochan, Cultural Services Manager
Subject: Update re: Sister City Inquiry from China

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives for information the report dated September 15, 2014 from the Cultural Services Manager regarding a Sister City inquiry from China.

Purpose:

To provide Council with information regarding an inquiry from representatives of Lingang, China about a possible Sister City relationship between Kelowna and Lingang.

Background:

Lingang is a designated area in the southeastern corner of Pudong New Area of Shanghai, China. It is located strategically where the Yangtze River meets the East China Sea.

Lingang is literally translated as 'by the harbor or 'portside.' The Lingang Area covers approximately 315 square kilometers and encompasses five separate towns. It is coordinated and managed by the Shanghai Lingang Area Development Administration, a designated agency of the Shanghai Municipal People's Government, with oversight by the Pudong New Area People's Government. Lingang therefore has a designated administration, but it does not have its own elected local government.

The Lingang Area is an industrial and logistics 'free trade zone' which will serve the adjacent Yangshan port and heavy industry sites. Within the Lingang Area, Lingang City (also known as New Harbour City, Lingang New Town and Nanhui New Town) is a master-planned urban centre built on approximately 74 square kilometers of land reclaimed from the river delta and sea. Construction started in 2003 and is continuing. Projected population is 800,000 residents by 2020. The current population is unknown. Various articles report population ranging from 40,000 to 200,000. Empty streets and buildings appear frequently in videos and photographs from media and travel sources.

The vision for Lingang City is 'green city, wisdom city, and healthy city.' The form and character of the city's built structure is determined by state policy rather than by market-driven development. A prestigious German design firm won an international competition to create the city master plan. The centerpiece is the circular man-made Dishui ('Water Drop') Lake, with three rings of different functional zones (business, parks and greenery, and housing) around it. Lingang City also is home to the China Maritime Museum, the Shanghai Maritime University, the Shanghai Ocean University and the NanhuiZhui Sea Park.

The eco-harbour-city theme for Lingang is part of a larger set of themed New Towns in the outskirts of Shanghai; other themes already built include Anting New Town (German theme) and Thames Town (British theme).

Through an introduction by Mr. Chris Yao, the Lingang Area Development Administration has approached the City of Kelowna to establish a Memorandum of Understanding between Lingang and Kelowna as a first step toward a formal Sister City relationship. Four specific interests were identified in their approach:

- Clean energy technology
- Agriculture
- Tourism, leisure, film and television production
- Higher education

A six-person delegation of representatives from Shanghai, Pudong and Lingang is planning to visit Kelowna in early October 2014. The delegation is also planning to visit Vancouver and San Francisco.

The approach and expressed interests from Lingang offer possibilities for local business and academic connections, including:

- Kelowna Chamber of Commerce
- Tourism Kelowna
- Thompson Okanagan Tourism (TOTA)
- Disney
- University of British Columbia Okanagan
- Okanagan College
- British Columbia Wine Institute
- BC Tree Fruits
- Okanagan Film Commission

The Central Okanagan Economic Development Commission has been advised of the interest from Lingang, and will work with the City's Executive Director of Business Development to facilitate these connections during the delegation's visit.

Establishment of a formal Sister City relationship with Lingang is not consistent with current Sister Cities Policy 355 for the following reasons:

- Community-led support in Kelowna has not been identified. In the absence of this support, coordination efforts would default to City or other agency staff, and these resources are not in place.
- The City-to-City government connection is unclear. Based on current information, the municipal connection would be between Kelowna, Pudong and/or Shanghai, rather than Kelowna and the Lingang Development Administration.

- Activation for community-based exchange in Lingang is uncertain. More information is needed about the resident population, the community's activities and interests, and what the similarities and mutual interests between Kelowna and Lingang City would be.

Policy 355 outlines the process for submission and review of a detailed written proposal to establish a new Sister City relationship. Without a proposal and a local Sponsor Organization in place, there is insufficient information and support necessary to make a balanced and informed decision about the relationship with Lingang.

In the meantime, direct connections between Lingang and various local agencies can be pursued and may generate positive results in the absence of a formal Sister City relationship.

Internal Circulation:

Executive Director of Business Development
Director, Active Living & Culture
Supervisor, Corporate Communications
City Clerk

Existing Policy:

Sister Cities Policy 355

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

Policy 355 provides base budget support for sister city relationships upon approval of the relationships by Council. Financial support by the City for the visit by the Lingang delegation in October 2014 would need to be provided through some other source.

External Agency/Public Comments:

This report was prepared in consultation with the Central Okanagan Economic Development Commission.

Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority
Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements
Personnel Implications
Alternate Recommendation
Communications Comments

Submitted by:

S. Kochan, Cultural Services Manager

Approved for inclusion:



J. Gabriel, Director, Active Living & Culture Division

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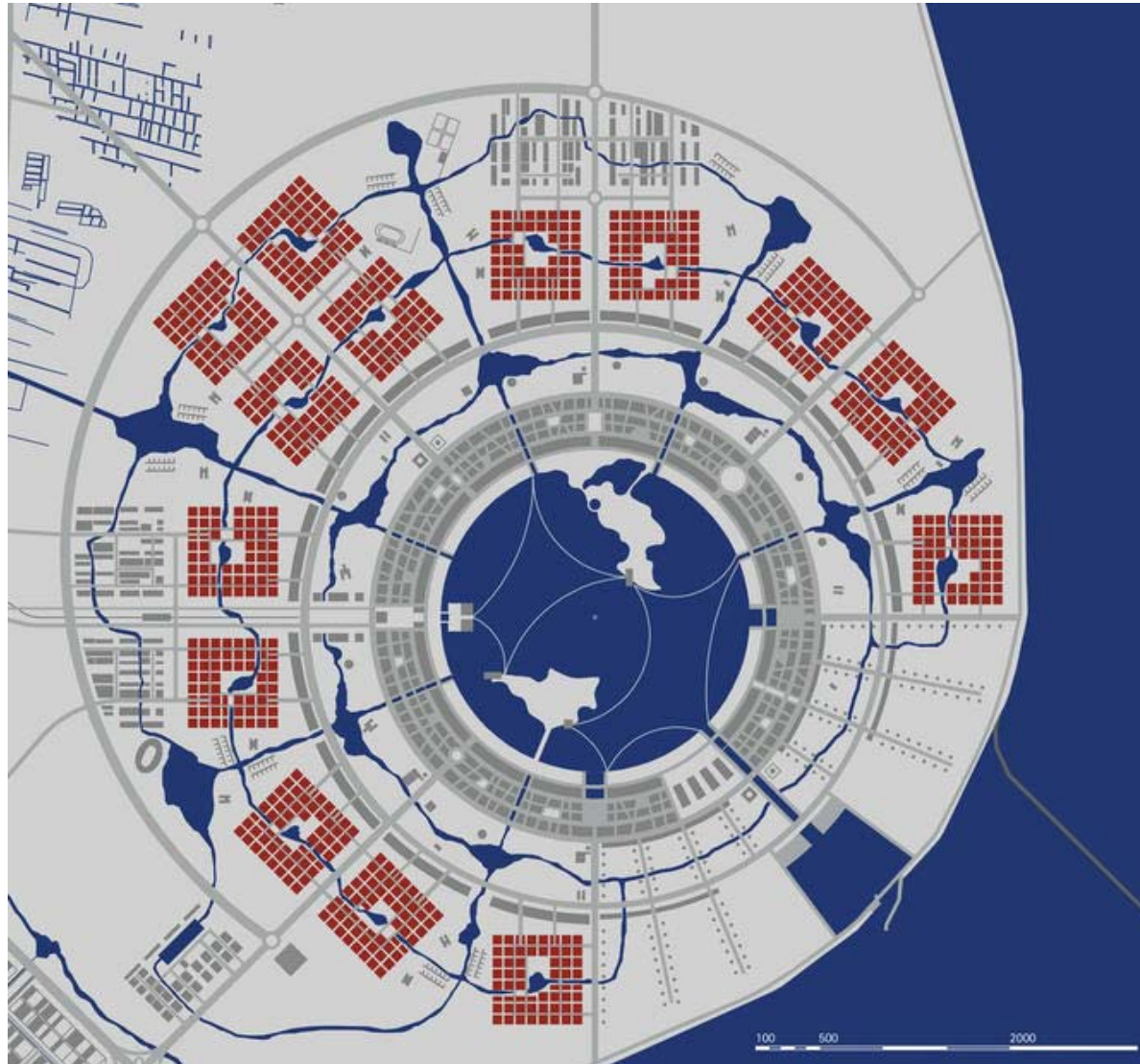
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September 15, 2014









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SHANGHAI OCEAN UNIVERSITY





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