



City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, February 18, 2013
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)
City Hall, 1435 Water Street

Council Members Present: Mayor Walter Gray, Councillors Colin Basran, Gail Given, Mohini Singh, Luke Stack and Gerry Zimmermann

Council Members Absent: Councillors Andre Blanleil, Maxine DeHart and Robert Hobson

Staff Present: Acting City Manager, Rob Mayne; City Clerk, Stephen Fleming; Acting General Manager, Community Sustainability, Doug Gilchrist*; Executive Director of Business Development, Jim Paterson*; Council Recording Secretary, Sandi Horning

Guest: Chief Executive Officer, Accelerate Okanagan, Jeff Keen*

(* denotes partial attendance)

1. Call to Order

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

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Councillor Given:

- Noted an omission with respect to Item 2.6 on the January 28 AM Regular Meeting Minutes.
- Item 2.6 should be referred to as "Safe Routes to School Committee" not "Safe Schools Committee".

Moved By: Councillor Given/Seconded By: Councillor Basran

R079/13/02/18 THAT the Minutes of the Regular AM Meetings of January 14, 2013, January 21, 2013, January 28, 2013 (as amended) and February 4, 2013 be confirmed as circulated;

AND THAT the Minutes of the Regular AM Meeting of January 28, 2013 be confirmed as amended.

Carried

3. Issues Arising from Correspondence & Community Concerns

3.1. Accelerate Okanagan

Guest, Jeff Keen, CEO, Accelerate Okanagan:

- Displayed a Presentation regarding the Programs & Services of Accelerate Okanagan and responded to questions from Council.
- Advised that the funding model for Accelerate Okanagan is 1/3 Federal Government funding, 1/3 Provincial Government funding and 1/3 self-funding. Accelerate Okanagan would like to decrease its dependence on senior government funding over time.
- Believes that the City has an opportunity to help brand Kelowna and area as "Tech Okanagan".
- Advised that a creation of a "tech centre area" downtown, with an "Innovations Centre" building is being examined.

Council:

- Inquired as to the role of the Boulder, Colorado municipal government in encouraging the entrepreneurial community.
- Inquired as to the role and long-term need for government funding.

The Guest, Jeff Keen, left the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

3.2. Mayor Gray, re: Issues Arising from Correspondence - All Points Bulletin TV (M/C SR #249510)

Mayor Gray:

- Advised that he has received a request from Vincent Geracitano, President & Founder of All Point Bulletin TV, requesting that Council support an application by All Points Bulletin TV to obtain public interest status.

Moved By: Councillor Zimmermann/Seconded By: Councillor Given

R080/13/02/18 THAT Council authorizes the Mayor, on behalf of Council, to write a letter to the Canadian Radio-Television & Telecommunications Commission in support of an application by "All Points Bulletin" to obtain public interest status.

Carried

3.2.1 Mayor Gray, 2014 UBCM Convention

Mayor Gray:

- Advised that an RFP has now been issued for the 2014 UBCM Convention and inquired whether or not Council would like to bid on the event.

Council:

- Had a discussion regarding the amount of work involved in hosting a UBCM Convention.

Moved By: Councillor Stack/Seconded By: Councillor Given

R081/13/02/18 THAT Council directs staff to make a submission for the City of Kelowna to host the 2014 UBCM Convention subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Financial (sponsorship) support from Tourism Kelowna;
- 2) The recruitment of a strong organizing committee that may involve former employees of the City; and
- 3) The availability of Prospera Place during the week of the Convention.

Carried

3.2.2 Mayor Gray, Sobering Centre Update

Mayor Gray:

- Provided an update on the recent meeting between the City and Interior Health regarding the sobering centre.

3.3. Order of British Columbia - 2013 Call for Nominations (M/C SR #248961)

Mayor Gray:

- Confirmed that the deadline for the call for nominations for the 2013 Order of British Columbia is March 1, 2013.

4. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public

Moved By: Councillor Zimmermann/Seconded By: Councillor Basran

R082/13/02/18 THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1) (a), (g), (i) and (j) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Position Appointment;
- Potential Litigation;
- Legal Advice; and
- Third Party Information.

Carried

5. Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 10:51 a.m.

The meeting was terminated at 12:08 p.m.

Mayor

/slh

City Clerk