

City of Maple Ridge **Community Development & Enterprise Services Committee MEETING MINUTES**

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The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Community Development & Enterprise Services Committee held virtually and in the Blaney Room, City Hall on January 25, 2021 at 11:02 am.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Dueck, Chair Councillor Svendsen Councillor Yousef*

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Al Horsman

Chief Administrative Officer

Christine Carter*

General Manager Planning and Development Services

Christina Crabtree*

General Manager Corporate Services

David Pollock

General Manager Engineering Services

Laura Benson

Senior Policy and Sustainability Analyst

Wendy Dupley*

Director, Economic Development and Tourism

Charles Goddard*

Director of Planning

Karen Stewart* Erin Mark

Chief Information Officer

Clerk 3

*Participated remotely due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2021-003

It was moved and seconded

That the following items be added to the agenda of the January 25, 2021 Community **Development & Enterprise Services Committee meeting:**

- 5.5 Matters Deemed Expedient;
- 5.5.1 Trespass Prevention Program with BIA;
- 5.5.2 Review of City Owned Property;
- 5.5.3 Review of Waterfront Development;
- 5.5.4 Report of Investment Vehicle; and

That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

R/2021-004

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the January 11, 2021 Community Development & Enterprise Services Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1. Conwest Group

The Director of Planning welcomed representatives from Conwest Group to the meeting to introduce Conwest Group and speak about high level redevelopment ideas for the former Hammond Mill site owned by Interfor, which is anticipated to remain in its current industrial M-2 zoning.

Joe Carreira, Dwayne Drobot, and Anthony Marinelli representing Conwest Group provided a background on Conwest and shared details on some of their current and recently completed projects.

The Conwest representatives spoke about the history of the site and noted its important role as an employment generator for the community. Mr. Carreira shared that planning is in preliminary stages and includes many stakeholders due to the foreshore location and portions of the property identified as Katzie First Nations archeologically significant locations. The Conwest representatives answered questions from the Committee and the Committee Chair invited Conwest back to a future Committee meeting as the plans evolve.

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. Site Selector Tool

The Director of Economic Development & Tourism introduced the new Site Selector Tool and Ron Bertasi with GIS WebTech provided a demonstration of the software which allows users interactive access to Maple Ridge property listings and provides City branded property data brochures.

Mr. Bertasi and staff responded to questions from the Committee. The Director of Economic Development & Tourism shared that the Site Selector Tool can be accessed at www.investmapleridge.ca.

5.2. Gravel Strategy Backgrounder

The General Manager Engineering Services provided a summary presentation on gravel reserves in Maple Ridge including location, historical information and operations currently underway. Staff responded to questions from the Committee.

5.3. 2021 Committee Meeting Schedule

The Committee requested several changes to the proposed meeting schedule. Staff will make the requested changes and bring a revised meeting schedule to the next Committee meeting.

5.4. Information Items (Discussion Optional)

5.4.1 2020 Citizens Survey: Importance and Satisfaction of Service Areas Map

Received for information.

5.4.2 Cushmen and Wakefield Q4 Industrial Statistics

Received for information.

5.5. Matters Deemed Expedient

5.5.1 Trespass Prevention Program with BIA

Councillor Yousef spoke about Trespass Prevention Programs that have been implemented in other Lower Mainland communities in which businesses register to give law enforcement permission to access their property and remove trespassers.

R/2021-005

It was moved and seconded

That the feasibility of a Trespass Prevention Program for downtown Maple Ridge businesses be explored and results be presented to the Community Development & Enterprise Services Committee for consideration.

CARRIED

5.5.2 Review of City Owned Property

Councillor Yousef inquired into the timeline in receiving an updated City Owned Properties report. The Chief Administrative Officer shared that staff are currently updating the report and that the updated report will be provided to the Committee. The Senior Policy and Sustainability Analyst will ascertain when the report will be completed and provide that information to the Committee.

5.5.3 Review of Waterfront Development

Councillor Yousef requested consideration of a Committee recommendation to Council to explore the possibility of revitalizing and developing waterfront property. The Chief Administrative Officer clarified that this item is not currently in the work plan for 2021 and would require the endorsement of Council to prioritize this work over other projects.

R/2021-006

It was moved and seconded

That the possibility of a feasibility review of revitalizing waterfront development be referred to Council by the Community Development & Enterprise Services Committee.

CARRIED

5.5.4 Report of Investment Vehicle

Councillor Yousef inquired as to the status of establishing an Investment Vehicle and requested the item be expedited and presented to Council. The Committee determined this item should wait until after the Economic Development Strategy has been completed.

6. QUESTION PERIOD – NII

7. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

The Committee determined the Closed Meeting scheduled to begin after the regular Committee meeting was not required.

8. ADJOURNMENT at 12:44 pm

Councillor Judy Dueck, Chair

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