City of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES

May 24, 2022

The Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on May 24, 2022 at 9:02 a.m. held virtually and hosted in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular City business.

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PRESENT	Appointed Staff
Elected Officials	S. Hartman, Chief Administrative Officer
Mayor M. Morden	C. Carter, General Manager Planning & Development
Councillor J. Dueck	Services
Councillor C. Meadus	C. Crabtree, General Manager Corporate Services
Councillor G. Robson	D. Pollock, General Manager Engineering Services
Councillor R. Svendsen	P. Hlavac-Winsor, General Counsel and Executive Director,
Councillor A. Yousef	Legislative Services, Acting Corporate Officer
	A. Nurvo, Deputy Corporate Officer
ABSENT	
Councillor K. Duncan	Other Staff as Required
	F. Smith, Director of Engineering
	T. Thompson, Director of Finance
	K. Stewart, Chief Information Officer
	D. Pope, Director of Recreation & Community Engagement
	H. Singh, Computer Support Specialist

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Note: Councillor G. Robson participated virtually.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2022-WS-024

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda of the May 24, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of the April 26, 2022 and May 10, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting

R/2022-WS-025

It was moved and seconded

That the Minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of May 10, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

That the Minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of April 26, 2022 be adopted as circulated with resolution R/2022-WS-018 stating:

 That the current bylaw enforcement related to the issue of unregistered secondary suites be held in abeyance during the review of the bylaw unless there is an obvious nuisance situation that staff ae to enforce.

And further, with the following summary and table included in discussion of Item 4.2 Market Update and Secondary Suites Regulatory Options:

Council discussed the various recommendations from the Staff report:

Secondary Suite Recommendations:	Support	Opposed	Outcome
1.That staff prepare amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to remove the maximum and minimum gross floor area requirement for secondary suites;	Dueck, Meadus, Mayor, Svendsen, Yousef (would support no minimum but wants maximum)	Robson	General support
2.That staff develop 'Alternate Compliance Methods for Alterations to Existing Buildings to Add a Secondary Suite' in the BC Building Code; (discussion between members – will	Meadus, Robson, Dueck, Yousef, Svendsen, Mayor		General support
require more details and have not seen building recommendations)			
3.That staff prepare amendments to the Zening Bylaw to permit secondary suites in all single-detached residential zones-	Dueck (should have conversation with neighbors), Meadus, Mayor,	Svendsen	General support on amended wording
Amended by Dueck: That staff bring back options looking at potentially allowing secondary suites in R2 and R3 and bring a report back to Council	Yousef (wants to look at area plans not all single detached residential zones and based on size of property), Robson (has issue with		
	saying it is for all neighborhoods – needs to be selective – did not oppose Dueck's amended language),		
A.That staff prepare options for amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to permit secondary suites in ground- orientated duplexes and townhouses	Meadus, Mayor, Dueck (duptex ok - townhouse depends on size depends on	, Yousef, Robson	General Support

(discussion between members and staff- work best with walkout basement units and reach out to other municipalities – staff would put it on the bottom of the priority list) 5.That staff prepare amendments to the Zoning Bylaw permit lock-off suites in apartments and stacked townhouses	neighborhood and size of townhouse), Svendsen (change requirements for apron and parking requirements for units, may be most suited in complete communities) Meadus	Yousef, Dueck, Svendsen, Robson (if it was accompanied by	General opposition
		owner occupier), Mayor	
Detached Garden Suite Recommendations:	Support	Opposed	Outcome
6.That staff prepare amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to permit secondary suites and detached garden suites on the same lot in the Agricultural Land Reserve (discussion between members and staff – look to do what the ALC allows)	Dueck (in order to support agricultural use of property), Mayor, Svendsen (It Is being allowed by ALC), Yousef (if consistent with ALR), Robson did not oppose	Meadus (does not see this going much to farm use)	General support
7.That staff prepare amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to allow flexible siting of a detached garden suite on a lot	Mayor, Yousef, Dueck, Meadus	Svendsen, Robson	General support
8.That staff prepare amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to remove the minimum size requirement for detached garden suites	Yousef, Dueck, Meadus, Mayor	Svendsen, Robson	General support
9.That staff prepare amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to permit larger detached garden suites in specific residential zones (discussion between members and staff – staff would envision this on larger properties)	Dueck, Meadus, Mayor (with clear efforts to avoid subdivision), Yousef (with a maximum up to 140m2)	Robson, Svendsen	General support
10.That staff prepare amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to permit secondary suites and detached garden suites on the same lot in all residential zones	Meadus, Dueck, Mayor, Svendsen	Robson, Yousef (lot size and area plan should be considered)	General support
11.That staff develop a program, for council consideration, that would create "pre-approved" building plan templates for detached garden suites	Svendsen, Meadus, Dueck, Mayor	Robson, Yousef	General support

CARRIED

- 3. PRESENTATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF COUNCIL Nil
- 4. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS
- 4.1 Connected Community Strategy

General Manager Corporate Services provided background information. R. McCann of Clearcable Networks and E. Rothschild of Rothchild & Co. presented their project findings and key recommendations of the Report.

Note: Councillor Robson left the meeting at 10:03 a.m. and returned at 10:05 a.m.

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Note: Councillor Yousef left the meeting at 10:37 a.m. and returned at 10:43 a.m.

Note: Councillor Robson left the meeting at 10:45 a.m. and returned at 10:46 a.m.

R/2022-WS-026

It was moved and seconded

That Council receive the Clearcable and Rothchild & Co. Connected Community Strategy - Findings and Recommendations Report dated May 2, 2022 for information; and

That staff review and develop an implementation plan to address the recommendations proposed in the Clearcable and Rothschild & Co. Connected Community Strategy - Findings and Recommendations Report dated May 2, 2022.

It was moved and seconded

That the Motion be amended to add "with consideration of the comments by Council members at the Council Workshop Meeting on May 24, 2022."

CARRIED

The Vote was then called on the Main Motion as Amended and Declared:

CARRIED

4.2 Single-Use Item Reduction Bylaw

Director of Engineering summarized the staff report and answered questions from Council.

R/2022-WS-027

It was moved and seconded

That staff prepare a Single-Use Item Reduction Bylaw consistent with the regionally harmonized approach for consideration.

It was moved and seconded

That the Motion be amended to add "and that staff will incorporate Council feedback from the Council Workshop Meeting of May 24, 2022."

CARRIED

The Vote was then called on the Main Motion as Amended and Declared:

CARRIED

- 5. **CORRESPONDENCE** Nil
- 6. BRIEFING ON OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST/QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL

Councillor Robson requested clarification of the amount of CAC's collected depending on the date of implementation. Mayor Morden advised that staff will include this information into the pending staff report.

- 7. **MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT** Nil
- 8. *ADJOURNMENT* 11:36 a.m.

M. Marden, Mayor

Certified Correct

P. Hlavac-Winsor, Acting Corporate Officer