

District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

January 11, 2010

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on January 11, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Blaney Room of the Municipal Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular Municipal business.

PRESENT

Elected Officials

Mayor E. Daykin
Councillor C. Ashlie
Councillor J. Dueck
Councillor A. Hogarth
Councillor L. King
Councillor M. Morden
Councillor C. Speirs

Appointed Staff

J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer
M. Murray, General Manager of Community Development,
Parks and Recreation Services
P. Gill, General Manager Corporate and Financial Services
F. Quinn, General Manager Public Works and Development
Services
J. Leeburn, Executive Director
C. Marlo, Manager of Legislative Services
A. Gaunt, Confidential Secretary

Other Staff as Required

S. Blue, Manager of Economic Development
J. Pickering, Director of Planning
C. Carter, Manager of Community Planning

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1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted with the following addition:

5.6 Letter from Kash Heed, Solicitor General

2. **MINUTES**

R/2010-001

Minutes

December 14, 2009

It was moved and seconded

**That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of
December 14, 2009 be adopted as circulated.**

CARRIED

3. **PRESENTATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF COUNCIL** – Nil

4. **UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS**

4.1 **Police Records Information Management Environment (PRIME)**

Staff report dated December 15, 2009 recommending that the Mayor be authorized to send a letter to the Solicitor General expressing concern about lack of local government representation on the PRIME-BC Board.

The General Manager, Corporate and Financial Services reviewed the report.

R/2010-002
PRIME-BC Board

It was moved and seconded

That the Mayor be authorized to send the letter attached to the staff report dated December 15, 2009 to the Solicitor General.

CARRIED

4.2 **Discussion of Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy**

Memorandum from the Director of Planning dated January 7, 2010.

Also see letter from Metro Vancouver dated November 25, 2009 as attached to the December 7, 2009 Council Workshop agenda.

The Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy was discussed. Resolutions addressing issues and concerns and requesting clarification from Metro Vancouver were put forward.

R/2010-003
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.1

It was moved and seconded

That Metro Vancouver provide in writing that in the new Regional Growth Strategy, any areas that are designated in the urban containment boundary are automatically eligible for inclusion in the Fraser Sewerage and Water Area.

CARRIED

Councillor King and Councillor Speirs – OPPOSED

R/2010-004
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.2

It was moved and seconded

That Council reaffirm a July 6, 2009 Council Workshop motion which states “That the required vote of the Metro Vancouver Board of Directors for change of designation of property approved for removal from the Agricultural Land Reserve by the Agricultural Land Commission be a simple majority.”

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-005
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.3

It was moved and seconded

That Metro Vancouver provide clarification around Public Hearing requirements, Sections 6.7.3(d)(e) and 6.7.4(iv), noting that the District of Maple Ridge Council has a preference for very clear, concise terms for Public Hearing and prefers the previous practice as opposed to the new model.

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-006
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.4

It was moved and seconded

That the term “rural lands” be added in the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009, page 56, Figure 9.

CARRIED

Note: Mayor Daykin left meeting at 10:30 a.m. Councillor Dueck chaired the meeting in his absence

Note: Mayor Daykin returned to meeting at 10:35 a.m. and resumed as Chair.

R/2010-007
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.5

It was moved and seconded

That Section 2.1.3(b) on Page 24 of the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009 be broadened to provide more clarity around equities.

CARRIED

R/2010-008
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.6

It was moved and seconded

That Metro Vancouver provide a letter confirming that the Fraser Sewerage and Water Area will be expanded to include servicing of the 256th Street industrial area.

CARRIED

R/2010-009
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.7

It was moved and seconded

That Metro Vancouver identify lands owned by Port Metro Vancouver within the District of Maple Ridge; and further that the term “port lands” in the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009 be defined.

CARRIED

R/2010-010
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.8

It was moved and seconded

That in the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009, the term “soil based agriculture” on Page 33, Section 3.1.4 b) vi) be removed and replaced with the word “agriculture”.

CARRIED

R/2010-011
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.9

It was moved and seconded

That the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009, Page 35, Section 3.2.4 be revised to read “Develop Regional Context Statements that identify legislatively protected areas and map such environmentally sensitive (ESAs) designated in Official Community Plans.

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-012
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.10

It was moved and seconded

That Figure 6 on Page 37 of the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009 be removed.

WITHDRAWN

R/2010-013
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.11

It was moved and seconded

That Metro Vancouver provide an addendum to the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009, which consists of a legal clarification around limitations and uses of maps and figures within the document.

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-014
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.12

It was moved and seconded

That the District of Maple Ridge legal counsel provide an opinion on the legal effect of the maps and figures in the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009.

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-015
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.13

It was moved and seconded

That Metro Vancouver provide clarification on Section 3.2.6, Page 35 and advise how this section relates to Section 2.1.3(b), Page 24 of the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009.

Amended as per
Jan 18, 2010
Minutes

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-016
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.14

It was moved and seconded

That in the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009, the definition of “natural assets” in the glossary be amended to be more specific and relevant to the Regional Growth Strategy.

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-017
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.15

It was moved and seconded

That the glossary in the Metro Vancouver Draft Regional Growth Strategy dated November 13, 2009 more accurately reflect terms used in the document.

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

R/2010-018
Draft Regional
Growth Strategy

4.2.16

It was moved and seconded

That the motion made at the July 13, 2009 Council Workshop stating “The District of Maple Ridge requires the following condition be a component of Maple Ridge’s endorsement of the Regional Growth Strategy:

The District of Maple Ridge intends to pursue comprehensive industrial and commercial land use strategies and their potential land requirements. This review process has been identified in the 2006 Official Community Plan. This review is necessary to ensure that employment targets for Maple Ridge contained in the Regional Growth Strategy can be met. Should this comprehensive review and strategy result in the change of land use designations requiring a change in regional designations, then Metro Vancouver shall agree to support the necessary change(s) in designation.” be reaffirmed.

CARRIED

Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

Note: The meeting was recessed at 12:23 p.m. and reconvened at 1:39 p.m.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1 **Catalyst Paper Corporation – Relief for BC Municipalities hosting BC Industry**

Letter dated December 4, 2009 from Richard Garneau, President and CEO, Catalyst Paper Corporation encouraging municipalities to seek provincial support for interim relief and a long-term solution on municipal taxation.

R/2010-019
Catalyst Paper
Tax relief

It was moved and seconded

That the letter dated December 4, 2009 from Richard Garneau, President and CEO, Catalyst Paper Corporation be received for information with no further action taken.

CARRIED

5.2 **Union of British Columbia Municipalities – Management Framework for Off Road Vehicles**

Letter dated December 9, 2009 from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Secretariat requesting feedback on the proposed new management framework dealing with off road vehicles.

It was requested that a copy of the response be forwarded to the Katzie and Kwantlen First Nations.

R/2010-020
UBCM Resolution
Off Road Vehicles

It was moved and seconded

That a letter be sent to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities supporting the resolution requesting regulation of off road vehicles.

CARRIED

5.3 Metro Vancouver – Request for Resolution in Council

Letter dated December 11, 2009 from Lois E. Jackson, Chair, Metro Vancouver Board, requesting endorsement by resolution of a Metro Vancouver submission to the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) pertaining to community control of a community channel.

R/2010-021

Metro Vancouver

Resolution

Support of

Community Channel

It was moved and seconded

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Maple Ridge Municipal Council endorses the submission by Metro Vancouver to the CRTC on the community channel hearing.

Metro Vancouver recommends the following to the Canadian Radio-Television Telecommunications Commission:

THAT WHEREAS, the community channel is of vital importance to local government for communicating with residents;

AND WHEREAS, the community channel fosters public discourse and helps build a civil society;

AND WHEREAS, engaging citizens is a part of forming a sustainable community;

AND WHEREAS, the community channel is not just a cornerstone of the Canadian broadcasting system; the community channel adds to the fabric of a democratic society; and

AND WHEREAS, the principles laid out in the Broadcast Act and subsequent policies which envision a community channel that involves the community in the community channel production with citizen participation supported by training programs, and community advisory boards that encourages a balance of different views and reflects the cross-cultural expression of the community, and provides opportunities for feedback from viewers, should continue to stand as the foundation of the community channel;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the District of Maple Ridge Council endorse Metro Vancouver's submission to the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission's (CRTC's) public hearing regarding the community channel.

CARRIED

5.4 South Fraser Family Court & Youth Justice Committee – Youth Substance Abuse and Refusal of Treatment

Letter dated December 21, 2009 from Barbara Westlake, Vice-chair South Fraser Family Court & Youth Justice Committee, Sub-Committee Chair Youth Recovery requesting support of a letter writing campaign requesting that the BC Government re-open discussions regarding treatment options for youth struggling with substance abuse and refusing treatment.

R/2010-022
Family Court &
Youth Justice
Committee

It was moved and seconded

That the letter dated December 21, 2009 from Barbara Westlake, Vice-chair South Fraser Family Court & Youth Justice Committee, Sub-Committee Chair Youth Recovery be referred to the Social Planning Advisory Committee for comment.

CARRIED

5.5 Agricultural Land Commission – Albion Flats

Letter dated January 7, 2010 from Erik Karlsen, Chair, Provincial Agricultural Land Commission advising that the Commission will make senior staff available to meet with Council and District staff to discuss current land use policy direction and explore opportunities for collaboration.

R/2010-023
Albion Area Plan
Areas A and B
DEFEATED

It was moved and seconded

That a comprehensive concept plan be undertaken for the Albion Area and that the plan area include Areas A and B as highlighted in the November 5, 2009 Council Workshop Report titled "Albion Area Process Report"; and further

That the process, including a detailed public component, be completed within 12 months.

Councillor Ashlie raised a point of order questioning if the motion held the same intent as Resolution No. R/09-442 defeated at the November 9, 2009 Council Workshop Meeting. Upon review of the two resolutions, Councillor Ashlie withdrew her point of order.

DEFEATED

Mayor Daykin, Councillor Ashlie, Councillor Dueck, Councillor King, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

The General Manager, Public Works and Development Services reviewed the options presented in the November 5, 2009 Council Workshop staff report.

R/2010-024
Albion Area Plan

It was moved and seconded

That staff be directed to proceed with an area plan for the Albion Flats Area A utilizing the Concept Plan approach noted in the staff report dated November 5, 2009.

R/2010-025
Albion Area Plan

It was moved and seconded

That the resolution be amended to include the text “with a completion date of March 31, 2011 for the concept plan” following the text “November 5, 2009.”

CARRIED

Councillor Hogarth – OPPOSED

R/2010-026
Albion Area Plan

It was moved and seconded

That the resolution be amended to include the text “taking into account key linkages to Area B” following the text “November 5, 2009.”

CARRIED
MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED

R/2010-027
Albion Area Plan
ALC Staff
Availability

It was moved and seconded

That Agricultural Land Commission staff be asked to make their senior staff available to meet and discuss the current land use policy direction and explore the opportunities for collaboration.

CARRIED

5.6 Letter from Kash Heed, Solicitor General

Deferred to the January 18, 2010 Council Workshop Meeting

6. BRIEFING ON OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST/QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL

7. MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT

8. ADJOURNMENT – 3:58 p.m.

E. Daykin, Mayor

Certified Correct

C. Marlo, Corporate Officer