# Township of Langley Est. 1873

### REGULAR AFTERNOON MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, October 7, 2019 at 2:00 PM
Fraser River Presentation Theatre
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

#### MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor J. Froese

Councillors P. Arnason, D. Davis, S. Ferguson, M. Kunst, B. Long,

K. Richter, B. Whitmarsh, and E. Woodward

M. Bakken, S. Gamble, K. Sinclair, R. Seifi, and P. Tulumello

W. Bauer, J. Chu, K. Stepto, and P. Ward

### A. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

### A.1 Regular Afternoon Council Meeting Agenda - October 7, 2019

Moved by Councillor Arnason, Seconded by Councillor Kunst, That Council adopt the agenda and receive the agenda items of the Regular Afternoon Council meeting held October 7, 2019. CARRIED

### **B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

### B.1 Regular Afternoon Council Meeting - September 30, 2019

Moved by Councillor Ferguson, Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh, That Council adopt the Minutes of the Regular Afternoon Council meeting held September 30, 2019. CARRIED

### C. MOTION TO RESOLVE INTO SPECIAL CLOSED MEETING

Moved by Councillor Whitmarsh, Seconded by Councillor Arnason,

That Council now resolve into a Special Closed Meeting for discussion of the following items, in accordance with and as identified under Section 90 of the Community Charter:

Item A.1 - Section 90(1) (n) Consideration;

Item C.1 - Section 90(1) (e) Property; (k) Negotiations;

Item F.1 - Section 90(2) (b) Intergovernmental Relations;

Item H.1 - Section 90(2) (b) Intergovernmental Relations;

Item H.2 - Section 90(1) (a) Personnel; and

Item H.3 - Section 90(1) (a) Personnel.

**CARRIED** 

### MEETING RECESSED

The meeting recessed at 2:01pm.

### MEETING RECONVENED

The meeting reconvened at 4:23pm.

### D. PRESENTATIONS

### D.1 Tree Canopy Assessment

Trevor Cox, Diamond Head Consulting, provided a presentation regarding a tree canopy assessment. He noted that an urban forest is all the trees, vegetation, soil, and associated natural processes across a city's landscape. The canopy cover measures the layer of leaves, branches, and tree stems that are viewed when looking down from above. Benefits of the urban forest include habitat, carbon storage, air quality, shading, and cooling. It is estimated that 90% of BC municipalities have experienced large-scale canopy loss from 2000 to 2017. In the Township of Langley, there is 30.2% canopy cover (rural – 31.4% and urban - 25.1%). Identification of significant trees can inform and contribute to wide range of initiatives to mange the Township's tree canopy cover. The next steps toward developing a Canopy Protection Standard include target setting, identifying planting opportunities, policy development, and stewardship building.

### D.2 Social Sustainability Strategy Emerging Directions Report

P. Ward provided an update on the preparation of the Social Sustainability Strategy, including the emerging directions and outline the next steps for the completion of the project. An overview of the work to date was provided, noting that staff are in Phase 4 and have prepared the Emerging Directions Report which will guide the Social Sustainability Strategy. Key issues and trends related to social-well being have been identified as climate change, income inequality and high living costs, new health challenges, population growth and changing demographics, reconciliation, and technological innovation. The emerging 10-year goals are a connected community, an inclusive community, and a resilient community. The emerging 5-year priorities are relationship building, belonging, housing, food, learning, and getting around. Next steps include recommended actions and potential partners, implementation principles, potential financial and resource implications, and indicators to monitor over the life of the Strategy.

### COUNCILLOR DECLARES CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Woodward declared a Conflict of Interest under Section 100 of the Community Charter and left the meeting at 5:21pm.

### **E. DELEGATIONS**

### E.1 Ed Warzel

Andy Schildhorn Fort Langley Community Association File 0550-07

Ed Warzel and Andy Schildhorn, Fort Langley Community Association, appeared before Council to discuss moving the truck route out of Fort Langley. They commented that concerns regarding the truck route were first raised in 2011 and that Council approved this project in 2016 but it is still unfunded. Truck re-routing remains the community's main concern and an alternative truck route would be very much welcome. Removing trucks will increase tourism and improve pedestrian and vehicle safety. They asked Council to approve this project in the 2020 budget.

Councillor Woodward re-entered the meeting at 5:27pm.

### F. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

# F.1 Social Sustainability Strategy Emerging Directions Report Report 19-151 File CD LSP00006

FIIE CD LSP00006

Moved by Councillor Davis,

Seconded by Councillor Ferguson,

That Council receive the Emerging Directions Report (Attachment A) and authorize staff to undertake the next steps in drafting the Social Sustainability Strategy.

**CARRIED** 

### F.2 Age- and Dementia-Friendly Action Plan

Terms of Reference Report 19-150 File CD LSP00012

Moved by Councillor Richter,

Seconded by Councillor Ferguson,

That Council approve the Terms of Reference for the preparation of an Age- and Dementia-friendly Action Plan and the establishment of a Dementia-friendly Task Force by the Seniors Advisory Committee, in the form presented substantially as Attachments A and B to this report,

respectively;

That Council amend Section 8.0 – Task Forces of the Terms of Reference for the Seniors Advisory Committee, by replacing the words "a maximum of 90 days" with the words "a maximum of 180 days unless approved by Council"; and further

That Council authorize staff to submit an application to the UBCM Age-friendly Communities Program and indicate support for the age- and dementia-friendly planning work.

CARRIED

### F.3 Community Amenity Contributions Exemption

(Reno Investments 2011 Ltd. / 22310, 22322, 22383 and 22390 - 48 Avenue) Report 19-153 File CD 10-31-0156

Moved by Councillor Whitmarsh, Seconded by Councillor Kunst,

That Council provide an exemption to Official Community Plan Amendment and Rezoning Application No. 100097 from the requirements of the Community Amenity Contributions program, pursuant to Section 5.4 (f) of Community Amenity Contributions Policy No. 07-166.

DEFEATED

Councillors Arnason, Davis, Ferguson, Richter, and Woodward opposed

# F.4 Community Amenity Contributions Policy (50% Lift) Report 19-152

File CD LSP00007

Moved by Councillor Richter, Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh,

That Council receive the Community Amenity Contributions Policy (50% Lift) report for information.

**CARRIED** 

### G. CORRESPONDENCE

### H. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES

H.1 Seniors Advisory Committee - September 17, 2019 Council Priorities Committee - September 30, 2019 File 0540-20

> Moved by Councillor Kunst, Seconded by Councillor Davis,

That Council adopt the Minutes from the Council Priorities Committee meeting held September 30, 2019 and receive the Minutes of the Council Advisory Committee meetings as listed above.

CARRIED

## H.2 Council Priorities Committee Recommended Motion File 0540-20

Moved by Councillor Richter, Seconded by Councillor Kunst, That Council approve the consolidated drafts amendments; and

That Council direct staff to bring forward an Amending Council Procedure Bylaw.

**CARRIED** 

# H.3 Council Priorities Committee Recommended Motion File 0540-20

Moved by Councillor Richter, Seconded by Councillor Long,

That Council approve the suggestions regarding reasons to not approve a delegation request, as listed below:

- A bylaw in respect of which a public hearing has been or will be held where the public hearing is required under an enactment as a prerequisite to the adoption of the bylaw;
- An issue which is before the courts or on which Council has authorized legal action:
- A matter in respect of which a Township-led public consultation process is planned or is in progress;
- The promotion of commercial projects and services, the promotion of a political party or of a candidate for elected office;
- Publicly tendered contracts or proposal calls for the provision of goods and services for the Township, between the time that such contract or proposal call has been authorized and the time that such a contract or proposal call has been awarded, either by Council or Township staff;
- A purpose or subject that is beyond the jurisdiction of Council;
- A purpose of subject that Council reasonably determines is not in the public interest of the community;
- Any matter on which the delegate has already spoken to Council and where no new significant information is provided;
- Individuals or organizations may only appear once every annual quarter, unless the individual or organization is statutorily authorized to be heard by Council or required by law to be heard by Council.

That these delegation suggestions be brought forward in the Amended

Procedure Bylaw at the same time as the other suggested amendments. CARRIED

### **I. OTHER BUSINESS**

### I.1 Collective Wearing of Clothing Apparel by Council

Moved by Councillor Richter,

Seconded by Councillor Woodward,

Whereas the wearing of specific apparel by the collective Township Council in support of a specific cause, group or program may be seen as a strong Township endorsement; and

Whereas Council's aim is to ensure that all residents are afforded equality and respect in all matters;

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct staff to draft a Council policy that will prevent Council from collectively wearing attire that supports a specific cause, group or program, but will acknowledge the rights of the individual Council members to choose their own attire as appropriate. DEFEATED

Mayor Froese and Councillors Arnason, Davis, Ferguson, Kunst, Long, Whitmarsh and Woodward opposed

### I.2 Intersection at 272 Street and 28 Avenue

Moved by Councillor Long,

Seconded by Councillor Kunst,

Whereas the community has expressed concern for the safety of pedestrians using the intersection at 272 Street and 28 Avenue; and

Whereas the intersection is frequented by the children walking to and from Shortreed Community Elementary School and the safety of the children is of community concern;

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct staff to review and analyse the current traffic and pedestrian use of the intersection to determine if signalization of the intersection is warranted;

### **AMENDMENT**

Moved by Councillor Long,

Seconded by Councillor Arnason,

That an additional paragraph be added as follows:

"That staff report back on the cost of converting the crossing to a fully controlled crossing".

**CARRIED** 

MAIN MOTION, AS AMENDED

The question was called on the Main Motion, as amended, and it was CARRIED

### I.3 Dinner Meeting with Fraser Health Authority

The Fraser Health Authority joined Council for dinner at 6:00pm to discuss the opioid crisis.

### J. TERMINATE

Moved by Councillor Davis, Seconded by Councillor Ferguson, That the meeting terminate at 5:50pm. CARRIED

Mayor

Township Clerk