

## COUNCIL-IN-COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, March 15, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Council-in-Committee convened on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 2:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Mayor Richard Stewart  
Councillor Brent Asmundson  
Councillor Craig Hodge  
Councillor Steve Kim  
Councillor Trish Mandewo (arrived at 2:07 p.m.)  
Councillor Dennis Marsden  
Councillor Teri Towner  
Councillor Chris Wilson  
Councillor Bonita Zarrillo

STAFF: Peter Steblin, City Manager  
Raul Allueva, Deputy City Manager  
Jim McIntyre, General Manager Planning and Development  
Andrew Merrill, Director Development Services  
Jaime Boan, General Manager Engineering and Public Works  
Michelle Hunt, General Manager Finance, Lands and Police  
Don Luymes, General Manager Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities  
Mark Zaborniak, Manager Design and Construction  
Jeannie Wilson, Public Works Liaison  
Kathleen Vincent, Manager Corporate Communications  
Jay Gilbert, Director Intergovernmental Relations and Legislative Services  
Stephanie Lam, Legislative Services Manager  
Ehab Taha, Transportation Development Engineer  
Misty Temple, Legislative Services Clerk

Councillor Hodge, as per the Acting Mayor schedule, assumed the role of Chair.

### CALL TO ORDER

### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#### 1. Minutes of the Council-in-Committee Meeting held on Monday, March 8, 2021

The Committee, with the exception of Councillor Zarrillo, approved the Minutes of the Council-in-Committee Meeting held on Monday, March 8, 2021.

**REPORTS OF STAFF**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**2. Report of the General Manager Planning and Development and the General Manager Engineering and Public Works – Oakdale Transportation Review and Analysis**

The General Manager Planning and Development provided introductory comments regarding the status of the Oakdale Official Community Plan development. He noted that recommended alternatives have been made to the planned road network improvements, as outlined in their report.

The Director Development Services provided an onscreen presentation entitled “Oakdale Transportation Review and Analysis” with slides titled as follows:

- Background
- Review and Analysis
- Currently Planned New Streets and Lanes
- New Proposed New Streets and Lanes
- Currently Planned Greenways and Cycle Routes
- Benefits
- Currently Planned Land Uses with New Streets
- Land Uses with New Proposed Streets
- Next Steps

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- The understanding that road work is disruptive to residents
- The importance of creating traffic calming measures before instituting new roads
- The need to prevent motorists from using new residential streets to avoid stoplights
- The desire to avoid rendering certain parcels undesirable to developers, particularly with advanced applications
- Support for ensuring all properties are impacted equally
- The goal of accomplishing road improvements in a single phase
- The importance of encouraging cyclists and pedestrians on new roads

The Committee received the report of the General Manager Planning and Development dated March 8, 2021 and entitled “Oakdale Transportation Review and Analysis” for information.

**ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS**

**3. Report of the General Manager Engineering and Public Works - Cedar Drive/Partington Creek Project Update – March 2021**

The General Manager Engineering and Public Works provided introductory comments regarding an update to the Cedar Drive/Partington Creek project. He noted that although the cost has increased, they have submitted a grant application for additional funding.

The General Manager Engineering and Public Works provided an onscreen presentation entitled “Cedar Drive and Partington Creek Upgrade Project” with slides titled as follows:

- Project Goal
- Project Objectives
- Cross Section of Upper Channel
- Cross Section of Lower Channel
- Project Information

Councillor Towner left the meeting at this time (3:14 p.m.) and returned at 3:16 p.m.

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- The possibility of calculating savings as a result of greenhouse gas reduction and less road damage
- The benefit that taxpayers will not be responsible for funding the project
- The importance of preserving the environmental integrity of the creek
- The necessity of the current road for residents
- Clarification that this is the final pump station planned for the area
- The knowledge that the associated costs for the pump station will not be available until next year
- Clarification that chemical treatments will be needed to remove certain weeds

With the exception of Councillor Zarrillo, the Committee received the report of the General Manager Engineering and Public Works dated March 9, 2021 and entitled “Cedar Drive/Partington Creek Project Update – March 2021” for information.

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER**

**4. Report of the Deputy City Manager – Community Support and Recovery Plan (CSRP) Update**

The Deputy City Manager provided introductory comments regarding the success of the Community Support and Recovery Plan. He noted that it has provided financial support to twenty-eight organizations, and that the program will be continued through the remainder of the year.

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- The importance of introducing initiatives meant to address loneliness
- The desire to increase public interactions with members of the City
- The need to confer with members of the community to obtain feedback
- The desire to promote initiatives to the populations that need them the most
- The understanding that youth need extracurricular activities due to the limitations imposed by the pandemic
- The knowledge that changes to provincial regulations allow for new opportunities in outdoor activities
- The desire to continue and expand the Meals for Seniors program
- The need to re-evaluate which programs receive subsidies

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

##### **OB-1 Staff Presentations at First Readings (Councillor Zarrillo)**

A member of the Committee expressed concerns relating to the process of public hearings. She inquired as to whether or not changes can be made to a development application at the first, second, or third reading. She further noted that it would be beneficial if staff was able to provide a presentation at first reading.

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- Clarification that after a public hearing, Council may neither change land usage nor add density
- The knowledge that development applications have become more complex
- The understanding that the community typically learns of an application at first reading
- The understanding that requesting a presentation will impact staff workloads
- The desire to highlight the avenues available to the public for obtaining more information on developments

**NEXT MEETING DATE – April 12, 2021**

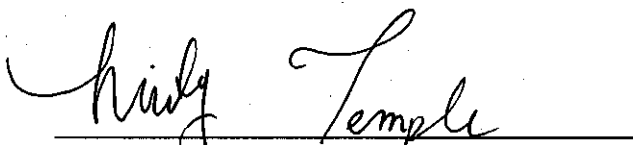
**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT

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CHAIR

I hereby certify that I have recorded the Minutes of the Council-in-Committee Meeting held Monday, March 15, 2021 as instructed, subject to amendment and adoption.



Misty Temple  
Legislative Services Clerk