

City of Coquitlam MINUTES - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

A Regular Council Meeting for the City of Coquitlam convened in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 7:06 p.m. All members of Council were present save Councillor Zarrillo (requested leave of absence). Members of staff present were the City Manager, Deputy City Manager, General Manager Engineering and Public Works, General Manager Corporate Services, General Manager Planning and Development, Director Intergovernmental Relations and Legislative Services, and Legislative Services Coordinator.

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor, on behalf of Council, noted the conclusion of the mass vaccination clinic at the Poirier Community Centre, thanked the staff that worked there and provided an overview of the success of the centre in providing for COVID-19 vaccinations.

The Mayor, on behalf of Council, recognized Rosh Hashanah and wished those celebrating the Jewish New Year well.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Public Hearing held on Monday, July 26, 2021

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR ASMUNDSON AND SECONDED

That the Minutes of the Public Hearing held on Monday, July 26, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

Councillor Wilson registered opposition.

2. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, July 26, 2021

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR TOWNER AND SECONDED

354 That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, July 26, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

Councillor Wilson registered opposition.

COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3. Minutes of the Universal Access-Ability Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, July 6, 2021

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KIM AND SECONDED

That the Minutes of the Universal Access-Ability Advisory Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

 Minutes of the Tri-Cities Homelessness and Housing Task Group Meeting held on Friday,
July 9, 2021

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR TOWNER AND SECONDED

That the Minutes of the Tri-Cities Homelessness and Housing Task Group Meeting held on Friday, July 9, 2021 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS OF STAFF

CITY MANAGER

Report of the Director Intergovernmental Relations and Legislative Services –
Councillor Zarrillo – Request for Leave Without Pay

Discussion ensued relative to whether leave of absences that do not meet the threshold requirements of the *Community Charter* should be granted solely an administrative process.

The Director Intergovernmental Relations and Legislative Services noted that staff can review how other municipalities processed requests for leave without pay that did not meet the *Community Charter* requirements.

Discussion continued relative to the understanding that this report functions as a means of notification for members of Council and the public regarding the granting of such leaves without pay.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HODGE AND SECONDED

That Council grant Councillor Zarrillo's request for leave without pay for the period commencing August 15, 2021 until September 21, 2021 and that staff be directed to undertake the administrative activities necessary to process this request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS OF COUNCILLORS

6. Metro Vancouver Board In Brief (July 30, 2021) – Metro Vancouver Board Representatives Available To Respond To Questions

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- Clarification as to the discussion at the Metro Vancouver meeting regarding the Municipal Director Appointment Process
- Concern that the Metro Vancouver Board allowed the Municipal Director Appointment Process resolution to proceed
- The desire for future discussion on this resolution by Coquitlam Council
- Concern that the Metro Vancouver Board appears to be speaking for all municipalities and the potential to write a letter outlining such to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs
- The potential to discuss this issue at the forthcoming Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) convention

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR HODGE AND SECONDED

358 That Council receive for information the Metro Vancouver Board in Brief.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING DATE – September 20, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MANDEWO AND SECONDED

359 That the Regular Council Meeting adjourn – 7:24 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES CERTIFIED CORRECT

CHAIR

I hereby certify that I have recorded the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Tuesday, September 7, 2021 as instructed, subject to amendment and adoption.

Rachel Cormack

Legislative Services Coordinator