

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
VIA ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION FACILITIES
MARCH 28, 2022**

COUNCIL:

Mayor M. Booth and Councillors C. Cameron, N. Gambioli, P. Lambur, W. Soprovich, S. Thompson, and M. Wong attended the meeting via electronic communication facilities.

STAFF:

R. Bartlett, Chief Administrative Officer; M. Panneton, Director, Legislative Services/Corporate Officer; J. Bailey, Director, Planning & Development Services; I. Gordon, Director, Financial Services; S. Ketler, Director, Parks, Culture & Community Services; J. Moller, Director, Engineering & Transportation Services; D. Powers, Director, Community Relations & Communications; M. McGuire, Senior Manager, Current Planning & Urban Design; D. Niedermayer, Senior Manager, Cultural Services; C. Boy, Manager, Financial Planning; P. Cuk, Manager, Legislative Operations/Deputy Corporate Officer; C. Rosta, Manager, Cultural Services; H. Garbiec-Ho, Planning Technician; and M. Roberts, Planning Technician, attended the meeting via electronic communication facilities.

CALL TO ORDER

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Councillor Cameron entered the meeting at 6:01 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

Mayor Booth announced that West Vancouver resident Jonathan “Bear” Young received the BC Medal for Good Citizenship, and commented regarding his service to the community.

Staff provided procedural information, including that the meeting was being held via electronic communication facilities pursuant to applicable enactments, that members of the public could attend the Municipal Hall Atrium to hear, or watch and hear, the proceedings, and encouraged members of the public to stay home and participate via electronic communication facilities due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. **Approval of March 28, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Agenda**

Council members commented relative to the addition of a New Business item regarding the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities, as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

MOVED by Soprovich, seconded by Lambur:

THAT an item regarding the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities, as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan, be added to the March 28, 2022 regular Council meeting agenda under New Business.

CARRIED

MOVED by Wong, seconded by Soprovich:

THAT the March 28, 2022 regular Council meeting agenda be amended by:

- adding to Item 4 written submissions C-1 to C-4 regarding Proposed Development Variance Permit 21-074 for 1325 25th Street; and
- updating the recommendation for Item 11.2 regarding Proposed Amendment to 2022 Council Meeting Schedule;

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3. Adoption of Council Meeting Minutes

MOVED by Wong, seconded by Soprovich:

THAT

1. the minutes of the February 28, 2022 special (open session) Council meeting and the March 7, 2022 special (open session) and regular Council meetings and public hearing be adopted as circulated; and
2. the Summary of the March 7, 2022 Public Hearing (regarding proposed: Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 5169, 2022 for 3180 Travers Avenue; and Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 4985, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 5172, 2022 and Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 5171, 2022 for 6404 Wellington Avenue and 6403 & 6407 Nelson Avenue) be approved.

CARRIED

REPORTS

4. Proposed Development Variance Permit 21-074 for 1325 25th Street (File: 1010-20-21-074)

At the February 14, 2022 regular meeting Council received the report dated January 24, 2022 regarding proposed Development Variance Permit 21-074 for 1325 25th Street and set the date for consideration for March 28, 2022.

Reports received up to and including March 28, 2022:

REPORT TITLE	REPORT DATED	RECEIVED AT COUNCIL MEETING	#
Proposed Development Variance Permit for 1325 25th Street	January 24, 2022	February 14, 2022	R-1

Written submissions received up to and including March 28, 2022:

SUBMISSION AUTHOR	SUBMISSION DATE	#
F. Audain	February 2, 2022	C-1
F. Audain	February 2, 2022	C-2
F. Audain	February 2, 2022	C-3
F. Audain	February 2, 2022	C-4

Staff: provided a presentation; informed that no members of the public had signed up to speak to this item; and responded to a Council member's question. Council members commented.

MOVED by Soprovich, seconded by Thompson:

THAT all written and oral submissions regarding proposed Development Variance Permit 21-074 for 1325 25th Street up to and including the Council meeting held on March 28, 2022 be received for information.

CARRIED

MOVED by Soprovich, seconded by Thompson:

THAT proposed Development Variance Permit 21-074 for 1325 25th Street, which would retroactively allow for an existing accessory building to remain in its current location by varying the north side yard setback from 1.52 m to 1.08 m and the west side yard setback from 1.52 m to 0.18 m, be approved.

CARRIED

5. Proposed 2022-2026 Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 5185, 2022 and Proposed 2022 Phase 1 Capital Funding Report

(File: 1610-20-5185/5186 / 0860-30)

Staff spoke relative to the subject report and responded to Council's questions.

L. Jones (West Vancouver) commented regarding: the Five Creeks Stormwater Flood Protection Project; the cost of storm water and sewer management; and environmental protection.

A Council member commented.

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT proposed "Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 5185, 2022" be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT proposed "Parkland Development Cost Charge Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 5186, 2022" be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT the following appropriation be made from the Capital Facilities Fund to fund 2022 Phase 1 Capital Projects:

Capital Facilities Fund	
Facilities Projects	
Asset Preservation	2,650,919
Health & Safety	40,000
Strategic Investment	210,000
Capital Facilities Fund Total	2,900,919

and that these funds be available until December 31, 2023, and any funds unused at that time be returned to the Capital Facilities Fund, be approved.

Council members commented and staff responded to a Council member's question. The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT the following appropriation be made from the Capital Infrastructure Reserve Fund to fund 2022 Phase 1 Capital Projects:

Capital Infrastructure Reserve Fund	
Asset Preservation	
Facilities Projects	420,000
Grounds and Parks	837,815
Health & Safety	
Grounds and Parks	80,000
Innovation	
Equipment	32,230
IT Hardware and Software	74,000
Regular Asset Maintenance	
Grounds and Parks	285,000
Transportation Infrastructure	3,596,312
Strategic Investment	
Grounds and Parks	185,000
Capital Infrastructure Reserve Fund Total	5,510,357

and that these funds be available until December 31, 2023, and any funds unused at that time be returned to the Capital Infrastructure Reserve Fund, be approved.

Councillor Wong left the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Council members commented and staff responded to Council's questions. The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Councillor Wong absent at the vote

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT the following appropriations be made from the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund to fund 2022 Phase 1 Capital Projects:

Capital Equipment Reserve Fund	
Asset Preservation	
Equipment	398,235
Health & Safety	
Equipment	59,020
Innovation	
Equipment	412,947
Regular Asset Maintenance	
Equipment	278,542
Fleet - Vehicle and Heavy Duty Equipment	2,185,882
IT Hardware and Software	615,000
Strategic Investment	
Equipment	78,500
Grounds and Parks	10,000
IT Hardware and Software	100,000
Capital Equipment Reserve Fund Total	4,138,126

and that these funds be available until December 31, 2023, and any funds unused at that time be returned to the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund, be approved.

CARRIED

Councillor Wong absent at the vote

Council members commented and staff responded to a Council member's question.

Councillor Wong returned to the meeting at 6:55 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT the following appropriations be made from the Public Art Reserve Fund to fund the 2022 Phase 1 Capital Project:

Public Art Reserve Fund	
Community Asset Investments	
Public Art for Police Services Municipal Hall Building	25,000
Public Art Reserve Fund Total	25,000

and that these funds be available until December 31, 2023, and any funds unused at that time be returned to the Public Art Reserve Fund, be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT the following appropriations be made from the Sewer and Drainage Reserve Fund to fund 2022 Capital Projects:

Sewer and Drainage Reserve Fund

Sewer and Drainage Utility	
Sanitary Capital Program	6,491,277
Storm Capital Program	5,380,000

Sewer and Drainage Reserve Fund Total **11,871,277**

and that these funds be available until December 31, 2023, and any funds unused at that time be returned to the Sewer and Drainage Reserve Fund, be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED by Thompson, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT the following appropriation be made from the Water Reserve Fund to fund 2022 Capital Projects:

Water Reserve Fund

Water Utility Capital Program	7,854,031
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Water Reserve Fund Total **7,854,031**

and that these funds be available until December 31, 2023, and any funds unused at that time be returned to the Water Reserve Fund, be approved.

CARRIED

6. Proposed Miscellaneous Housekeeping Amendments to the Zoning Bylaw
(File: 1610-20-5192)

Staff provided a presentation and responded to Council's questions. A Council member commented.

MOVED by Lambur, seconded by Soprovich:

THAT proposed "Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 5192, 2022" be read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED by Lambur, seconded by Soprovich:

THAT proposed "Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 5192, 2022" be presented at a public hearing scheduled for April 25, 2022 at 6 p.m. at West Vancouver Municipal Hall via electronic communication facilities, and that notice be given of the scheduled public hearing.

CARRIED

A Council member commented.

7. Arts Facilities Advisory Committee 2022 Work Plan (File: 0116-20-AFAC)

Councillor Wong: left the meeting at 7:10 p.m.; returned to the meeting at 7:18 p.m. via electronic communication facilities; and left the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Staff and G. Nicholls (Co-Chair, Arts Facilities Advisory Committee) provided a presentation and responded to Council's questions.

Councillor Wong returned to the meeting at 7:25 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

S. Swail (address not provided) commented regarding public engagement.

B. Shard (address not provided) commented and queried regarding: the proposed cost, size, and location of an arts facility; public engagement; and the Arts Facilities Advisory Committee.

Mayor Booth left the meeting at 7:36 p.m. and Councillor Cameron assumed the Chair. Mayor Booth returned to the meeting at 7:37 p.m. via electronic communication facilities and assumed the Chair.

J. Chalmers (West Vancouver) referred to a written submission and commented regarding: public engagement; arts facility site selection; and the Arts Facilities Advisory Committee proposed 2022 work plan.

Council members commented. G. Nicholls and staff responded to Council's questions.

Councillor Wong left the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Councillor Gambioli left the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

L. Jones (address not provided) commented regarding public engagement and collaboration with First Nations.

Councillor Wong returned to the meeting at 8:03 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

N. Malkin (address not provided) commented regarding public engagement.

Councillor Gambioli returned to the meeting at 8:05 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

A Council member commented.

MOVED by Soprovich, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT

1. the report dated March 17, 2022 titled Arts Facilities Advisory Committee 2022 Work Plan be received for information; and
2. the Arts Facilities Advisory Committee 2022 Annual Work Plan be approved.

Councillor Thompson left the meeting at 8:09 p.m. and returned to the meeting at 8:10 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

Council members commented. The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Councillor Soprovich left the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

8. Finance and Audit Committee Request for Staff Report on Pay Parking Options and Alternatives (File: 0115-20-FINDT)

Councillor Soprovich returned to the meeting at 8:22 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

Staff spoke relative to the subject recommendation. Council members commented.

L. Jones (West Vancouver) commented regarding parking and transportation options.

MOVED by Wong, seconded by Thompson:

THAT

1. staff be directed to develop a plan to implement a two-year seasonal pay parking program in the following destination parks:
 - Lighthouse Park;
 - Whytecliff Park; and
 - Nelson Canyon Park/Whyte Lake Trailhead; and
2. staff report back to Council with a plan to implement the two-year seasonal pay parking program.

Council members commented and staff responded to Council's questions. The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

BYLAWS

9. Proposed Revised Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw No. 4975, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 5183, 2022 (File: 1610-20-5183)

MOVED by Soprovich, seconded by Gambioli:

THAT proposed "Revised Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw No. 4975, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 5183, 2022" be adopted.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

10. Proposed Spraying of Herbicides as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan (File: 0332-01)

Council members commented.

MOVED by Soprovich, seconded by Cameron:

THAT the Mayor send a letter to the Province of British Columbia to request a 60-day extension to the deadline for the consultation period that ended on March 27, 2022 regarding the proposed spraying of herbicides as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

11. Consent Agenda Items

MOVED by Wong, seconded by Cameron:

THAT the Consent Agenda items as follows be approved:

- Item 11.1 regarding Proposed Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw No. 5118, 2021, Amendment Bylaw No. 5184, 2022; and
- Item 11.2 regarding Proposed Amendment to 2022 Council Meeting Schedule.

CARRIED

11.1. Proposed Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw No. 5118, 2021, Amendment Bylaw No. 5184, 2022 (File: 1610-20-5184)

THAT proposed "Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw No. 5118, 2021, Amendment Bylaw 5184, 2022" be read a first, second, and third time.

11.2. Proposed Amendment to 2022 Council Meeting Schedule (File: 0120-01)

THAT

1. the April 11 and 25, 2022 regular Council meetings be held via electronic communication facilities only;
2. the Municipal Hall Atrium be designated as the location where the public may attend to hear, or watch and hear, the April 11 and 25, 2022 regular Council meeting proceedings; and
3. a designated municipal officer, or that person's deputy, be in attendance at the Municipal Hall Atrium for the April 11 and 25, 2022 regular Council meetings.

OTHER ITEMS / NOTICES OF MOTION

12. No items.

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

13. Reports from Mayor and Councillors

Mayor Booth: reported on signage on the Welch Street Bridge; confirmed that bicycles are permitted to use the pathway as well as the roadway when crossing the bridge; and informed that repairs to the bridge will soon be made. Council members commented.

Mayor Booth reported on a recent meeting of the Metro Vancouver Board of Directors regarding wastewater treatment, and commented regarding the Iona Island and the North Shore wastewater treatment plants. Council members commented.

Councillor Soprovich left the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Councillor Gambioli reported on the recent Nowruz fire jumping festival, attendance at a Chamber of Commerce meeting, and informed of the Chamber's annual meeting with the Mayor on April 7, 2022.

Councillor Soprovich returned to the meeting at 8:53 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

Councillor Thompson queried regarding the Metro Vancouver Board of Director's vote relative to wastewater treatment plants. Mayor Booth informed that the Board voted to move the Iona Island Wastewater Treatment Plant project forward, and commented regarding the voting strength of various municipalities at Metro Vancouver meetings.

Councillor Lambur commented relative to Council receiving an annual report from the Chamber of Commerce. Councillor Gambioli, as the Chamber of Commerce's Council liaison, informed that she would follow up with the Chamber on the matter.

MOVED by Wong, seconded by Soprovich:

THAT the oral reports from the Mayor and Councillors be received for information.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

14. Public Questions and Comments

Councillor Wong left the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

J. Graham (address not provided) commented and queried regarding the District's mandatory vaccination policy. Staff provided procedural information and requested that the questions be submitted in writing in order to allow staff to provide a response.

M. Gamel (Ross Lane; and Member, Urban Tree Alliance) spoke in opposition to the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

Councillor Wong returned to the meeting at 9:01 p.m. via electronic communication facilities and left the meeting at 9:06 p.m.

L. Jones (address not provided) spoke in opposition to the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

J. Zeman (Executive Director, BC Wildlife Federation) spoke in opposition to the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

Councillor Wong returned to the meeting at 9:11 p.m. via electronic communication facilities and left the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

S. Bibbings (address not provided) spoke in opposition to the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

J. Millar (Former Provincial Health Officer, British Columbia) spoke in opposition to the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

C. Shares (Whistler; and Member, Stop the Spray BC) spoke in opposition to the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

Councillor Wong returned to the meeting at 9:23 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

N. Malkin (Malkin Cleaners) commented regarding the impact on businesses of parking closures due to construction on the 1300-block of Marine Drive.

Councillor Soprovich left the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

C. Reynolds (Editor, West Van Matters and Chair, Heritage West Van) commented regarding: the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan; the date of the next Council meeting; recordings of events hosted by the West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce; the status of West Vancouver as a District, not a city; conflict of interest provisions for committee members; and the passing of West Vancouver resident Milton Cameron. Staff informed that the next regular Council meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2022.

Councillor Soprovich returned to the meeting at 9:31 p.m. via electronic communication facilities.

J. Peidle (Prince George) spoke in opposition to the proposed spraying of herbicides in BC communities as outlined in the BC Timber Sales Pest Management Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

15. Adjournment of March 28, 2022 Council Meeting

MOVED by Wong, seconded by Soprovich:

THAT the March 28, 2022 Council meeting be adjourned.
(9:35 p.m.)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

[Original signed by Mayor]

MAYOR

[Original signed by Corporate Officer]

CORPORATE OFFICER