



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND ELECTRONICALLY (HYBRID) FROM CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, BC, ON  
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025**

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**PRESENT**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Mayor L. Buchanan  
Councillor H. Back  
Councillor D. Bell  
Councillor A. Girard  
Councillor J. McIlroy  
Councillor S. Shahriari  
Councillor T. Valente

**STAFF MEMBERS**

L. McCarthy, CAO  
B. Pearce, Deputy CAO  
A. Cifarelli, Corporate Officer  
J. Peters, Manager, Legislative and Election Services  
L. Sawrenko, Chief Financial Officer  
D. Van Heerden, Manager, Financial Planning  
H. Granger, City Solicitor  
K. Magnusson, Director, Engineering, Parks and Environment  
D. Hutch, Deputy Director, Parks and Public Spaces  
A. Man-Bourdon, Manager, Parks and Natural Spaces  
S. Galloway, Director, Planning and Development  
T. Ryce, Chief Building Official  
M. Wray, Planning Assistant  
M. Chan, Director, Real Estate, Facilities and Economic Development  
E. Doran, Director, People, Culture and Transformation  
A. Gibbs, Sr. Manager, Communications and Engagement  
S. Peters, Manager, Projects and Initiatives  
P. DeJong, Acting Corporate Officer  
H. van Gelderen, Legislative Services Advisor  
T. Huckell, Administrative Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Back, seconded by Councillor Shahriari

1. Regular Council Meeting Agenda, March 10, 2025

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/1

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor McIlroy

2. Regular Council Meeting Minutes, March 3, 2025

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/2

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Buchanan declared the following proclamations:

Nowruz – March 20, 2025 – read by Councillor Shahriari

World Down Syndrome Day – March 21, 2025

## **PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD**

- Jennifer Belak, Brackendale, spoke regarding Item 10 – Responding to US tariffs.
- Patrick Stafford-Smith, North Vancouver, spoke regarding Item 10 – Responding to US tariffs.
- Sandra Thorson, North Vancouver, spoke regarding over-densification in the City and the need for more infrastructure.
- Laurel Gurnsey, North Vancouver, spoke regarding traffic due to the proposed development on East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and the security of the community.
- Jon Bevan, North Vancouver, spoke regarding Item 10 – Responding to US tariffs.

## **DELEGATION**

Murray Mollard, Executive Director, North Shore Community Resources

Re: North Shore Community Resources

Murray Mollard, North Shore Community Resources, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding “North Shore Community Resources” and responded to questions from Council.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

3. Murray Mollard, Executive Director, North Shore Community Resources, January 31, 2025 – File: 01-0230-20-0043/2025

Re: North Shore Community Resources

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Back

THAT the correspondence from Murray Mollard, Executive Director, North Shore Community Resources, dated January 31, 2025, regarding the “North Shore Community Resources”, be received for information with thanks.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/3

## **PRESENTATION**

City of North Vancouver Investment Policy – Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Financial Officer provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the “City of North Vancouver Investment Policy” and responded to questions from Council.

## **REPORTS**

4. Investment Policy Update – File: 05-1860-01-0001/2025

Report: Chief Financial Officer, February 19, 2025

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Girard

PURSUANT to the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated February 19, 2025, entitled “Investment Policy Update”:

THAT the Investment Policy be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/4

5. Annual Review of Fees and Charges – 2025 – File: 05-1715-20-0001/2025

Report: Chief Financial Officer, February 19, 2025

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Shahriari

PURSUANT to the report of the Chief Financial Officer, dated February 19, 2025, entitled “Annual Review of Fees and Charges – 2025”:

THAT the following bylaws be considered for readings:

- “Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2024, No. 9000, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9065” (Schedules A - J);
- “The Street Sign and House Numbering Bylaw, 1908, No. 40, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9087” (Fees and Charges); and
- “Parks Regulation Bylaw, 1996, No. 6611, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9092” (Parks and Greenways Donation Program).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/5

## **BYLAWS – FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS**

6. “Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2024, No. 9000, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9065” (Schedules A - J)

Moved by Councillor Shahriari, seconded by Councillor Girard

THAT “Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2024, No. 9000, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9065” (Schedules A - J) be given first and second readings;

AND THAT “Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2024, No. 9000, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9065” (Schedules A - J) be given third reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/6

**BYLAWS – FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS – Continued**

7. “The Street Sign and House Numbering Bylaw, 1908, No. 40, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9087” (Fees and Charges)

Moved by Councillor McIlroy, seconded by Councillor Bell

THAT “The Street Sign and House Numbering Bylaw, 1908, No. 40, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9087” (Fees and Charges) be given first and second readings;

AND THAT “The Street Sign and House Numbering Bylaw, 1908, No. 40, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9087” (Fees and Charges) be given third reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/7

8. “Parks Regulation Bylaw, 1996, No. 6611, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9092” (Parks and Greenways Donation Program)

Moved by Councillor McIlroy, seconded by Councillor Bell

THAT “Parks Regulation Bylaw, 1996, No. 6611, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9092” (Parks and Greenways Donation Program) be given first and second readings;

AND THAT “Parks Regulation Bylaw, 1996, No. 6611, Amendment Bylaw, 2025, No. 9092” (Parks and Greenways Donation Program) be given third reading.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/8

**REPORT**

9. 2025 Utilities Budget Amendment for Atmospheric River Repair and Restoration  
– File: 05-1820-04-0001/2025

Report: Chief Financial Officer and Director, Engineering, Parks and Environment,  
February 19, 2025

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Valente

PURSUANT to the report of the Chief Financial Officer and the Director, Engineering, Parks and Environment, dated February 19, 2025, entitled “2025 Utilities Budget Amendment for Atmospheric River Repair and Restoration”:

THAT the amended 2025 Sewer & Drainage Utility Capital Plan and the amended 2025 Sewer & Drainage Budget, dated February 19, 2025, be endorsed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/9

## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

10. Responding to United States Tariffs through Local Government Action  
– File: 03-1200-01-0001/2025

Submitted by Mayor Buchanan

Moved by Mayor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Girard

WHEREAS tariffs from the United States of America (US) threaten local jobs and the economy in the City of North Vancouver;

WHEREAS other orders of government including the Province of British Columbia and municipalities are preparing coordinated responses to such threats;

WHEREAS municipalities like The City of North Vancouver are purchasers of goods and services;

WHEREAS The City of North Vancouver has a Sustainable Purchasing Policy which makes no reference to preferential treatment for domestic suppliers;

WHEREAS similar motions adopted by other local governments have demonstrated the willingness of local governments to take decisive action to protect their economies from external trade pressures;

AND WHEREAS the Metro Vancouver Regional District has identified potential cross-jurisdictional impacts of US tariffs that require a coordinated regional approach;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT Council affirms and signals the City of North Vancouver supports the Team Canada approach to align local, provincial, and national priorities as necessary to counter foreign policies designed to harm the Canadian economy, joining other BC municipalities in this unified stance;

THAT Council direct staff to initiate a review of the City's sustainable purchasing policy and trade agreement exposure to identify opportunities to update the policy to Buy Local / Buy Canadian on a priority basis and report back as soon as possible with immediate and long-term strategies supporting the Team Canada approach;

THAT Council direct staff to initiate a review of the City's regulations to identify opportunities to streamline regulations and help the City of North Vancouver respond quickly to economic threats like tariffs and supply chain disruptions;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to establish an Internal Roundtable, to facilitate the rapid response to tariffs and other economic challenges facing the City of North Vancouver, including direction to report back on actions the City can take on an urgent basis given the US government imposition of tariffs including (but not limited to):

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## **NOTICE OF MOTION – Continued**

### 10. Responding to United States Tariffs through Local Government Action – File: 03-1200-01-0001/2025 – Continued

- Potential adjustments to the City’s business licensing regime to enable businesses to expand the scope of their operations in the face of economic uncertainty, through a “split-licence” mechanism that would reduce regulatory burden;
- Other opportunities that might exist;

THAT Council direct staff to immediately begin work with local business and community economic development organizations (including but not limited to Lower Lonsdale Business Improvement Area (LLBIA), Local Companies’ Organization of British Columbia (LOCO BC), North Vancouver Chamber (NV Chamber), Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB), Vancouver’s North Shore Tourism Association) to explore opportunities to initiate and promote a targeted Buy Local / Buy Canadian campaign in response to tariffs, building on the successful “Support Local BC” model;

THAT Council direct staff to work with regional counterparts to develop a coordinated response strategy that amplifies the collective economic influence of BC municipalities;

THAT Council direct staff to engage with Invest Vancouver, to formally communicate that bolstering local economic development and attracting direct foreign investment from diverse markets beyond the US are key priorities for the City of North Vancouver;

THAT Council direct staff to report back on the implementation of these measures;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the following:

LLBIA, LOCO BC, NV Chamber, CFIB, Vancouver’s North Shore Tourism Association, District of North Vancouver Mayor and Council, District of West Vancouver Mayor and Council, and Invest Vancouver (Metro Vancouver).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2025-03-10/10

## **PUBLIC CLARIFICATION PERIOD**

Nil.

## **COUNCIL INQUIRIES**

Nil.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mayor Buchanan, on behalf of Council, recognized and congratulated Councillor Bell for receiving the King Charles III Coronation Medal for his career achievements in public service at the medal ceremony on February 28, 2025.

## **NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Nil.

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil.

## **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Back

THAT Council recess to the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, pursuant to the *Community Charter*, Sections 90(1)(a) [personal information], 90(1)(e) [land matter], 90(1)(i) [legal advice], 90(1)(k) [contract negotiations/proposed service] and 90(1)(l) [annual report].

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting recessed to the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, at 8:10 pm and reconvened at 10:13 pm.

## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION)**

Moved by Councillor McIlroy, seconded by Councillor Valente

THAT the actions directed regarding the following items from the Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) of March 10, 2025, be ratified:

11. Land Matter / Proposed Service – File: 06-2380-01-0001/2024

Report: Manager, Real Estate, and Director, Real Estate, Facilities and Economic Development, February 19, 2025

PURSUANT to the report of the Manager, Real Estate, and the Director, Real Estate, Facilities and Economic Development, dated February 19, 2025, regarding a land matter and proposed service:

THAT the wording of the resolution and the report of the Manager, Real Estate, and the Director, Real Estate, Facilities and Economic Development, dated February 19, 2025, remain in the Closed session.

R2025-03-10/11

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION) – Continued**

12. Density Transfer Offer – 1421 Fell Avenue (Cascadia Green)  
– File: 02-0890-01-0001/2025

Report: Manager, Real Estate, and Director, Real Estate, Facilities and Economic Development, February 19, 2025

PURSUANT to the report of the Manager, Real Estate, and the Director, Real Estate, Facilities and Economic Development, dated February 19, 2025, entitled “Density Transfer Offer – 1421 Fell Avenue (Cascadia Green)”:

THAT the City enter into, and the Manager, Real Estate, be authorized to execute, a Density Transfer Agreement with 1310510 B.C. Ltd., doing business as Cascadia Green, to sell transferable density from the City-owned ‘donor’ site at 2300 Lonsdale Avenue and 116 East 23<sup>rd</sup> Street (the site of the new Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre) to the ‘recipient’ site at 1421 Fell Avenue, at a rate of \$175.00 per buildable square foot, valid for 24 months from the date that Council approves the Density Transfer Agreement, with the transfer being subject to the adoption of rezoning bylaws for both the donor and recipient sites, at Council’s sole discretion;

AND THAT the wording of the resolution be released and the report of the Manager, Real Estate, and the Director, Real Estate, Facilities and Economic Development, dated February 19, 2025, entitled “Density Transfer Offer – 1421 Fell Avenue (Cascadia Green)”, remain in the Closed session.

R2025-03-10/12

13. Land Matter / Legal Advice / Contract Negotiations/Proposed Service  
– File: 13-6740-20-0021/1

Report: Deputy Director, Parks and Public Spaces, February 19, 2025

PURSUANT to the report of the Deputy Director, Parks and Public Spaces, dated February 19, 2025, regarding a land matter, legal advice and contract negotiations/proposed service:

THAT the wording of the resolution and the report of the Deputy Director, Parks and Public Spaces, dated February 19, 2025, remain in the Closed session.

R2025-03-10/13

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURN**

Moved by Councillor Girard, seconded by Councillor Valente

THAT the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 pm.

*“Certified Correct by the Corporate Officer”*

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CORPORATE OFFICER