

# WHISTLER

# MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TUESDAY, APRIL 30 2019, STARTING AT 5:30 P.M.

Flute Room at Municipal Hall 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

#### PRESENT:

Mayor: J. Crompton

Councillors: A. De Jong, J. Ford, R. Forsyth, J. Grills, D. Jackson

and C. Jewett

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Furey

General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, T. Battiston

General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey Acting General Manager of Resort Experience, M. Pardoe

Acting Municipal Clerk, W. Faris

Acting Manager of Communications, G. Robinson

Planner, R. Brennan

Planning Analyst, S. Johnson

Legislative Services Administrative Assistant, L. Wyn-Griffiths

Council Coordinator, N. Cooper

Mayor J. Crompton recognized that the Meeting is being held on the traditional territories of the Lil'wat Nation and the Squamish Nation.

# **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Agenda Moved by Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of April 30, 2019.

**CARRIED** 

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes Moved by Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes and Public Hearing Minutes of April 16, 2019 as amended to remove the attendance of Planning Analyst S. Johnson, and add the attendance of Planner C. Beaubien.

**CARRIED** 

#### **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

# **Yard Waste Drop Off**

Mayor Jack Crompton reminded the community about the ban on all backyard burning. Wildfire threat in Whistler is serious and backyard burning is no longer permitted at any time in Whistler. Campfires are only allowed under strict conditions and require a permit. He noted that already this year,

Whistler's Fire Service has responded to several calls about backyard fires. For community members looking to do a spring clean of their property, the RMOW provides several free options to help. From April to November, residential yard waste can be dropped off free of charge at the Nesters and Function Junction waste depot. The FireSmart team will also again be hosting a number of free Community Chipper Days later this year. Mayor Jack Crompton thanked everyone in the community for doing their part to mitigate wildfire risk in Whistler.

# **Alpine Trail Initiatives**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that at the Committee of the Whole Meeting Last on April 16, 2019 there was a presentation regarding several Alpine Trail initiatives underway. Whistler's Alpine Trails are incredibly popular and it was great to hear from staff about the important work being done, particularly around the Recreation Trails Strategy and grizzly bear/human conflict mitigation strategy. Mayor Jack Crompton added that the Province has a grizzly bear recovery program and as Whistler has experienced, grizzly bear presence has been more common in recent years. The RMOW is leading the development of a conflict mitigation strategy working in collaboration with the Conservation Officer Service, Recreation Sites and Trails BC and biologists. The full range of initiatives are focused on long-term trail planning and look at balancing protection of wildlife habitat, Whistler's watershed, and the natural environment with the needs of users. There is a comprehensive overview of the alpine trail initiatives underway on the website www.whistler.ca/alpinetrailprogram.

# WHA Eligibility and Enforcement Recommendations

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that at the Committed of the Whole Meeting on April 16, 2019, there was also a presentation from the RMOW staff about a number of proposed changes to refine the eligibility and criteria and enforcement framework used at Whistler Housing Authority (WHA). This was one of the seven recommendations from the Task Force on Residential Housing. The proposed changes are focused on providing affordable employee housing in an equitable and consistent manner. Research is underway and people on the WHA rental waitlist would have received correspondence as part of the annual waitlist confirmation process along with new additional questions around employment status, household size and family structure. This information will be used to further understand demand and community needs. There is further information about the eligibility criteria on the website www.whistler.ca/housing under recommendation number seven.

#### Andrée Vajda Janyk Sports Field

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that construction is almost complete for the Andree Vajda Janyk Sports Field in Cheakamus Crossing. The field will be open to the public for weekend use starting Saturday, May 4, 2019. Weekday access will be available later in May. The new field is a multi-use, artificial turf sports field that will host soccer, football, rugby, ultimate Frisbee and field hockey games and clubs. There is a high demand for sports fields in Whistler

and the RMOW is excited to open this field. Mayor Jack Crompton noted that reservations are required to use the field as a club or as an athlete for casual training. Reservations will be posted on the site. To make a reservation, email the outdoor facilities booking coordinator.

#### **Whistler Excellence Awards**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that the Whistler Excellence Awards are being held tonight, April 30, 2019. These annual awards honour excellence in service, innovation, sustainability, leadership, business, and community service here in Whistler. The awards are an excellent opportunity to celebrate and recognize the people and businesses doing great things here in Whistler. The RMOW is proud to be the award sponsor of the Rising Star Award which recognizes outstanding work done by young people under 40 years old in Whistler. Mayor Jack Crompton noted that he will be leaving the Council Meeting early tonight to present this award. He noted that he looks forward to seeing and congratulating the award winners as well as all the finalists and nominees.

# **Community Pitch-in Day**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that last week, 32 RMOW employees hit the pavement to join a 20-minute power pick up event as part of Pitch-in week. Together, they collected more than 600 pounds of litter from Whistler's streets. He thanked all the staff that took the time to help keep Whistler clean and beautiful. He added that there will also be a community Pitch-in Day and appreciation BBQ on this Sunday, May 4, 2019. Hundreds of volunteers, including community groups and local sports associations come together to clear litter from the subdivision roads between Emerald and Function Junction. Mayor Jack Crompton noted that for those wishing to join, the meeting spot is the Public Works Yard on Nesters Road, between 8 and 9 a.m. to get gloves and bags. The appreciation BBQ for volunteers will be on at the Fire Hall at noon.

#### Blackcomb Mountain Closed April 22, 2019

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that Monday April 22, 2019 marked the closure of Blackcomb Mountain for 2019 winter operations. Whistler Mountain remains open until May 27, 2019 before switching over to summer bike operations. As well Whistler Blackcomb's World Ski and Snowboard Festival helped to round out the winter season the second week of April with a fabulous line up of arts and sports events unique to Whistler. The RMOW was proud to invest Province of British Columbia funds toward the festival as part of our Festivals, Events and Animation Program. Mayor Jack Crompton added that it has been another great season on the mountains and he hopes everyone gets to enjoy some spring riding to round out the 2018/19 season.

#### **Whistler Action Day**

Mayor Jack Crompton noted that Whistler Action Day is on tomorrow, Wednesday, May 1, 2019. Whistler Action Day launches the Maytober Challenge which from May to October challenges Whistler residents to switch out one private passenger vehicle trip a week for walking, transit, riding or

carpooling instead. Whistler FM will be broadcasting live from the event in Whistler Olympic Plaza from 3 to 5 p.m. He added that there will be free Lucia Gelato samples for those who can answer a skill-testing active transportation question, and encouraged the community to join the challenge.

#### Audain

Mayor Jack Crompton congratulated the Audain for their Illuminate Gala.

#### **AWARE**

Mayor Jack Crompton congratulated AWARE on their 30th Anniversary.

#### Condolences

On behalf of council and the Resort Municipality of Whistler, Mayor Jack Crompton shared condolences with the family and friends of Catherine Rose Findlay Fraser.

Mayor Jack Crompton also shared condolences for the friends and family of Doreen Watts, Whistler resident and active member of Rotary and volunteer with many other organisations.

## **Councillor Cathy Jewett**

Councillor Cathy Jewett attended the Student Learning Forum on April 17, 2019. She noted that the students had a lot of great ideas around FireSmarting the areas around the schools and they also noted how healthy Whistler can be without smoke in the air from backyard burning and forest fires.

#### Councillor Jen Ford

Councillor Jen Ford attended the Howe Sound Community Forum to talk about the environmental protection of Howe Sound. They discussed strategies for marine, air and watershed protection and reported on the Cumulative Effects Project. Councillor Jen Ford noted that Fisheries and Oceans Canada has sanctioned nine different areas that protect Glass Sponge Reefs in Howe Sound.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

DP1663 – 2004 Nordic Place – Hostel Redevelopment File No. DP1663 Report No. 19-060 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

That Council approve the issuance of Development Permit DP1663 for the proposed hostel redevelopment at 2004 Nordic Place in the Whistler Creek North area as illustrated on the architectural plans DP0.0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, DP1.1, 1.2, 1.3, DP2.1, 2.2, 2.3 2.4, DP3.1, 3.2, DP4.1 and DP4.2, prepared by Points West Architecture, dated April 3, 2019, the landscape plans L1, L2, L3, L4, L5 and L6 prepared by M2 Landscape Architecture, dated April 3, 2019 and the Initial Environmental Review: 2004 Nordic Place report, prepared by Cascade Environmental Resource Group Ltd., dated January 9, 2019 including:

> a) A variance to the setback regulations contained in "Zoning and Parking Bylaw No. 303, 2015" from the east parcel boundary from 12 meters to 10.2 metres for an existing garage building,

and subject to the resolution of the following items to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Resort Experience:

- 1. Provision of a letter of credit, or other approved security, in the amount of 135 per cent of the costs of the hard and soft landscape works as security for the construction and maintenance of these works;
- 2. Provision of a snow shed analysis, prepared by a certified engineer, consistent with Council Snow Shed Policy G-16; and further

**That** final architectural details, materials and colours are subject to review and approval by the General Manager of Resort Experience prior to the construction of the proposed development.

**CARRIED** 

Moved by R. Forsyth Seconded by J. Ford

**That** Council direct staff to enter a conversation with the proponent about potential of using this property for employee housing.

**CARRIED** 

CM115 – 2915 Heritage Peaks Trail – Covenant Modification File No. CM115 Report No. 19-058 Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council approve modification of Covenant BB4047307 for 2915 Heritage Peaks Trail to increase the floor elevation of the second storey elevation by 1.0 meters, as shown on the architectural plans A1.1 and A1.4 prepared by TOK Design Studio, dated March 3, 2019 attached as Appendices "B" and "C" to Council Report No. 19-058; and further,

**That** Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the covenant modification.

**CARRIED** 

LLR1328 – Tommy Africa's Liquor Primary Change to Hours of Sale File No. LLR1328 Report No. 19-059 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** Council authorize the resolution attached as Appendix "A" to Administrative Report No. 19-059 providing Council's recommendation to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch in support of an application for a Permanent Change to Licensed Hours of Sale for Liquor Primary License No. 127438, to extend hours of sales to 2:00 am on Sunday nights.

CARRIED

#### MINUTES OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

May Long Weekend Committee

Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council receive the Regular Meeting Minutes of the June 14, 2018 May Long Weekend Committee.

CARRIED

### **BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION**

Liquor Licence Application Processing Fee Bylaw No. 2224, 2019 Moved by Councillor R. Forsyth Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

**That** "Liquor Licence Application Processing Fee Bylaw No. 2224, 2019" be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

Tax Rate Bylaws

Moved by Councillor J. Grills Seconded by Councillor C. Jewett

That Council adopt the following bylaws:

- "Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2226, 2019";
- "Sewer User Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 2227, 2019";
- "Sewer Tax Bylaw No. 2228, 2019";
- "Solid Waste Amendment Bylaw No. 2229, 2019";
- "Water User Fee and Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 2230, 2019"; and
- "Water Tax Bylaw No. 2231, 2019".

CARRIED

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Trails Planning Working Group File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Dale Mikkelsen, President, WORCA, regarding Trails Planning Working Group be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

RZ1157 – Alta Lake Road Parking Lot File No. RZ1157 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** correspondence regarding RZ1157 – Alta Lake Road Parking Lot, from the following individuals:

- Michael Boehm; and
- Craig Koszman

be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

RZ1144 – 2077 Garibaldi Way File No. RZ1144 Moved by Councillor D. Jackson Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** correspondence from Ken Melamed, regarding RZ1144 – 2077 Garibaldi Way be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

RZ1146 – 7104 Nancy Greene Drive

File No. RZ1146

Moved by Councillor R. Forsyth Seconded by Councillor J. Ford

**That** correspondence from Don Middleton, regarding RZ1146 – 7104 Nancy Greene Drive be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

Housing and Bed Unit Allocation File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence regarding Housing and Bed Unit Allocation, from the following individuals:

- Paul Venner; and
- Dave Wilson

be received and referred to staff.

CARRIED

City of Abbotsford Resolutions File No. 2014 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Nancy Friesen, Executive Assistant to Mayor, City of Abbotsford, regarding City of Abbotsford Resolutions: Continued Widening of TransCanada Highway #1, through the Fraser Valley, and Criminal Justice Reform in British Columbia be received.

CARRIED

13th Annual Hike for Hospice Invitation File No. 3009 Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** correspondence from Nicole Carothers, Program Director, Squamish Hospice Society, regarding an invitation to the 13th Annual Hike for Hospice be received.

**CARRIED** 

Proclamation
Request – National
Missing Children's
Day and Month
File No. 3009.1

Moved by Councillor C. Jewett Seconded by Councillor D. Jackson

**That** correspondence from Crystal Dunahee, President, Child Find British Columbia regarding National Missing Children's Month be received, and that May 2019 be proclaimed National Missing Children's Month, and May 25, 2019 be proclaimed National Missing Children's Day.

CARRIED

#### **TERMINATION**

Motion to Terminate

Moved by Councillor J. Ford Seconded by Councillor J. Grills

**That** the Regular Council Meeting of April 30, 2019 be terminated at

6.08 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Mayor, J. Crompton Acting Municipal Clerk, W. Faris