

REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, November 16, 2021, 5:30 p.m.
Franz Wilhelmsen Theatre at Maury Young Arts Centre
4335 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton

Councillor A. De Jong Councillor J. Ford Councillor R. Forsyth Councillor J. Grills Councillor D. Jackson Councillor C. Jewett

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Administrative Officer, V. Cullen

General Manager of Corporate and Community Services, T. Battiston

General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones

Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard

Manager of Communications, G. Robinson

Manager of Cultural Planning & Development, J. Rae

Manager of Planning, M. Laidlaw

Manager of Resort Parks Planning, M. Pardoe

Manager of Planning, J. Chapman

Manager of Legislative Services/ Corporate Officer, P. Lysaght

Festivals, Events & Animation Supervisor, C. Vandeberg

Council Coordinator, M. Miklea

OTHERS: Medical Officer, Vancouver Coastal Health, Dr. John Harding

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor J. Crompton recognized the Resort Municipality of Whistler is grateful to be on the shared, unceded territory of the Lil'wat People, known in their language as Lilwat7úl, and the Squamish People, known in their language as Skwxwú7mesh. We respect and commit to a deep consideration of their history, culture, stewardship and voice.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting agenda of November 16, 2021.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor J. Grills

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting minutes of November 2, 2021.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Dr. Cathy Zeglinski, no address given

Dr. Zeglinski asked if there is any scientific evidence that it is safe to be in an enclosed space like a gondola? Where is this data and how does it specifically say a gondola is safe?

Nick Green, 3050 Hillcrest Drive

Mr. Green asked if this is the right time to relax Covid-19 safety measures by not requiring the vaccine passport for Whistler Blackcomb?

Mr. Green further asked if busses and gondolas are comparable, when contrasted that busses are essential while gondolas are recreational?

If encouraging vaccination rates, wouldn't imposition of a vaccine passport be a good idea for ski resorts?

Esther Gorman, 2225 Gondola Way

Mrs. Gorman noted social distancing not happening on Whistler Blackcomb unlike the 2020 season and asked why a vaccine is likewise not mandatory?

Mrs. Gorman further asked if a bandana can act as a proper mask and who will enforce the wearing masks in the gondola?

Helene Castonguay, 311-4460 Blackcomb Way

Mrs. Castonguay asked why are you relying on the ski resorts to implement the vaccine passport locally instead of mandating it for all ski resorts in BC?

Richard Burton, 8295 Mountain View Drive

Mr. Burton noted that provincial rules require vaccinations for indoor activities with 50 or more people. Skiers who ride a gondola at least 7 times per day will come into contact with more than 50 people so why isn't a vaccine required in that situation?

Mr. Burton further asked if it's possible to commission a study of air flows within gondolas in order to verify the safety of loading the lifts?

Jane Mathers, 8119 McKeevers Place

Mrs. Mathers asked how does it benefit the PHO to capitulate to the unvaccinated at the risk of everybody by not requiring proof of vaccination in the gondolas?

Mitchell Gropper, 2031 Gondola Way

Mr. Gropper noted inconsistencies in the various safety requirements and therefore doesn't understand the commercial benefit of not requiring the vaccine passport in the ski resort.

Mr. Gropper asked who is Whistler Blackcomb or the health authority protecting?

Edgar Dearden, 206-1420 Alpha Lake Road

Mr. Dearden noted in the Official Community Plan it lists Passive House as the primary method to reduce greenhouse gases (GHGs) into the future and therefore asked how many RMOW staff are Passive House trained?

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones is not aware of any staff currently. The municipality relies on external experts as well as our own staff who may be trained for the implementation Step Code.

Mayor J. Crompton added the engagement with industry experts is important to our success moving forward.

Mr. Dearden asked if the RMOW has a list of the top ten emissions buildings?

Mayor J. Crompton explained we do not have that list but also wouldn't be able to publish it due to privacy concerns.

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones indicated the focus is on RMOW facilities and processes that we control to reduce the GHG.

Mr. Dearden asked if Whistler trying to be a climate leader?

Mayor J. Crompton answered yes, it is one of the three priorities of this Council set at the beginning of their term. He added "we can and will do better".

Brendan Ladner, 6117 Eagle Drive

Mr. Ladner asked what does Big Moves 2030 specifically mean, at 2030, during 2030 or after 2030?

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones confirmed 2030 is the target.

Mr. Ladner asked what is a trip?

General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey noted the most common definition of a trip is to and from work, or to and from the grocery store.

Mr. Ladner further asked if Council would consider changing Big Moves 1 to "50% past our traffic counters where we collect the data"?

Mayor J. Crompton noted it is an interesting idea and although not answerable tonight it is something Council can take away.

Mr. Ladner would you consider altering the E-Mobility Strategy to include other electric vehicles, e-bikes, golf carts, scooters and others, or consider renaming it the Electric Vehicle Strategy so we could accurately define the project.

Mayor J. Crompton noted both are good ideas.

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones explained the RMOW will be considering the full spectrum of e-mobility. These will be important factors in achieving emissions targets but they will be engaged with in a separate process.

Mr. Ladner asked how are we going to measure the success or failure of the Small Steps for Big Moves?

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones noted as the name indicates they are indeed small steps, but what is most important is clear and consistent communication so it becomes more common throughout the municipality.

Don Whiteside, 7142 Nesters Road

Mr. Whiteside asked if we are advocating as a community?

Mayor J. Crompton noted we have the safety protocols provided by the province and Whistler Blackcomb is following them. The message from this community has been heard, Dr. Harding is here tonight and will be able to share the health authorities' learnings.

Helene Castonguay, 311-4460 Blackcomb Way

Mrs. Castonguay asked how can contact tracers be successful in determining where riders on Whistler Blackcomb were exposed to Covid-19 after a day on the ski hill and staying for food and drinks in the village?

Cathy Zeglinski, no address given

Dr. Zeglinski asked what is the status of the end of trip facility under the library for bicycles?

Mayor J. Crompton explained the RMOW has spent considerable efforts to build end of trip and shower facilities for cyclists.

General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey noted the lockup at the library is available. Has been available for the past 3 years and was well used this summer.

Dr. Zeglinski noted the Emerald neighbourhood doesn't have a turning lane or pedestrian crossing and is quite dangerous.

General Manager of Infrastructure Services, J. Hallisey noted the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure MOTI owns this space however the RMOW will continue to emphasize to MOTI the need for this to be addressed.

Nick Green, 3050 Hillcrest Drive

Mr. Green noted restaurants and various other businesses do not have the freedom of asking for vaccine passports or not and is curious why the provincial government had given this discretion to Whistler Blackcomb?

Paul Hothersall, 2224 Gondola Way

Mr. Hothersall is part of the Strata Council at 2224 Gondola Way and was recently contacted that the Land Use Contract is being retired. There is a 30-day response window due on November 18 but the ownership was only given notice on Nov 8. Mr. Hothersall asked Mayor and Council to consider extend time to allow feedback?

General Manager of Resort Experience, J. Gresley-Jones asked Mr. Hothersall to contact the Planning Department in order to provide the details and staff can look at the file.

Mr. Hothersall further asked if Council was aware it is possible to enter Canada without a vaccine if travelling for essential purposes and if a quarantine is booked? Whistler is classified as a direct-transfer destination where it is possible to quarantine at a hotel and spend moderate amounts of time outdoors.

Mayor J. Crompton advised Council has been recently made aware of this.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

5.1 International Day of Persons with Disability File No. 3009.1

That Council receive correspondence from Measuring Up Coordinator, Sarah Tipler requesting December 3, 2021, be proclaimed International Day of Persons with Disabilities and that the Fitzsimmons Covered Bridge be lit purple.

5.2 Update on COVID-19 Vaccines in Whistler

A presentation was given by Dr. John Harding regarding an update on COVID-19 vaccines in Whistler and responded to questions from the public about COVID-19 specific concerns.

Mayor J. Crompton called for a recess at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor J. Crompton called the Meeting back to order at 7:12 p.m.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Crompton provided an update on activities happening within the community.

Councillor Jewett provided an update on the arts activities happening in the community.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7.1 DVP01218 – 3850 Sunridge Court – Setback Variances For Patio Roofs Report No. 21-126 File No. DVP01218

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01218 for the proposed development located at 3850 Sunridge Court to:

- 1. Vary the side setback from 6 metres to 1.78 metres for the posts of a patio roof;
- 2. Vary the rear setback from 7.6 metres to 1.67 metres for the posts of a patio roof;
- 3. Vary the setback to the boundary of the bare land strata plan from 7.6 metres to 1.67 metres for the posts of a patio roof; and further
- 4. Vary the minimum distance between the building and the dwelling located on the adjoining parcel from 12 metres to 8.15 metres

all as shown on Architectural Plans A1.1, A1.3, A1.4, A1.5, A6.0, & A6.1, prepared by John Dow Melland Architect, dated August 31, 2021 and attached as Appendix B to Administrative Report to Council No. 21-126.

CARRIED

7.2 Whistler Summer Experience Plan 2021 – Summary Report No. 21-127 File No. 6120-00

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council receive this Administrative Report No. 21-127; and

That Council receive the "Whistler Summer Experience Plan 2021 – Summary Report" attached as Appendix A to this Administrative Report to Council No. 21-127; and

That Council endorse the recommendations contained within Appendix A, most notably regarding the continuation of high profile items of park shuttle service, bike valet service and park pay parking; and further

That Council direct staff to continue to operationalize key recommendations from the Summary Report into ongoing work programs.

CARRIED

Councilor A. De Jong left the Meeting at 8:24 p.m.

7.3 RZ001144 – 2077 Garibaldi Way OCP And Zoning Amendment For Employee And Market Housing No. 21-158 File No. RZ001144

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

That Council consider giving first and second readings to "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2290, 2021"; and

That Council consider giving first and second readings to "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2291, 2021"; and

That Council authorize staff to schedule a Public Hearing for "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2290, 2021" and "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2291, 2021"; and

That Council direct staff to advise the applicant that before consideration of adoption of "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2291, 2021", the following matters shall be completed to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Resort Experience:

- 1. Registration of a development covenant in favour of the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) to:a) Secure development on the lands consistent with development permit plans to be finalized prior to adoption;b) Require construction of the employee housing amenity concurrently with the rest of the development and prohibiting any use or occupancy of any of the development until the employee housing is complete;c) Secure a green building commitment consistent with current municipal policies;d) Require development of the site to be carried out per the recommendations of the Initial Environmental Review (Cascade Environmental, August 19, 2020) and that all Vaccinium found wild on the property be removed; and
- Registration of a housing agreement in favour of the RMOW to set the
 maximum initial sales price at \$559 per square foot for the employee
 townhouses and to define key terms for a private sector for purchase
 development consistent with that presented in RMOW Standard Housing
 Agreements for Affordable Employee Housing Developments Report No. 21122; and
- 3. Provide an updated Preliminary Site Servicing Plan and Design Brief that reflects the development and includes all required infrastructure and any infrastructure upgrades, including accommodation of the existing runoff from Garibaldi Way in the overall storm drainage design; and further
- 4. Submit a waste and recycling plan consistent with "Solid Waste Bylaw No. 2139, 2017".

CARRIED

Mayor J. Crompton called for a recess at 9:35 p.m.

Councilor A. De Jong joined the Meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Mayor J. Crompton called the Meeting back to order at 9:36 p.m.

7.4 Lot 1 Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2336, 2021 Report No. 21-129 File No. 3900-00-002336

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council consider giving first, second, and third readings to "Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2336, 2021.

CARRIED

7.5 Fee For Service Council Policy A-39 Report No. 21-130 File No. FFS 21-04

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council adopt the proposed Fee for Service Council Policy A-39 attached as Appendix A to this Administrative Report to Council regarding the Resort Municipality of Whistler's Fee for Service (FFS) program; and

That Council direct staff to undertake the FFS program for 2022-24 in accordance with Fee for Service Council Policy A-39.

CARRIED

7.6 Emerald Dreams Conservation Co. Ltd. – 2021 Annual Filing Report No. 21-131 File No. Vault

Moved By Councillor D. Jackson

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler (RMOW) in open meeting assembled, hereby resolves that the RMOW, as sole shareholder of Emerald Dreams Conservation Co. Ltd. (the Company), pass the consent resolutions of the sole shareholder of the Company; a copy of which is attached as Appendix A to this Administrative Report No. 21-131, and that the consent resolutions be executed and delivered on behalf of the RMOW.

CARRIED

8. BYLAWS FOR FIRST AND SECOND READINGS

8.1 Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2290, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

That Council give "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi

Way) No. 2290, 2021" first and second readings.

CARRIED

8.2 Zoning Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2291, 2021

Moved By Councillor J. Grills

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council give "Zoning Amendment Bylaw (2077 Garibaldi Way) No. 2291,

2021" first and second readings.

CARRIED

9. BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

9.1 Lot 1 Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing Phase 2) No. 2336, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council give "Lot 1 Housing Agreement Bylaw (Cheakamus Crossing

Phase 2) No. 2336, 2021" first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

10.1 Solid Waste Amendment Bylaw (Tipping Fees) No. 2338, 2021

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council adopt "Solid Waste Amendment Bylaw (Tipping Fees) No. 2338,

2021".

CARRIED

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 Proclamation of November as Adoption Awareness Month File No. 3009

Correspondence from Cory Heavener and Renaa Bacy, Ministry of Children and Family Development, regarding the proclamation of Adoption Awareness Month.

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

That Council receive correspondence from Cory Heavener and Renaa Bacy, Ministry of Children and Family Development, regarding the proclamation of Adoption Awareness Month.

CARRIED

11.2 BC Crisis Lines Tender Process File No. 3009

Correspondence from Stacy Ashton, Crisis Centre BC, regarding BC Crisis Lines tender process.

Moved By Councillor A. De Jong

Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That Council receive correspondence from Stacy Ashton, Crisis Centre BC, regarding BC Crisis Lines tender process and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

11.3 Construction Start Times File No. 3009

Correspondence from Duncan Reid regarding construction start times.

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor J. Grills

That Council receive correspondence from Duncan Reid regarding construction start times and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

11.4 Whistler Housing Needs Survey File No. 3009

Correspondence from Sean Easton and Chris Wrightson, Zero Ceiling, regarding the Whistler Housing Needs Survey.

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

That Council receive correspondence from Sean Easton and Chris Wrightson, Zero Ceiling, regarding the Whistler Housing Needs Survey and refer it to staff.

CARRIED

11.5 Covid-19 Ski Protocols File No. 3009

Correspondence from Wes McIntyre and Cheryl Fifer regarding Covid-19 Ski Protocols.

That Council receive correspondence from Wes McIntyre and Cheryl Fifer regarding Covid-19 Ski Protocols.

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth
Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

CARRIED

12. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

That Council terminate the Regular Council Meeting of November 16, 2021 at 10:29 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, J. Crompton Corporate Officer, P. Lysaght