

# REGULAR MEETING OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, July 7, 2020, 5:30 p.m. Remote Meeting

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PRESENT: Mayor J. Crompton

Councillor A. De Jong Councillor R. Forsyth Councillor J. Ford 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 Interim General Manager of Resort Experience, T. Metcalf

Director of Planning, M. Kirkegaard

Director of Finance, C. Price

Manager of Communications, M. Comeau

Municipal Clerk, A. Banman

Manager of Environmental Stewardship, H. Beresford

Transportation Demand Management Coordinator, E. DalSanto

Planning Analyst, L. Clarke

Climate Action Coordinator, L. Burhenne

Legislative Services Administrative Assistant, L. Bast

Council Coordinator, N. Cooper

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of July 7, 2020.

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting and the Public Hearing Minutes of June 23, 2020.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

### 5. MAYOR'S REPORT

# B.C.'s Restart Plan - Phase 3 Update

Mayor J. Crompton noted, as the community welcomes more visitors to Whistler and people begin to move around the province, it is important to remember that everyone has a different comfort level with regards to their risk tolerance and the potential for spreading COVID-19 increases. Everyone travelling to and within B.C. is asked to follow the provincial health officer's guidelines:

- Complete a pre-trip plan and research available resources at arriving destinations;
- Respect any local travel advisories to isolated and remote communities;
- No travelling for anyone who is sick, and if symptoms develop while travelling self isolate immediately and contact 8-1-1 for guidance;
- Practice safe physical distancing of two metres at all times:
- Spend time in small groups and open spaces;
- Practice good hygiene, including frequent hand-washing and cleaning; and
- Wear a mask when physical distancing is not possible.

Mayor J. Crompton thanked the businesses that have already put in appropriate measures to keep their employees and community safe, and thanked the community for respecting these new processes and guidelines. Safely restarting Whistler is a full community effort. For businesses looking for support and industry specific resources, visit whistler.ca/saferestart.

# <u>Framework Agreement between the Resort Municipality of Whistler, Lil'wat Nation, Squamish Nation, Province of British Columbia, and Vail Resorts</u>

Mayor J. Crompton noted that on June 26, the Resort Municipality of Whistler reached a Framework Agreement with the Lil'wat Nation, Squamish Nation, Province of British Columbia, and Vail Resorts that furthers reconciliation and shared goals between the parties. The Framework Agreement builds on several other Agreements between the parties including a 2017 Memorandum of Understanding, and 2018 government to government Protocol Agreement between RMOW, Lil'wat Nation and the Squamish Nation. The Framework furthers Whistler's reconciliation path with the Lil'wat Nation and Squamish Nation through greater participation in economic and cultural opportunities in Whistler. The Framework was achieved through an awareness and recognition of each

party's concerns and interests, and formulated through open government-to-government communications. It also paved the way for provincial approval of the RMOW's Official Community Plan (OCP), and updated community vision: Whistler: A place where our community thrives, nature is protected, and guests are inspired. The OCP was adopted by Council at the June 23 Meeting, as well as the enactment of recent legislative amendments to the RMOW Act, which were announced today by the Province of British Columbia. Fulfilling this commitment requires ongoing work, open dialogue and collaboration in moving forward.

# **Virtual Canada Day celebrations**

Mayor J. Crompton thanked everyone who participated or contributed to the virtual Canada Day celebrations. He noted that it was amazing to see the community come together while staying physically apart.

# **Virtual Community Townhall Meetings**

Mayor J. Crompton noted that beginning July 14, the RMOW will be hosting four Virtual Community Townhall Meetings to bring the community together and provide an opportunity for everyone to share their experiences, thoughts and ideas as Whistler continues to manage the impacts of COVID-19 and plan for recovery. Each townhall will focus on a theme taken from the Community Vision Characteristics: Sense of Place, Environment, Tourism Economy and Community. The virtual gatherings will take place via Zoom on July 14, 16, 20 and 23.

# Re-opening of activities

Mayor J. Crompton noted the re-opening of the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre and the Audain Art Museum on June 26 and noted that Whistler Blackcomb opened on June 29 for the summer with Bike Park and sightseeing access.

### **Farmer's Market**

Mayor J. Crompton noted that the first Farmer's Market of the season was held this past Sunday. Twelve vendors set up at the new venue, the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre. Mayor J. Crompton thanked the Whistler Farmer's Market Board and the Cultural Centre for their work in getting this set up.

#### BC Transit and paid parking

Mayor J. Crompton noted summer transportation changes took effect on July 1. The Lost Lake shuttle and free weekend service on Saturdays, Sundays and holiday Mondays began July 1 and end Labour Day, September 7. After careful consideration and feedback from the community, the Whistler Transit Management Advisory Committee made the decision to maintain late night transit service. For schedule information, visit bctransit.com/whistler.

Peak season parking rates in the Day Lots 4 and 5 began July 1, delayed from June 19, and will be in effect until September 15. All parking prices remain unchanged this summer. Visit whistler.ca/parking for details.

#### Maytober

Mayor J. Crompton reminded the community that Maytober is almost half way through. The RMOW is challenging residents to switch out one private passenger vehicle trip each week for a lower-carbon transportation choice such as walking, transit, biking or carpooling to take action on the community's climate footprint. Emissions from private passenger vehicles make up the largest part of Whistler's community carbon footprint – at 57 per cent. If every registered vehicle owner made one less trip by car every week from May 1 to October 1, the RMOW calculates this would cut 600 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions locally in Whistler. Learn more at whistler.ca/maytober.

# Temporary outdoor patio areas and liquor licensed areas

Mayor J. Crompton noted that food and beverage businesses can apply for a licence for dedicated temporary outdoor patio areas (including liquor licensed areas) on both public and private lands. A streamlined application process is helping businesses increase their capacity outdoors and not delay their ability to take advantage of patio season weather. The Resort Municipality of Whistler recognizes that not all restaurants may have adjacent space available for use as an outdoor patio, so municipal staff will be increasing the number of picnic tables in select locations throughout Whistler Village to increase public seating for take-out opportunities. For more information visit whistler.ca/temporarypatioareexpansions.

### Millar Creek Trail closure

Mayor J. Crompton noted that the Millar Creek Trail is closed between Function Junction and Alta Lake Road Mondays to Fridays until November 2020 for trail upgrades and asked that people use the alternate Valley Trail route via Spring Creek. Visit whistler.ca/valleytrail for more details.

#### Sewer relining work on the valley trail

Mayor J. Crompton noted that sewer relining work was completed last week. The Valley Trail between Blueberry Drive and Whistler Village has now re-opened. He thanked everyone for respecting the trail closures while this work was performed. To learn more about the project visit whistler.ca/sewerrelining.

### Whistler Public Library

Mayor J. Crompton noted summer programming at Whistler Public Library will look a little different this year: all programs will be offered virtually, and the team is introducing a new series called 'Explore Your Inner Universe'. For seven weeks, starting this past Sunday, July 5, the Library will be sharing activities and resources on their website and Facebook page to encourage the public to celebrate and explore mental wellness. Each week will focus on a different theme, including Rest and Relaxation, Creativity, Social Connection, and more. Visit whistlerlibrary.ca for more details.

# Mike Furey

Mayor J. Crompton noted Mike Furey's last day with the Municipality was June 30, 2020. From everyone at the RMOW, Mayor J. Crompton thanked Mike for all he has done for the municipality and for the community of Whistler.

# Councillor C. Jewett

Councillor C. Jewett noted that the Whistler Museum and Archives reopened on July 1, and tonight is the first of the Virtual Speaker Series with Highways of the Past: Canoeing the Grand Canyon of the Liard. She also noted the Valley of Dreams Walking Tours, the Discover Nature walks, and Crafts in the Park. Councillor C. Jewett noted that the Audain Museum hours have changed. Councillor C. Jewett noted that the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre is open, and reminded everyone that the Children's Arts Festival is still running for a few more days.

Councillor C. Jewett noted that Jackie Dickinson has stepped back into the Executive Director role at the Whistler Community Services Society. She thanked Lori Pyne, and noted that she is moving into a new position.

# Councillor A. De Jong

Councillor A. De Jong noted that the Habitat Improvement Team (HIT) will not be operating this summer due to physical distancing measures.

#### 6. INFORMATION REPORTS

### 6.1 Climate Action Big Moves Strategy Report No. 20-063 File No. 5290

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor A. De Jong

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 20-063 regarding the Climate Action Big Moves Strategy.

**CARRIED** 

# 6.2 First Quarter Financial Report Report No. 20-062 File No. 4530

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council receive Information Report No. 20-062 Quarterly Financial Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2020.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

# 7.1 DVP01190 – 8301 Valley Drive – Setback and Height Variances Report No. 20-064 File No. DVP01190

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01190 for the proposed development located at 8301 Valley Drive to vary setback and height as follows:

- 1. Vary the front setback from 5.0 metres to 2.4 metres for an attached garage; and
- 2. Vary the maximum allowable building height from 7.6 metres to 9.4 metres.

All as shown on the Architectural Plans 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6, dated May 25, 2020 Rev 1, prepared by R Diamond Building Design, attached as Appendix "D" to Administrative Report to Council No. 20-064.

**CARRIED** 

# 7.2 DVP01192 – 8988 Hwy 99 – Gas Meter Cupboard Setback Variances Report No. 20-065 File No. DVP01192

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor D. Jackson

**That** Council approve the issuance of Development Variance Permit DVP01192 for the development located at 8988 Hwy 99 to vary the front setback from 7.6 metres to 5.6 metres for an existing gas meter cupboard all as shown on the Site Plan dated February 25, 2020 prepared by Brigitte Loranger Architecture & Planning Ltd. attached as Appendix "B" to Administrative Report to Council No. 20-065.

**CARRIED** 

# 7.3 Whistler Transit System Update and Service Changes Report No. 20-066 File No. 527

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** Council authorize staff to work with BC Transit to produce an online public engagement process in July 2020 related to the proposed fall 2020 restructuring of the Whistler Transit System schedule.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8. OTHER BUSINESS

#### 8.1 Squaw Valley Crescent Name Reconsideration

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** Council direct staff to develop an engagement and naming process for renaming Squaw Valley Crescent and to return to Council in an upcoming meeting for Council's further consideration and direction to proceed.

#### 9. CORRESPONDENCE

# 9.1 RZ1144 2077 Garibaldi Way File No. RZ1144

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** correspondence from the following individuals regarding RZ1144 2077 Garibaldi Way:

- David E. Anderson
- Shirley Helyar
- Alex Filler
- Kevan Kobayashi
- Kathleen Laczina
- Gord Wilson
- Jon Chaudhari
- Daryl Crozier
- Risto Scott
- Paul and Lynne Venner
- Roxanne and Rick Hanna
- Lynne and Rick Hume
- Carl Mark
- Lesley Tomlinson

be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9.2 RZ1146 7104 Nancy Greene Drive File No. RZ1146

Moved By Councillor R. Forsyth

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** correspondence from the following individuals regarding RZ1146 7104 Nancy Greene Drive:

- Bronwen Hill
- Amy and Douglas Bowlby
- Bill Hanna
- Yukiko Tanaka
- Brian Bennett and Makiko Miyake
- Jane Nielsen
- Sonia Kniehl
- Wakako Miura
- James Thomson and Colleen Smith
- Jen Ashton
- Melinda Cart
- Tessa Harrison
- Stephen Brooks
- Luciano Fadi
- Hugh and Pamela McKinnon

- Sharon Audley
- Rick Clare
- Mary Ann Collishaw
- Olivier Do Ngoc
- Hatsune Tsunetomo and Martin Petit
- Eduardo Vazquez-Vela
- Amanda Wilson

be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED** 

# 9.3 Whistler Transit Schedule File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor J. Ford

Seconded By Councillor C. Jewett

**That** correspondence from the following individuals regarding the Whistler Transit Schedule:

- Mavishna Laumaillet
- Kayla Anderson
- Sam Surowy
- Mike Birkett
- Kym Goodin
- Stuart Macmillan
- Kyle Parent
- Sarah Paschall
- Brady Smith
- Erin Stone
- Jennifer Tiemann

be received.

**CARRIED** 

# 9.4 Traffic Control in Cheakamus Crossing File No. 3009

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett

Seconded By Councillor R. Forsyth

**That** correspondence from Ian Bartley, regarding traffic control in Cheakamus Crossing be received and referred to staff.

9.5	2020 Whistler Prope	rty Taxes	
	Moved By	Councillor J. Grills	
	Seconded By	Councillor J. Ford	
	<b>That</b> correspondence from Paul Rae, regarding the 2020 Whistler Property Taxes be received and referred to staff.		
			CARRIED
9.6	COVID-19 Update File No. 3009		
	Moved By	Councillor C. Jewett	
	Seconded By	Councillor D. Jackson	
	<b>That</b> correspondence from M.P. Patrick Weiler regarding a COVID-19 Update be received and referred to staff.		

# 10. TERMINATION

Moved By Councillor C. Jewett
Seconded By Councillor J. Ford

That the Regular Council Meeting of July 7, 2020 be terminated at 8:10 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Mayor, J. Crompton	Municipal Clerk, A. Banman