

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2019-21 of the council of the City of Whitehorse called for 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Dan Curtis
Deputy Mayor Samson Hartland
Councillors Dan Boyd
Laura Cabott
Jocelyn Curteanu
Stephen Roddick
Jan Stick

ALSO PRESENT: Acting City Manager Valerie Braga
Director of Community and Recreation Services Jeff O'Farrell
Acting Director of Corporate Services Lindsay Schneider
Director of Development Services Mike Gau
Director of Infrastructure and Operations Peter O'Blenes
Manager of Legislative Services Catherine Constable
Manager of Strategic Communications Myles Dolphin

Mayor Curtis called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Curtis proclaimed Friday, November 15, 2019 to be the start of the Christmas Kettle Campaign in the City of Whitehorse.

PROCLAMATION

2019-21-01

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as amended with the change being the deletion of Robert Wills as a delegate.

AGENDA

Carried Unanimously

2019-21-02

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting dated October 28, 2019 be adopted as presented.

MINUTES

October 28, 2019

Carried Unanimously

DELEGATIONS

Michelle Edwards spoke on behalf of Yukon Cares to explain about the services the organization provides to refugee families. She noted that there has been tremendous support from the community in terms of volunteer time and donations. She acknowledged the contributions received from the City and thanked Council for their support. Ms. Edwards stated that previous families have made great use of the transit passes provided by the City, and that passes to the Canada Games Centre would also be well used if they were provided.

MICHELLE EDWARDS
YUKON CARES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Budget Committee

Mayor Curtis presented the 2020 – 2022 capital expenditure program and tabled a budget that focuses on improving the City's aging infrastructure and equipment as well as supporting financial sustainability and investing in climate change mitigation.

CAPITAL BUDGET
ADDRESS

City Operations Committee

There was no report from the City Operations Committee.

No Report

Community Services Committee

Michelle Stimson addressed the Committee to suggest a number of ideas for the betterment of the community. She challenged the youth of Yukon to develop a practical recycling system for apartment buildings, and suggested that City and Territorial lands should be set aside for the creation of orchards as a community project. She encouraged other people to come forward with ideas for community improvements.

IDEAS FOR COMMUNITY
For Information Only

A committee member advised that the Yukon Anti-Poverty Coalition has updated the living wage and is recommending the development of a low-fee transit pass. In response to questions raised, Administration advised that the transit system is already heavily subsidised and such a pass would require an alternate revenue source. In addition, considerable time and staff resources would be needed to research a useful model, assess impacts on ridership, and establish how to determine eligibility.

YUKON ANTI-POVERTY
COALITION
For Information Only

Administration advised that regular week-day transit service will be in place on November 11th as well as a free shuttle service from Takhini Arena to the Canada Games Centre for the Remembrance Day services.

REMEMBRANCE DAY
For Information Only

Public Health and Safety Committee

Councillor Cabott declared a conflict of interest and left Council Chambers during discussion of the following matter.

Conflict Declared

2019-21-03

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the 2019 Food for Fines Program be approved; and

THAT a grant not exceeding \$10,000 for parking meter ticket or two-hour zone fines issued between November 30th and December 7th, 2019 be approved to the Whitehorse Food Bank and Kaushee's Place as part of the Food for Fines Program.

CHRISTMAS FOOD FOR
FINES PROGRAM

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Cabott returned to Council Chambers

Conflict Over

Keith Lay reiterated concerns previously expressed regarding safety issues with respect to the operation of the snow dump site in the area of the Pine Street Extension Paved Trail. He repeated his suggestion that the trail should be closed during the few times each winter that the snow dump site is used.

SNOW DUMP SITE
SAFETY ISSUES
For Information Only

Cam Kos advised that the dedicated bus lane coming out of Riverdale ends abruptly, creating unnecessary confusion. He suggested that the matter could be corrected by modifying the line painting.

TRANSIT LANE SAFETY
For Information Only

Development Services Committee

Sarah Johnson, Micah McConnell, Aramintha Bradford, Sitka Land-Lewis, Josephine Bossert, Kieran Horton, Heron Land-Gillis, Peter Embacher, Jonah McConnell, Jocelyn Land-Murray and Thane Phillips addressed the Committee to encourage implementation of the recommendations in the 2018 Bicycle Network Plan in a timely manner.

Their comments focused primarily on safety issues, including the need for better lighting in certain locations, the need for safe cycling routes and connected bike paths, and the need for safe intersections, specifically on the Alaska Highway at Hillcrest and at the Two Mile Hill, and the intersection of Second and Fourth Avenues

BICYCLE NETWORK
PLAN IMPLEMENTATION
For Information Only

The majority of the delegates expressed a desire to see the recommendations implemented in a timely manner. They asked council to commit to a clear time-line for implementation and requested that all of the short-term recommendations be completed by 2022 and not 2023 as specified in the plan.

Keith Lay stated the opinion that substantial progress has already been made with a number of projects identified in the Bicycle Network Plan, and noted that the timeline for the completion of the recommended short term projects is one to five years. He also suggested that as e-bikes are motorized they are not considered to be an active form of transportation, regardless as to whether or not the electric assist is being used.

BICYCLE NETWORK
PLAN IMPLEMENTATION
For Information Only

Mr. Lay also suggested that cycling projects will be in competition for funding support with other projects such as transit or walking if the Parking Reserve Fund is opened to permit its use for sustainable transportation projects.

Corporate Services Committee

2019-21-04

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT a grant of transit passes in the amount of \$2,448 be approved to Yukon Cares, funded from the council donation account.

GRANT TO YUKON
CARES

2019-21-05

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the motion be amended to read as follows:

THAT a grant of transit passes and Canada Games Centre passes be approved to Yukon Cares to a maximum of \$3,636, funded from the council donation account.

Amendment

Carried (6 – 1)

IN FAVOUR Councillors Boyd, Cabott, Curteanu, Hartland, Roddick
and Stick

Recorded Vote

OPPOSED Mayor Curtis

City Planning Committee

2019-21-06

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2019-18, a bylaw to amend the zoning at 1306 Centennial Street in the Porter Creek neighbourhood to allow for the development of an apartment building, be brought forward for second and third reading under the bylaw process; and

BRING FORWARD AND
AMEND BYLAW 2019-18

THAT Bylaw 2019-18 be amended at second reading to include a maximum height restriction of 13 metres.

A motion to amend the second clause to read, "THAT Bylaw 2019-18 be amended at second reading to include a maximum height restriction of ten metres and six units did not receive a seconder.

Discussion

2019-21-07

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the motion be amended by changing the final clause to read that Bylaw 2019-18 be amended at second reading to include a maximum height of 13 metres and a maximum density of 9 units.

Amendment

Carried (6 – 1)

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Boyd, Cabott, Curteanu,
Roddick and Stick
OPPOSED Councillor Hartland

Recorded Vote

The main motion as amended was voted on and Carried (6 – 1)

Vote on Main Motion

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Boyd, Cabott, Curteanu,
Roddick and Stick
OPPOSED Councillor Hartland

Recorded Vote

BYLAWS

2019-21-08

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2019-18, a bylaw to amend the zoning at 1306 Centennial Street to allow for the development of an apartment building, be given second reading.

BYLAW 2019-18

ZONING AMENDMENT
1306 Centennial Street
SECOND READING

2019-21-09

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2019-18 be amended by deleting the existing section 1 and substituting therefore a new section 1 that reads as follows:

1. Section 9 of Zoning Bylaw 2012-20 is hereby amended by deleting existing subsection 9.12.7 a) and substituting therefore a new subsection 9.12.7 a) as follows:

Amendment

"9.12.7 a) Lot 83 in Porter Creek, located at 1306 Centennial Street, is designated RMx with the special modifications being:

- (1) The maximum height is 13 metres;
- (2) The maximum density is 9 units."

Carried (5 – 2)

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Cabott, Curteanu, Roddick
and Stick
OPPOSED Councillors Boyd and Hartland

Recorded Vote

2019-21-10

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2019-18, a bylaw to amend the zoning at 1306 Centennial
Street in the Porter Creek neighbourhood to allow for the development
of an apartment building, having been read a first and second time, now
be given third reading as amended.

BYLAW 2019-18

ZONING AMENDMENT
1306 Centennial Street
THIRD READING

Carried (5 – 2)

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Cabott, Curteanu, Roddick
and Stick
OPPOSED Councillors Boyd and Hartland

Recorded Vote

2019-21-11

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2019-24, a bylaw to adopt a capital expenditure program
for 2020 to 2023, be given first reading.

BYLAW 2019-24

CAPITAL BUDGET
2010 TO 2023
FIRST READING

Carried Unanimously

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

ORIGINAL MINUTES SIGNED BY:

"Dan Curtis"

Dan Curtis, Mayor

"N. L. Felker"

Norma L. Felker, Assistant City Clerk

ADOPTED by resolution at Meeting #2019-22 dated November 25, 2019.