

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2020-05 of the council of the City of Whitehorse called for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 9, 2020, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

ABSENT: Councillor Samson Hartland

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Linda Rapp  
Director of Community and Recreation Services Jeff O'Farrell  
Director of Corporate Services Valerie Braga  
Director of Development Services Mike Gau  
Acting Director of Infrastructure and Operations Wayne Tuck  
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 spoke about the cancellation of the 2020 Arctic Winter Games as a consequence of the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). He stated that council is extremely proud of the entire community for coming together in advance of the Games, and expressed sympathy and support for the Whitehorse Host Society, the volunteers, athletes and their families, the coaches and officials, and the Whitehorse business community. He also stated that while council is disappointed and disheartened by the cancellation, they believe that it was the right thing to do in the best interest of the health and safety of everyone, locally, regionally and globally.

CANCELLATION OF THE  
ARCTIC WINTER GAMES  
For Information Only

**2020-05-01**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

**AGENDA**

Carried Unanimously

**2020-05-02**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting dated February 24,  
2020 be adopted as presented.

**MINUTES**

February 24, 2020

Carried Unanimously

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**City Operations Committee**

**2020-05-03**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT administration be authorized to award the contract for the supply of two compost/waste packers to Superior Truck Equipment Inc. in the amount of \$640,828.00, plus GST.

CONTRACT AWARD  
COMPOST/WASTE  
PACKERS

Carried Unanimously

**2020-05-04**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT administration be authorized to award the contract for the 2020 to 2025 Gatekeeping Operations at the Waste Management Facility to Gray Management Services for a net cost to the City of \$718,326.54 plus GST.

CONTRACT AWARD  
GATEKEEPING  
OPERATIONS

Carried Unanimously

**2020-05-05**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT administration be authorized to award the contract for the 2020 to 2025 Transfer Station Operations at the Waste Management Facility to General Waste Management for a net cost not to exceed \$933,253.17 plus GST.

CONTRACT AWARD  
TRANSFER STATION  
OPERATIONS

Carried Unanimously

In response to questions raised regarding blocked driveways, administration explained that the normal practice is to avoid creating large windrows in country residential areas, but the time pressure to clear all roads following the recent unusually large snowfall meant that the usual practice was not always possible. Residents are encouraged to call the snow line if additional snow clearing is required.

COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL  
SNOW REMOVAL  
For Information Only

**Community Services Committee**

**2020-05-06**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the Mayor be authorized to sign on behalf of the City of Whitehorse the gift agreement with Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities dated March 9, 2020, accepting the gift of a sponsored universally accessible playground, thereby authorizing the project to proceed.

JUMPSTART  
PLAYGROUND  
GIFT AGREEMENT

Carried Unanimously

The Mayor commended the performance of Team Yukon at the Special Olympics.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS  
For Information Only

**Public Health and Safety Committee**

There was no report from the Public Health and Safety Committee.

No Report

**Development Services Committee**

On September 23, 2019 Council passed a resolution declaring a Climate Emergency. The resolution required the City to complete the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' maturity scale assessments for adaptation and mitigation; and required administration to review the City's current mitigation and adaptation priorities and targets and report back to Council with a range of options for enhancing our adaptation and mitigation efforts.

Climate change efforts at the municipal level focus on mitigation and adaptation. Mitigation refers to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions that lead to climate change. Adaptation pertains to how a community plans for the effects of climate change. While the City has been active on both fronts, progress has largely correlated to whether dedicated staff capacity has been available. Some previous climate change work now needs updating, while other aspects need renewed political support and resources.

Administration is currently refining the corporate emissions inventory with the main purpose of reducing the City's energy use. While the inventory is not yet complete, it is clear that reducing energy use in City fleet and facilities is the most effective and feasible course of action for reducing corporate emissions. Energy reduction saves the City money, increases resilience in the face of fossil fuel uncertainties, and demonstrates corporate leadership.

Municipal adaptation is a broad topic that potentially touches all operational areas of the City. There is a strong focus on asset management as a foundational element to adaptation. The City's approach thus far has been to deal with operational challenges associated with changing weather patterns as needed.

The City has also made progress on some known hazards and adaptations associated with climate change, such as emergency preparedness and response plans, wildfire risk reduction, and local food and urban agriculture promotion.

CLIMATE CHANGE  
EMERGENCY REPORT  
For Information Only

**Corporate Services Committee**

**2020-05-07**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the 2020 to 2023 capital expenditure program be amended by increasing the 2020 project for the Puckett's Gulch Stairs Rehabilitation Project 240c01020 in the amount of \$150,000, funded by Gas Tax.

BUDGET AMENDMENT  
PUCKETT'S GULCH  
STAIRS PROJECT

Carried Unanimously

In response to a query from a Committee member, administration advised that the summaries on council attendance, expenses, travel and voting records for 2019 were included in the agenda package for the February 17<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee meeting. As part of the current website review, Administration will consider options to make the information more accessible.

COUNCIL SUMMARIES  
For Information Only

**City Planning Committee**

**2020-05-08**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT a housing development incentive agreement be approved with respect to an 87-unit rental housing development at 11 Tarahne Way in Whistle Bend; and

HOUSING  
DEVELOPMENT  
INCENTIVE

THAT an exemption from the City Grant Making Policy be approved for the proponent of this Housing Development Incentive Policy application.

11 Tarahne Way

Carried Unanimously

**2020-05-09**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2020-07, a bylaw to amend the zoning of a portion of Lot 1150, Plan 98-47 LTO and Block 284, Plan 66964 LTO to allow for boundary realignments with respect to the Second Haven Skateboard Park and the sanitary lift station, be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process; and

ACQUISITION OF THE  
SKATEBOARD PARK

THAT Administration be authorized to sign the Service Agreement between the Government of Yukon and the City of Whitehorse for construction and transfer of the new skateboard park in Riverdale; and

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**2020-05-09**

THAT Bylaw 2020-16, a bylaw to acquire a portion of the Riverdale Education Reserve from the Government of Yukon for the purpose of owning and operating a skateboard park, be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process; and

ACQUISITION OF THE  
SKATEBOARD PARK  
(Continued)

THAT second and third reading of Land Acquisition Bylaw 2020-16 be deferred to coincide with second and third reading of Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2020-07.

Carried Unanimously

**BYLAWS**

**2020-05-10**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2020-09, a bylaw to change the name of College Drive to University Drive, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

**BYLAW 2020-09**

NAMING UNIVERSITY  
DRIVE  
THIRD READING

Carried Unanimously

**2020-05-11**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2020-13, a bylaw to amend the 2019 Umbrella Capital Budget Amendment Bylaw, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

**BYLAW 2020-13**

2019 CAPITAL BUDGET  
AMENDMENT  
THIRD READING

Carried Unanimously

**2020-05-12**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2020-07, a bylaw to change the zoning of portions of Lot 1150 and Block 284 in the Riverdale area to allow for boundary realignments with respect to the Second Haven Skateboard Park and an existing sanitary lift station, be given first reading.

**BYLAW 2020-07**

ZONING AMENDMENT  
Skateboard Park  
FIRST READING

Carried Unanimously

**2020-05-13**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2020-16, a bylaw to authorize the acquisition of a parcel of land for the purpose of owning and operating a skateboard park, be given first reading.

**BYLAW 2020-16**

LAND ACQUISITION  
Skateboard Park  
FIRST READING

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Curtis advised that there would be no meeting next week since the second meeting cycle this month had previously been rescheduled in anticipation of council members being involved with the Arctic Winter Games. The next meeting will be a Standing Committee meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

MEETING POSTPONED  
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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 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 #2020-07 dated March 30, 2020