

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2018-02 of the council of the City of Whitehorse called for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, January 29, 2018, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Dan Curtis
Councillors Dan Boyd
Jocelyn Curteanu
Robert Fendrick
Samson Hartland
Betty Irwin
Roslyn Woodcock

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

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

CALL TO ORDER

2018-02-01

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as amended with the change being the
addition of a delegation from various women's groups speaking to the
Vehicle for Hire Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

AGENDA

2018-02-02

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting dated January 15,
2018 be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

MINUTES

January 15, 2018

DELEGATIONS

A representative from three women's groups advised Council that she
was present as an observer regarding proposed safety enhancements
to the Vehicle for Hire Bylaw.

WOMEN'S GROUPS
Vehicle for Hire Bylaw

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget Committee

Mayor Curtis presented the budget speech for the 2018 Operating and Maintenance Budget and the 2019 and 2020 provisional budgets.

OPERATING BUDGET

The 2018 operating budget totals \$77 million dollars and includes a residential tax increase of 2.3% for 2018.

BUDGET SPEECH

Corporate Services Committee

2018-02-03

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the City Seal be affixed to the 2017 Tax Lien Summary List to authenticate the list.

AUTHORIZE 2017 TAX
LIEN SUMMARY LIST

Carried Unanimously

The Yukon Property Assessment and Taxation Branch values all real property for taxation purposes and each year provides the City with a valuation of all property within municipal boundaries. The City then applies a tax rate to this value to determine the amount of property taxes owing.

The tax rate is established through the City's operating budget process in order to meet projected expenses. As assessments increase the City has traditionally rolled back mill rates to minimize the impact to property owners and prevent over-taxation.

PROPERTY
ASSESSMENTS
For Information Only

The 2018 assessments increased above those established in 2017. The average residential assessment increased by 6.30 percent, and the average non-residential assessment increased by 10.64 percent. This data will be factored into the proposed 2018 property tax rates that will form part of Council's operating budget deliberations.

2018-02-04

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT travel expenses be authorized for Mayor Curtis to attend the annual Arctic Inspiration Prize awards ceremony and other northern events to be held in Ottawa in late January.

AUTHORIZE MAYOR'S
TRAVEL EXPENSES
Arctic Inspiration Prize

Carried Unanimously

City Planning Committee

2018-02-05

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2017-33, a bylaw to amend the zoning of 6140 Sixth Avenue, be brought forward for second and third reading under the bylaw process; and

THAT Bylaw 2017-33 be amended at second reading to:

1. require that if five dwelling units are built on the lot, only a dwelling configuration of five single-detached units is permitted; and
2. delete the reference to Class 1 bicycle parking not being required.

BRING FORWARD AND
AMEND BYLAW 2017-33

2018-02-06

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the motion be amended by adding an additional clause that reads, "THAT the \$1,500.00 zoning application fee be granted back to the Blood Ties Four Directions Centre Society."

Amendment

Carried Unanimously

The main motion as amended was voted on and Carried Unanimously.

Vote on Main Motion

2018-02-07

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-06, a bylaw to amend the Subdivision Control Bylaw with respect to First Nation Settlement Lands, be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process.

BRING FORWARD
AMENDMENT TO
SUBDIVISION CONTROL
BYLAW

Carried Unanimously

City Operations Committee

2018-02-08

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the construction contract for the Wilson and Thompson Sanitary Sewer Repair project be awarded to Norcope Enterprises for a net cost to the City of \$190,924.50.

CONTRACT AWARD
Construction Contract
Wilson-Thompson
Sewer Repair Project

Carried Unanimously

Community Services Committee

Representatives from the Yukon Anti-Poverty Coalition addressed the Committee to reaffirm their desire to improve access to public transit, regardless of income or mobility issues. The Coalition's key recommendation for public transit is that the City review the gaps and ensure safe access for all citizens. They noted that the living wage calculation includes consideration of public transit, but access to transit is out of reach for a segment of the population. It was also noted that service on Sundays is needed.

ACCESS TO TRANSIT
For Information Only

A delegation from the Yukon College Student Union spoke in support of the Yukon Anti-Poverty Coalition's presentation, stressing that a Sunday service is needed as well as late night service on Saturdays. They noted that the cost of transit poses challenges for students and low income residents, and there is a growing need for affordable transit.

Public Health and Safety Committee

2018-02-09

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT administration is hereby directed to engage stakeholders, industry, and other levels of government in a review of the Vehicle for Hire Bylaw and the recommendations brought forward from the community; and

PROCEED WITH REVIEW
OF VEHICLE FOR HIRE
BYLAW – SAFETY
ENHANCEMENTS

THAT amendments to the current Vehicle for Hire Bylaw be drafted to address the safety concerns that have been raised.

Carried Unanimously

Development Services Committee

There was no report from the Development Services Committee.

No Report

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2018-02-10

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT administration is hereby directed to collaborate with Yukon Government and Yukonstruct Makerspace Society to prepare a Challenge Statement for the Smart Cities Challenge.

PREPARE CHALLENGE
STATEMENT FOR SMART
CITIES CHALLENGE

Carried Unanimously

BYLAWS

2018-02-11

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-01, a bylaw to provide for the use of an automated
vote counting system for the municipal election, having been read a
first and second time, now be given third reading.

BYLAW 2018-01

AUTOMATED VOTE
COUNTING SYSTEM

THIRD READING

The *Municipal Act* requires that approval of the Minister be obtained for
any bylaw that proposes taking the votes of electors by means of an
automated vote counting system.

Although the *Act* requires Ministerial approval for such bylaws, it does
not specifically require a bylaw for each election. The Minister has
therefore requested that this bylaw be amended to provide for the use
of an automated vote counting system for future elections and by-
elections as well as for the 2018 election.

Explanation

In the event that the City chooses to use a different system in the
future, a bylaw subject to ministerial approval would be required to
authorize the use of that different system.

2018-02-12

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-01 be amended as follows in order to provide for the
use of an automated vote counting system for the 2018 municipal
election and future elections and by-elections:

1. Amend the preamble sentence to read, "A bylaw to provide for
the use of an automated vote counting system for municipal
elections in the City of Whitehorse."
2. Amend section 3 to read, "Except as otherwise provided in this
bylaw, municipal elections in the City of Whitehorse shall be
conducted in accordance with the provisions of Part 3 of the
Municipal Act."
3. Amend section 4 to read, "Notwithstanding section 3 of this
bylaw, in accordance with sections 53, 56 and 63 of the
Municipal Act, the City will in each election year bring forward an
election procedures bylaw to otherwise regulate the conduct of
the municipal election. Procedures and precautions to ensure
that each elector votes only once in the election shall be included
in the election procedures bylaw."

Amendment

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2018-02-12 (Continued)

4. Amend section 5 to read, “The City will use a poll-based ballot scanning and tabulation system for the 2018 municipal election and for future municipal elections and by-elections.”
5. Amend section 16 to read, “A sample of a standard ballot form is attached hereto as Appendix “A” and forms part of this bylaw. A ballot similar to this sample will be customized to meet the needs of each election or by-election in the City of Whitehorse.”
6. Amend section 18 to read, “Due to the time constraints imposed by the *Municipal Act*, special ballots for municipal elections may need to be traditional paper ballots. In the event that traditional paper ballots are used for a special ballot poll, that poll will not be subject to the ballot handling provisions of this bylaw.”

Amendment
(Continued)

Carried Unanimously

The main motion as amended was voted on and Carried Unanimously.

Vote on Main Motion

2018-02-13

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-02, a bylaw to authorize the allocation of various grants for the year 2017, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2018-02
2017 UMBRELLA
GRANTS BYLAW
THIRD READING

2018-02-14

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-03, a bylaw to amend the 2017 to 2020 capital budget to authorize expenditures that vary from the approved capital expenditure program, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2018-03
2017 UMBRELLA
CAPITAL BUDGET
AMENDMENTS
THIRD READING

2018-02-15

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-04, a bylaw to amend the 2017 to 2019 operating and maintenance budget to authorize expenditures that vary from the approved operating expenditure program, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2018-04
2017 UMBRELLA
OPERATING BUDGET
AMENDMENTS
THIRD READING

2018-02-16

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2017-33, a bylaw to amend the zoning at 6140 Sixth Avenue to allow for a tiny house development, be given second reading.

BYLAW 2017-33
ZONING AMENDMENT
Tiny House Development
SECOND READING

2018-02-17

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT section 1 of Bylaw 2017-33 be amended to read as follows:
“Section 9.11 of Zoning Bylaw 2012-10 is hereby amended by adding a new subsection 9.11.7 “Special Restrictions” as follows:

“9.11.7 Special Restrictions

- a) Lot 1, Block 59, Plan 17459 LTO, located at 6140 Sixth Avenue is designated RDx(a) with the special modifications being:
 - 1. the maximum number of dwelling units on the lot is five, and
 - 2. if five dwelling units are built on the lot, only a dwelling configuration of five single-detached units is permitted.”

Amendment

Carried Unanimously

The main motion as amended was voted on and Carried Unanimously.

Vote on Main Motion

2018-02-18

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2017-33, a bylaw to amend the zoning at 6140 Sixth Avenue to allow for a tiny house development, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading as amended.

BYLAW 2017-33
ZONING AMENDMENT
Tiny House Development
THIRD READING

Carried Unanimously

2018-02-19

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-06, a bylaw to amend the Subdivision Control Bylaw with respect to First Nation Settlement Lands, be given first reading.

BYLAW 2018-06
AMEND SUBDIVISION
CONTROL BYLAW
FIRST READING

Carried Unanimously

2018-02-20

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-06 be given second reading.

SECOND READING

Carried Unanimously

2018-02-21

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-07, a bylaw to adopt the 2018 annual operating
and maintenance budget and the provisional budgets for 2019 and
2020, be given first reading.

Carried (5 – 2)

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Curteanu, Fendrick, Irwin
and Woodcock
OPPOSED Councillors Boyd and Hartland

BYLAW 2018-07

OPERATING BUDGET
2018 TO 2020

FIRST READING

Recorded Vote

2018-02-22

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-08, a bylaw to levy taxes for the year 2018, be
given first reading.

Carried (5 – 2)

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Curteanu, Fendrick, Irwin
and Woodcock
OPPOSED Councillors Boyd and Hartland

BYLAW 2018-08

TAX LEVY FOR 2018

FIRST READING

Recorded Vote

2018-02-23

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2018-09, a bylaw to amend the Fees and Charges
bylaw in accordance with the operating and maintenance budget, be
given first reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2018-09

FEES & CHARGES
AMENDMENT (Budget)

FIRST READING

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 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 #2018-03 dated February 12, 2018